THARCHEN

Founder/Executive Director

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Experience Research & Consulting

2023

 Assessed the Disaster Management Policy, Act, practices and learnings from the COVID-19 pandemic experience through stakeholder consultations, and recommended a proactive approach through prevention and mitigation including broadening the scope to climate-induced disaster to the Department of Disaster Management

2021

 Organized the Bhutan Biodemocracy & Resilience Conference 2021 activities saw more than 20 participants successfully participate in Zoom discussions and essay competitions (partnering with the Center for the Study of Democracy, University of Westminster, London)

2020

- Developed Terms of Reference for Local Government Committees for the Department of Local Governance, Ministry of Home and Cultural Affairs, Royal Government of Bhutan supported by HELVETAS Inter Swiss Cooperation Bhutan
- Developed Protocol for Local Government Sessions for the Department of Local Governance, Ministry of Home and Cultural Affairs and supported by HELVETAS Swiss Inter Cooperation Bhutan
- Organized the Bhutan Biodemocracy & Resilience Conference 2020 activities saw more than 20 participants successfully participate in Zoom discussions and essay competitions (partnering with the Center for the Study of Democracy, University of Westminster, London)

2019

- Organized the Bhutan Biodemocracy & Resilience Conference 2019 which saw academics, scientists, politicians, civil servants, NGOs/CSOs, and journalists participate in sharing their views on a broad range of policy topics. It was organized in partnership with the Centre for the Study of Democracy, University of Westminster, London. It was aimed at strengthening citizen and CSO engagement in policy-making.
- Founded the Center for Local Governance and Research.

Member of Parliament, National Council from Trongsa Dzongkhag

2013-2018

- Chairperson, Good Governance Committee
- Chairperson, Public Accounts Committee (2013-2014)
- Special Member, Committee on Hydro Power Policy, Plans and Programs Review

- Special Member, Committee on Education Policy & Programs in Country Review
- Special Member, Committee on Public Procurement Policy Review
- Led Review of Gewog and Dzongkhag Development Grants (2013-2016)
- Led Review of Constituency Development Grant
- Led Review of Annual Anti-Corruption Reports (2013-2016)
- Member, Committee on Employment Policy & Programs Review
- Member, Local Government Diagnostic and Assessment Study
- Delegation, International Parliamentary Union (IPU).

School Principal, Trongsa Dzongkhag

2005 - 2013

School Teacher, Trongsa Dzongkhag

2005

Education/Training

2008 – 2009: Master in Education in Educational Administration and Management,

Naresuan, Thailand

2002 – 2004: Bachelors in Education, Samtse College of Education

2015 : Certificate in Public Policy, Sherubtse College Kanglung, Royal University of

Bhutan

2015. : Certificate in Leadership Governance at the Royal Institute for Governance and

Strategic Studies

Honours & Awards

Recognition over Top Ten in National School Ranking (2010-2013)

Publications

- <u>Virtual Workshop on Women's Participation in Local Government in Bhutan</u> (COVID-19 pandemic lockdown), August 2021
- Bhutan: Biodemocracy and Resilience Conference (proceedings report), 2020
- Bhutan: Biodemocracy and Resilience Conference (proceedings report), 2019
- Report on Local Government Diagnostic and Assessment Study
- Report on Employment Policy & Programs Review
- Report on Constituency Development Grant
- Report on Gewog and Dzongkhag Development Grants from 2013-2016
- Report on Hydropower Power Policy, Plans and Programs Review
- Report on Education Policy & Programs Review
- Report on Public Procurement Policy Review