

Biography

His Eminence Geshe Lharampa Javzandorj Dulamragchaa, the 30th Khamba Nomun Khan, Supreme Abbot and Head of Gandantegchenling Monastery, the Centre of Mongolian Buddhists, entered the monastic life at the age of eleven at Erdenemandal Monastery, where he received his initial training in the Vinaya and the fundamentals of Buddhist doctrine. He continued his formal education in Buddhist philosophy at Gandantegchenling Monastery, and later pursued advanced studies at Drepung Gomang Dratsang in India, one of the principal seats of the Gelug tradition.

After more than two decades of intensive study, debate, and meditation, he was awarded the degree of Geshe Lharampa in 2018 with highest honours, becoming the first Mongolian monk to attain this distinction. Following this, he was invited to teach Buddhist philosophy at Drepung Gomang Dratsang, thereby contributing to the transmission of the profound Nalanda tradition.

Since 2020 until now, His Eminence has also served as a teacher at the Zanabazar Buddhist University of Ulaanbaatar, guiding successive generations of monks and lay students in the study of Madhyamaka, Pramāṇa, Abhidharma, and other major fields of Mahāyāna philosophy and practice.

In November 2023, he was formally enthroned as the 30th Khamba Nomun Khan, Supreme Abbot and Head of Gandantegchenling Monastery, the Centre of Mongolian Buddhists — the highest spiritual authority of Mongolian Buddhism, inheriting a lineage of great incarnations recognised within the Gelug tradition.

Under his leadership, Gandantegchenling Monastery has entered a new era of revitalisation, safeguarding the authenticity of the Buddhadharma while strengthening the education and training of the sangha, fostering opportunities for advanced study of Mongolian Buddhist heritage, and greatly expanding academic and spiritual collaborations with institutions worldwide.

Deeply committed to the flourishing of the Mahāyāna path, His Eminence continues to transmit the Dharma both within Mongolia and internationally, offering teachings, empowerments, and guidance at Buddhist centres and to communities of devotees across Asia and Europe, including Japan, France, Germany, Austria, and Belgium.

His work embodies the dual role of scholar and spiritual guide, uniting rigorous intellectual training with compassionate service for the benefit of all sentient beings.