



Maitreya's Aspiration from the Words of the Buddha



gyagar ké du arya maitri pranidhana radza In the language of India: *ārya-maitrī-praṇidhānarāja*



böké du pakpa jampé mönlam gyi gyalpo In the language of Tibet: *pakpa champé mönlam gyi gyalpo*

In the English language: *The Noble Maitreya's King of Aspirations*





sangye dang changchup sempa tamché la chaktsel lo Homage to all buddhas and bodhisattvas!



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 \bar{A} nanda, in the past, when the bodhisattva mahāsattva Maitreya was engaged in the bodhisattva practices, he would drape his upper robes over one shoulder, bend his right knee to the ground, and join his palms together, three times a day and three times a night. He would then concentrate on all the buddhas and make the following aspiration:¹

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sangyé kün la chaktsel lo Homage to all buddhas!

<u>ક્રન્સેન્</u>સુઓગાસ્વાપાઓ

drangsong lha mik denpa yi Homage to the bodhisattvas

1In this paragraph the Buddha Śākyamuni addresses his foremost disciple Ānanda, and recounts the following aspiration made by the Buddha Maitreya, when he was on the bodhisattva path.

2 - Maitreya's Aspiration



<u>อ</u>ร:ฮุจ:พ่ลพ:รุมุณ:สุลพ:รุร:พร]

jangchup sempa nam dang yang who possess the divine vision of seers,

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nyentö nam la chaktsel lo and homage to the hearers as well.

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ngendro lé ni dok gyi ching Homage to bodhicitta, the heart of awakening,

ผฮ์ ริงามสาส์ ราว ผู้สาม

tori lam ni rap tön la that keeps the lower realms at bay,



gashi mepar dren gyipa that shows us the way to the higher realms,

jangchup sem la chaktsel lo and leads us to a state beyond aging and death.



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sem kyi wang du gyurpé na I go before the awakened ones

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dak gi dikpa chigyi pa to confess any and all misdeeds

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sangyé chen ngar chi né su that I may have committed

नन्गामेशन्देन्गान्म्यग्रास्य न्यु

dak gi dedak shakpar gyi while under the sway of mind.

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ganglé nampa sum gang gi May all merit accrued

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sönam tsok ni kyepa dé through the three kinds of actions



नन्गामांग्रावायखेवार्यानेवाने।

dak gi künkhyen sabön té become a seed for my omniscience

नन्गामा मुन्द्र क्र न के बन में ग

dak gi jangchup mizé shok and inexhaustible awakening.



chok chu dak gi zhingkham su The buddhas are aware and rejoice in any offering

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sangyé chöpa gang jungwa made to the awakened ones

sangyé khyenpé yirangwa throughout the buddhafields of the ten directions,

dé la dak ni yi rang ngo and so do I too rejoice.





dikpa tamché shakpar gyi I hereby confess all negative actions.



sönam kün la yi rang ngo I hereby rejoice in everything meritorious.



sangyé kün la chaktsel la I hereby pay homage to all buddhas.

ุ่าวุ่าาสัวพ่าคุ่งางธุนา สุนา

dak ni yeshé chok top shok May I attain the supreme wisdom state.



chok chu dak gi chok nam na I exhort each and every bodhisattva

<u>ঝ'নস্তু'ব শ' ম' শার্ ঝ' ম' শি</u>

sa chu dak la nepa yi dwelling in the ten directions



jangchup sempa jangchup chok and upon the ten bodhisattva levels

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tsang gya gyipar külma dep to awaken now to supreme enlightenment.



jangchup dampar sangyé shing And, as they awaken to sublime enlightenment,

dé dang chepé dü tül né may they turn the wheel of Dharma



sokchak kün la men ledu so as to tame the demons and all their hordes,



chö kyi khorlo kor gyur chik and bring benefit to every living being.

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chö nga chenpö dra yi ni May the beat of the great drum of Dharma



dukngel semchen tar gyi shok free beings from their suffering.

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kelpa jewa samyé su For unimaginable billions of eons,

<u>র্কিম'র্ম্ল</u>ির'ঝর্<u>র্</u>র'উন'নর্শাম'য়ুন'উশ

chö tön dzé ching zhuk gyur chik may the awakened ones teach Dharma and remain.

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döpé dam du jing gyur ching I beg you, best of humans,



sepé sebü dam chingpa look upon us drowning in the mud of desires,



chingwa kün gyi ching dak la bound by the ropes of craving,

मन्यादेशयकेंगा स्वय्याया वियाया खुयार्थया

kang nyi chok nam zik su söl and in other ways absolutely trapped.

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sem kyi drimar gyurpa la May the buddhas not level criticism

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sangyé nam ni mö mi dzé against those of impure minds.

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semchen nam la jam tukden Instead, may they give love to beings

sipé tso lé drölwar shok and free them from the ocean of existence!

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dzokpé sangyé gang zhuk dang May I train in the likeness

ฑรรฑาวรุฬารรพาษัสาม

gangdak dé dang majönpa of the perfectly awakened buddhas

dedak jesu dak lop ching of the present, past, and future,



jangchup chepa chö gyur chik and uphold the bodhisattva conduct.



paröl chin druk dzok gyi né May I bring to completion the six perfections



dro druk semchen tar gyi shok and lead, to the end, the six classes of beings.



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ngönshé drukpo ngön gyi né May I manifest at last the six super-knowledges



lamé jangchup rek gyur chik and reach the unsurpassed state of awakening.



makyepa dang minjung dang May I realize the truth of emptiness

rangzhin ma chi né ma chi in which all is birthless and non-arising,

สุลาริขาลาลธิจารรัฐาลาลธิจ

namrik ma chi ngö ma chi without intrinsic nature, without location,

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tongpé chö ni tokpar shok with neither mental process nor substance.



<u>ঝনঝ'</u>ক্রুঝ'হ্রন'র্শ্রুন'র্টর'র্ম'ণ্লুম্

sangyé drangsong chenpo tar Just like the great sage, the Buddha himself,

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semchen ma chi sok ma chi may I realize the truth of selflessness

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gangzak ma chi so ma chi in which beings do not exist, nor any living things,

ุ่าวุ่มาผาผลิพานนิวัลพารักาาจุ์ท

dak machipé chö tok shok nor an individual, nor any kind of person.

नन्गायहेंत्रानन्गागेन्यहेंत्रायाधी

dakdzin dakgir dzinpa yi May I practice generosity free from stinginess

รรัพนับทุสามาลิทาสุพานา

ngöpo kün la mi nepar

without entertaining any notion of substantiality,



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semchen kün la pen ledu nor any belief in the self nor egoistical clinging,



serna ma chi jin tong shok so that the benefit may reach all beings.

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ngöpo ngöpor machipé Since material things do not exist concretely,

dak gi longchö lhündrup shok may all my needs be spontaneously met.



ngöpo tamché nam jikpé Since all material things are subject to decay,

jinpé paröl chin dzok shok may I master the perfection of generosity.



trim kyi tsültrim kyönmé ching With discipline completely flawless,



tsültrim nampar dak dang den discipline that is perfectly pure,

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lomsem mepé tsültrim kyi and discipline devoid of arrogance,

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tsültrim paröl chin dzok shok may I master the perfection of discipline.



sam yangna chuam mé With absence of anger—in other words, with patience,

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lung gi kham tar mi né shing

akin to how the earth, water, and fire elements,



าลัรนุณฑัฐ์ จาลาลธิลานุรุ

zöpam trowa machipar and the wind element as well, dwell not anywhere,

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zöpé paröl chin dzok shok may I complete the perfection of patience.

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tsöndrü tsampé tsöndrü kyi With persistent application of diligence

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ten tro lelo ma chi shing may I be ever joyful and free from laziness,



top dang denpé lü sem kyi and with strength in both body and mind

tsöndrü paröl chin dzok shok may I complete the perfection of diligence.

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gyuma tabü tingdzin dang With illusion-like meditative concentration,



pawar drowé tingdzin dang and bravery-inspiring meditative concentration,



dorjé tabü tingdzin gyi and vajra-like meditative concentration,



samten paröl chin dzok shok may I master the perfection of meditation.



nampar tarpé go sum dang Acting with the three gates of liberation,



dü sum nyampa nyi dang yang with the equality of the three times,



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rik sam ngönsum gyipa yi and the threefold knowledge,

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sherap paröl chin dzok shok may I master the perfection of wisdom.



sangyé kün gyi ngakpa dang May I be praised by all buddhas

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ö dang ziji barwa dang as I beam with light and splendor,



jangchup sempé tsöndrü kyi and with the diligence of a bodhisattva

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dak gi sampa dzok gyur chik may all my aims be accomplished.





detar chepa chö jé ching As I engage in this very conduct,



jampa drak dang denpa yi may I, the one known as Maitreya,

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paröl chin druk dzok gyi né bring to completion the six perfections



sa chupo la raptu né and reach the ten bodhisattva levels.

Additionally:²

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di né shi pö gyur ma tak At the very moment I pass away,

2The following is an additionally verse commonly added to the end of Maitreya's aspiration.



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ganden kyé né yiga bar may I joyfully take rebirth in Tuşita Heaven

nyurdu jam gön nyé jé né and, swiftly delighting the Lord Maitreya,

jangchup lungten toppar shok receive his prophecy of my awakening.

Lhasey Lotsawa Translations (trans. Lowell Cook, ed. Libby Hogg), 2020.