

Chronology of Tibetans Major Protest in Tibet 2016

1. Jan 24, 2016¹



Gathering on Jan. 24 outside government offices in the provincial capital Xining, protesters called especially for an investigation into the activities of the education department head of the Bayan Khar (in Chinese, Hualong) Hui Autonomous County in Qinghai's Tsoshar (Haidong) prefecture.

The protesters were parents and students of Tibetan and Muslim origin belonging to a local school called the Gangjong School. They are demanding the right to equal education opportunities as granted by the [ruling Chinese]

Communist Party and the government.

2. Feb 14, 2016²



Jamyang Dorje, 41, was taken into custody shortly after 11:00 a.m. on Feb. 14 on a road leading to the Kardze (in Chinese, Ganzi) county seat in the Kardze Tibetan Autonomous Prefecture.

He was shouting for the return of [exiled spiritual leader] the Dalai Lama and demanding freedom for Tibet when he reached an intersection of three roads, where he was quickly overpowered and taken away.

3. Mar 01, 2016³



Mangga, 33, was taken into custody shortly after noon on March 1 in Ngaba (in Chinese, Aba) county's Meruma township in the Ngaba Tibetan and Qiang Autonomous Prefecture.

She had held up a photo of [exiled spiritual leader] the Dalai Lama and shouted slogans challenging Chinese policies. Chinese security officers quickly appeared and took her away. Her father's name is Tsepe and her mother's name is Pema Kyi.

4. April 8, 2016⁴



At least ten Tibetan government workers were detained by authorities on Friday in northwestern China's Gansu province when they protested the loss of their jobs amid allegations of corruption in the hiring of replacements.

The protesters were taken into custody after gathering on April 8 in front of government offices in Machu (in Chinese, Maqu) county in the Kanlho (Gannan) Tibetan Autonomous Prefecture.

They had asked for a review of the decision to lay them off from their jobs. But instead of replying to their request, the authorities took them away to a jail or detention center in Machu.

5. May 2, 2016⁵



Lobsang Thubten, believed to be in his 20s, was detained shortly after launching his protest at about 3:30 p.m. on May 2 on a street known locally as Heroes' Road in the main town of Ngaba (in Chinese, Aba) county in the Ngaba Tibetan and Qiang Autonomous Prefecture.

¹Tibetan, Muslim Students Join in Protest For Equal Education; <http://www.rfa.org/english/news/tibet/join-01282016171530.html>

²Tibetan Man Detained Following New Solo Protest in Kardze; <http://www.rfa.org/english/news/tibet/protest-02262016140146.html>

³Tibetan Woman Detained in Ngaba Following Solo Protest; <http://www.rfa.org/english/news/tibet/protest-03032016144442.html>

⁴Tibetans Protest Dismissal From Their Jobs, Are Detained; <http://www.rfa.org/english/news/tibet/dismissal-04082016140116.html>

⁵Tibetan Monk from Ngaba Arrested Following Solo Protest; <http://tibet.net/2016/05/tibetan-monk-from-ngaba-arrested-following-solo-protest/>

<http://www.rfa.org/english/news/tibet/solo-05022016145639.html>

<http://www.tchrd.org/tibetan-protester-carrying-dalai-lamas-portrait-detained-by-chinese-traffic-police/>

He walked in the road with a photo of [exiled spiritual leader] the Dalai Lama and called for his long life and for freedom for Tibet.

6. May 09, 2016⁶



More than 100 Tibetans from five nomadic villages have staged a protest against a Chinese mining concern in Dardsedo (in Chinese, Kangding) county in the Kardze (Ganzi) Tibetan Autonomous Prefecture, fearing more environmental damage after the company resumed operations.

Protesters from the county's Lhagang, Nangkor, Naglung, Kunmang and Nang nomadic villages in the Yulshok Gargye region in Minyak (Minya) county of southwest China's Sichuan province demanded on May 4 that Lhagang Kargye Kha cease mining activities which it began in the area last month.

7. June 08, 2016⁷



Lobsang Tsering, 20, was arbitrarily detained at about 4 pm local time on 7 June when he staged a lone protest walking along the main road of Ngaba County town, holding high above his head a portrait of the Tibetan spiritual leader His Holiness the Dalai Lama and raised slogans such as, "May His Holiness Live for 10,000 years!" and "Freedom for Tibet!" Local police personnel immediately took him into custody as soon as they saw him. Like many other lone protesters before him, Lobsang Tsering's whereabouts and condition remain unknown.

8. June 17, 2016⁸



Over 100 women from Gachoe village in the Tibet Autonomous Region's Lhundrub (in Chinese, Linzhou) county protested in front of county offices on June 13, holding the Chinese national flag and carrying photos of Chinese national leaders to protest the confiscation by authorities of their farmland.

9. June 23, 2016⁹



Chinese police on Thursday June 23 afternoon, attacked a group of Tibetans from Chabcha (in Chinese, Gonghe) county in northwestern China's Qinghai province protesting the threatened destruction of shops and guesthouses they had built to cater to tourists visiting a scenic stretch of Qinghai Lake which left at least eight seriously hurt.

10. Nov 11, 2016¹⁰



The two women are shown in a video clip, copies of which were sent on Tuesday to RFA and to exile Tibetan news services, walking on a main road near Kirti monastery in Ngaba's (in Chinese, Aba's) county seat and calling out "Long live the Dalai Lama."

⁶Tibetans Protest Restart of Operations by Chinese Mining Company; <http://www.rfa.org/english/news/tibet/tibetans-protest-restart-of-operations-by-chinese-mining-company-05092016155521.html>

<http://www.tibetanreview.net/tibetans-protest-resumption-of-highly-polluting-chinese-mining-work-in-dardsedo/>

⁷Lone Tibetan protester holding Dalai Lama's portrait detained incommunicado: <http://www.tchrd.org/lone-tibetan-protester-holding-dalai-lamas-portrait-detained-incommunicado/>

<http://tibet.net/2016/06/tibetan-monk-detained-in-new-solo-protest-at-ngaba/>

⁸Tibetan Farm Women Protest Loss of Their Land; <http://www.rfa.org/english/news/tibet/farm-06172016165040.html>

⁹Police Attack, Beat Tibetan Protesters at Qinghai Lake; <http://www.rfa.org/english/news/tibet/attack-06232016164347.html>

¹⁰Two Tibetan Women Stage Protest in Ngaba Town; <http://www.rfa.org/english/news/tibet/women-11162016155030.html>