Additional Material collected by Survey Team

ДУСЦ 044 Зоогийн жас / Zoogiin jas

Attachments:
The abbot accounted that in the 1990's he found some small conical-shaped terracotta (tsha tsha) here.
He said that about 60-70 monks belonged to the temple.
There were 3 temples.
The ovoo worshipped by the monks was Zoogiin khar ovoo on the west of the monastery. This ovoo is still worshipped. Many small ovoos surround the main ovoo. The monks used to drink the water of a well on the south-west, called Zoogiin khudag or Zoogiin shand.
The main deity of the monastery was Gombo.
The abbot explained that during the purges, books were piled in the valley beside the Ovoo (and between it and the monastery) and were burnt for 7 days. The most precious and golden objects were loaded on 3 cars and were transported from here.
Unfortunately no old monk of this monastery was alive in 2007, therefore detailed data was not possible to be gained during the survey visit.

In the 1990's several of the old monks of this monastery gathered and initiated the revival of this monastery, Dashgimpellin monastery (founded in 1991), in the centre of Dundgovi aimag, Mandalgovi. Dambajamts became the abbot (till his death in 1996), who had been the second chanting master (Baga unzad) in Zoogiin khural.
Tovoo was the main chanting master of this monastery and became the main chanting master of the new temple, too.
There were other monks from the monastery, too, but no-one was alive in 2007.

There is a trace of digging on the site of the main assembly hall.

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According o S. Tüvden monk (born 1926), who presently belongs to the monk community of Gonoijürmeddechilen monastery (ДУЛС 024) and was a monk of Taliin khural (ДУӨЗ 062), the monks of Zoogiin khural often visited his monastery before the purges.

Data from the article of Kh. Shonkhor (Zava Damdinii süüliin khorin jil ba Delgeriin Choir, in: Lavain egshig, Gandantegchenlin khiid, 1997/2, pp. 67-69.)
According to this article, the abbot (khamba), Sanduijav, of this monastery, edited or corrected (ariutgan shüüsen), the famous religious history, Khor Choijun (hor chos-'byung) of Zava Damdin.

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