



Rinzing Financial Private Limited

**FINANCIAL AUDIT REPORT  
OF THE DISABLED  
PERSONS' ASSOCIATION  
OF BHUTAN (DPAB),  
THIMPHU, BHUTAN**

**PERIOD: JAN 1, 2019 to DEC 31, 2019**

**MARCH 2020**

**TITLE SHEET**

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## ACRONYMS

ADA	:	Austrian Development Agency
CID	:	Citizenship Identification Card
CFLI	:	Canada Fund for Local Initiatives
CPA	:	Certified Public Accountant
CSOA	:	Civil Society Organization Authority
DPAB	:	Disabled Persons' Association of Bhutan
DPO	:	Disabled Persons Organization
ISSAI	:	International Standards of Supreme Audit Institutions
PWD	:	Persons with Disabilities
RAA	:	Royal Audit Authority of Bhutan
UNDP	:	United Nations Development Programme
UNICEF	:	United Nations International Children's Emergency Fund

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**AUDITORS' REPORT ON THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS OF THE DISABLED PERSONS' ASSOCIATION OF BHUTAN, THIMPHU FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER, 2019**

**Opinion**

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the Disabled Persons' Association of Bhutan, which comprise the Receipts and Payments Statement and schedules forming part of the financial statements for the financial year ended 31 December, 2019.

In our opinion, the financial statements are prepared, in all material respects, in accordance with the Financial Rules and Regulations 2016.

**Basis for opinion**

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards of Supreme Audit Institutions (ISSAIs). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the audit of Financial Statements section of our report. We are independent of Disabled Persons' Association of Bhutan, Thimphu in accordance with RAA's Code of Ethics, and we have fulfilled our responsibilities in accordance with the requirements outlined in this code. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

**Responsibilities of Management and Those Charged with Governance for the Financial Statements**

Management is responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the Financial Rules and Regulations 2016 and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the Disabled Persons' Association of Bhutan's financial reporting process.

**Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements**

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISSAIs will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

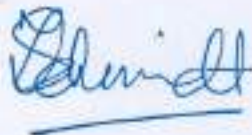
As part of audit in accordance with ESAs, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omission, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Disabled Persons' Association of Bhutan's internal control.

We communicate with the management, among others, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during the audit.

## INCLOSURES

For Rinzing Financial Private Limited



Tashi Rinzing Schmidt, CPA  
Audit Partner  
CPA License No. 34762



Date: March 23, 2020

Place: Thimphu, Bhutan

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ENCLOSURES

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Disabled Persons' Association of Bhutan  
Receipts and Payments Statement  
For the year ended December 31, 2019

Receipts	Schedule	December 31, 2018 (Nu.)	December 31, 2019 (Nu.)	Payments	Schedule	December 31, 2018 (Nu.)	December 31, 2019 (Nu.)
To Opening Balance:							
Cash on Hand		707	-				
Cash at Bank		500,038	311,792			1,573,482	3,633,600
To Grants Received	1	-	3,514,059	By Expenditure	4		
To Other Income	2	1,635,029	393,811				
To Advance Recoveries	3	-	250,500				
				By Closing Balance:			
				Cash on Hand		-	-
				Cash at Bank		311,792	786,562
				Advance	5	250,500	50,000
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>2,135,774</b>	<b>4,670,162</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>2,135,774</b>	<b>4,670,162</b>



*Sonam Deki*  
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Finance Officer



*Sonam Gyamsho*  
Sonam Gyamsho  
Executive Director

Disabled Persons' Association of Bhutan  
 Bank Reconciliation Statement  
 For the year ended December 31, 2019

Particulars	Amount (Nu.)
Closing balance as per bank statement	786,562
Add: Deposit in transit	-
Less: Cheque issued but not encashed	-
Closing balance as per DPAB records	786,562



*Sensam Dekki*

Sensam Dekki  
 Finance Officer

*Sonam Gyamtsho*

Sonam Gyamtsho  
 Executive Director

*Schmidt*



**Schedule 1: Grants Received**

(Amount in Nu.)

Particulars	Dec 31, 2018	Dec 31, 2019
CFLI (Canada)	-	1,397,330
Austrian Development Agency	-	675,000
Mrs. Kippenes	-	81,979
UNICEF	-	1,359,750
	-	3,514,059

**Schedule 2: Other Income**

(Amount in Nu.)

Particulars	Dec 31, 2018	Dec 31, 2019
Donations	919,841	85,001
Membership fees	-	39,000
Refund for air tickets	-	269,810
Other recoveries	715,188	-
	1,635,029	393,811

**Schedule 3: Recoveries**

(Amount in Nu.)

Particulars	Dec 31, 2018	Dec 31, 2019
Refund from CFLI	-	250,500
	-	250,500

**Schedule 4: Expenditure**

(Amount in Nu.)

Particulars	Dec 31, 2018	Dec 31, 2019
CFLI Expenses	-	1,397,330
ADA Expenses	694,214	667,740
UNICEF Expenses	-	1,001,805
Stipend	-	80,500
Transportation	-	10,500
Lunch & Meals	-	21,135
Printing & Stationery	-	6,000
Gifts & Souvenirs	29,025	46,620
Other Expenses	850,243	401,970
	1,573,482	3,633,600

Schedule 5: Advance

(Amount in Nu.)

Particulars	(Amount in Nu.)	
	Dec 31, 2018	Dec 31, 2019
Jigme Namgyal	-	50,000
CFLI	250,500	-
	250,500	50,000

## **ANNEXURE - A: PROFILE**

Disabled Persons' Association of Bhutan (DPAB) was founded by group of persons with disabilities and has been registered under the Civil Society Organization Authority (CSOA) since 2010 under the Royal Patron of His Royal Highness Prince Namgyel Wangchuck.

DPAB today, as the central organization between the Government and beneficiaries at large, is creating opportunities for persons with disabilities and at the same time lobbying with the government for support. Ever since its inception, DPAB's main task has been to educate the general populace about the rights of persons with disabilities (PWDs) and also to lobby with the government of the day for support to beneficiaries. Further, DPAB's major contribution has been in alleviating many of the persons with disabilities from poverty to dignity through skill-based programs and education.

### **The Objectives of DPAB are to:**

- To raise awareness and advocate on the rights of persons with disabilities;
- To promote inclusion and effective participation of persons with disabilities in the community;
- To enhance the livelihood and independence of persons with disabilities in the society;
- To facilitate the empowerment and involvement of persons with disabilities in socio-political decision making; and
- To explore and strengthen the communication, coordination and collaboration with relevant organizations within and outside the country.

#### ANNEXURE - B: ACHIEVEMENTS

- With the funding support from Austrian Development Coordination Office in Thimphu, DPAB organized the national level Policy Dialogue on the recently approved National Policy for Persons with Disabilities in Thimphu. The Panel Discussion on Television was organized at Bhutan Broadcasting Service Studio. The event was aired several times in the National Television Channel for the public viewing. The event brought together more than 50 people from 4 different countries to deliberate on best practices in other countries and organizations. The event was a huge success.
  - Capacity Development of Staff of DPAB to run the organization as fully fledged Disabled Persons Organization (DPO).
  - Skill Development and employment for 7 adolescents with disability by DPAB.
  - Structural Drawings for the construction of accessible centre for Disabled Persons' Association of Bhutan.
  - DPAB led a day long workshop on basic ICT knowledge and skills to blind and low vision individuals living in Thimphu area on 19<sup>th</sup> of August 2019.
  - On December 3, coinciding with the International Day of Persons with Disabilities, the National Policy for Persons with Disabilities of Bhutan was launched by the RGoB.
  - Conducted a Disability Equality Training to 87 Thimphu City Bus operators, financially supported by UNDP on December 8, 2019.
  - Conducted a day long Disability Equality Training to the members of Gross National Happiness Commission in Bhutan at Paro in order to develop inclusive plans and policies and to provide appropriate support services to the persons with disabilities in the country.
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