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**Family:** Married for over 21 years, has a son (18 years) and a daughter (16 years)

**Interests:** Empowerment of local governments as harbingers to successful democracy; Research and evidence-based decision-making; Empowerment of women and underprivileged citizens; Accountability mechanisms and anti-corruption strategies; Sustainable development; and Sovereignty of Bhutan as a nation.

### **Educational Experiences and qualifications**

- 1999, MSc. (with Merit) in operational telecommunications, Coventry University, England, United Kingdom
- 1994, BSc in Electrical Engineering (3.6/4.0 GPA), University of Kansas, USA
- 1989, ISC-XII Science from Sherubste College (national topper), Kanglung, Bhutan
- National topper in class V, VIII, and X Board examinations.
- Apprenticed to Buddhist practices and rituals while growing up in a remote village in Zhemgang

### **Employment & Professional Records**

**From:** August 2013                      **To:** To date

**Employer:** National Assembly, Parliament of Bhutan

As an elected Member of Parliament for Bardo-Trong Constituency, Zhemgang, I am a:

1. Chairperson of Legislative Committee;
2. Member of National Judicial Commission;
3. Deputy Chairperson of House Committee / Parliamentary Affairs;
4. Chairperson of National Committee on Parliamentary Entitlements;
5. Member of Economic and Private Sector Development Committee; and
6. Chairperson of several Joint-Parliamentary Committees and Ad Hoc Committees.

As chairperson of Legislative Committee, I have moved, introduced and successfully defended several Bills for enactment, amendment and repeals. Among them are – Local Government Act 2009, Right to Information Act, Tobacco Amendment Act, Narcotic Drugs, Psychotropic substances and Substance Abuse Act, National Assembly Act, National Council Act, Speaker’s Act, Committees Act of the National Assembly, Entitlement and service conditions Act for constitutional Post holders and Members, etc. As an elected member and champion of democracy in Bhutan, I fought for the successful creation of a Budget Committee to review annual budgets and brought the multi-billion hydro-power project expenditures under the review of the Parliament.

**From:** April 2008                      **To:** June 2013

**Employer:** LEKEY DORJI & Associates (LDA)

As chief executive and principal consultant, I led the following projects:

1. ADB Technical Assistance (TA) on country diagnostic study;

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2. DANIDA technical review on social sector support programme assessment in March 2012;
  3. Research study on social protection policy and programs for the Department of Labour, Ministry of Labour and Human Resources;
  4. Study on assessment of quality trekking guides and agents in Bhutan for Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA);
  5. Research study on documentation of local government procedures, elections, and analysis for DANIDA/ECB. The research work culminated into publication of a book titled, *Democracy Up-Close: Documentary study of Bhutan's first Local Government Elections*;
  6. ADB Country Policy and Institutional Assessment (CPIA) 2010. This study comprises of reviewing and looking at 16 criteria such as macroeconomic management, fiscal policy, debt policy, trade, financial sector, business regulatory environment, gender equality, equity of public resource use, human resources, social protection and labour, environmental sustainability, and property rights.
  7. World Bank project on Community-Based Disaster Risk Management (CBDRM) under Japan Social Development Fund (JSDF) to formulate project proposals for CBDRM and climate change adaptation in three selected Dzongkhags and Gewogs in Bhutan;
  8. Drafting e-Governance Contents Guideline for Department of Information and Media, Ministry of Information and Communications, Thimphu;
  9. UNDP TA to assess the capability of Royal Audit Authority as supreme audit institution in Bhutan to audit UNDP in Bhutan;
  10. DANIDA technical review mission team to review and assess the social sector program support on vocational education and training with the Ministry of Labour and Human Resources;
  11. ADB TA on Strengthening Public Finance Management and as ICT specialist was involved in assessing the technology, systems, and audit requirements for the Royal Audit Authority, and drafting ICT Policy and Strategy, and doing an assessment/feasibility study report of an audit management system.

**From:** May 2008

**To:** May 2009

**Employer:** New Edge Technologies Pvt Ltd. / LDA

As CEO and Director, I setup a software developing firm from scratch and successfully implemented several ERP projects in various public and private corporations in Bhutan.

**From:** January 2007

**To:** April 2008

**Employer:** Self employed / freelance

As a freelance consultant, I:

1. Collaborated with Ongdi Consulting Services & Price Water House Coopers on an ADB project. I spearheaded, debt sustainability study for establishment of Dagachhu power project, Department of Energy, Ministry of Economic Affairs;
2. Was a consultant for World Bank / Ministry of Finance, Royal Government of Bhutan, to draft ICT policy and strategy in line with Bhutan ICT Policy and Strategy;
3. Was a consultant for Tashi Group of Companies to set up the first private mobile operator in Bhutan;

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4. Was a consultant for SNV/ Department of Tourism, Ministry of Trade & Industry, Thimphu, to draw up the restructuring of Department of Tourism in the wake of a new policy that converts the department into an autonomous agency;

**From:** August 2005                      **To:** December 2006

**Employer:** Bhutan Postal Corporation Limited

As a senior general manager for business development and marketing, I introduced IT systems to post offices; track and delivery systems; brought in Federal Express (Fedex) services into Bhutan; and introduced in-house capacity building in management and IT operations in Bhutan Post operations.

**From:** January 2005                      **To:** July 2005

**Employer:** Samden Tech Private Limited, Bhutan

As the founding chief executive officer (CEO) and director, I set up the first broadband wireless Internet service in Bhutan. The company is the first private Internet Service provider in Bhutan and used the cost-effective Ku-band satellite receivers which increased our competitive edge in the market.

**From:** September 1999                      **To:** December 2004

**Employer:** Bhutan Telecom, Bhutan (Department of Telecom was converted into Bhutan Telecom on 1<sup>st</sup> July 2000)

As a senior manager and head of business division, I was responsible for customer service; marketing; billing; satellite mobile services; international negotiations and settlements; and tariffs policy matters.

**From:** July 1995                              **To:** August 1999

**Employer:** Department of Telecom, Bhutan

As an area manager for Gelephu, Sarpang, Tsirang, and Dagana telecom districts, my tasks consisted of supervising more than 70 personnel (engineers, revenue managers, customer service managers, security personnel, and others) in south-central telecom district.

**From:** February 1995                      **To:** July 1995

**Employer:** Department of Telecom

As a switch engineer, I was responsible for daily operations of a modern digital switch.

### **Membership to Commissions, Boards, and Professional Associations**

- Member, National Judicial Commission
- President, Bhutan Chess Federation, Thimphu
- Former member of Academic Board, Royal University of Bhutan, Thimphu
- Former Director, Board of Natural Resources Development Corporation Limited
- Former Director, T-Bank Limited
- Former Executive Member, IT Association of Bhutan
- Former Executive Member, SAARC Chamber of Commerce and Industry
- Former Member of Tau Beta Pi, National Engineering Honour Society in USA
- Former Member of Eta Kappa Nu, Electrical Engineering Honour Society in USA
- Former Member of Phi Beta Delta, Honour Society for International scholars in USA