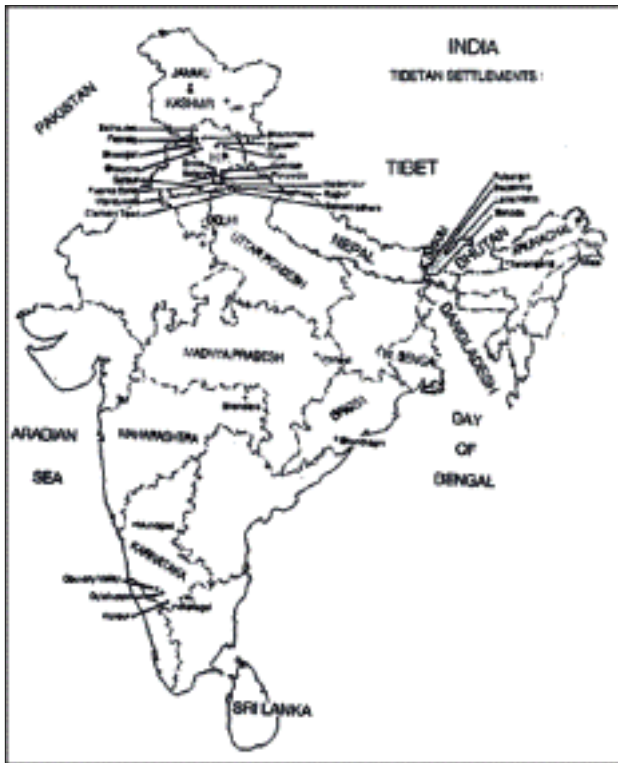


THE GOVERNMENT OF TIBET IN EXILE

Tibet in Exile at a Glance



POPULATION	Total: 131,000. India 100,000; Nepal 25,000; Bhutan 2,000; Switzerland 2,000; Canada 600; United States 1500.
GOVERNMENT	Democratic. Popular & electoral college voting systems
HEAD OF STATE	His Holiness the Dalai Lama
CABINET MINISTRIES	Education, Finance, Health, Home Affairs, Information & International Relations, Religion & Culture and Security
INDEPENDENT COMMISSIONS	Tibetan Supreme Justice Commission, Tibetan Central Election Commission, Public Service Commission, Audit Commission
ELECTION SCHEDULE	Assembly & Cabinet elections every 5 years

SEAT OF GOVERNMENT	Dharamsala, northern India
INT'L GOVT. OFFICES	Budapest, Canberra, Paris, Geneva, Kathmandu, London, Moscow, New Delhi, New York, Tokyo, Zurich,
GOV'T PUBLICATIONS	Sheja (ribetan), Tibetan Bulletin, News Tibet (English), Tibbat Bulletin (Hindi), Actualites Tibetaines (French)
INDEPENDENT PUBLICATIONS:	Mangtso, Da-sar, Da-sa Phongya, Rangzen (Tibetan): Xizang Luntan (Chinese), Tibetan Review, Rangren (English)
LITERACY	Estimated at 60%
MILITARY & POLICE:	None
GOVERNMENT INCOME	Annual voluntary tax, business revenue, donations
NATIONAL FLAG	A mountain with snow lions & red and blue rays over sun
NATIONAL HOLIDAYS	Maach 10 - Uprising day; July 6 - Birthday of the Dalai Lama; Sept 2 - Democracy Day; New Year (date changes)
MAJOR INSTITUTIONS	Institute of Performing Arts, Library, School of Dialectics, Medical Institute, Institute of Higher Tibetan Studies
TIBETAN NGOs	Women's Organization, Youth Congress, Amnye Machen
LANGUAGE	Tibetan. The host country's language is also spoken
RELIGION	Tibetan Buddhism
ECONOMY	Agriculture, agro-industrial, handicrafts, small business, carpet weaving
LEGAL STATUS	Stateless. A small percentage of Tibetans bear foreign passports. Most hold Indian registration certificates

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