

To All Students of the Supreme Kyabje Khenchen Vajradhara Tsültrim Gyamtso Rinpoche and All Who Have Faith in Him,

With immense, unbearable sadness, we announce that the peerless clarifier of the teachings of the Takpo Kagyü, the one who is a source of kindness to all of us, the glorious, genuine guru, the supreme Kyabje Khenchen Vajradhara Tsültrim Gyamtso Rinpoche, at 6:10pm on the fifteenth day on the fifth Tibetan month (Zamling Chisang, Universal Prayer Day), June 22, 2024, dissolved his wisdom intent into the dharmadhātu, the merit of us followers of his being able to support his physical presence no longer.

Upon his passing, the lord guru displayed clear indications that his enlightened mind, allpervasive within the expansive ground of dharmadhātu, had merged with luminosity in the manner of mother and child reuniting: his face exuded a vivid radiance, and warmth remained unwaning in the area of his heart.

The refuge and protector of all beings including gods, the crown jewel of the teachings of the Kagyü, the great, glorious 17th Gyalwang Karmapa, was informed of Khenpo Rinpoche's passing by us immediately. Within the vision of his unflagging enlightened love, His Holiness gave the command that Khenpo Rinpoche's sacred physical remains must be left in solitude, without any disturbances and obstacles that could be caused by the stirrings of others, until his state of tukdam had been dissolved. Receiving this command on the crowns of our heads, we have thus refrained from making any broad announcements until now.

Please know that all of the details with regard to the coming observances, prayers, offerings, and so forth, in honor of the lord guru Khenpo Rinpoche, will be carried out in precise accordance with the wishes and commands of His Holiness the Great 17th Gyalwang Karmapa.

Ösal Karma Tek Chok Ling Nunner June 26, 2024