

CURRICULUM VITAE

Ani Yeshe Choden is the Uzin or head of the nunnery of Karma Drubdey Pelmo Chhoki Dhingkhag in Kuenga Rabten, Trongsa. She was born in 1958 to father Dorji and mother Tshering at Rephel village, Drakteng Gewog in Trongsa. Since her early age she was naturally very devoted to Buddhism and lamas. However, it took sometime for her to get her parents' permission to pursue religion. At the age of 18 she was ordained as a nun by Khenchen Tshuthrim Gyamtsho and entered the nunnery. She studied under her teacher late Jam Lhamo from alphabet to various rituals of Karma Kagyue tradition. She received the vow of Rabjung and teachings of Chhagchhen and Tsasum Nyendrup from Lama, Khenchhen Tshukthrim Gyamtsho. In the nunnery she served as Nyerpa, Kudrung and Umze. She was unanimously appointed as the Uzin or head of the nunnery when the former Uzin late Jamyang Lhamo was too old to bear the responsibility. Since then she has been serving the nunnery wholeheartedly.