

Bokar Mahamudra
Seminar Recitations



While such compassion is active and immediate,
In the moment of compassion, its essential emptiness is nakedly
clear.
This conjunction is the undeviating supreme path.
Inseparable from it, may I meditate day and night.

From the power of meditation come eyes and actual knowledge,
Sentient beings are ripened and domains of enlightenment refined.
Aspirations for the realization of all aspects of buddhahood are
fulfilled.

May I complete these three—fulfilment, ripening and
refinement—and become buddha.

By the compassion of the buddhas and bodhisattvas of the ten
directions

And the power of whatever pure virtue there may be,
May my wishes and those of all beings
Be fulfilled as we ask in this way.

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Prayers for Bokar Mahamudra Seminar

Refuge and Bodhichitta

ஓগ | ଶଙ୍ଗେ ଚୋ ଦଙ୍ଗ ତ୍ୱକ କ୍ୟି ଚୋକ ନାମ ଲା |

sang gye chö dang tsok kyi chok nam la

Until enlightenment, I go for refuge

ଉଦ୍ଧବ ସନ୍ଦୂପଦଶ କ୍ରୀଣୁଷା ଶୁମକୀ |

jang chup bar du dak ni kyap su chi

In the Buddha, the Dharma, and the supreme Sangha.

ଦକ ଗି ଜିନ ସୋ କ୍ୟି ପେ ସୋ ନାମ କ୍ୟି |

dak gi jin sok gyi pe sö nam kyi

By the merit of generosity and other virtues,

ଦ୍ରୋ ଲା ପେନ ଚିର ଶଙ୍ଗେ ଦ୍ରୁପ ପାର ଶୋକ |

dro la pen chir sang gye drup par shok

May I attain buddhahood for the benefit of beings.

ଘରାମଣ୍ଡଳୀ |

Repeat three times.

The Four Immeasurables

শ্রীমদ্বাদশমিতি প্রতিক্রিয়া শুনুন্তে ।
sem chen tam che de wa dang de we gyu dang den par gyur chik
May all sentient beings have happiness and the causes of happiness.

শুণো প্রতিক্রিয়া শুনুন্তে ।
duk ngal dang duk ngal gyi gyu dang dral war gyur chik
May we be free of suffering and the causes of suffering.

শুণো প্রতিক্রিয়া শুনুন্তে ।
duk ngal me pe de wa dam pa dang mi dral war gyur chik
May we never be separated from true happiness which is free from suffering.

নের্সে ক্ষেত্র প্রতিক্রিয়া শুনুন্তে ।
nye ring chak dang nyi dang dral war tang nyom chen po la
May we abide in great equanimity, free from the partiality

শুণো প্রতিক্রিয়া ।
ne par gyur chik
of attachment and aversion.

Seven Branch Practice

চুম্বক প্রতিক্রিয়া শুনুন্তে ।
chak tsel wa dang chö ching shak pa dang
I dedicate to enlightenment whatever

হৃষি প্রতিক্রিয়া শুনুন্তে ।
je su yi rang kül zhing söl wa yi
Slight merit I have gathered from prostrating,

When one looks again and again at the mind which cannot be looked at,
And sees vividly for what it is, the meaning of not seeing,
Doubts about the meaning of “is” and “is not” are resolved.
Without confusion, may my own face know itself.

Looking at objects, there is no object, one sees mind.
Looking at mind, there is no mind, it is empty of nature.
Looking at both of these, dualistic clinging subsides on its own.
May I realize sheer clarity, the way mind is.

Free from mental constructions, it is called mahamudra.
Free from extremes, it is called madhyamika.
Everything complete here, it is also called maha ati.
May I attain the confidence that, in understanding one, all are realized.

The great bliss of non-attachment is continuous.
Sheer clarity without fixations is free of obscurations.
Passing beyond intellect, non-thought is naturally present.
May these experiences continually arise without effort.

Attachment to good and fixation on experience subside on their own.
Confusion and evil concepts are cleared away in the realm of ultimate nature.
In the ordinary mind, there is no rejection or acceptance,
no separation or attainment.
May I realize the truth of pure being, complete simplicity.

While the nature of beings has always been full enlightenment,
Not realizing this, they wander in endless samsara.
For the boundless suffering of sentient beings
May overwhelming compassion be born in my being.

It doesn't exist; even buddhas do not see it.
It doesn't not exist; it is the origin of samsara and nirvana.
No contradiction; conjunction, the middle way.
May I realize the pure being of mind, free of extremes.

If one says "it is this," nothing has been posited.
If one says "it is not this," nothing has been denied.
Unconditioned pure being transcends intellect.
May I gain conviction in the ultimate position.

Not realizing it, one circles in the ocean of samsara.
Realizing it, Buddha isn't anywhere else.
"It is everything." "It isn't anything." None of this.
Pure being, the basis of everything, may I see any
misunderstanding here.

Since appearance is mind and emptiness is mind,
Since realization is mind and delusion is mind,
Since arising is mind and cessation is mind,
May all assumptions about mind be eliminated.

Unpolluted by meditation with intellectual efforts,
Undisturbed by the winds of everyday affairs,
Not manipulating, knowing how to let what is true be itself,
May I become skilled in this practice of mind and maintain it.

The waves of subtle and coarse thoughts calm down in their
own ground.
Motionless, the river of mind abides naturally.
Free from the contaminations of dullness and torpor,
May I establish the still ocean of shamata.

ਗੇ ਵਾ ਚੁੰਝੇ ਦਕਿ ਚਿ ਸਕਪਾ ।

ge wa chung ze dak gi chi sak pa
And offering, confessing, and rejoicing,

ਸਮਨਤਾ ਦਸਨਾ ਸੀਵ ਪ੍ਰਦਕਵ ਪ੍ਰਿਵ ਵਣਹਾ ।

tam che dak gi jang chup chir ngo o
Requesting, and from making supplications.

Mandala Offering

ਸਾ ਝਿ ਪੋ ਚੁੰਝੁ ਜੁਕ ਸ਼ਿੰਗ ਮੇ ਟੋਕ ਤ੍ਰਾਮ ।

sa zhi pö chü juk shing me tok tram
The earth, perfumed with scented water, strewn with flowers,

ਰਿ ਰਾਪ ਲਿੰਗ ਚੀ ਨੀ ਦੇ ਗੈਂਪਾ ਦਿ ।

ri rap ling zhi nyi de gyen pa di
Graced with Mount Meru, the four lands, the sun and moon,

ਸਾਂਗ ਚੀਂਦੁ ਮਿਕ ਟੇ ਪੁਲ ਵਾ ਯਿ ।

sang gye zhing du mik te püI wa yi
I visualize to be a buddha realm and offer

ਡ੍ਰੋ ਕੁਨ ਨਾਮ ਦਕ ਝਿੰਗ ਲਾ ਚੋ ਪਾਰ ਸ਼ੋਕ ।

dro kün nam dak zhing la chö par shok
So that all beings enjoy a perfectly pure realm.

Prayer to Turn the Wheel of Dharma

શેમન તર્ક મન શ્રી દનમ પદમ | ।

sem chen nam kyi sam pa dang

Please turn the wheel of dharma of

શ્રી પ્રેરણ દ્વારા દનમ | ।

lo yi je drak ji ta war

The Great, Foundation, and common vehicles

કેત્કુદ સ્તુત મંડલ બાધ્ય | ।

che chung tun mong tek pa yi

According to the specific aims

કોષ શ્રી દનમ પ્રદીપ દન્દુ શન્દ્વા | ।

chö kyi khor lo kor du sol

And intellects of sentient beings.

The significance of the ground is the two truths,
free from the extremes of eternalism and nihilism.
The excellent path, the two accumulations,
free from the extremes of assumption and denial.
The result obtained is the two benefits,
free from the extremes of existence and peace.
May I meet the dharma which is free from error.

The ground of refinement is mind itself, indivisible luminosity
and emptiness.

The refining, the great vajra composure of mahamudra.
What is to be refined, the incidental stains of confusion.
The result of refining, the unstained dharmakaya, may I realize it.

Confidence in outlook is cutting assumptions about the ground.
The key to meditation is maintaining that without distraction.
The supreme activity is to exercise the sense of meditation in
everything.

May I have confidence in outlook, meditation and activity.

All dharmas are projections of the mind.
As for mind, there is no mind; mind's nature is empty.
Empty and immediate, mind appears as everything.
Investigating it well, may I settle the basic points.

Appearances, which never existed in themselves, have been
confused as objects.
Awareness itself, because of ignorance, has been confused as a self.
Through the power of dualistic fixation I wander in the realm of
existence.
May ignorance and confusion be completely resolved.

Aspirations for Mahamudra

NAMO GURU

Gurus and yidams, deities of the mandala,
Buddhas of the three times and ten directions and your children,
Consider me with kindness,
Grant your blessing that all my wishes be realized.

Sprung from the snow-mountain of the pure actions and intentions,
Mine and those of all sentient beings without limit,
May the river of virtue undefiled by the three spheres
Flow into the ocean of the four bodies of buddha.

As long as I have not realized this,
Through all my life times, birth after birth,
May not even the words for defilement and suffering be heard,
And may I enjoy the prosperity of oceans of happiness and virtue.

Having obtained this excellent free and well-favored life
Along with faith, energy and intelligence,
Having attended a worthy master and received the pith of the sacred instructions,
May I practice the sacred dharma properly in all my lives without interruption.

The study of scriptures frees one from the veil of ignorance.
The contemplation of oral instructions overcomes the darkness of doubt.
Light born of meditation illuminates the way things are.
May the radiance of the three wisdoms increase.

Vajradhara Lineage Prayer

ດේ රකඟ කේ ත් ස් තු ද් දා |

dor je chang chen te lo na ro dang

Great Vajradhara, Telo, Naro, Marpa, Milarepa,

මර පා මි එ ගැ සා ඩේ ස් මා ද් දා |

mar pa mi la chö je gam po pa

The Dharma Lord Gampopa, knower of three times Karmapa,

දු සූ සේ සෑ පු ගුන මැ තේ ගා මා |

dü sum she ja kün khyen kar ma pa

And lineage holders of the elder four and younger eight—

හේ ත් තු ද ට තු ද ට තු ද ට ට ද ද් දා |

che zhi chung gye gyü par dzin nam dang

The Drikung, Taklung, Tsalpa, glorious Drukpa and the rest—

ද්‍රී ස් පා ගැ සෑ සා මු ද ට ප් දු තු ද ට ට දා |

dri tak tsel sum pel den druk pa sok

Protectors of all beings, the unequalled Dakpo Kagyu

සෑ එ ම ප් මා තු ගැ සෑ ම ද ට ට තු ද ට ට දා |

zap lam chak gya che la nga nye pe

Who have gained mastery of the profound path, mahamudra:

මා ගම මි ද ට ණ ම ජ් ජ තු ද ට ට ද ට ට දා |

nyam me dro gön dak po ka gyü la

O Kagyu gurus, heed my prayer; your lineage I uphold,

ག්‍රැස් ພාද් අභ්‍යන්තර මුද්‍රා |

söl wa dep so ka gyü la ma nam

Please bless me so I may adopt your ways of liberation.

අභ්‍යන්තර උදිරි ක්‍රම ප්‍රාග්‍රීෂ න්‍යා මුද්‍රා |

gyü par dzin no nam tar jin gyi lop

ලේඛන ආකෘති ජ්‍යෙෂ්ඨ ප්‍රාග්‍රීෂ න්‍යා |

zhen lok gom gyi kang par sung pa zhin

Just as revulsion's taught to be the legs of meditation,

ඩ්‍රැග්‍රැන් ප්‍රාග්‍රීෂ එක්‍රේඛා ප්‍රාග්‍රීෂ න්‍යා |

ze nor kün la chak zhen me pa dang

This meditator does not cling to any food or wealth

ක්‍රේඛා ප්‍රාග්‍රීෂ එක්‍රේඛා ප්‍රාග්‍රීෂ න්‍යා |

tsé di dö tak chö pe gom chen la

And severs all the ties that bind me to this present life.

න්‍යෑ ප්‍රාග්‍රීෂ එක්‍රේඛා ප්‍රාග්‍රීෂ න්‍යා |

nye kur zhen pa me par jin gyi lop

Please bless me to be unattached to honor or to gain.

මෝ ගු ගෙ මෝ ගු ගෙ ප්‍රාග්‍රීෂ න්‍යා |

mö gü gom gyi go wor sung pa zhin

Just as devotion's taught to be the head of meditation:

මෙන න්‍යෑ තේ මෝ ගු ගෙ ප්‍රාග්‍රීෂ න්‍යා |

men ngak ter go je pe la ma la

Continually this meditator supplicates the guru,

ව්‍යුත්‍ය ප්‍රාග්‍රීෂ න්‍යා |

jang chub sem ni rin po che

Bodhichitta is precious.

මා ආකෘති ප්‍රාග්‍රීෂ න්‍යා |

ma kye pa nam kye gyur chik

May it arise in whom it has not arisen.

ක්‍රිජා ප්‍රාග්‍රීෂ ප්‍රාග්‍රීෂ න්‍යා |

kye pa nyam pa me pa dang

Once arisen, may it not diminish

ඩ්‍රැග්‍රැන් ප්‍රාග්‍රීෂ ප්‍රාග්‍රීෂ න්‍යා |

gong ne gong du pel war shok

But ever grow and flourish.

ਮਾ'ਗਕ'ਰੋਲ'ਪਾਰ'ਚੇਰ'ਗੋਮ'ਚੇਨ'ਲਾ ।

ma gak röl par char we gom chen la

Appearing for this meditator as unceasing play.

ਖੋਰ'ਦੇ'ਯੇਰ'ਮੇਤੁ'ਜਿਨ'ਗ੍ਰਿਹ'ਸਾ'ਪਾਰ'ਗ੍ਰਿਵ'ਸ੍ਰੀਸਾ'ਫ੍ਰੋਨਸਾ ।

khor de yer me tok par jin gyi lop

Bless me to know samsara and nirvana are not two.

ਕ੍ਰੀ'ਵ'ਕੁਨ'ਤੁ'ਧੰਦ'ਨਾ'ਲਾ'ਨਾ ।

kye wa kün tu yang dak la ma dang

In all my future lives, may I never be apart

ਦ੍ਰੇਲ'ਮੇਤੁ'ਕੀ'ਚੋ'ਪੈਲ'ਲਾ'ਲੋਂ'ਚੋ'ਚਿੰਗ ।

drel me chö kyi pel la long chö ching

From the authentic gurus and embrace the dharma's glory.

ਸਾ'ਡਾ'ਲਾ'ਗ੍ਰਿ'ਯੋਨ'ਟੇਨ'ਰਾਪ'ਡ੍ਰੋਕ'ਨ ।

sa dang lam gyi yön ten rap dzok ne

May I perfect the qualities of all the paths and levels,

ਤੁੱਛ'ਭਾਵ'ਗ੍ਰਿ'ਗੋ'ਪਾਂਗ'ਨਯੁਰ'ਟੋਪ'ਸ਼ੋਕ ।

dor je chang gi go pang nyur top shok

And may I swiftly realize the state of Vajradhara.

ਤੇਸਾ'ਵੰਦ'ਸਤ'ਕੁਲ'ਸ'ਵੰਦ'ਮਾ'ਵੰਦ'ਸਤ' ।

Composed by Jampel Zangpo of Bengar.

Dedication Prayers

ਤ੍ਰਿ'ਸ'ਵੰਦੀ'ਘੀਸ'ਗ੍ਰਿ'ਨੂ'ਵਨਸਾ ॥

ge wa di yi nyur du dak

By this virtue, may I quickly

ਚਕ'ਗਿਆ'ਚੇਨ'ਪੋ'ਦ੍ਰੁਪ'ਗ੍ਯੁਰ'ਨਸਾ ।

chak gya chen po drup gyur ne

Realize mahamudra

ਤ੍ਰਿ'ਸ'ਸਤੀ'ਸ'ਗ੍ਰਿ'ਸਾ'ਗ੍ਰਿ'ਸਾ'ਗ੍ਰਿ'ਸਾ ।

dro wa chik kyang ma lu pa

And bring every sentient being,

ਤ੍ਰਿ'ਸ'ਵਾ'ਗ੍ਰੰਥ'ਵਨਸ'ਰੰਗ ।

de yi sa la gó par shok

Without exception, to that state.

ਵਾਨੰਦ'ਰਸਨ'ਵੰਦੀ'ਘੀਸ'ਸਮਨ'ਤਵ'ਸਿਵਾ'ਗ'ਤੀਨ ।

sö nam di yi tam che zik pa nyi

By this merit may I attain omniscience.

ਸੱਵ'ਰਸ'ਤ੍ਰੇਸ'ਵੰਦੀ'ਨਸ'ਗ੍ਰਿ'ਸਾ'ਗ੍ਰਿ'ਸਾ'ਗ੍ਰਿ'ਸਾ ।

top ne nye pe dra nam pam je ne

May the enemy, wrong action, be overcome.

ਕ੍ਰੀ'ਕ'ਵ'ਕੇਵ'ਿ'ਨ'ਸਨ'ਗ੍ਰਿ'ਸਾ'ਗ੍ਰਿ'ਸਾ'ਗ੍ਰਿ'ਸਾ ।

kye ga na chi ba lap truk pa yi

From the stormy waves of birth, old age, sickness, and death,

ਤ੍ਰਿ'ਵੰਦੀ'ਮਹੋ'ਵਨ'ਵੰਦੀ'ਨਸ'ਗ੍ਰਿ'ਸਾ'ਗ੍ਰਿ'ਸਾ'ਗ੍ਰਿ'ਸਾ ।

si pe tso le dro wa dröl war shok

May I quickly free all beings from the ocean of samsara.