

## PRODUCTS MADE BY THE INMATES THROUGH VOCATIONAL TRAINING

Sikkim is famous for exquisite woolen carpets, folding table, central table called Chokse, hand made papers, woolen blankets, traditional motifs and unique designs. Chokses are made in various designs and dimensions depicting the religious themes based on Buddhist artifacts, traditional cottage art and craft of unique Sikkimese designs. These wooden carved furniture such as Chokses, central tables, screens and artistic designed sofa sets, various product made out of bamboo crafts are in great demand.

### **Salient features of vocational projects undertaken at Sikkim Prisons for the inmates**

The some of the products which are exclusively made by the inmates of the Central Prisons are depicted in the picture shown below: -

#### **The eight luck signs.**



#### **DUG (PARASOL)**

It signifies the shade under which one can have the fortune of escaping from the sufferings of the scorching heat of all sorts of miseries of world.



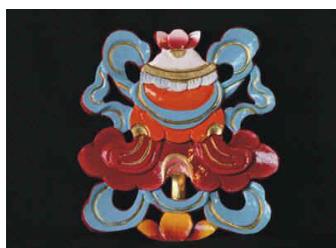
#### **BHUMPA (VASE)**

Like vase of in-exhausting treasure, this signifies the fortune of having an in-exhausting luxurious wealth of good health, long like and material wealth.



#### **DHUNGKAR (WHITE CONCH)**

It signifies the awakening of sentient beings from the sleeping state of their ignorance and persuading them towards the path of noble deeds that are beneficial to self and others.



#### **GYALTSEN (VICTORIOUS BANNER)**

It signifies the fortune of having victory over the evil forces which obstructs the success of noble goals and also the victory of the Dharma preached by the Buddha.



#### **SERNYA (GOLDEN FISH)**

It signifies the ability to swim with ease without any hindrance in the ocean of samsaric world and from happiness to happiness into the water of blissfulness. This also signifies the two truths-plain and transcendental truth.



### **PEMA (LOTUS)**

Like lotus which though grows in the mud remains free from the muddy dirt, it signifies the purity of one's mind and deeds which are free from the dirt of sins. It is also the symbol of non-attachment.



### **PALBHEU (ENDLESS KNOT)**

It signifies the fortune of complementing every aspects of the life harmoniously to each other such as religion and politics, wisdom and means and of knowledge and compassion.



### **KHORLO (WHEEL OF DHARMA)**

It signifies the fortune of passing the time of all the sentient beings under the blessings of the Buddha's Wheel of Dharma being turned eternally without coming to end.



Painted centre tables designed in eight luck signs, dragons and a plain varnished carved with dragons.



**Two different painted folding side tables**





**Hats and caps made of local bamboo.**



**SALES COUNTER OF CENTRAL PRISONS, RONGYEK**