

## **Secretary, Ministry of Health superannuates**

Dr. Ugen Dophu, Secretary for the Ministry of Health successfully completed his tenure as a Government Secretary as of February 2, 2021 after more than 32 years and 5 months of dedicated service to the Tsa-Wa-Sum.



Dasho started his career as District Medical Officer (DMO) for Punakha Dzongkhag Administration in 1988 and continued to serve as DMO for Tsirang and Sarpang Dzongkhag Administration for years. In 1997, he was transferred as Hospital Superintendent to Department of Medical Services, Phuentsholing Hospital. Later, Dasho was transferred to Jigme Dorji Wangchuck National Referral Hospital and served there for 6 years until he was appointed as the Director to the Department of Public Health, Ministry of Health in 2006 and promoted to Director General. Dasho displayed highest level of integrity, sincerity and professionalism in the service of Tsa-Wa-Sum and, appointed as the Secretary for the Ministry of Health in July 13, 2016.

Dasho joined civil service with an aspiration to become a good human being above all

and proficient medical doctor. Dasho served for more than 32 years at various capacities in various positions including his service at the highest level, which is the biggest testimony of his accomplishment.

On being asked on some of the improvements Dasho would like to see in the civil service, Dasho mentioned about improving the dedication and the time management of young civil servants through transfer of wisdom by the retired civil servants in the formal programs with young graduates. Dasho also mentioned about benefit of orienting the young civil servants on how to serve people through such programs.

As an advice, Dasho urged young civil servants to realize that society look up to them and it is an honor to be respected. As such, the young civil servants must work hard to serve the Tsa-Wa-Sum without fear and favour.

The Royal Civil Service Commission, on behalf of the Civil Service of Bhutan, takes this opportunity to thank Dasho for his commitment and contribution to the Royal Government of Bhutan. We heartily congratulate Dasho for his more than 32 years of dedicated service to the Tsawa-Sum and wish him a very happy and peaceful retirement.

With sincere appreciation and deep gratitude...