ENRICO DELL'ANGELO FUND

SECOND YEAR'S SEMESTER REPORT
(September 2019 – April 2020)

Born with the aim of supporting an increasing number of promising people committed to improving the overall quality of life in the Himalayan areas, as well as to preserving and spreading the culture and traditions of these countries around the world, the Enrico Dell'Angelo Fund continues to support young students who are dedicating their studies to safeguarding these ancient and precious cultures. Thanks to approximately **80 donors** (20 more than 6 months ago), between individuals and entities / associations, and a total collection of approximately **45.000 €** (€ 15,000 more than 6 months ago), in the first 18 months this Fund has given ASIA the possibility to donate a total of **7 complete scholarships** (2 more in the last 6 months) for as many students. Here are the details of the selected students and their studies:

Name	**ID CODE**	**F/M**	**Country**	**Degree Course**	**Duration** (years/monthsi)	**Status**
Yeshi	EDA001	F	Nepal	Translation buddhist texts (preparatory year)	1 year	Ended
Tsomo	EDA002	F	China	Tibetan medicine and prevention MA)	3 years	Active
Tenzin	EDA003	F	India	Computer Science (BA)	3 years	Active
Tashi	EDA004	F	China	Tibetan technology (BA)	3 years	Active
Nyima	EDA005	M	China	Animation (specialization course)	8 month	Ended
Chonyi	EDA006	M	India	Tibetan Medicine (BA)	5 years	Active
Dala	EDA007	M	China	Research (PhD)	10 months	Active

As already anticipated in the previous report, one of our most ambitious goals was to be able to send the best students, in particular those who want to deepen more delicate topics, not adequately present in their countries of origin, even in **western institutions**. We are therefore pleased to inform you that we are currently completing the selection for the first **Bhutanese student** of the Fund who will attend the Master of Cultural Heritage Conservation Studies at Central European University (CEU) in Vienna. With the start of this Scholarship, the result of collaboration with the CEU university and the Buthan Nyo Foundation (BNF), a Bhutanese association that deals with the protection and conservation of cultural heritage, we are taking a step towards our greater dream: that of being able to contribute, in the long run, to the creation of a class of leaders and experts who, in their countries, can be an active and fundamental part of a virtuous and sustainable process of change.

We therefore ask you to continue to support us and spread this mission among your contacts as much as possible.

Thank you

Tashi Delek

Below are the narrative and photographic updates of the beneficiary students of scholarships:

Yeshi was able to attend, at the Ranjung Yeshe Institute in Kathmandu (Nepal), one of the in-depth courses on the study and understanding of **Buddhist philosophy** and the **translation of Buddhist texts into English**, with the aim of preparing to be able to face the very difficult entrance exams to the specialist degree course in this institute, which is one of the best in Nepal on these issues. Yeshi is extremely grateful to ASIA and this Fund for having had this opportunity and will contact us as soon as it has passed the exams to possibly request the extension of the scholarship.

Here are some of the photos she sent us, which portray her together with one of her teachers, her mother and the group of her classmates.





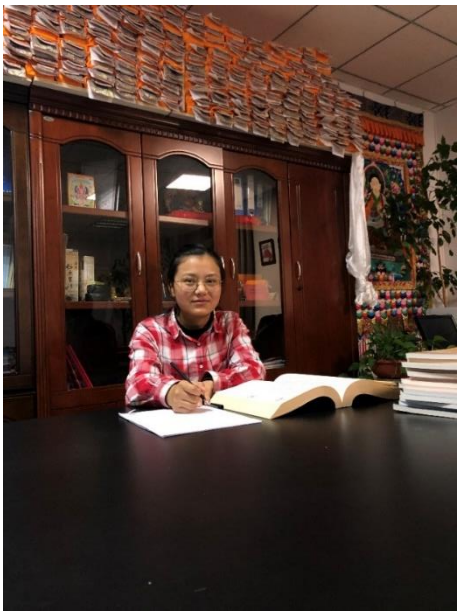


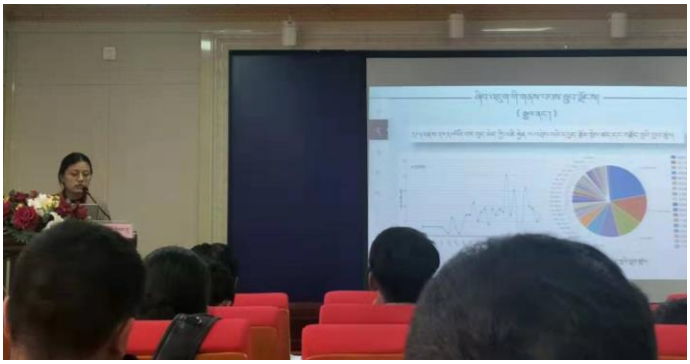
Tsomo is attending the second year of the MSc in **Public Health and Prevention** (Faculty of Tibetan Medicine at Qinghai University in Xining, China), which will last another year and a half. In the last semester she has completed the request for her degree thesis which will be entitled "Etiological Analysis and Prevention measures of high mortality rate of female in Tibetan area of Tso-Ngon (Qinghai) Province" and which will aim to analyze the 'urgent problem of the causes of mortality in Tibetan women, since there are no reliable and updated data that study this fact.

In addition, she had the opportunity to travel to other regions for conferences and had the opportunity to organize and present a lesson to her classmates.

Here are some photos of her last semester:

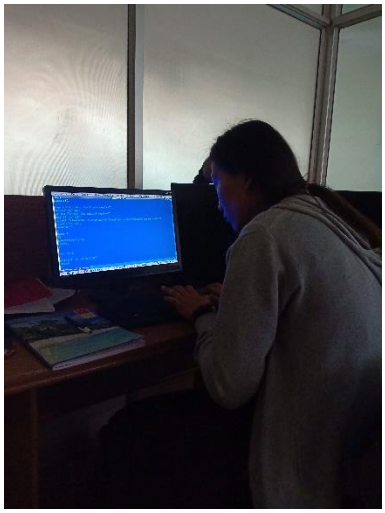






Tenzin is attending the second year of the **Computer Science (BCA)** degree course at the University of Bangalore (India). She is enthusiastic about how the first half of the second year went, especially because the subjects were more interesting and stimulating. Thanks to the knowledge she is learning, she would soon like to return to her village to raise awareness of the benefits of a digital life, especially for a remote area like that of her village. She is very grateful to all supporters of the Fund because they allow her to study what she loves.

Below the photos of her daily life:


Tashi is attending the second year of the much desired MA degree course in **Tibetan Literature** in Lhasa, lasting three years in total. She writes that she has read 26 books since September, and wants to read 5 more before the end of the school year, has written two papers and is about to write two more. Tashi loves to read and write but she also likes to explore, she has visited the monasteries and sacred places that inspired her to read and study the stories of these places. In addition, on Tuesdays and Thursdays she attends a class on the U-tsang dialect that will allow her to read and study the many Tibetan texts written in this version.

These are the last photos she sent us:





Nyima has attended, thanks to the Fund, the High specialization course in **cinema and television animation (character animation)** at the Mars Era Institute of Digital Arts. The course is now over and Nyima has had the opportunity to learn all the animation and graphic techniques necessary to continue her work in this field. During the course he had the opportunity to start producing his animated film on Shishikaikou, a traditional Tibetan story. Following this course, Nyima's goal is to create a team of Tibetan kids to start producing animated TV series, a feat that would fill the lack of Tibetan animations. Thanks to this course Nyima now has all the necessary tools to make her dream come true: transforming the classic tales of the Tibetan tradition into cartoons for children, involving and training in turn other young Tibetans who are passionate about animation.

Here are some photos of his works:







Chonyi is a promising Tibetan boy who attends the first 5-year course of **Tibetan Medicine (BA) in Dharamsala.** Since he was a child his desire was to become a doctor and for him, studying specifically Tibetan medicine is one more chance to get to know his culture and identity, from which he feels a bit foreign given his refugee status in India. He is a motivated and active boy, he really likes to play sports and in high school he often participated in extra curricular activities. Thanks to the Enrico dell'Angelo Fund he will have the opportunity to make his dream come true.

Here it is his picture:



Dala is a very studious boy who comes from Gansu. He applied for help through the Enrico dell'Angelo Fund to conduct his research to complete his **PhD in Social Policy**. Dala is a boy who has traveled extensively for his studies, attended an American university where he studied Development and now his reference university is the Erasmus University in Rotterdam. Through his research, he wants to study how **Tibetan elderly people experience aging at a time when there has been a rapid socio-economic transformation**. He explains that many Tibetan regions are undergoing rapid urbanization which is leading to the loss of traditional livelihoods, the change in the structure of the family and the alteration of the elderly care service. He is a very motivated and scrupulous boy and we are sure that thanks to the help received through the Fund he will be able to complete his PhD.

Here is his photo:

