ANEC's 2008 Annual Report

FEBRUARY 2008

- ANEC obtained Legal signature attestation of all the Governing Board members during ANEC's registration in the presence of Tehsildar/Magistrate, District Court and ANEC's lawyer Mr. Rakesh Narayan.
- ANEC board meeting following the legal signature attestation. The Executive Director presented a comprehensive report on ANEC activities during past couple of months and all board members expressed very deep sense of appreciation.
- Meeting with Prof. Sharma with regard to Hindi translation of ANEC's introductory brochure.
- ANEC Executive Director and trainer Lhakpa Kyizom on behalf of all the NGOs welcomed Dr. Lobsang Sangay, Penpa Tsering and three resource persons from ICNC for the TPPRC workshop in an informal gathering at Mcleod Ganj.
- ANEC Executive Director attended Prof. Sulak Sivaraksa's special talk for all NGO Directors and media representatives organized by Department of Information and International Relations, CTA.
- ANEC trainer Ms. Lhakpa Kyizom and Office Secretary Ms. Tenzin Kyipa attended a special workshop on Nonviolent Strategies organized by ICNC with TPPRC in Dharamsala.
- ANEC Executive Director Mr. Tenpa C. Samkhar had a meeting with Prof. Sulak Sivaraksa, Chairman, INEB and gave detailed briefing on ANEC activities and also requested for his complimentary message and to make connections with the International Center for Nonviolence in Bangkok.

MARCH 2008

- ANEC obtained No Objection Certificate from Municipal Council, Dharamsala for legal registration.
- ANEC arranged the screening of first press conference given by His Holiness the Dalai Lama on situation within Tibet after the Mass Uprising and also facilitated Tibetan translation.
- ANEC gave guidance and helped organize a peace march by the monks of Institute of Buddhist Dialectics which was followed by a 24 hour hunger strike.
- ANEC also facilitated and gave guidance to the Himalaya Region People's peace march at Mcleod Ganj to express ANEC's solidarity for Tibet's cause.
- ANEC Executive Director Tenpa C. Samkhar attended the CTA special official welcome ceremony for the US House Speaker Nancy Pelosi's official visit to Dharamsala.
- ANEC Executive Director met with the Tibetan Kashag Secretary Migyur Dorjee la informally and gave him a detailed briefing on ANEC's activities so far about which Migyur la was highly appreciative.
- ANEC trainer Lhakpa Kyizom has been collecting all available newspaper clippings and editorials on Tibet issue which came out during uprising within Tibet.
- ANEC Executive Director, trainer Lhakpa Kyizom and office secretary Tenzin Kyipa attended a special public forum organized by the Middle Way Movement at the main Temple, Dharamsala

APRIL 2008

- ANEC obtained legally registered status on 7th April, 2008.
- ANEC resource person Dr. Mary Gendler and trainer Ms. Lhakpa Kyizom organized various open forum discussions at TCV Suja, Upper TCV, Lower

TCV, TCV Gopalpur, IBD, and Institute for Higher Tibetan Studies at Sarah, Tibetan Transit School, Gu-Chu-Sum Political Movement, Tibet Hope Center and CST Chauntra.

- ANEC organized a talk on Tibet issue through Chinese eyes to the public by Dr. John Power-author of "History as Propaganda" from National University of Australia, Canberra.
- ANEC appointed two new trainers after conducting written as well as oral examinations.
- ANEC Executive Director sent out an appeal letter to all Tibetans and Tibet supporters for continued and steadfast adherence to nonviolent action on Tibet issue.

MAY 2008

- ANEC website went online on the link www.anec.org.in
- ANEC obtained complimentary message from Department of Information and International Relations and Department of Religion and Culture of the CTA.
- ANEC organized a workshop at Lower TCV given by Executive Director and trainer Lhakpa Tsering and Samdup.
- ANEC trainer Ms. Lhakpa Kyizom and Mr. Lhakpa Tsering gave training to over 200 Tibetan college students during All India Tibetan Students Mass Movement in Delhi.
- ANEC printed and revised its brochure in English, Tibetan and Hindi.
- ANEC Executive Director sent obituary circular on sad passing away of Mrs. Nirmala Pandey, Former Indian Member of Parliament and an advocate of nonviolence.

 ANEC Executive Director sent official circular to all NGOs, monasteries and CTA offices calling for maximum cooperation for workshops on active nonviolence.

JUNE 2008

- ANEC brought out its first pictorial brochure in black and white.
- ANEC Executive Director and trainer Lhakpa Kyizom and Samdup gave workshop on nonviolence at Tibetan Transit School.
- ANEC obtained recommendation letter from Department of Religion and Culture, CTA in Tibetan.
- ANEC Executive Director met with Chief Representative of Southern Tibetan Settlements, Settlement heads and major monastic heads to discuss about future workshops on nonviolence in the southern Tibetan Settlements.
- ANEC trainer Lhakpa Tsering attended workshop in Delhi organized by TPPRC.

JULY 2008

- ANEC Executive Director met with Tenzin Takhla from His Holiness the Dalai Lama's Private Office regarding ANEC's audience with His Holiness.
- ANEC Executive Director held series of meetings with TCV President, General Secretary, Education Director and acting CTA Home Secretary regarding ANEC's month long workshop in Ladakh.
- ANEC Executive Director repeatedly contacted Chief Representative in Ladakh, TCV Director & Principal, Tibetan Traders Union Leader and Reverent Tenzin la at His Holiness palace regarding arrangements for ANEC workshop in Ladakh.

AUGUST 2008

• ANEC obtained complimentary message from Honorable Kalon Tripa, Prof. Samdhong Rinpoche.

SEPTEMBER 2008

• ANEC trainer Lhakpa Tsering attended an open forum discussion on Active Nonviolence at TCV head office, Dharamsala.

OCTOBER 2008

- ANEC Chief Resource persons Dr. Mary Gendler and Rabbi Everett Gendler along with ANEC's Executive Director and three trainers conducted workshop at Tibetan Transit School on active nonviolence.
- ANEC Executive Director and Gendlers met with Honorable Kalon Tripa Prof. Samdhong Rinpoche and discussed various ANEC related issues and also took a group photo together.
- ANEC organized a talk and film screening on the eve of Gandhi Jayanti and International Day of Nonviolence at Mcleod Ganj.
- ANEC Executive Director, Gendlers and trainer Lhakpa Kyizom had a discussion with Tenzin Tsundue, activist, on active nonviolence strategies and methods at the Chonor House.
- ANEC Executive Director met with the Tibetan Parliamentary Chairman and Vice Chairman regarding Tibetan parliament's complimentary message and later obtained complimentary message from Tibetan Parliament after a week.
- ANEC trainer Ms. Lhakpa Kyizom attended a panel discussion on active nonviolence organized by Tibetan Conflict Resolution Center.
- ANEC Executive Director met with the ANEC Chairman and gave detailed briefing on all recent ANEC activities and workshops.

NOVEMBER 2008

- ANEC Executive Director met with Bylakuppe Settlement Heads regarding ANEC workshops for Southern Settlements.
- ANEC Executive Director participated in the Tibetan Special General Conference called by His Holiness the Dalai Lama.
- ANEC Executive Director held meeting with Mr. Lobsang Gyatso, Head of the Tibetan Section of Voice of America, Washington D.C. and gave detailed briefing on ANEC activities.

DECEMBER 2008

- ANEC Executive Director and trainer Lhakpa Kyizom and Lhakpa Tsering met with a Spanish group from Foundation of Justice, Spain and gave talk on importance and relevance of active nonviolence.
- ANEC trainer Samdup attended a 7 week workshop on Project Management and Development organized by Planning Commission, CTA.
- ANEC Executive Director and trainer Lhakpa Tsering gave talk on active nonviolence to 70 members of Punjab National Bank in Himachal State. ANEC was also presented with a special momento trophy for the talk.
- ANEC Executive Director and trainer Lhakpa Tsering were invited by the Education Department of CTA to give talk on active nonviolence to 60 Tibetan primary school teachers at the Institute for Higher Tibetan Studies at Sarah.
- ANEC trainer Lhakpa Kyizom attended a workshop on Women's Leadership organized by Tibetan Women's Association in Delhi.