Contents

Preface to the Revised Edition	xi
Preface to the First Edition	xv
Note on the Structure of the Book	xxiii

Part One: Overview: Dzogpa Chenpo in Context

Ι.	Introduction	3
	Distinctions between Sutra and Tantra	5
	Definition of Tantras (rGyud)	9
	Divisions of Tantra	10
	Different Classes of Teachings on Tantra	10
	The Development and Perfection Stages of Tantra	II
2.	The Three Outer Tantras	15
	Kriyāyoga (<i>Bya rgyud</i>)	15
	Caryáyoga or Upayoga (sPyod rgyud)	17
	Yogatantra (<i>rNal 'byor rgyud</i>)	18
	Distinctions between Outer Tantras and Inner Tantras	20
	Distinctions between the Three Inner Tantras	21
	Subdivisions of the Three Inner Tantras	26
	Sources of the Major Tantric Scriptures	2.7
	Some Major Tantric Scriptures of the Three Inner Tantras	28

vi - contents

3.	The Three Inner Tantras	35
	Mahāyoga (<i>rNal 'byor chen po</i>)	35
	Anuyoga (rJes su rnal 'byor)	37
	Atiyoga (S <i>hin tu rnal 'byor</i>)	40
4.	The Three Divisions of Atiyoga	45
	Semde	45
	Longde	47
	Men-ngag-de	48
	The Superiority of Men-ngag-de to the Two Previous Divisions	48
	The View of Men-ngag-de	49
	Divisions of Men-ngag-de	60
	Meditation of Men-ngag-de	63
	Divisions of Meditation of Men-ngag-de	63
	Attainment of the Paths and Stages of Dzogpa Chenpo	72
	Attainments of Fruition at Death	76
5.	Dzogpa Chenpo and Other Yānas and Traditions	83
	All the Yānas and Trainings Are Steps to Dzogpa Chenpo	84
	Distinctions of the Teachings of the Two Turnings of the Wheel	85
	The Goal of Dzogpa Chenpo Is the Attainment	e y
	of Buddha-Essence	86
	Dzogpa Chenpo Is Based on the Second Turning	
	of the Wheel	86
	Buddha-Essence as Taught in Sutric Yānas	87
	Superiority of the Buddha-Essence as Taught in Dzogpa Chenpo	88
	Distinction between the Buddha-Essence of Dzogpa Chenpo and of Yogācāra	95
	Differences between Dzogpa Chenpo and Madhyamaka	96
	Unique Distinction of Dzogpa Chenpo	97
	Nyingma and Bon	98
	Dzogpa Chenpo and Ha-shang Mahayana	104

6.	Excerpts from the Lives of Dzogpa Chenpo Masters	
	to Illustrate the Ways of Training in Dzogpa Chenpo	115
	Some Ancient Dzogpa Chenpo Masters	115
	Devotion Caused Realization in Gyalwa'i Nyuku	117
	Virtues Develop in Those Who Have Dzogpa Chenpo Experiences	118
	Realization Attained Instantly by Nyoshul Lungtog	118
	Patrul Attained Realization through the Teacher's Yogic Power	120
	The Importance of Earnest Training	121
	The Importance of Relying on Authentic Scriptures	122
	Refrain from Being Taken Over by Certain Mystical Experiences	122
	Sincere Mind Is Better Than Many So-Called High Realizations	123
	Dodrup Chen's Testament and Transmission at the Time of His Death	124
	Wondrous Signs at the Time of Death of Konme Khenpo	126
	Rainbow Body Attained by Sonam Namgyal	128
	Yukhog Chatralwa, a Great Dzogpa Chenpo Teacher	129
Pa	ert Two: The Life of Kunkhyen Longchen Rabjam	
7.	The Life of Kunkhyen Longchen Rabjam	137
	Names of Longchen Rabjam and Their Significance	173
Pa	art Three: Selected Writings of Longchen Rabjam	
8.	Summary of the Selections	177
9.	Counsel for Liberation: An Exhortation to Pursue Virtuous Secular and Dharma Trainings in Order to Practice Dzogpa Chenpo	187
Vi	iew (Basis)	
10.	How Samsara and Nirvana Originate from the Basis as the Appearances of the Basis according to the Innermost Dzogpa Chenpo Teachings	207

viii – contents

11. The Karma of Samsaric Deeds, the Cause of Beings' Wandering in Delusory Samsara	215
12. The Karma of Liberative Virtues, the Means of Liberation from Samsara	235
13. Philosophical View of Phenomenal Existents	259
Meditation (Path)	
14. Meditation on the Meaning of the View	277
15. Twenty-Seven Courses of Training in Dzogpa Chenpo	297
16. Naturally Liberated Mind, the Great Perfection	309
17. Instructions on the Meditation on Naturally Liberated Mind, the Great Perfection	337
18. The Trainings on the Five Paths of Mahayana	353
19. The Trainings on the Paths and Stages of Tantra	367
20. Attainment of the Paths, Stages, and Visions of Dzogpa Chenpo	373
Result	
21. Attainment of the Result, the Buddha Bodies and Primordial Wisdoms of Buddhahood in Mahayana Sutras and Tantras	383
22. The Buddha Bodies and Primordial Wisdoms in Dzogpa Chenpo	389
Appendix	397
Notes	401
Bibliography of Works Cited	421
Index	431