



VAJRAYANA FOUNDATION

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*Translation of a letter from Dudjom Yangsi Rinpoche*

This letter is respectfully addressed to all my vajra brothers and sisters who share the same faith and samaya and whom I have been connected with for many lifetimes, and especially to all the lamas and students gathered at Pema Osel Ling.

As you all know, this year is a special holy time of Maha Guru Rinpoche. In the king of years, the monkey year, in the king of months, the monkey month, on the tenth day, a HRI syllable, the compassionate blessings and three secrets of Buddha Amitabha, radiated out from the western pure land of Dewa Chen to Sindhu Lotus Lake, and from that Guru Rinpoche magically took birth in the heart of a lotus flower in order to be the lord of refuge for sentient beings in this degenerate age. Right now is a special holiday commemorating that event. It is also a holiday celebrating the blossoming of the marks and signs of Buddhahood of the Maha Guru's sublime regent, His Holiness Dudjom Jigdral Yeshe Dorje, as well as the anniversary of the birth in Tibet of Buddha Vajradhara, His Holiness Chadrak Rinpoche, who was for me the most precious embodiment of all the Buddhas.

Since these holidays all fall together, if, with intense faith and devotion, we recall the life stories of the previous sublime masters and exert ourselves in virtuous activities such as prayer, offering, praise, and ganachakra offering, we will receive incredible blessings just as it is said in Guru Rinpoche's biographies such as the Tang Yik Chenmo:

Work in a pure way to make offerings to the lama.  
By delighting them you will accomplish  
Supreme Omniscient Wisdom.

In the Lama Sangdu, a terma treasure revelation from Guru Chowang, it says:

On the tenth day of the powerful monkey month,  
And on the tenth day of every month,  
My emanations will spread throughout the world.  
I will bestow supreme and common siddhis.  
If you spend your life accomplishing the lama,  
When the time comes for your life to end  
You will dissolve into the heart of me, Orgyen Padmasambhava.

Also,

By meditating on me you will accomplish all Buddhas.  
I am the embodiment of all Sugatas.

Thus, since Guru Rinpoche has promised to actually come on the tenth day of the waxing moon, and since he said, "For whomever has faith in me, I, Padmasambhava, have not gone anywhere; I sleep at their door," those of us who desire Buddhahood should not miss the precious opportunity of this special holy time, and exert ourselves in doing all kinds of practices such as ganachakra offering and Guru Yoga to gather the accumulations and purify obscurations. Please try at least a little bit to benefit yourselves and others by practicing virtue with the skillful method of doing the complete beginning, main part, and concluding dedication.

On the Dakini Day of the second Saga Dawa of the Fire Monkey year, I, Sangye Pema Zhepa, the one who holds the name of Dudjom Tulku, wrote this reminder about how the tenth day of the month is a holiday celebrating the birth of the Maha Guru, in order to fulfill Lama Sonam's wishes.