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A Brief Report on Resource Talk

The Origin of Tibetan Civilization in Ancient Tibetan History



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“The Origin of Tibetan Civilization in Ancient Tibetan History”
on 20th October, 2020 (02:00 to 03:00pm)

Speaker: Prof. Jampa Samten (Tibetan Historian)

Programme Organizer: Mr. Tenzin Namgang

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Generally, when we are dealing with the history of any nation or country. First thing spontaneously comes in our mind is that, what is the origin of that specific countries people and its civilization. Without accumulating the knowledge in these topics. Our knowledge is like a bird with a broken wing. Therefore, almost every country is investing millions of dollars in archaeology survey to understand their origin precisely.

Tibet is great country with a great history. When she was in her greatest extent, her legacy was singing in every neighbouring counties, from east Chinese Tang empire to west Abbasid Caliphate and south India to north Mongol Khanate. She was most dominating and powerful

country at that time. The great silk rout was under her control for a long period. She was strong in both military and economically. Her people are brave and religious.

Such a great empire has not built in sudden. It needs a brave people with highly intelligent mind and these people originate from Tibet itself and civilized. But many Chinese biased scholars misleading the world that the Tibetan people originate from China and falsely propagating the Tibetan civilization came after Chinese civilization. But it is already proven by many artefacts and fossils found from different sights in Tibet, which is dated earlier than Chinese yellow river civilization.

Unfortunately, today, due to Chinese illegal military occupation in Tibet. Baseless claiming over Tibet and manipulating innocent young generation of Tibet to favour over China. China is controlling these sights and not letting Tibetan people to archaeological survey in Tibet.

Hence, assuming the present critical situation of Tibet and its flourishing new generation have to know their past and origin. It is very important to know the origin of Tibetan people and civilization. Moreover, in Tibetan community this topic is given minor significant. There are hardly one or two talks are available by great scholar Namkhe Norbu with short clip. Therefore, I am keen interest in young Tibetan students to boost their knowledge on their origin and those who were misled by Chinese false propaganda.

In this regard **Centre for Teacher Education** under the **SoE Scheme of PMMMNMSTT**, **Ministry of Education, Government of India**, organised a one-day webinar and resource talk on the topic **The Origin of Tibetan Civilization in Ancient Tibetan History** on 20th October, 2020.

In the rising wave of COVID19 pandemic, the resource talk took place on virtual platform via facebook live from our institute facebook page (Central Institute of Higher Tibetan Studies), which was assisted by multimedia and computer section of CHITS. The speaker of this resource talk was, renown scholar, Tibetan and Himalayan historian, **Professor Jampa Samten, Faculty of Tibetan History, Central Institute of Higher Tibetan Studies**. **Mr. Tenzin Namgang**, the organizer of the resource talk introduced to all the attendee about the aims and objectives of the lecture.

The resource person, Professor Jampa Samten, enlightened on said topic. He talks about the importance of Tibetan people and their civilization. He clarifies many doubts regarding Tibetan civilization and origin of it, which is even earlier than Chinese civilization, based on the outcomes of collaborate work of Tibetan and American archaeologist and ancient Tibetan texts, by critically analyzation.



In a nutshell, it was stupendous talk with a full of new information and ideas, which help us to look Tibetan civilization from different dimension. It was extremely overwhelming for me and may be many viewers from every nook and cranny of the world. As the programme was on open platform (facebook live), 2,000 people joined at a time and till now it was viewed by the people more than 43,000, almost fifty thousand, which itself is a record as highest viewed in entire history of our institute's facebook page. Moreover, there are many positive comments and suggestion from various scholars to the organizers to conduct this kind of talk in future as well.

(This report is prepared by Mr. Tenzin Namgang, Assistant Professor, Tibetan History, CTE, CIHTS)