

Black-necked Crane festival (BNCF), Gantey-Phonji Valley, Wangduephodrang

“promotion of local economy through conservation of black-necked crane and its habitat”



The Annual Black-Necked Crane Festival (BNCF) will be celebrated at the courtyard of Gangtey Goenpa from 10th to 11th November, 2019 to commemorate the birth anniversary of His Majesty the 4th King.

The Festival is aimed to promote local economy through conservation of Black-necked Crane and its habitat and to generate awareness and understanding on the importance of conserving the birds and environment. The festival is an excellent platform to create conservation awareness on Black-necked Cranes to local, national and international participants.

The Dzongkhag Administration has vision to make the BNC festival a success and sustainable program to help community conserve the habitat of the black-necked crane and also preserve the festival for the livelihood of the people of Gangtey and Phobji Gewogs.

Therefore, everyone is invited to witness the festival from 10th to 11th



November, 2019

Events of the BNC Festival

Venue: *Gantey Lhakhang*

Date: *10th and 11th November, 2019*

Pre-Festival events:

Interested visitors can visit and spend their wonderful time by visiting following places:



Rinchengang Villages – Unique village exist from the time of Zhabdrung Rimpoche, Located just opposite to WangduePhodrang Dzong.



Lopokha Lake – Located under Athang Gewog, southern part of the District, 60KM drive from district head quarter.



Khotokha Valley – Located at the central part of District under Bjena Gewog, 27KM driver from District Headquarter.



*Rinchenling Shedra,
Khotokha, under Bjena
Gewog*



*Potatoes Harvesting at
Khotokha Valley, under
Bjena Gewog*



*Three storied Bhutanese old
structure building at Khotokha
Vally, Bjena Gewog.*



At Bjena Gewog



Rukubji Village – One of the most beautiful village under the District, located eastern part of the District, under Sephu Gewog. 65 KM driver from District Headquarter

Main Festival Events

Day 1 (10th November, 2019):

1. Marathon (Male and Female) Registration fee – International (Nu. 500/-, Local – Nu.200/-, Students Free). Contact person Mr. Pema Dorji, Chief DEO, 00975-17122409, email address pemad@wangduephodrang.gov.bt
2. Exhibition of Agriculture and livestock products for sales (program will continue in 2nd Day). Contact person Mr. Dhodo, Dy. Chief DAO, 00975- 17122401, email address dhodo@wnagduephodrang.gov.bt and Mr. Ugyen, Sr. DLO, 00975-17122421, email address ugyen@wangduephodrang.gov.bt
3. Local food stall (program will continue in 2nd Day).

Day 2 (11th November, 2019)

1. Cultural Extravaganza (Main Program – Black-necked Crane Dance and Skit, Zhundra, Boedra and Rigsar, Mask Dance, Local Dance)
2. Nyogoed Competition - women
3. Egg Throwing Game
4. Pillow Fight
5. Horse Riding

Prizes for sports events

Sl. No.	Details	Amount	Remarks
Marathon – Men			
1	First Prize	7,000	
2	Second Prize	5,000	
3	Third Prize	3,000	
4	Consolation Prizes - 7 Nos. (4th to 10th Positio	1,000	each
Marathon – Women			
5	First Prize	7,000	
6	Second Prize	5,000	
7	Third Prize	3,000	
8	Consolation Prizes - 12 Nos. (4th to 10th Position)	1000 each	
Nyogoed Competition - Women			
9	First Prize	7,000	
10	Second Prize	5,000	
11	Third Prize	3,000	
12	Those completing the rounds	1,000	
13	Egg Throwing Game	2,000	
Pillow Fight			
14	Pillow Fight – Winner	5,000	
15	Pillow Fight - Runners Up	3,000	
	Total	57,000	

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