

## Монголын Сүм Хийдийн Түүхэн Товчоо Төсөл

### UBNR 955

#### NOT in Rinchen 955 - Choinkhorlin süm

Tibetan name: chos-'khor gling

Mongolian translation of the name: Nomiin khürdiin süm

English name: Choinkhorlin temple

GPS was taken at Dar' ekhiin süm (UBR 931 Rinchen 931) and is given here only to mark the area of Amgalan (its temples were situated very near to each other). This temple was situated to the south-west of *Dar' ekhiin süm*, outside the walls of the Chinese Town.

Elevation 1293 m

N 47 54.375'

E 106 59.955'

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

Sereeter, Ö., *Mongoliin Ikh Khüree, Gandan khiidiin түүхэн бütetsiin товч*. 1651-1938. Ulaanbaatar 1999

**Photos:** none

### History

*Choinkhorlin süm* was one of the six Mongolian assemblies situated around the Chinese town (Maimaachen), in the present area of Amgalan. However, Rinchen only records *Dashsamdanlin datsan* (Rinchen 935) and *Choinkhorlin* temple is one of the five he omitted.

According to Pürew's book (pp. 104-105.), the small assembly of *Choinkhorlin* was situated in the south area of baruun khoroo (the western quarter outside the Chinese town).

According to Sereeter (p. 82.), the temples *Dagdanlin* (UBNR 958 NOT in Rinchen 958), *Choinkhorlin*, *Dejidlin* (UBNR 956 NOT in Rinchen 956) and *Puntsoglin* (UBNR 957 NOT in Rinchen 957) were temples of the four aimags with the same names situated around the Maimaachen. Forty lamas belonged to *Puntsoglin aimag* and 80-90 lamas to the others. These temples had their own financial units, along with the *aimag* believer's donations and offerings serving as the financial basis of their operation. He also says that the lamas in these four aimags used to participate in the ceremonies of *Dashsamdanlin datsan* (UBR 935 Rinchen 935).

No further data was found on this temple.

### Current situation

There are no known remains. Based on the sources, the exact sites of the temples of Amgalan can be determined roughly in relation to the ruins of *Dar' ekh* temple (UBR 931 Rinchen 931) and the remnants of a Chinese store building. In the whole area there are no other temple remnants than that of *Dar' ekh* temple.