

Foundation project

Melitopol

Activity report 2008

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1 Location

Our Buddhist center is situated in the center of Melitopol. The address is 42, Sverdlov street, Melitopol, Ukraine. Now we have a 1100 square metres lot with a house. We succeeded to find and buy this house in 1999 and since then we are permanently working on reconstruction and replanning of the building. Our goal is to have a center for representations and preservation of Buddhism in our town, also daily meditations and organization of local retreats.



The whole property belongs to: The Buddhist Association of Ukraine which is the representative of all 11 centers and meditation groups in Ukraine, belonging to the Karma Kagyu lineage under the spiritual guidance of His Holiness 17th Karmapa, Trinley Thaye Dorje and directed by Lama Ole Nydahl.

2 Buddhism Foundation Diamondway Representative of project

Representatives of project:

3 Center and our Plans and Works

We plan to reconstruct the house, refurbish the attic into the mansard, making a gompas there. From the main facade side we plan to attach a two-story annex with a staircase to the mansard. On the lot we plan to make place for setting a summer tent for meditation and arranging a place for camping.

At the time of buying the house was dilapidated, windows and doors missing, the roof was broken, all communications were cut.

Since the acquisition of the house, there was gas, water and electricity connected in it. A new electric wiring was made, the sewerage system and gas heating were renewed. The roof was reconstructed and the roofing replaced with a new one. We also changed the plan of the house, restored the premises including rooms, kitchen, shower room and lavatory. We also added a veranda to the house that con-

nects the kitchen with the dwelling part of the house. The verandah was equipped with plastic windows. Some arrangements for installation of the heat-insulated floor were also made.

4 Funding of the Foundation

In summer 2008 we received funding 2.000 EUR from the Buddhism Foundation Diamondway.

5 Works done 2008

Since the summer 2008 the following activities were performed:

- The heating system was remade and upgraded: now there is the heat-insulated floor and a dryer in the house.
- The verandah is equipped with heating system (the heat-insulated floor).
- We made warm widow's slopes in the whole house and twofold warmth keeping the ceiling in the verandah.
- Partially made warmth keepers in the house walls.
- We made the ceiling and finishing works in the verandah along with the replanning of the premises.
- For the future works we bought the following materials:
- Tiles for the floor in the verandah, a set of (100 m.) of warmth keeper for walls (verandah and kitchen)
Spackling, glue for a tile and gypsum cardboards for finishing works.

6 Photos



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