

Tengyur

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For the Altaic Sky God, see [Tengri](#).

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  Young monks printing scriptures in Sera Monastery, Tibet	
Tibetan name	
Tibetan	བསྟན་འགྱུར
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Chinese name	
Traditional Chinese	丹珠爾
Simplified Chinese	丹珠尔
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The **Tengyur** or **Tanjur** or **Bstan-'gyur** (Tibetan: "Translation of Teachings") is the Tibetan collection of commentaries to the Buddhist teachings, or "Translated Treatises".



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The Buddhist Canon[\[edit\]](#)

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To the Tengyur were assigned commentaries to both [Sutras](#) and [Tantras](#), treatises and [abhidharma](#) works (both [Mahayana](#) and non-Mahayana).^[1]

Together with the 108-volume [Kangyur](#) (the Collection of the Words of the Buddha), these form the basis of the [Tibetan Buddhist canon](#). "The Kangyur

usually takes up a hundred or a hundred and eight volumes, the Tengyur two hundred and twenty-five, and the two together contain 4,569 works.”^{[2][3]}

As example, the content of the Beijing Tengyur:^[4]

[Stotras](#) (“Hymns of Praise”): 1 Volume; 64 texts.

Commentaries on the Tantras: 86 Volumes; 3055 texts.

Commentaries on Sutras; 137 Volumes; 567 texts.

Prajnaparamita Commentaries, 16 Volumes.

Madhyamika Treatises, 29 Volumes.

Yogacara Treatises, 29 Volumes.

Abhidharma, 8 Volumes.

Miscellaneous Texts, 4 Volumes.

Vinaya Commentaries, 16 Volumes.

Tales and Dramas, 4 Volumes.

Technical Treatises, 43 Volumes.

The Bön Tengyur [[edit](#)]

The Tibetan [Bön](#) religion, under the influence of Buddhism, also has its canon literature divided into two sections called the Kangyur and Tengyur but the number and contents of the collection are not yet fully known. Apparently, Bön began to take more on a literary form about the time Buddhism began to enter Tibet,^{[5][6]} although it could have had some written register some time before that.

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[↑] Tucci, Giuseppe (1970) p. 259, n. 10

- ^ Stein, R. A. (1962) p.251
- ^ Schlagintweit (2006) pp.78-81
- ^ [The Tibetan Canon by Buddhnet.org](#)
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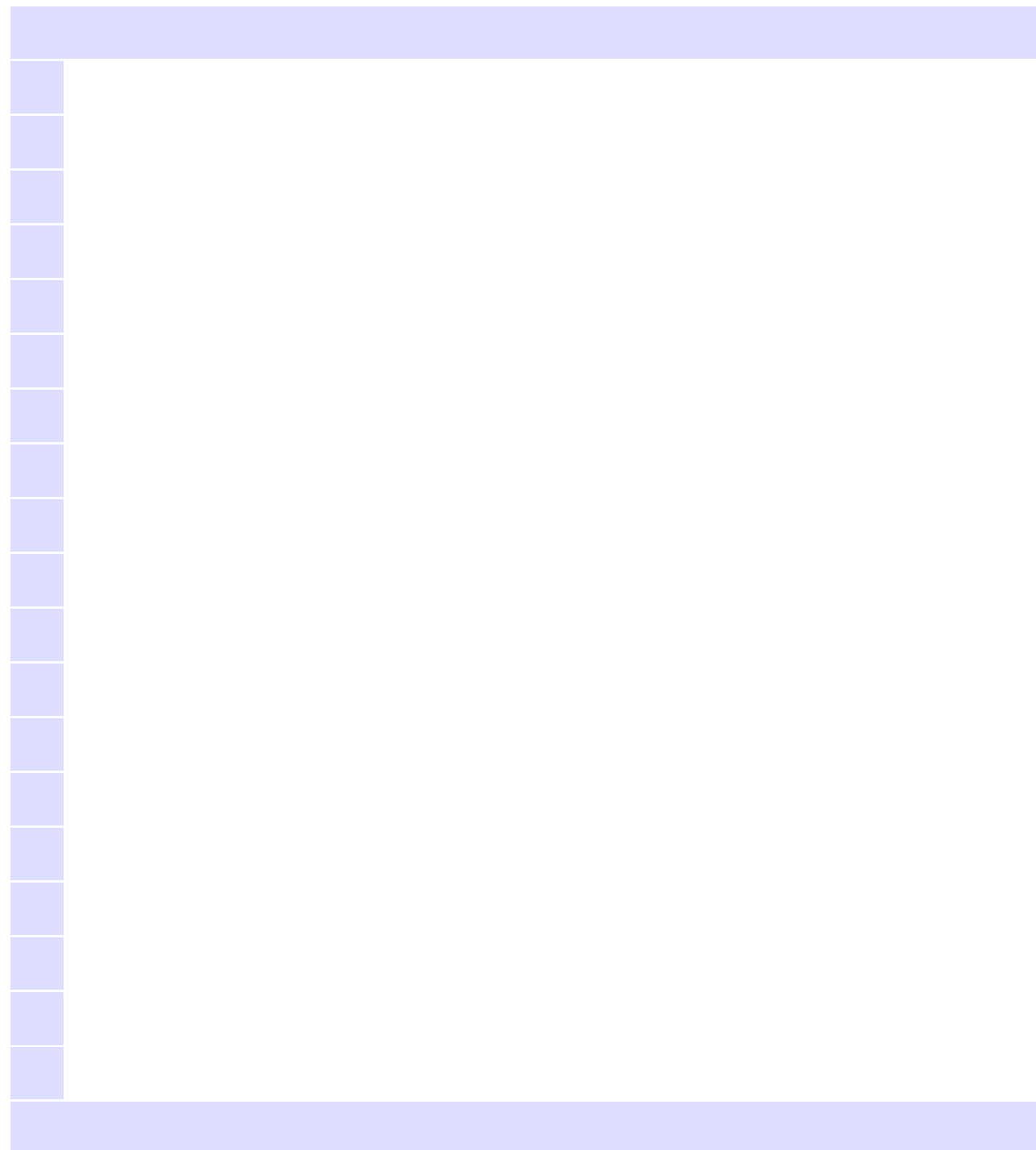
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