

Opening Ceremony of Shan State Buddhist University (SSBU)

Shan State Buddhist University

Taunggyi, Shan State, Myanmar

Saturday & Sunday, February 6-7, 2016

Program

05 February 2016	Arrival of delegates in Taunggyi
06 February 2016	An International Seminar on “ <i>Buddhism, Higher Education and Vision</i> ”
07 February 2016	Opening Ceremony of Shan State Buddhist University

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 To mark the Opening Ceremony of Shan State Buddhist University (SSBU)
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 Saturday, February 06, 2016

Opening Ceremony & Session (I)

MC: Ven. Vicittabhipala, Dhammacariya, MA (Kelaniya) & Ven.Pannananda, BA, Hon, MA, MPhil (Kelaniya), PhD candidate (Peradeniya)

06:00-07:00	Breakfast at hotel
07:00-7:30	Arrival of participants at SSBU Complex
07:30-07:50	Registration and arrival of all participants in Seminar Hall, SSBU
07:50-08:00	Lighting lamp and reciting <i>Namo tassa</i> in homage to triple gems led by the Most Dr.Pannananda , PhD, Hon., Deputy General Secretary of the State Sangha Mahanayaka Committee of Myanmar; The Most Ven. Dr. Ashin Nyanissara , Aggamahapandita , Chancellor, Sitagu International Buddhist Academy, Sagaing & Chairman, IATBU & Ven. Prof.Dr. K. Dhammasami , DPhil (Oxford), Founder, SSBU & Executive Secretary, IABU & IATBU; Professor, ITBMU; Fellow & Buddhist Chaplain, Oxford Centre for Buddhist Studies, University of Oxford
08:00:-08:15	Welcome speech His U Soe Win , Minister, Ministry of Religious affair, Republic of the Union of Myanmar
08:15-90:00	Buddhist Universities and Missionary Work The Most Ven. Dr. Ashin Nyanissara , Aggamahapandita , Chancellor, Sitagu International Buddhist Academy, Sagaing & Chairman, IATBU
09:00-09:45	Buddhist Contribution toward Higher Education: Past and Present The Most Ven.Prof.Dr.Phra Brahmapundit , Rector, Mahachulalongkornrajavidyalaya University & Chairman, IABU & ICDV
09:45-10:15	Break
	Session (II)
10:15-11:00	The Pali Text Society and the Pali and Theravada Buddhism in the West: A Reflection of the PTS and Its Relationship with Sri Lanka (speaking in Pali) Ven. Dr. M. Wijithadhamma PhD, Senior Lecturer, Dept. of Pali & Buddhist Studies, University of Sri Jayewardenapura, Sri Lanka MC: Ven.Devindabhipala , BA (BPU), MA (Kelaniya), PhD candidate (Mahidol) & Ven.Nyanasamilankara , Dhammacariya, MA(Kelaniya), MPhil Candidate (Peradeniya)
11:00-12:00	Luncheon
	Session (III)
12:30-13:15	Buddhist and Pali University of Sri Lanka The Most Ven.Prof. Ittadembaliye Indasara Thera , PhD (Delhi) Former Vice Chancellor, Buddhist and Pali University of Sri Lanka, Sri Lanka

13:15-14:00	Buddhist Studies in Europe and America
	Ven. Phra.Dr.Sakyawong Visuddhi (Anil Sugandho) MPhil (Cambridge), PhD (Brunel), Hon.Treasurer, IABU & Deputy Rector for foreign affair, Mahamakut Buddhist University, Thailand
14:00-14:45	
	Ven. Prof. Dr. Nandamalabhivamsa Aggamahapantita, Rector, International Theravada Buddhist Missionary University (ITBMU)
	MC: Ven.Pannabhoga, Dhammacariya, MA (Kelaniya), PhD candidate (Mahidol) & Ven. Dr. Pannasiri, PhD (Magadh)
14:45- 15:15	Refreshment
	Session (IV)
15:15-16:00	The Golden Days of Nalanda We Should Aspire to Emulate
	Ven. Prof.Dr. K. Dhammasami , DPhil (Oxford), Founder, SSBU & Executive Secretary, IABU & IATBU; Professor, ITBMU; Fellow & Buddhist Chaplain, Oxford Centre for Buddhist Studies, University of Oxford
16:00- 16:15	Closing Remark
	Prof. U Maung Maung Lay , MA (Sorbone), Scholar, Smithsonian Institute, USA & Retired Professor, ITBMU
16:15-16:30	Vote of thanks
	Ven. Dr.Nawkhamla Dhammasami, MPhil & PhD (Peradeniya)
	MC: Dr. Mahapanna PhD (assumption) Ven. Pandavabhipala, MA (BPU), PhD Candidate (Mumbai)
The End of Seminar	
Delegates Return to Hotel	

N.B. Otherwise specified, all presentations are in English.