# RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED DURING THE 11TH SESSION OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY OF BHUTAN ON THE 14TH DAY OF THE 9TH MONTH OF THE EARTH DOG YEAR

#### 1. MATTER RELATING TO MOTORABLE ROADS

As the construction of motorable roads would bring great benefit to the general public, the proposed construction of motorable road from the Indo-Bhutan border into Bhutan should be undertaken. The selection of places through which the road was to be constructed would be in accordance with His Majesty's command. The labourers required for the construction would be made available uniformly from the people of all districts within the country. However, the T&P for the construction would be issued by the Government, which should also set up a ration store.

#### 2. MATTER RELATING TO THE LOCATION OF ARMY HEADQUARTERS

It was decided to locate the Headquarters of the RBA at Wangdiphodrang and the number of soldiers required for the Headquarters as well as the recruitment of soldiers, would be based on the Royal command on receiving the reports from the Instructors as and when they return from their training.

# 3. MATTER RELATING TO SOUTHERN BHUTANESE

It was resolved that henceforth the Nepalese of Southern Bhutan should abide by the rules and regulations of the Royal Government and, pledging their allegiance to the King, should conscientiously refrain from serving any other authority (such as Gorkha). They should submit a signed agreement to this effect to the government. In addition to the above, the Southern Bhutanese themselves should shoulder the responsibility of protecting the Southern border.

# 4. MATTER RELATING TO THE CONSTRUCTION OF SCHOOLS

The Dzongpon of Daga proposed that Schools be constructed at Bumthang, Mangde, Kheng and Daga as there were no schools at these places.

5. MATTER RELATING TO OPENING OF WELFARE SHOPS

The members proposed that welfare co-operative shops for the benefit of the public should be opened in each district and at every Bhutan-Tibet border.

The shops at the border areas would be jointly run by the government and the public, whereas the shops in the districts would be run by the concerned public.

#### 6. MATTER RELATING TO TAXATION ON GUNS

It was resolved to levy the following taxes on gun owners.

1.	Tshada & Padum	- Nu. 2.00 each
2.	Phorchungchena	- Nu. 4.00 each

3. Other rifles - Nu. 8.00 each

# 7. MATTER RELATING TO HUNTING PERMIT FEES

It was decided to levy a sum of Nu. 30/- for a hunting permit exclusively for self use, and a sum of Nu. 200/- for selling the meat.

# 8. MATTER RELATING TO FISHING PERMIT

It was decided to charge a sum of Nu. 20/- and Nu. 30/- per permit No. 1 & 2 respectively for individual use, and a sum of Nu. 200/- for commercial purpose.

# 9. MATTER RELATING TO CEILING ON LAND

A household possessing 25 acres of land or land yielding 400 x 40 des or more annually or registered in the land records would neither be permitted to purchase more land nor to receive additional land as gift. In case of households with a single son or daughter possessing more than 25 acres, all the land in excess of 25 acres would be confiscated by the government after the decease of the parents.

#### 10. MATTER RELATING TO MARRIAGE

It was decided that henceforth the practice of polyandry would be prohibited by law.

# 11. MATTER RELATING TO INDIGENOUS MEDICAL SCHOOL AND MINTING OF COINS

It was proposed to set up an indigenous medical school and to circulate Bhutan's own copper coins similar to the old coins.

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