

## **Brief biography of His Holiness the Chamgon Kenting Tai Situpa**

His Holiness the Chamgon Kenting Tai Situpa popularly known as His Holiness Kenting Tai Situ Rinpoche is proclaimed in number of sacred texts as the incarnation of Bodhisattva Maitreya in Tushita heaven crowned as the future Buddha in 623 BC and Subsequent incarnations as Guru padmasambhava.

in 1012 AD he was born in Tibet as Marpa the Great enlightened Translator who introduced sacred kagyu lineage from India and continued by his disciple such as the Milarepa and Marpa's incarnation Gampo Tsultrim Nyingpo and in 1148 as first Tai Situ Drogon Rechen. In 1407 enlightened Chokyi Gyaltsen received title (ཀླུ་མཚོ་ཉིང་འཇམ་མེད་ལྷོ་ཙོ་གཏེ་མཆོག་།) "*Kuan ting yuan thong miyu tsi guo shi*".

In 1727 His Holiness the Chamgon Kenting Tai Situpa the great popularly known as Situ Panchen founded the Mount of Excellence, nonsectarian, multidisciplinary, Palpung Institutions and established the Palpung Monastic Seat.

300 pre-Buddhist and Buddhist monasteries and 180 monasteries of Kagyu lineage looked up to Palpung Monastic Seat and its supreme head His Holiness the Chamgon Kenting Tai Situpa.

The current His Holiness the Chamgon Kenting Tai Situpa is born to a farming and nomadic dual family in the east Tibetan kingdom of Dege in 1954 and shortly after enthroned to the Palpung Monastic Seat.

In 1959 at age of 5 he was brought to safety by senior lamas of the Palpung Monastic Seat to the Kingdom of Bhutan and then to India following His Holiness the 14th Dalai Lama taking refuge.

Until 22 years of age, he grew up in Sikkim, Bhutan and West Bengal. He received ordinations from His Holiness the 16th Gyalwa Karmapa and from great number of eminent masters. He received entirety of basic and advanced studies and transmissions.

In 1976 at age of 23, His Holiness the Chamgon Kenting Tai Situpa established the Palpung Sherabling Monastic Seat in Himachal Pradesh, India. which today is contributing towards training, educating, ordaining and transmitting to the next generation of Buddhist Masters of present and future across and beyond denominations and ethnicity.

In 1984 His Holiness the Chamgon Kenting Tai Situpa found the Maitreya institute, dedicated for interfaith and inter disciplinary harmony through exchange and exposure based on love, kindness, compassion and wisdom.

He is concern for disharmony among people, religion, ideology throughout the world and environmental degradation, initiated in 1989 A pilgrimage for ACTIVE PEACE - ONE WORLD - ONE HUMANITY around the world was embarked and celebrated its silver jubilee in 2014.

His Holiness the Chamgon Kenting Tai Situpa is a great scholar, philosopher, poet, artist, architect, geomancer and authored more than 20 books in English and his compilation in Tibetan language reaches over 200 volumes and writing reaches over 15 volumes up to dated.

He is teaching and transmitting sacred lineage of Dharma to disciples from world over continuously.