



DE-SUUNG ZHABTOG

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The 57th batch of the Accelerated De-suung Training Program



The 57th batch of the Accelerated De-suung Training Program began on April 16th, 2023. The training is being conducted simultaneously in Wing I (Tendruk), Wing V (Tashichholing), Wing X (Deothang), RBPTI (Jigmeling), and SRPF, Tashigatshel. The three-week training program will conclude on May 7th, 2023.



DID YOU KNOW?

215 Desuups recently attended a briefing session at the Desuung Club house to prepare for their upcoming deployment in their respective areas.

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ABOUT THE GUARDIANS

On February 14, 2011, the De-suung Integrated Training Programme began in Tencholing, Wangdue Phodrang. De-suung, which means "Guardians of Peace," is a Royal Initiative of His Majesty The King.

His Majesty The King Commanded the establishment of De-suung in response to an overwhelming supplication from the youth for an opportunity to offer their voluntary service to the nation. Thus, De-suung was created as an avenue enabling those who wanted to volunteer their time and energy in service of the nation and people.

The Training Programme's foundation is based on the spirit of volunteerism and the positive influence of community service, integrity, and civic duty ethics and values.

De-suungs actively volunteer during disasters, participate in social service activities, and offer service to others throughout their lives. In other words, as lifelong members of the De-suung Organization, trainees progressively improve their ability to bear their daily duties and responsibilities.

• Batches Trained

55

• Female Trained

14,625

• Male Trained

21,509

• Total Trained

36,134

THE DE-SUUNG FIRE SERVICE PROGRAM



The De-suung Fire Service program includes a comprehensive search and rescue system designed to help in emergencies. The program offers various systems for different situations, including rapeling systems to go down at victim evacuation areas, lowering systems to search for missing persons, hauling systems to recover bodies, and traverse lines to cross rivers.

Lungtenzampa Beautification



20 De-suups have been deployed to Lungtenzampa to work on landscape beautification. The beautification work includes planting different species of flowers and plants that can withstand temperate altitudes and extreme weather conditions. Additionally, a fish pond will be constructed to add more versatility to the beauty of the Lungtenzampa area. The energetic 20 De-suups are expected to complete the work within a month.



NYAMRO CHRONICLES



During the outbreak of the pandemic and the closure of the borders, as a De-Suup, I have had the privilege of serving the Tsa-Wa-Sum, especially during difficult times. Being a De-Suup has made me a responsible citizen, where I did not only work for myself or my family, but also for my nation to become a better place to live in.

Through De-Suung, I have had the opportunity to work in various positions, and I currently serve as a Dzongkhag Coordinator (DC). This position comes with a huge responsibility on my shoulders. I have faced many challenges, but I am happy that I have done my best to overcome them.

I would like to encourage our young Nyamros to serve with full dedication and integrity if they ever get the opportunity.

Lastly, I am proud and very fortunate to be one of the members of De-Suung (Guardians of Peace). I would like to extend my heartfelt gratitude to His Majesty the King for his noble initiative and for allowing us to serve the Tsa-Wa-Sum.

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ZHABTOG AT TALAKHA GOENPA



On April 23rd, a group of 35 Desuups volunteered for Zhabtog at Talakha Goempa. The volunteers' work was to carry wood blocks, wooden frames, and logs to construct a one-story meditation hut for seekers and spiritual people. It took the whole day to shift the wooden materials to Talakha Goenpa from the actual woodwork site in the jungle. The temple-monastery is located around an hour's drive from Simthokha.

Talakha Goenba is an ancient temple-monastery that was built in the 15th century or earlier. It is also known as Tashi Drukgyal Goenba. This place is famous for those who want to seek truth and liberate their mind. They make an extraordinary journey towards the meditation hut in Talakha Goenpa.



THE NATIONAL COUNCIL ELECTION



The National Council elections were held in 20 dzongkhags on 20th April 2023. The De-suung fraternity would like to congratulate all the NC elects for their success in the 2023 National Council election.

The Desuups deployed in polling stations in the 20 dzongkhags are as follows:

1. Tsirang:

- * 28 Desuups deployed with RBP
- * 29 Desuups deployed with RBA
- * Total Desuups deployed: 57

2. Haa:

- * Total Desuups deployed: 37

3. Bumthang:

- * 18 Desuups deployed with RBP & RBA
- * 14 female & 4 male

4. Samdrupdzongkhar:

- * 46 Desuups deployed with RBA (Male - 23 and Female - 23)
- * 60 Desuups deployed With RBP (Male - 30 and Female - 30)

5. Paro:

- * 20 Desuups deployed with RBA (Male - 11 and Female - 9)
- * 9 Desuups deployed with RBP (Female - 9)
- * Total Desuups deployed: 29

6. Punakha:

- * 14 female Desuup deployed with RBA
- * 26 Desuups deployed with RBP (18 female and 8 male)
- * Total Desuups deployed: 40

7. Samtse:

- * 80 Desuups deployed with RBA (Male - 40 and Female - 40)

8. Pemagatsel:

- * 29 female Desuups deployed with RBA
- * 46 Desuups deployed with RBP (Male - 23 and Female - 23)
- * Total Desuups deployed: 75

9. Gasa:

- * 15 Desuups deployed with RBA and RBP

10. Lhuentse:

- * 8 Desuups deployed with RBA
- * 44 Desuups deployed with RBP
- * Total Desuups Deployed : 52





11. Wangdue:

- * 43 Desuups deployed with RBA
- * 7 Desuups deployed with RBP
- * Total Desuups deployed: 50

12. Punakha:

- * Total Desuups deployed: 40
- * With RBA: 14 female Desuups
- * With RBP: 18 female and 8 male Desuups

13. Dagana:

- * With RBA: 39 female and 35 male
- * With RBP: 7 female and 7 male
- * Total Desuups deployed: 88

14. Trashigang:

- * Total polling stations: 71
- * With RBA: 59 female
- * With RBP: 4 female
- * Total Desuups deployed: 63 female

15. Zhemgang:

- * Total Desuups deployed: 60
- * Lower Kheng: 20 Desuups with RBA
- * Upper Kheng: 40 Desuups with RBA

16. Trashiyantse:

- * 62 Desuups were deployed with RBA and RBP

18) Chhukha

- * 22 Desuups deployed with RBA and RBP

19) Sarpang

- * 86 Desuups were deployed with RBA and RBP

20) Thimphu

- * 44 Desuups were deployed with RBA and RBP.

