PROFILE

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Civil Society Organizations Authority

Foreword

It gives me great pleasure to present this Profile of the Civil Society Organizations Authority (the Authority) and the registered Civil Society Organizations (CSOs) operating under the CSO Act of Bhutan. This publication serves as a valuable reference for understanding the mandates and functions of the Authority, while highlighting the objectives and services, of CSOs towards the well-being of our people and communities.

The CSOA was established to regulate, facilitate, and promote a vibrant, transparent, and accountable civil society sector in Bhutan. Guided by the CSO Act and its regulations, the Authority is entrusted with the registration and oversight of CSOs, ensuring compliance with governance standards, safeguarding public trust, and fostering an enabling environment for organizations to pursue their charitable and developmental missions. Through these responsibilities, the Authority seeks to strengthen the role of CSOs as credible and effective partners in national development.

Over the years, Bhutanese CSOs have made significant contributions to the country's socio-economic progress. Working across diverse sectors such as education, health, environmental conservation, youth empowerment, gender equality, social protection, cultural preservation, and support for vulnerable groups, CSOs have complemented the efforts of the Royal Government in addressing community needs and emerging social challenges. Their work reflects the values of compassion, volunteerism, and social responsibility that are deeply embedded in Bhutanese society.

I commend all registered CSOs for their dedication and commitment to serving the nation. Through their innovative initiatives and close engagement with communities, they continue to create meaningful and lasting impacts that contribute to Bhutan's development aspirations and the pursuit of Gross National Happiness.

As of the date there are 50 registered CSOs and this publication shall serve to enhance public awareness and understanding of the CSO sector. It provides concise information on the Authority, the mandates and objectives of registered CSOs, their key areas of work, and contact details. By making this information readily accessible, we hope to strengthen collaboration among stakeholders, promote transparency and accountability, and encourage greater public engagement with the important work undertaken by CSOs across the country.

I trust that this publication will serve as a useful resource for government agencies, development partners, donors, researchers, and the public. More importantly, I hope it will foster stronger partnerships and collective action towards building a more inclusive, resilient, and compassionate society.



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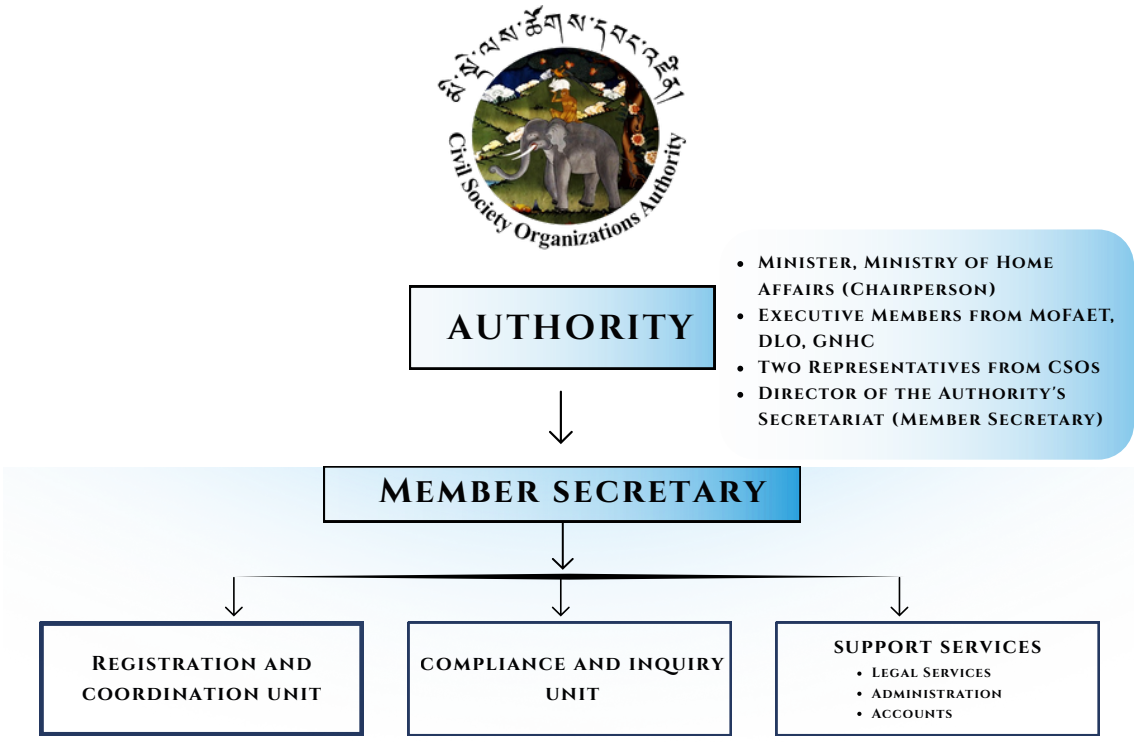
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BACKGROUND

In the view of promoting the establishment and to extend the registration services of the Civil Society Organizations (CSOs) in the country, the Civil Society Organization (CSO) Act was legislated by 87th Session of the then National Assembly of Bhutan on 20th June 2007. Subsequently, the CSO Authority was established in 20th March 2009 as the apex governing & regulatory agency for the registered CSOs and its Secretariat in 2010 under the erstwhile Ministry of Home and Cultural Affairs to provide secretarial services.

Rules & Regulation was drafted and endorsed in 2010 as a regulatory framework for the governance of the CSOs which was later revised in 2017. The CSO (Amendment) Act 2022 was passed by the 7th Session of the third Parliament of Bhutan in 15th July 2022.

VISION

To create a vibrant and trusted civil society that promotes the values of Gross National Happiness.

MISSION

To promote and facilitate good governance in the civil society and ensure compliance with the regulatory framework.

CORE VALUES

INDEPENDENCE, ACCOUTABLE, TRANSPARENT, RESPONSIVE, INTEGRITY

FUNCTIONS OF THE CSOA

The CSO Authority is responsible to carry out the following function:

- Facilitate communication between Civil Society Organizations and the Government, particularly in advising the Government about the general activities and roles of CSOs;
- Encourage and facilitate the CSOs to inform, promote, connect and strengthen individual Civil Society Organizations;
- Review and approve all applications for registration of local CSOs which satisfy the requirements of the CSO Act;
- Approve the accreditation of foreign CSOs within the provisions of the laws of Bhutan and the Act;
- Monitor the activities of CSOs to ensure their compliance with this Act and with their own Articles of Associations or Charters, and the purposes for which they have been established;
- Liaise with other agencies of the Government and interested parties; and Exercise other related powers and carry out responsibilities prescribed in the Civil Society Organizations Act and these regulations.

PUBLIC BENEFIT ORGANIZATIONS

Public Benefit organizations (PBO) are CSOs, which are established in order to benefit a section or the society as a whole

ABILITY BHUTAN SOCIETY

REGISTRATION NUMBER: CSOA/PBO-15
REGISTERED ON 10/11/2011

Vision

Empowering individuals with diverse abilities to live independently and with dignity within Bhutanese society

Objectives

- To ensure that the basic needs for survival and health of the children and individuals suffering from mental retardation, cerebral palsy, autism, multiple handicaps and other disabilities are met.
- To support children and individuals living with mental retardation, cerebral palsy, autism, multiple handicaps and other disabilities to realize their fullest potential and increase their ability to participate in their communities.
- To ensure such children and individuals are safeguard from all forms of abuse.
- To raise awareness of the general public on mental retardation, cerebral palsy, autism, multiple handicaps and advocate for require and positive changes in policy environment.
- To raise funds and facilitate financial support for children and individuals living with such conditions and for their families, especially for the economically disadvantaged.
- To collaborate and coordinate with relevant agencies and stakeholders both within and outside the country to facilitate implementation of the society's activities, technical and human resource exchange and further research.

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Barnyard bhutan animal rescue & sanctuary

Registration Number: CSOA/PBO-48
Registered on 05/11/2020

Purposes

- To operate the animal rescue center, shelter, and sanctuary in Paro known as "The Barnyard Bhutan Animal Rescue & Sanctuary", and to establish and operate affiliate centers throughout Bhutan;
- To provide care, comfort, nutrition, shelter, rescue services, treatment, and protection for all ill, injured, orphaned, abandoned, unfit, and neglected non-human animals;
- To rescue, protect, and prevent abuse and mistreatment and illegal slaughter of non-human animals;
- To implement and support programs to encourage kind and responsible treatment of animals;
- To specialize in all aspects of equine care, rescue, treatment, and advocacy;
- To provide and support programs for animal owners in routine and preventative care;
- To support and assist in maintaining the health and managing populations of pet and stray dogs through sterilization efforts, routine healthcare, affordable vaccine programs and adoption programs;
- To assist government agencies, veterinary hospitals and groups in developing programs for the humane care and treatment of working and service animals and livestock;
- To support authorities, individuals and like-minded organizations with equipment, diagnostics, facilities, rescue, treatment, rehabilitation, and prosthetic devices for non-human animals;
- To initiate and support the development of laws and other instruments to protect the health, treatment, rights and wellbeing of animals;

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"Empowerment through Entrepreneurship"

Bhutan Association of Women Entrepreneurs

Registration Number: CSOA/PBO-04
Registered on 15/04/2010

Objectives

- To provide a platform for women to work together as social entrepreneurs by facilitating the development of social enterprises and fur5ther the scope of conducting enterprises or business form a GNH perspective.
- To ensure the voice and concerns of female entrepreneurial and professional community is represented through members nominated to serve on various committees related to economic activities locally or internationally.
- To communicate the challenges, needs and opinion of women both social entrepreneurs and professionals to the government and any other organization with which the Association has common interests and links
- To provide women professionals and women entrepreneurs with support in the areas of capacity building, networking and marketing opportunities.
- To assist in the identification of socially or cause driven investment opportunities to effectively reduce poverty in Bhutan.
- To facilitate participation in local. regional and international exhibitions, buyers-sellers meet, trade fairs, seminars and symposia to gain greater exposure on regional and global business environment and opportunities.
- To borrow or raise funds required for the purpose of the Association on such terms and conditions as may be determined.
- To support any charitable organization or purpose that would further meet the social objectives of the Association and its members.
- To encourage social activities, which will promote understanding and goodwill among all stakeholders.
- To promote friendly relations and collaboration with relevant organizations, both in the Kingdom of Bhutan and abroad

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BHUTAN ANIMAL RESCUE AND CARE

REGISTRATION NUMBER: CSOA/PBO-26
REGISTERED ON 14/06/2013

Vision

To stimulate the progression of Bhutan's society to-wards Gross National Happiness (GNH), where animals are treated and cared for with respect, kindness and compassion, and where a healthy and happy co-existence of animals and humans is the norm.

Mission

The Bhutan Animal Rescue and Care (BARC) aims to achieve its vision through:
•The establishment of 'Bhutan Animal Rescue and Care Centers' and a 'Wildlife Rescue and Rehabilitation Center', with high standard animal rescue, shelter and medical treatment services;
•Advocacy, awareness and education programmes to promote the importance of animal welfare and practicing kindness and compassion in action towards animals.

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BHUTAN CANCER SOCIETY

REGISTRATION NUMBER: CSOA/PBO-37
REGISTERED ON 10/04/2015

Mission

The mission of BCS is to improve cancer care and reduce the incidence of cancer in Bhutan, through cancer control activities (education and prevention and research) and providing psychosocial support to those people affected and affected by cancer in Bhutan.

Objectives

•Optimizing prevention of cancer in collaboration with national and international stakeholders through education, advocacy and research.
•Advocating and mobilizing resources for cancer prevention, treatment, care and support.
•Enhancing quality of life for terminal cancer patients through provision of social, spiritual, psychological and financial support (where needed).
•Sharing reliable and accurate information

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BHUTAN CENTRE
for MEDIA AND DEMOCRACY

Bhutan Center for Media and Democracy

Registration Number: CSOA/PBO-01
Registered on 12/03/2010

Vision

A GNH inspired vibrant democracy that engages all citizens

Mission

To nurture democracy in Bhutan through civic engagement, public discourse and media literate citizens

Objectives

- Create a responsible citizenry that will actively engage in the practices of democracy.
- Strengthen the professionalism of the media and help educate both media professionals and their audiences as to the role of the media in building a democratic society.
- Create public spaces for civic discourse.
- Create multimedia resources for/on media and democracy and promote their distribution.
- Strengthen the institutions of civil society, most of which are newly created.

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Bhutan Ecological Society

Registration Number: CSOA/PBO-41
Registered on 17/12/2016

Objectives

- A science and policy advisory to inform and guide policy makers, government and citizens on current and emerging environmental issues in Bhutan;
- A platform for promoting conservation research and sharing of ecological knowledge in Bhutan, through research symposia and conferences, the internationally peer-reviewed journal Proceedings of BES, and trainings and seminars; and
- A program to engage, educate and inspire youth and the public to discover nature and protect their natural environment.

Scope

The society will mainly focus on creating awareness through seminars, symposium, publication and public fair; engaging all sectors, local governments and other CSO's. The geographical area of operation of the Society shall be the whole of Bhutan.

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Bhutan Film Institute

Registration Number: CSOA/PBO-50
Registered on 30/10/2023

Objectives

- To skill and re-skill current and future generation of Bhutanese filmmakers and creative professionals through innovative training programs, designed and delivered by world-class experts
- To equip filmmakers with advanced knowledge and skill to enable them to create films that can make it to renowned international film festivals across the world.
- To collaborate and network with top international film festivals across the globe and create opportunities for Bhutanese films to participate in these festivals after seeking prior approval from relevant agencies.
- To initiate and organize a first of its kind Bhutan International Film Festival in the country, creating a vital space for exhibition of International films in Bhutan.
- To collaborate and coordinate with relevant associations, film development agencies and international funding organizations to support local film production and connect international producers with local filmmakers.
- Raise visibility of the Bhutanese film industry in order to gain better access to the global marketplace.
- Liaise with other filmmaking centers to build collaboration opportunities

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BHUTAN KIDNEY FOUNDATION

REGISTRATION NUMBER: CSOA/PBO-23
REGISTERED ON 15/08/2012

Vision

To extend support and improve better health conditions of the unaffected people of Bhutan particularly to advocate on non-communicable diseases that lead to kidney failures. We very well learned that individual's health and wellness is the key to achieving Gross National Happiness.

Objectives

- To promote overall well-being of kidney patients in Bhutan.
- To raise awareness among general public on kidney related diseases in coordination with relevant agencies.
- To ensure all kidney patients have easy access to high quality, affordable care and rehabilitation services.
- To raise funds and facilitate financial support for basic needs of the kidney patients and their families, especially for the economically disadvantaged. besides other financial assistance.
- To support establishment of renal and other organ transplantation programmes in Bhutan.
- To promote and facilitate legal organ donations and referrals for organ transplantations.
- To provide necessary support and services to other organ-related patients as well
- To collaborate and coordinate with relevant agencies both within and outside the country for the purpose of exchanging human resources, obtaining funds and conducting research.

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Bhutan Media Foundation

Registration Number: CSOA/PBO-36
Registered on 10/04/2015

Objectives

- Foster and strengthen professionalism.
  - Create opportunities for short and long-term studies and training within and outside Bhutan.
  - Support exchange programs and links with training institutions, professional associations, research centers, and media organizations within and outside Bhutan
  - Support in-country journalism and mass communication programs in colleges and institutes.
  - Support participation in seminars, workshops, and conferences on issues related to the media.
  - Institute in-country scholarships for journalism studies to Bhutanese students from disadvantaged backgrounds.
- Engaging communities
  - Support media literacy and media education initiatives, with special emphasis on youth.
  - Create access to media and media literature to educational institutes and grassroots local organizations
  - Support programs that use technology to foster engagement.
  - Promote and support the involvement and empowerment of people in the utilization of media in social change.
- Support advocacy and policy
  - Foster the rights of the citizens to information, and freedom of expression and media.
  - Protect the rights of journalists, media houses, and their sources.
  - Safeguard editorial independence from authorities and proprietors.
  - Institute system to recognize journalistic works.
  - Support media studies, audience surveys, researches, etc
  - Contribute towards enabling environment for media development by supporting review, amendment and enactment of existing Acts, R&R, legislations and policies and formulation of related legislations
- Promote media development
  - Support establishment of relevant agencies that will address the challenges and issues faced by the media
  - Strengthen partnership and cooperation amongst media agencies and other relevant partners by supporting and encouraging initiatives that allow media professionals from varied background to interact, address common issues, advances professional skills and assist in the professional growth of the Bhutanese media
  - Support initiatives in sustainable media business development.

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BHUTAN STROKE FOUNDATION

REGISTRATION NUMBER: CSOA/PBO-47
REGISTERED ON 5/11/2020

Purpose

To provide support services to individuals diagnosed with stroke as well to function as a core support group for patients and families.

Objectives

- Provide and facilitate healing services to patients diagnosed with stroke in holistic manners.
- Organize Capacity Enhancement Program (CEP) for patients, caregivers and staff of the organization
- Conduct awareness and advocacy programs
- Facilitate and carry out research on stroke related issues.

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Bhutan toilet organization

Registration Number: CSOA/PBO-43
Registered on 17/12/2016

Purpose

The organization is established in order to make clean toilet accessible for all and inspire behavioral change by building public awareness and citizen volunteerism

Objectives

- Make existing toilets clean and accessible to public
- Advocate for sufficient public toilets in urban centers
- Build and manage highway public toilets
- Design and promote inclusive toilets
- Manage public toilets during public events
- Audit institutional toilets and introduce toilet awards
- Create awareness on behavioral change

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BHUTAN TRANSPARENCY INITIATIVE

BHUTAN TRANSPARENCY INITIATIVE

REGISTRATION NUMBER: CSOA/PBO-32
REGISTERED ON 10/11/2014

Objectives

- To diagnose corruption issues and use findings as reference to stimulate more informed debates and to formulate more projects on anti-corruptions;
- To build and support partnership and coalition of civil society organizations to fight corruption more effectively;
- To engage citizens and the youth in promoting integrity more actively; and
- To build governance foundations and operational structures and process for the establishment of TI National Chapter in Bhutan.

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Bhutan Youth Development Fund

Bhutan youth development fund

Registration Number: CSOA/PBO-05
Registered on 20/07/2010

Objectives

- To establish a sustainable funding mechanism within Bhutan so that youth development and empowerment activities can be undertaken, now and in the future.
- To help sustain various youth programmes through the formal school curriculum and extra-curricular activities in areas such as environmental conservation, health and hygiene, reproductive health, agriculture and sports
- To provide grant management services to national and international donors providing assistance for youth developmental activities, targeting all segments of the youth population in Bhutan. In particular, this will include disadvantaged youth such as the disabled, early school leavers, juvenile delinquents, unemployed youth and those from low income families.
- To set up a few flagship projects in areas where there are no interventions either by the government or civil society that would reflect the ethos of YDF.
- To raise awareness among youth about the importance of their role as future adult citizens of the country.

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CHITHUEN PHENDEY ASSOCIATION

REGISTRATION NUMBER: CSOA/PBO-16
REGISTERED ON 29/11/2011

Objectives

- To improve the quality of life and living conditions of the recovering addicts and the people affected with drug and alcohol addiction; enabling them to take up gainful employment through development of self sustaining employment and vocational training
- To raise awareness and advocate for the rights of recovering addicts in Bhutan and enhance education and capacity of recovering addicts
- To provide training, guidance and supportive services intend to overcome addiction, prevent relapse and strengthen/sustain recovery among men and women overcoming drug and alcohol addiction;
- To provide substance and alcohol abuse prevention, public information and education services through different awareness activities and action to curve the alcohol and substance abuse and related issues HIV/Aids and Hap-C among the youths and general population.
- To develop advocacy work and strategic community coalitions and organizing in a supportive manner by bringing or creating many different community sectors and organizations together for the common goal: to create healthy drug and alcohol free families and communities
- Support and provide effective, efficient and accessible comprehensive treatment, ensuring the development of a system that is responsive to emerging trends in drug abuse.

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CLEAN BHUTAN

REGISTRATION NUMBER: CSOA/PBO-33
REGISTERED ON 11/11/2014

Purpose

Advocating behavioral change to achieve Zero Waste Bhutan by 2030. The main objective is to change the citizens' opinion and act to minimize waste by practicing the 6Rs (Rethink, Reduce, Recycle, Reuse, Recover and Responsibility).

Objectives

- Short-term objective is tackling the waste at its source by Advocating Behavioral Changes of the Bhutanese people.
- Long-term objectives are changing the mindset of all citizens by practicing the 6Rs and achieve Zero Waste Bhutan by 2030.

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CONSTRUCTION ASSOCIATION OF BHUTAN

REGISTRATION NUMBER: CSOA/PBO-21
REGISTERED ON 30/04/2012

Vision

To foster the growth of the member contractors to achieve excellence and become world class providers of all services in the construction sector

Purpose

To develop and promote the Bhutanese construction industry and to represent the Bhutanese construction industry at national, regional and international level"

Objectives

- "Development" through identifying, facilitating and assisting construction industry in business, information and technology development; and
- "Promotion" through assessing, monitoring and assisting the needs, performance and problems of the construction industry.

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DISABLED PEOPLE'S ORGANIZATION OF BHUTAN

REGISTRATION NUMBER: CSOA/PBO-09
REGISTERED ON 26/11/2010

Objectives

- Function as a platform to represent all persons with disabilities in policy formulation, legislations and programmes that impact the lives of persons with disabilities.
- Serve as an umbrella organization for affiliation of other organizations/groups of PWDs.
- Raise awareness and advocate for the rights of persons with disabilities in Bhutan.
- Create opportunities for PWDs to realize the potentials and abilities to lead a meaningful life.
- Enhance the capacity of persons with disabilities through life-long learning.
- Improve the quality of life and living conditions of persons with disabilities.
- Empower persons with disabilities through employment, effective participation and decision-making.
- Facilitate communication, coordination and collaboration with relevant organizations within and outside the country

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DRAKTSHO
Draktsho Vocational Training Center
for Special Children and Youth

Draktsho Vocational Training Centre for Special Children and Youth

Registration Number: CSOA/PBO-09
Registered on 26/11/2010

Objectives

- To provide training in life skills including basic literacy and numeracy to persons with special needs for enabling them to cope with their daily life needs in present and future.
- To equip trainees with special needs with vocational and work skills as preparation for sheltered, open or self-employment
- To facilitate the trainees with special needs secure work with dignity.
- To initiate dialogue, build collaborations and networks with different stakeholders (government, industry, institutions etc) for actively promoting equal opportunities for people with special needs.
- To organize parent support and community outreach program for raising awareness and generating support for inclusion of persons with special needs.
- To conduct training, research and documentation for building human resources, supporting innovative actions and generating resource material and data for supporting quality services and advocacy.

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KARZAY FOUNDATION

Karzay Foundation

Registration Number: CSOA/PBO-46
Registered on 30/07/2020

Purpose

To promote a sense of compassion for animals , by not consuming meats blood related product, so as to benefit all sentient beings, irrespective of any religion, caste and to promote, advise, assist in the development and promotion of vegetarianism.

Objectives

- To promote ways and means to adopt Karzay lifestyle for all
- To strive avoid or reduce ways and means of Marzay lifestyle for all
- To emphasis build worthy relationship of human being and four elements of earth, water, fire and wind (Djung-wa-Zhi)
- To disseminate benefits of non-violence and lifestyle of vegetarianism that do not demand killing of animal
- To endeavor good Intention and knowledge of human being through preaching and promotion

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GNH Centre Bhutan

Registration Number: CSOA/PBO-24
Registered on 18/10/2012

Purposes

- It shall be the endeavour of the Centre to manifest in living practice, Bhutan's unique holistic development philosophy of Gross National Happiness, which integrates equitable and sustainable socio-economic development with environmental conservation, cultural promotion and good governance.
- The Centre is not only important for Bhutan's own evolution, but is globally relevant in an era of boundless consumerism, rapid resource depletion and degradation, climate change, species extinction, widening socio-economic inequality, multiple crises, growing insecurity, instability and conflicts.

Scope of Activities

- Conduct shorter and longer courses as mentioned under the Article "Areas of Operation and Programme
- Educate participants at the Centre on sustainable living that encompasses the values of GNH, including organic farming, sustainable building design, energy and water conservation, the principle of sufficiency and more
- Train participants in meditation practices as a source of healthy and mindful living and as part of Bhutan's ancient wisdom traditions, and thereby to encourage participants to contemplate the meaning of life and living.
- Create a platforms for global innovators, community leaders, and thinkers to come together and share experiences, good practices and ideas on a sustainable development paradigm that can bring GNH into practice and on viable alternatives to some of the destructive practices currently threatening the planet.
- Provide space for national and international conferences not only as a source of earnings for the Centre but to create healthy discussion platforms and forums.
- Act as a coordination Centre for research and documentation on GNH principles and values for Bhutan and the world

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GYALYUM CHARITABLE TRUST

REGISTRATION NUMBER: CSOA/PBO-38
REGISTERED ON 22/05/2017

Purpose

To foster cooperation between RENEW, Royal Textile Academy, Textile Museum and the Chapters of the Trust in pursuance of their aims, objectives and plans.

Objectives

- To foster cooperation between the Chapters and RENEW and Royal Textile Academy.
- To manage and coordinate the policies, programmes and inter-relate the organizations under the ageis of the Trust to complement each other.
- To identify and seek funding sources to collectively benefit and provide the required funding for the sustenance of the organization under the Trust.

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JANGSA ANIMAL SAVING TRUST

REGISTRATION NUMBER: CSOA/PBO-27
REGISTERED ON 18/06/2013

Objectives

- To promote compassionate treatment of all sentient beings, care for rescued animals and conduct Tsethar-the Buddhist practice of saving animal lives in accordance with laws in force in Bhutan.
- To inspire people to treat animals more compassionately.
- To promote education and learning and thereby fostering an enlightened and happy society in Bhutan
- Thimphu will have a healthy, rabies-free, stable dog population
- to undertake other charitable activities allowed by the Articles of Association.

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LHAK-SAM (Altruism)

Bhutan Network of People Living with HIV/AIDS (BNP+)

LHAK-SAM

REGISTRATION NUMBER: CSOA/PBO-10
REGISTERED ON 26/11/2010

Mission

Lhak-Sam aims to be a premier organization in Bhutan committed to providing and promoting leadership, education and capacity building to all PLWHA and their families empowering them to improve their quality of life, by reducing stigma and discrimination and through access to appropriate prevention, care and support services.

Objectives

- Network and provide support to all PLHIV in Bhutan and the region
- Empower and build the capacity of all members to participate fully in their own treatment, care and prevention
- Reduce stigma and discrimination by normalizing HIV/AODS in all levels of society
- Enhance greater participation of members and other stakeholders in the fight against HIV/AIDS
- To increase access to resources by members through resource mobilization, grant making and management

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LHOMON SOCIETY

LHOMON SOCIETY

REGISTRATION NUMBER: CSOA/PBO-17
REGISTERED ON 07/02/2012

Vision

To build resilient and self-reliant communities that exist in a spirit of interdependence among the people and with the natural environment.

Mission

To raise living standards, protect the natural environment, promote Bhutan's unique culture, stem rural-urban migration, and nurture a cooperative, productive, entrepreneurial.

Scope of Activities

- The Society will begin with a pilot project in Samdrup Jongkhar dzongkhag, initiating and supporting activities of individuals, groups, and institutions that provide education and promote citizen development initiatives as potential models of GNH-inspired development.
- The Society may set up institutions such as schools, with the necessary approvals and clearances from appropriate authority/ies-both regular schools as well as schools that may specialize in culture and the evolving arts
- The Society seeks to collaborate with or to fund existing institutions and individuals who are already engaged in projects that further the objectives of the Society
- The Society shall expand its activities within the Kingdom of Bhutan

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Loden Foundation

Registration Number: CSOA/PBO-02
Registered on 12/03/2010

Objectives

- To promote education and learning and thereby foster an enlightened and happy society in Bhutan.
- To promote Bhutanese culture and tradition in Bhutan and other parts of the world
- To undertake other charitable activities allowed by the Memorandum of the Loden Foundation.

Main projects today are:

- •Loden Entrepreneurship Program me- established in order to help young Bhutanese become self-starters in business.
- •Loden Early Learning Centre- is a programme to give rural children equal opportunities in childhood development and early learning.
- •Loden Knowledge Base- aims to build or help build resource centre's which can occupy the youth in educational, entrepreneurial, social and intellectual activities.
- •Loden Scholarship Scheme- launched with the aim of easing financial burden on the families who cannot afford to buy uniforms or stationeries for their children.

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MENJONG FOUNDATION

REGISTRATION NUMBER: CSOA/PBO-14
REGISTERED ON 10/11/2011

Purpose

The main purpose of the Foundation is to help and inspire hopes with a new approach to meet the needs of poor people living in the remote areas of Bhutan where it lack medical services, schooling necessities and socio-economic development aspects.

Objectives

- Education support wherever necessary
- Provide health care, wherever necessary
- Environment Protection, wherever necessary
- To preserve culture and religion wherever necessary
- To provide Socio-Economic Development

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NAZHOEN LAMTOEN

REGISTRATION NUMBER: CSOA/PBO-40
REGISTERED ON 17/12/2016

Objectives

- Provide after care shelter services to children and youth released from rehabilitation centres and prison;
- Provide psycho-social services to children and youth released from rehabilitation centres and prison
- Facilitate the provision of technical and vocational skills to children and youth released from rehabilitation centres and prison;
- Create awareness among communities to adopt positive attitudes towards children and youth in conflict with the law;
- Engage families and communities to effectively reintegrate children and youth in conflict with the law;
- Provide any other service deemed necessary in the best interests of children and youth released from rehabilitation centres in prison
- Provide counselling and other service deemed necessary to the children and youth who are in detention.

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OGYEN CHOLING FOUNDATION

REGISTRATION NUMBER: CSOA/PBO-29
REGISTERED ON 20/01/2014

Purposes

- Conserve and maintain the buildings, temples and structures which comprise the Ogyen Choling complex for the benefit of the present and future generations
- Uphold its religious and traditional legacies so that it might contribute towards fostering greater understanding and appreciation of Bhutan's traditional and cultural heritage at the local, national and international levels.

Objectives

- To sustain the buildings, temples and structures which comprise the Ogyen Choling complex
- To uphold Ogyen Choling's traditional role in the religious and cultural life of the local community by facilitating and supporting the performance of the traditional religious rites and rituals and cultural practices of the community
- To maintain and manage a museum as an endeavour to educate visitors about Bhutan's cultural and traditional heritage
- To serve as a resource center for interested students and scholars by providing access to the extensive collection of manuscripts and xylographs maintained in the library
- To contribute to the social and economic well-being of the local community by offering opportunities for gainful employment and creating a market for local agricultural produce and handicraft products.
- To provide grants to disadvantaged families and individuals in times of need and to deserving children to pursue education or training at all levels.

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ORGANIZATION FOR YOUTH EMPOWERMENT

REGISTRATION NUMBER: CSOA/PBO-31
REGISTERED ON 09/02/2018

Purpose

- The foundation intends to focus on Youth Unemployment by helping youths find meaningful employment through creating pathways for them to become responsible adults with dignity, self-sufficiency and the ability to be productive citizens

Objectives

- To bring about a positive mindset change regarding skilled/technical jobs through advocacy and awareness program.
- Analysis of youth aspiration survey through questionnaires.
- Facilitation of interested and enterprising youths in starting skilled based business in partnership with Technical Training Institute.

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PHENSEM (Parents Support Group, Bhutan)

Registration Number: CSOA/PBO-45
Registered on 30/07/2020

Objectives

- Equip and empower parents and families of children and persons with disabilities through trainings, workshops, meetings, peer network support, to help better understand their children/sibling/family members
- Identify gaps and devise mechanisms to address concerns together to improve the quality of their lives.
- To help families understand and accept their life situation and make the best of it through peer-counseling, experience sharing, self-care, etc.
- Make parents or family members aware of the policy and legal environment, the rights and the redressal mechanisms available and influence public policy and program development to advance the rights of children and persons with disabilities and their families.
- Collaborate with government and relevant stakeholders, institutions and the society at large to improve life opportunities for children and persons with disabilities and their families in terms of social acceptance, policy and legal framework development, education, health care, employment and community engagement.
- Create linkage and sister networks with other regional and international parent support groups to exchange ideas, expand knowledge and other experiences.

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PHUENTSHOLING SPORTS ASSOCIATION

REGISTRATION NUMBER: CSOA/PBO-13
REGISTERED ON 13/06/2011

Purposes

- To establish an administrative unit from where it can conduct their affairs and create a conducive environment for it to achieve its objectives for development and promotion of sports activities in Phuentsholing region.
- Create a common platform whereby the members can extent their support and raise concerns and issues through the Association, which would scrutinize, validate the concern/issue and submit to the relevant government/private agencies for necessary approval, support and action.

Objectives

- To develop and promote sporting infrastructure in Phuentsholing region.
- To co-ordinate with the private and government entities to promote sound and healthy sport activities
- To organize competition and tournament in various sports discipline
- To encourage the organizers and sponsors to further promote and develop sports competition
- To develop an ideal platform for the physical, mental and moral development of our youth mindset in sports activities.
- To contribute for the development of positive attitude and utilization of free time meaningfully in sports activities for physical fitness.
- To develop preventive measures to combat anti-social behaviour and habits by disseminating the knowledge in health hazardous drugs abuse activities amongst the youth and general public to engage in healthy sports culture.
- To promote social integration through sports activities.

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RENEW

Respect Educate Nurture and Empower Women

Registration Number: CSOA/PBO-03
Registered on 09/04/2010

Objectives

- Remove the barriers in terms of knowledge, beliefs, and practices that stand in the way of Bhutanese women and children's health and well-being and help them realise their rights provided by the Constitution of the Kingdom of Bhutan.
- Respond to and provide immediate support and care to the victims of violence and different forms of abuse and work towards their protection and integration into society through counseling, provision of skills and other means of support.
- Provide sexual and Reproductive Health Services and Education across a broad section of the population including adolescents and the key population
- Provide other services to support RENEW's mission.

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Royal Society for Protection and Care of Animals

Registration Number: CSOA/PBO-30
Registered on 20/01/2014

Purposes

- Inculcate a sense of moral responsibility for proper care and humane treatment of animals through increasing awareness on plight of animals in Bhutan
- Educate proper animal care by way of demonstration and information dissemination

Objectives

- Create, install and promote amongst the public a sense of care, kindness and compassion towards animals
- Establish and operate a strong and effective organization dedicated to providing public service through the delivery of effective relief to animals
- Maintain animal's welfare centre (s), hospital, clinic (s) and other facilities for care, treatment, shelter and disposition of sick and injured animals
- Work tirelessly tor reduce the harmful impact of human activities on animals through public education, awareness-raising and campaign and do all that is necessary to promote the general welfare of animals everywhere.

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Royal Society for Protection of Nature

Registration Number: CSOA/PBO-06
Registered on 02/09/2010

Mission

To inspire personal responsibility and active involvement of the people of Bhutan in the conservation of the Kingdom's environment through education, research and sustainable livelihood opportunities.

Objectives

- Protect and conserve Bhutan's rich genetic, species and ecosystem diversity
- Promote Sustainable Livelihood options in communities across the nation
- Promote research, environmental education and build capacity of Bhutanese people in conservation and sustainable management of Bhutan's natural resources.
- Establish and strengthen membership base through networks, support groups and partners
- Act as a "watch dog" to government policies and public programmes, bring environmental problems to the attention of concerned authorities and where possible assist in their solution
- Strengthen insitutional capacity and support base for sustained programmes projects and activities.

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ROYAL SOCIETY FOR SENIOR CITIZENS

REGISTRATION NUMBER: CSOA/PBO-11
REGISTERED ON 21/02/2011

Mission

To inspire senior citizens to lead lives that brings meaning and fulfillment to themselves and to the society at large.

Objectives

- Encourage senior citizens to remain meaningfully engaged through peer counseling to transitioning and adjusting to retired life and exploring meaningful options;
- Support by providing information related to medical care, legal advice, financial accessibility, pilgrimage and religious pursuits; Provide security and help in the event of sickness, disability or lack of adequate means of livelihood.
- Harness and channel the experience, knowledge and wisdom of senior citizens for the benefit of society.
- Provide support and assistance to the poor and old needy people.
- Mobilize funds and resources for sustaining programs and activities of the Society towards the fulfillments of its objectives.

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ROYAL TEXTILE ACADEMY

REGISTRATION NUMBER: CSOA/PBO-12
REGISTERED ON 13/06/2011

Mission

To preserve and promote the Bhutanese textiles in particular and the thirteen arts in general as well as strive to promote the unique culture and traditions of Bhutan by creating international awareness and encouraging international collaboration to promote mutually beneficial exhibits and educational programs.

Objectives

- Provide a national center for professional training in weaving, design and production of Bhutanese textiles;
- Develop scholarship programs for staff training and internships in conservation and museum studies;
- Collect and document important textiles that are part of Bhutan's cultural heritage;
- Develop and showcase exhibitions for local and international venues;
- Develop a conservation center devoted to preservation and restoration of Bhutanese textiles and other artifacts;
- Administer ongoing cultural and educational programs, workshops, study groups and lectures on Bhutanese culture and arts.
- To bring international recognition for Bhutan's artistic achievements.

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SAARC Business Association of Home Based Workers (SABAH)

Registration Number: CSOA/PBO-18
Registered on 02/04/2012

Objectives

- To promote the welfare of the Home-Based Workers;
- To facilitate, promote and provide guidance for the enhancement of the skills of the Home-Based Workers and thereby revive the traditional and cultural heritage of traditional art, skills and designs;
- To provide facilities through various activities of SABAH for the generation of employment and income of the women Home Based Workers;
- To provide a platform for product marketing and facilitation of product initiative and research; and
- To generate awareness and recognition of the work of these Home-Based Workers.

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TARAYANA FOUNDATION

REGISTRATION NUMBER: CSOA/PBO-08
REGISTERED ON 26/11/2010

Vision

- Support vulnerable individuals to achieve greater socio-economic security
- sponsor students in disadvantaged circumstances through needs based scholarships and fellowships for tertiary education in addition to supporting the education for all Policy of the Government
- Support needy patients to receive medical care
- Promote relevant artisan skills to enhance rural income
- Improve socio-economic security of rural communities
- Make Tarayana an organization of passionate professionals
- Provide micro finances in the core communities
- Promote the spirit of volunteerism

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YANG YA FOUNDATION

REGISTRATION NUMBER: CSOA/PBO-49
REGISTERED ON 24/11/2023

Objectives

To promote wellbeing of the people of Bhutan through interventions in Education and Health sectors, promoting culture and heritage and enviromental preservation. The foundation aspires to engage through various initiatives including projects and small grants program and partnerships with local communities, community based organizations and civil society organizations who have similar areas of interests.

Scopes of Activities

- Education-The foundation will ensure that the. necessities of quality education will be prepared for the children to become responsible contribute as citizen to their society and country. The foundation aspires to support programs that focuses on wholesome quality education.
- Mental Health-The foundation will support mental wellbeing of a person which permeate in all aspects of life.
- Culture and Heritage-The foundation will work with the local communities to preserve the local culture and heritage, an intrinsic component of our identity and our greatest strength as small nation.
- Environment-The foundation will also work with local communities to preserve the local environment to protect, preserve and mitigate the effects from climate change

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MUTUAL BENEFIT ORGANIZATIONS

Mutual Benefit organizations (mBO) are CSOs, which are established in order to advance the shared interests of people working in a particular profession, the business engaged in a particular industry, youth studying in a university, or people who are interested in a particular cultural activity, sport or hobby

ASSOCIATION OF BHUTANESE INDUSTRIES

REGISTRATION NUMBER: CSOA/MBO-03
REGISTERED ON 03/03/2011

Objectives

- Act as a platform to discuss with the government and related agencies and resolve issues and problems constraining the growth of industries in the country.
- Review relevant Acts, Rules, Regulations, Procedures, incentives of Bhutan and other countries and make appropriate recommendations to the government that would facilitate int he growth of industries in the country
- Study industrial policies of other countries through participation in forums, domestic, regional and international and derive ideas and methods that would contribute towards growth and development of industries
- Make appropriate recommendations and suggestions to the government on policies, procedures, regulatory and other pertinent matters in all the related areas intended to create an enabling environment for growth and development of industries
- Liaise with government, public and private agencies, Associations, Federations, Confederations, and other legal entities located within and outside the country in areas that are of interest to the Association.

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Association of Bhutanese Tour Operators

Registration Number: CSOA/MBO-02
Registered on 03/03/2011

Objective

To effectively represent and promote the general interests of Bhutanese tour operators in the national, regional and international travel and tourism industry

Scope of Activities

- Make representation on behalf of the Members to the government and any organizations with which the Association has common interest;
- Nominate from among Members, representatives to serve on committees related to tourism and travel industry, either locally or internationally;
- Establish and maintain a Code of Conduct between Members and the general public and between Members and those with whom they trade;
- Study, develop and promote the tourism and travel industry;
- Discourage unfair competition without interfering in any way with initiative and enterprise based on fair trading;
- Protect the interest of the Members of this Association from malpractices of foreign tour operators;
- Organize or participate in conventions, seminars and other such activities pertaining to tourism and travel industry;
- Encourage social activities, which will promote understanding and goodwill among all stakeholders;

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BHUTAN TAXI ASSOCIATION

REGISTRATION NUMBER: CSOA/MBO-15
REGISTERED ON 30/07/2020

Objectives

- to advance, promote and protect the interest of members i.e. the taxi drivers in particular and the taxi industry in general.
- to represent its members at all levels of the government and the private sector, by advocating for laws and policies conducive to the growth and development of the taxi industry.
- to ensure fair labor practise by all its members, and in the process promoting the interest of all members.
- to encourage, promote and improve road safety education, public service and human relations on all taxi operations, particularly the taxi drivers.
- to encourage, promote and improve the standard of living and quality of life of its members.
- to contribute to the growth of the country's economy by collaborating with entrepreneurship, as well as creating employment opportunities.
- to take all steps necessary to preclude any kind of misconduct on the part of members and to report such misconduct to the concerned authorities and to take further steps.
- to raise funds for BTA by any legal means.
- to apply all funds for the purpose of giving effect to the objectives of BTA and to invest funds in suitable financial institutions and in addition, acquire by purchase, lease immovable and movable property.
- to abide by a Code of Ethics and apply disciplinary procedures in respects of transgression of the Code of Ethics and to amend the rules as and when necessary.
- to promote education and skills development.
- to render support in terms of economic imbalances, if any, in the transport industry.
- to work towards building a responsible and credible taxi industry.

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Evaluation Association Of Bhutan

Registration Number: CSOA/MBO-06
Registered on 06/12/2017

Purposes

- Promote a strong evaluation culture in the country as a critical element for accountability, good governance and transparency in development processes;
- Improve evaluation methodologies and use; and
- Promote evaluation as a profession in the country.

Objectives

- Providing a platform for evaluators to share best practices on evaluation;
- Improving the quality and use of evaluation
- Advocating and creating awareness on evaluation
- Building the capacity of those who conduct commission and manage evaluations in the country; and
- Creating a network of high quality evaluators and linking them with the other evaluation committees.

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Financial Institutions Association of Bhutan

Registration Number: CSOA/MBO-06
Registered on 06/12/2017

Purpose

To promote, advance and protect the common interests of financial service provider in the in the country and to represent as a forum and as a collective voice for the financial institutions in addressing specific problems and policy issues at the national, regional and international levels.

Objectives

- Represent issues of common interest of banking, pension, insurance ,reinsurance ,fund management and any other interest of member institutes.
- Promote and develop sound and progressive banking, financial and insurance (BFI) principles , practices ,conventions and to contribute to the development of creative BFI services.
- Coordinate and cooperate on procedural , legal , technical , administrative or professional issues and practices of BFI industry.
- Develop and implement creative and innovative ideas in BFI services, operations and procedures.
- Promote harmonious personnel relations in BFI industry and devise ways and means for involving BFI personnel in the endeavors of BFI for growth and development of BFI sector and the economy of the country.
- Act as a clearinghouse for dissemination and exchange of statistical data, information, views and opinions on the systems, procedures and practices, and organization and methods of banks and on the structure, working and operations of the BFI System.
- Provide the basis for the sector's engagement with the stakeholders.
- Provide regulatory and policy feedbacks to the regulators.
- Contribute towards strengthening corporate social responsibility in the society.
- Any other objectives that may be adopted by the Association from time to time.

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Guide Association of Bhutan

Registration Number: CSOA/MBO-01
Registered on 29/06/2010

Purpose

The single collective voice of the guides and be recognized as a key player in enhancing the professionalism of Bhutan's tourism industry. It is the intent of all the registered tour and trekking guides of the kingdom to create this association to advance the shared interest of their profession in the country's growing tourism industry.

Objectives

- To advance the shared interest of all the tour and trekking guides and their profession in the country's growing tourism industry.
- The association shall support, represent and protect the professional guides in the country and shall solve any problems related to the profession.
- To promote the highest degree of professionalism for all tour guides through commitment to ethical standards, continuing education, and professional recognition.
- To work with appropriate governmental, Public and private tourism-related organizations to resolve issues of mutual concern.
- To provide an accessible source of information pertaining to all the tour guides and their associates and to update the record and maintain the history of all the registered guides in the Kingdom.
- Requiring adherence to a professional code of ethics for all the guide members.
- The Association shall raise public and private awareness of the vital roles played by professional tour guides.

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HANDICRAFTS ASSOCIATION OF BHUTAN

REGISTRATION NUMBER: CSOA/MBO-04
REGISTERED ON 10/10/2011

Purpose

To promote the equitable growth and development of the handicrafts sector in Bhutan.

Objectives

- Strategically important centre for learning and enhancing handicrafts related skills.
- Independent, transparent and democratic association, which is open to all the individuals and organizations related to handicrafts sector to join or get the advantage of the facilities that we provide.
- Association that delivers real value of Knowledge to the beneficiaries through quality services.
- Key player in the preservation of Bhutanese crafts, trusted for our ability to safeguard the authenticity of Bhutanese handicrafts, while encouraging innovation where appropriate

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Hotel and Restaurant Association of Bhutan

Registration Number: CSOA/MBO-11
Registered on 10/11/2014

Objectives

- Provide a platform for supervising and coordinating the activities of the members
- Mediate and arbitrate, to resolve any dispute involving consumers, customers and amongst members
- Promote, encourage and assist in the further development of tourism sector, promote good and friendly relations among the Travel and Tour operators and the member hoteliers
- Promote and set a standard for the different classes of hotels as given in the classification of hotels by the Tourism Council of Bhutan
- Act as a medium on behalf of the member hoteliers and liaison with the various Government departments regarding issues which look into the interest of all hoteliers of Bhutan
- Create a communication program on the awareness of the particular significance of the hotel industry in contributing to the general economic development and employment
- Synergise with all segments of the hotel industry and apex bodies of the tourism sector in Bhutan and overseas and work for the creation of common platform
- Develop a strong and a lasting bond of friendship and good will between all members of HRAB
- Render assistance and to provide common services to the members
- Coordinate efforts and procure cooperation of all members in resolving issues related to the hotel industry and the problems in functioning of the hotels
- Undertake and maintain close coordination with the government bodies, the regulatory authorities, the BCCI, the ABTO for the smooth functioning of the hotels and furthering interests of the hotels
- Project a good image of the member hotels as also to develop good public relations
- Act as a catalyst for hotel industry action in regard to quality, productivity and human resource development
- Organize meetings, workshops, research studies in the interest of the Hotel Industry
- Assist, advise and guide as far as possible, all members on all their needs, difficulties and problems of growth, development and working
- Generally to do all and any other thing that may be necessary or relevant for the realization of the the objectives and purposes of the Association directly or indirectly

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JOURNALISTS ASSOCIATION OF BHUTAN

REGISTRATION NUMBER: CSOA/MBO-12
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Purposes

- Promote the right to information, freedom of expression and media;
- Maintain and promote ethical journalism;
- Protect and defend journalists from threats, harassments, attacks etc. from interest groups.

Objectives

- Enhance the quality of journalism in Bhutan
- Develop and implement the journalist's codes of ethics
- Deal with the common and individual challenges faced by Bhutanese journalists;
- Explore opportunities to advance the profession of journalism;
- Explore collaborative opportunities to promote professional education programmes for journalists;
- Institute mechanism to recognize journalists through awards and grants;
- Support journalists who are injured/disabled and provide compensatory grants to those killed in the line of duty; and,
- Stimulate and sustain professional debate on crucial issues through seminars, workshops and discussion forum

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VAST-Bhutan

Registration Number: CSOA/MBO-07
Registered on 08/07/2014

Objectives

- To provide a physical space and nurture the creative talents of the Bhutanese youth (In school youth and out of school youth)
- To learn how to decipher the moral and ethical values concealed in works of art and how to put those morals into a personal perspective, while also examining them in the context of the artist's own beliefs
- To promote volunteerism, for both personal and general sobering
- To spread social awareness through art
- To promote the importance of Bhutan's rich culture heritage and tradition through art.

VAST Activities

- Conducts weekend classes on basic drawing, sketching, water-coloring, oil painting, and computer aided designing, traditional painting techniques, etc.
- Designs and implements projects to promote culture, health, hygiene and environment. These projects are designed using new materials and techniques, providing on-the-job training to the students.
- Organizes art talks, art camps and field trips to relevant institutions.

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