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From Tibeton the history of the monastery: Nechung monastery in exile Of the 115 monks of Nechung monastery, only six managed to escape Tibet after the country was occupied by Communist China. As such, it was not until 1984 before the seat of the State Oracle was fully reconstructed in Dharamsala in northern India. "We built the monastery slowly, step by step," says the 72-year-old Venerable Thubten Phuntsok, one of the key players in the reconstruction of Nechung monastery, and as the holder of the Vajra Acharya (Lopon) title, is the highest ranking monk after Nechung Kuten and Nechung Rinpoche. Once temporarily operating from an old rented Indian house, the neatly built Nechung monastic complex near the Library of Tibetan Works and Archives is now one of the main attractions of Gangchen Kyishong, the seat of the Tibetan government in exile headed by His Holiness the Dalai Lama. Since then dozens of young monks have been ordained and, like in the past in Tibet, Dorje Drakden (Nechung) is daily invoked in their prayers. Tibetan refugees attribute much of their success in exile to the ongoing guidance of His Holiness the Dalai Lama and their Protector. The Vajra Acharya Venerable Thubten Phuntsok, too, gives credit for his monastery's accomplishments to the blessings of His Holiness the Dalai Lama and the Dharma Protector. He also told the Tibetan Bulletin that the encouragement received from the previous Nechung Kuten and the late Nechung Rinpoche were extremely useful. Nevertheless, it is apparent that for all practical purposes, behind all the spiritual and moral forces, lies the human spirit and determination. "I simply worked hard to teach the Chinese that human spirit cannot be destroyed, no matter how hard they strive to destroy monasteries. Even the latter can be rebuilt. My friend, Kushok Thupten Sherab (Wangyal) and others have given full support," says Vajra Acharya Venerable Thubten Phuntsok. The Nechung monastery in Tibet also was destroyed during the fatal "Cultural Revolution." Lately, the monastery, despite Chinese vigilance, has been voluntarily and partially rebuilt by Tibetans, including some former Nechung monks. It reportedly has about 16 monks only and little spiritual activity in sight (). On the other hand, the scene at its counterpart in exile is a living culture for all to see. After receiving land from the Tibetan government, construction of a hostel for Nechung monks' began in 1977 and was completed in

1979. The construction work on the monastery was started in May 1981. It was completed in March 1984 with a private chamber for His Holiness the Dalai Lama, and statues, thankas, and religious scriptures - all systematically laid out. The monastery was formally inaugurated by His Holiness on March 31, 1985. The monastery has 61 junior and senior monks, including five monks from the parent Nechung monastery who escaped Tibet in 1991. The daily schedule of the monks begins at 5:30 a.m. and ends at 9:45 p.m. Apart from daily prayer sessions, their study course include Buddhist philosophy, debate, training in chanting, preparation of ritual cakes and mandala creation, memorisation of religious texts and classes in Tibetan literature and English. The monks also study various subjects of Buddhist sutra and tantra of both the Ancient and New traditions.

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