

## Монголын Сүм Хийдийн Түүхэн Товчоо Төсөл

### UBNR 951

NOT in Rinchen 951 - *Dagwa zodchiin khural*

**Dagwa zochiin süm**

English name: Assembly/Temple of Dagwa tantric master (Zodoch)

Seoul Street, near Natsagdorj library

1289 m, N 47°54.854', E 106°54.563'

Next to Lenin klub

1297m, N 47°54.984', E 106°55.108'

**Data provider:** Dashtseren lama of *Züün Khüree Dashchoilin* monastery, (born 1921)

**Source:** Pürew, O., *Mongol töriin golomt*. Ulaanbaatar 2004

**Photos:** none

### History

Rinchen's map does not mark this assembly separately but it contains a reference to it in the *Yutawiin khural* (UBR 920 Rinchen 920) entry. In this it says that *Dagwa zodchiin khural* was situated within the same fenced enclosure as *Yutawiin khural*. They were located in the south-west quarter (*Baruun ömnöd khoroo*) of the city, where laymen lived. The map location places it on the present Seoul Street between the State Drama Theatre and the Natsagdorj library, to the south of *Nartad Daginiin khural* (*Damdin lamiin khural*, UBR 916 Rinchen 916) and *Dar' ekhiin khural* (UBR 917 Rinchen 917).

However, according to Dashtseren, *Dagwa zodchiin khural* was in a different site being located near the present Lenin Club, south of Sükhbaatar Square, north of *Choijin lamiin süm* (UBR 915 Rinchen 915).

According to Pürew (*Mongol töriin golomt*, p. 60.) the Lenin Club (presently Sanktpeterburg Club) was built in 1929 to the north of *Choijin lamiin süm*, with a temple belonging to a lama who was a friend of *Choijin lam*, being pulled down to make way for it. However, he does not mention the name of the temple, so we cannot be sure this was the same as the assembly of *Dagwa zoch*. There might have been more, smaller assemblies situated near *Choijin lamiin süm*.

According to Dashtseren lama, *Dagwa zodochin süm* was a Nyingmapa (Red Sect) temple and was a square shaped wooden building. There were about 20 lamas, women as well as men who took part in the daily chanting. The lamas performed *Zod* (Tib. *gcod*) tantric rituals.

No other data was found about this assembly.

### Current situation

There is contradictory evidence about the precise location of the assembly. According to Dashtseren lama, it was near the present day Lenin Club that is immediately south of Sükhbaatar Square, but, according to Rinchen's map, this assembly was located on the present Seoul Street between the State Drama Theatre and Natsagdorj library. Today both these areas are built over so it is for certain that there are no remains of the assembly wherever it was situated.