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## Border Guardians: Tibet's County and Prefecture Party Secretaries Overseeing Xiaokang Villages Along the Indian Border.

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The image is a "Xiaokang Village" in Yumai Town, located in Lhunze County of Shannan Prefecture and is from a Chinese source.

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## **NOTE ON GEOGRAPHICAL TERMS**

Traditionally, Tibet was comprised of three main regions: U-Tsang, Kham, and Amdo. Following what many consider an unlawful occupation by China, these areas were reorganised into an Autonomous Region, Provinces, Autonomous Prefectures, and Autonomous Counties. In this report, the village names used are based on the original designations found in Chinese sources.

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## Introduction:

In this report, I have endeavoured to analyse and to ascertain the backgrounds of the CCP Party secretaries, including those at both prefecture and county levels stationed along the Indian border. Understanding the profiles of CCP officials in top decision-making positions within prefectures and counties along the India border is crucial to discerning Chinese motivations in the region, along with the progression of physical infrastructure development. In addition, this report also examines the well-off “Xiaokang” villages located in each county along the Indian border.

In Chinese literature, Xiaokang villages are seen as part of national boundary reinforcement and poverty alleviation, whereas in Western literature, they are viewed as a potential threat to neighbouring countries border security due to the ambiguous military-civilian dual-use structure of these villages. In July 2017, the government of Tibet Autonomous Region announced plans to construct hundreds of border villages and accompanying infrastructure as part of a significant effort to develop Tibet’s remote border regions. These Xiaokang villages are being built under the theme: "If the border is prosperous, the frontier will be prosperous, and if the border people are wealthy, the border defence will be solid. 边境兴则边疆兴，边民富则边防固" and "Guardians of the sacred land, builders of happy homes."

However, numerous reports claim that between 2018 and 2022, 624 villages were built in the region, with construction continuing on additional villages. Many of these villages are clustered along the eastern sector of the Line of Actual Control (LAC), the de facto border separating China (Tibet) and India, with this sector bordering Arunachal Pradesh. Moreover, a 2021 article in the official newspaper, PLA Daily, emphasises the “need to strengthen the construction of border infrastructure and encourage people of all ethnic groups to root themselves in the border areas, guard the homeland, and build their hometowns” in this region.

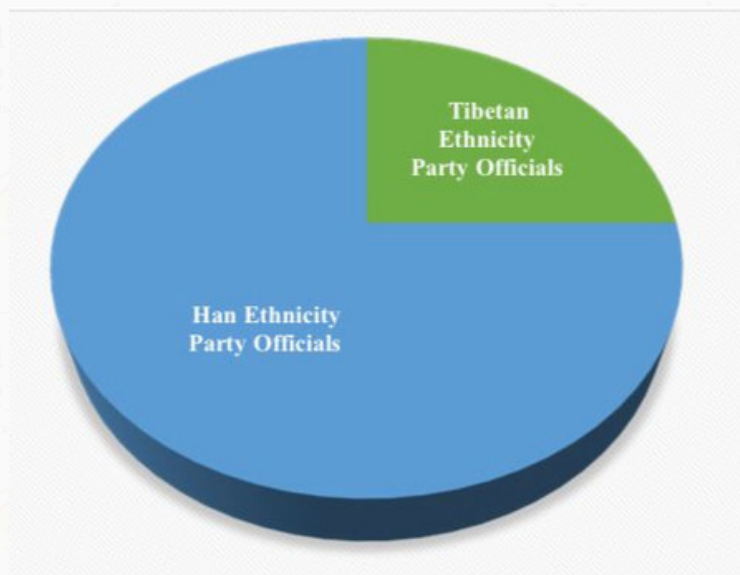
Due to strict censorship, it is difficult to determine the precise number of “Xiaokang Villages.” Nevertheless, this report strives to provide the most information as much as possible.

The analysis encompasses four prefectures adjacent to India—Ngari, Shigatse, Shannan, and Nyingchi—concentrating on their respective Party secretaries. The report also includes the Party secretaries of the 13 counties and the "Xiaokang villages" within those counties along the Indian border.

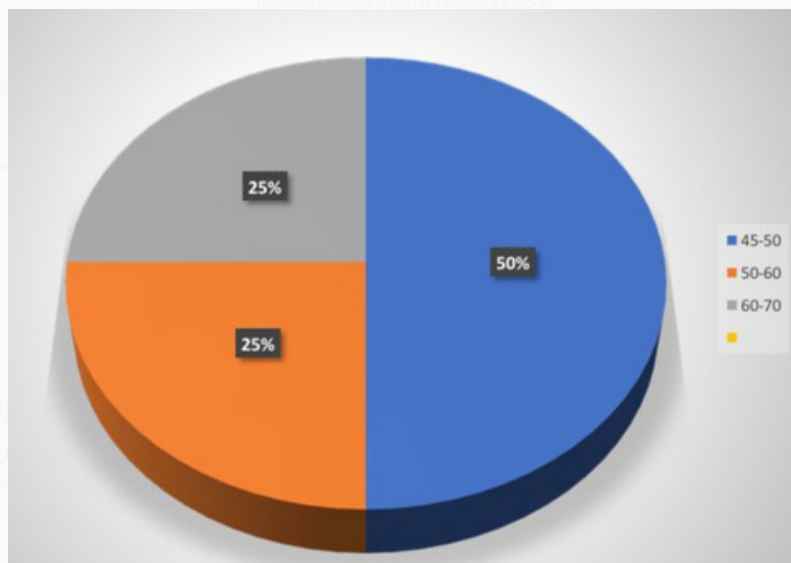
## KEY OBSERVATIONS:

- All Party secretaries, at both prefecture and county levels, are Han Chinese officials.
- Most Party deputy secretaries are non-Han (Tibetan) officials in both prefecture and county levels.
- On average, party officials overseeing Indian border prefecture/counties have around 12 years of administrative experiences.
- Most Party secretaries possess at least an undergraduate degree.

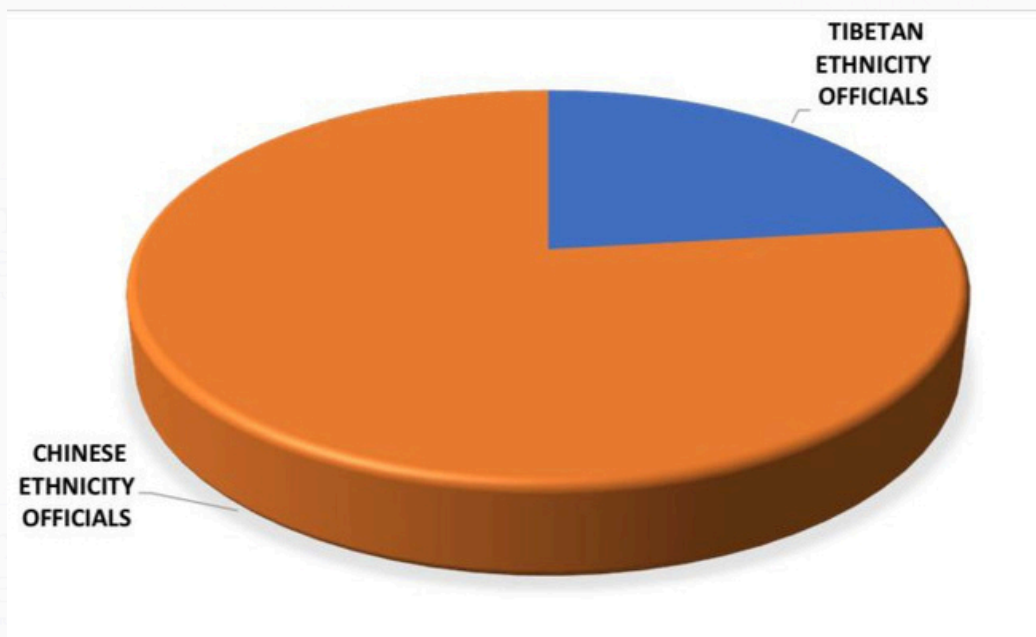
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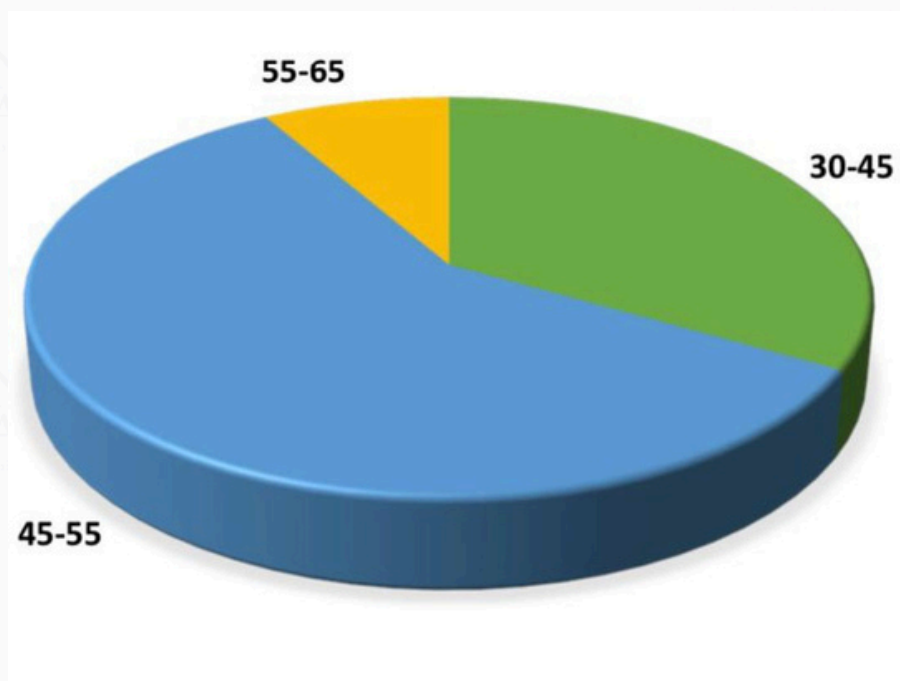
Pie Chart-1 shows the ethnic composition of Prefecture-level Party Secretaries (1/4 ratio).



Pie Chart-2 shows the age composition of Prefecture-level Party Secretaries.



Pie Chart-3 shows the ethnic composition of County-level Party Secretaries (10/3 Ratio).



Pie Chart-4 shows the age composition of County-level Party Secretaries.

## Ngari (Ch: Ali) Prefecture



Source- China Tibet News Network 中国西藏新闻网

Ngari Prefecture, located in the Tibet Autonomous Region of China, is often referred to as the "ancestor of all mountains" and the "source of all rivers." It shares borders with Nepal and India (including Ladakh), with a border length of 1,170 kilometres. Ngari Prefecture comprises of seven counties, of which only four counties share a border with India.

1. Zanda County
2. Rutog County
3. Gar County
4. Purang County



**Ngari Prefecture Party Secretary: Daun Hai.**

Male, Han ethnicity, was born in September 1973 in Yubei, Chongqing Municipality. He holds a postgraduate degree from the Party School of the Central Committee.



Source- People's daily 人民日报

#### **Profile:**

- Deputy chief staff member and chief staff member of the Office of the Department of Agriculture and Animal Husbandry of the Tibet Autonomous Region.
- Chief staff member, deputy director, director and deputy director of the Agricultural Industry Division of the Policy Research Office (Agricultural and Industrial Office) of the Party Committee of the Tibet Autonomous Region.
- In December 2012, he was appointed Deputy Secretary-General of the CPC Committee of the Tibet Autonomous Region.
- In September 2021, he was appointed secretary of the Ngari (Ch:Ali) Prefecture Party Committee of Tibet.

Population- 1,23,281 (7th National Population Census in Ngari (Ch:Ali) Prefecture June 10, 2021)

The Ngari (Ch: Ali) Prefecture Shares a border with India's Union Territory of Ladakh, Himachal Pradesh and Uttarkhand.



**1. Zanda County (NGARI) Party Secretary: Chen Daijun.**

Male, Han ethnicity, was born in November 1974. He holds a university degree and is a member of the Communist Party of China.



Source- 阿里地区新闻

**Profile:**

- Feb 2016 he was appointed Director of the Ngari Prefecture Finance Bureau .
- From June 2020 to Nov 2023 he served as a member of the Ali Prefecture Working Committee of the Standing Committee of the Tibet Autonomous Region People's Congress.
- He is currently the deputy commissioner of the Ali Prefecture Administrative Office of the Tibet Autonomous Region and secretary of the Zhada County Party Committee.

Population- 8,454 (7th National Population Census in Ali Prefecture June 10, 2021)

The Zanda County Shares a border with India's Union Territory of Ladakh, Himachal Pradesh and Uttarkhand.

**Xiaokang villages in Zanda County:**

The exact number of Xiaokang villages in Zanda County is not fixed, but one village, called Zaburang/Zabujang Village, was established around 2020 with the assistance of Hebei Province. Since the 18th Party Congress, Shijiazhuang City in Hebei Province has been tasked with the responsibility of developing Zanda County by the Party Central Committee under the aid to Tibet or paired-up assistance scheme.





Zaburang/Zabujang Village, Zanda County, which was built around 2020 with assistance from Shijiazhuang City, Hebei Province.



Source- Zhang Hao

In Zanda county approximately 22 aid-to-Tibet projects from the 13th Five-Year Plan have been completed. The 14th Five-Year Plan (2021-25) is also in progress, with 44 projects planned, including the school water supply, Xiangzi characteristic tourism town, and a convenient service centre. As of now, around half of these projects are believed to be completed, though no specific data is available.



**2. Rutog County (NGARI) Party Secretary: Zhang Liming.**

Male, Han ethnicity, is the current Secretary of the Ritu County Party Committee.



Source- <https://www.ali.gov.cn/>

Population- 11,167 (7th National Population Census in Ali Prefecture June 10, 2021)

The Rutog County Shares a border with India's Union Territory of Ladakh.

**Xiakang villages in Rutog County:**



Jiagang Village, Rutog County

Source- China Tibet News Network 中国西藏新闻网



Wujiang Village, Rutog County  
Source- China Tibet News Network 中国西藏新闻网

According to the June 2023 report from the Ngari (Chinese: Ali) Prefecture Office གྲུང་གོ་གྲུང་ཁྲུན་ཉང་མངའ་  
རིས་ས་ཁུལ་གྱི་ཡོན་ལྷན་ཁང་།, approximately 37 "well-off villages" have been established across 15 border  
towns in four counties: Gar, Purang, Rutog, and Zanda. These villages benefit 5,756 households  
and 21,205 people, with a total planned investment of 2.489 billion yuan. All 37 border well-off  
villages have been completed, accepted, and are now inhabited. However, during my research on  
Rutog County, I encountered only two main "well-off villages" namely Wujiang and Jiagang given  
above.



### 3. Gar County (NGARI) Party Secretary: Tashi Tsering

Male, Tibetan nationality, born in February 1979, originally from Geize County, Tibet.



Source- <https://www.ali.gov.cn/>

#### Profile:

- 2000.7--2001.9 Clerk of Coqen Town, Coqen County, Tibet Autonomous Region.
- 2001.12--2003.12 Section Officer, Coqen Town, Coqen County, Tibet Autonomous Region.
- 2004.1--2006.8 Deputy Director of the Land and Resources Bureau of Coqen County, Tibet Autonomous Region.
- 2006.9--2007.8 Deputy Director and Chief Clerk of the Land and Resources Bureau of Coqen County, Tibet Autonomous Region.
- 2007.9--2012.5 Deputy Secretary of the Party Committee and Mayor of Coqen Town, Coqen County, Tibet Autonomous Region.
- 2012.6--2014.12 Deputy County Magistrate of Gar County Government, Tibet Autonomous Region.
- 2015.1--2015.12 Member of the Standing Committee of the Gar County Party Committee and Deputy County Magistrate of the Government of the Tibet Autonomous Region.
- 2016.1--2019.12 Deputy Secretary and County Magistrate of Zhada County, Tibet Autonomous Region.
- 2019.12--2021.5 Deputy Secretary of the CPC Zhada County Committee, County Magistrate, and First-level Researcher, Zhada County, Tibet Autonomous Region.
- 2021.6--Deputy Secretary of the Gar County Party Committee, County Mayor, and First-level Researcher of the Gar County, Tibet Autonomous Region.
- 2024.4--He is a the Party Secretary of Gar County, Tibet Autonomous Region, and the First Secretary of the Party Committee of the County People's Armed Forces Department.

Population- 31,052 (7th National Population Census in Ali Prefecture June 10, 2021)

The Gar County Shares a border with India's Union Territory of Ladakh.



## Xiaokang villages in Gar County:



Dianjiao Village

Source- <https://www.ali.gov.cn/>



Dianjiao Village, Zaxigang Township  
Gar County, Ngari (Ali) Prefecture

There is no precise figure for the number of “Xiaokang” villages in Gar County in any official data. It is reportedly around 30-48 Villages. However, Dianjiao Village, located in Gar County, which began in 2017 and was completed in 2019, received the "National Civilised Village" award.



#### 4. Purang County (NGARI) Party Secretary: Yang Hui.

Male, of Han nationality, born in October 1980, originally from Shangcheng, Henan.



Source- <https://www.ali.gov.cn/>

#### Profile:

- 1998.09--2001.07 Studied agricultural economics at the Department of Agronomy, Tibet Agricultural and Animal Husbandry College.
- 2001.07--2002.11 Police officer of the Public Security Bureau of Ritu County, Ali Prefecture, Tibet Autonomous Region.
- 2002.11--2003.06 Staff member of the Agriculture and Animal Husbandry Bureau of Ritu County, Ali Prefecture, Tibet Autonomous Region.
- 2003.06--2003.09 Deputy Director of the Agriculture and Animal Husbandry Bureau of Ritu County, Ali Prefecture, Tibet Autonomous Region.
- 2003.09--2005.04 Director of the Poverty Alleviation Office of Ritu County, Ali Prefecture, Tibet Autonomous Region.
- 2005.04--2006.11 Deputy Director of the Office of the Party Committee of Ritu County, Ali Prefecture, Tibet Autonomous Region.
- 2006.11--2010.04 Director of the Office of the Party Committee of Ritu County, Ali Prefecture, Tibet Autonomous Region.
- 2010.04--2012.06 Deputy Secretary and Party Group Member of the Youth League Committee of Ali Prefecture, Tibet Autonomous Region.
- 2012.06--2016.02 Secretary of the Youth League Committee and Party Group Secretary of Ali Prefecture, Tibet Autonomous Region
- 2016.02--2016.07 Executive Deputy Secretary of the Pulan County Committee of the Ali Prefecture, Tibet Autonomous Region.
- 2016.07-- Secretary of the Pulan County Committee of the Ali Prefecture, Tibet Autonomous Region.
- 2021.11--Vice Chairman of the CPPCC of Ali Prefecture, Tibet Autonomous Region.

Population= 12,242 (7th National Population Census in Ali Prefecture June 10, 2021)

The Purang (Ch:Pulan) County shares a border with the Indian state of Uttarkhand.



### **Xiaokang villages in Purang County:**

According to the June 2023 report from the Ngari (Chinese: Ali) Prefecture Office གྲུང་གོ་སྲུང་ཁྲུན་ཉང་མངའ་ རིམ་མ་ཁུལ་གྱི་ཡོན་ཏན་ཁང་, approximately 37 "well-off villages" have been established across 15 border towns in four counties: Gar, Purang, Rutog, and Zanda. These villages benefit 5,756 households and 21,205 people, with a total planned investment of 2.489 billion yuan. All 37 border well-off villages have been completed, accepted, and are now inhabited.

From 2018 to 2019, Purang County invested a total of more than 13 million yuan, based on the standard of 50,000 yuan per person, to build the Rengong Well-off Village. The housing area per person is not less than 30 square meters and not more than 50 square meters.



Rengong Village, Purang County  
Source- People's Daily 人民日报

## Shigatse (Ch:Xigaze) Prefecture



Shigatse is a prefecture-level city in the Tibet Autonomous Region of China, covering 179,903 square kilometres. Historically, it has been the residence of the Panchen Lama, one of the major leaders of the Tibetan Buddhism, and is recognised as a national historical and cultural city by China's State Council. The city's borders extend 1,507 kilometres, measuring 800 km from east to west and 220 km from north to south. It comprises 17 counties, 1 district, and 1 city.





**Shigatse (Ch: Xigaze) Party Secretary- Dawa Tsering.**

Male, Tibetan Nationality, born in June 1972, is a university member and a member of the Communist Party of China.



Source- People's daily 人民日报

**Profile:**

- Member of the Standing Committee of the Party Committee of the Tibet Autonomous Region.
- In July 2016, he was appointed head of the United Front Work Department of the Central Committee of the Communist Youth League.
- In June 2020, he was appointed Director General of the Department of Natural Resources of the Tibet Autonomous Region.
- In July 2016 he was appointed as a Minister of the United Front Work Department of the Central Committee of the Communist Youth League.
- In November 2021, he was elected as a member of the Standing Committee of the Tibet Autonomous Regional Committee of the Communist Party of China.
- In December, he was appointed Secretary-General of the Party Committee of the Autonomous Region.
- In July 2024, he concurrently served as the secretary of the Shigatse Municipal Party Committee of the Communist Party of China.

Population- 7,98,200 (7th National Population Census in Shigatse July 10, 2021)

Shigatse Prefecture shares a border with the Indian state of Indian state of Sikkim.

**1. Dinggye County (Shigatse) Party Secretary: Tao Mingjun, Male, Han ethnicity.**



Source: [www.xigaze.cn](http://www.xigaze.cn)

**Profile:**

- He is currently the secretary of the Dinggye County Party Committee of Shigatse City.

Population- 20,362 (7th National Population Census in Shigatse July 10, 2021)

Dinggye County shares a border with the Indian State of Sikkim.

**Xiaokang villages in Dinggye County:**

The exact number of Xiaokang villages in Dinggye County is not given. However, during my research, I came across one such Xiaokang village called Zhegui Village.



Source-[www.news.cn](http://www.news.cn) (Zhegui Village, Dinggye County)



**2. Gamba County (Shigatse) Party Secretary: Zhang Yanxiong**

Male, Han ethnicity. (There are no sources related to his biography or pictures. Only his name appears as a party secretary in various official Shigatse news channels).

**Gamba County Deputy party Secretary: Tsenden.**

Male, Tibetan, was born in February 1978 in Gyirong County, Shigatse, Tibet.



Source: [www.xigaze.com](http://www.xigaze.com)

**Profile:**

2000.07--2003.08 Section Officer, Finance Bureau, Zhongba County, Shigatse City.

2003.08--2004.10 Deputy Director of the Finance Bureau of Zhongba County, Shigatse City.

2004.10--2005.06 Deputy Director of the Transportation Bureau of Zhongba County, Shigatse City.

2005.06--2007.10 Deputy Director of the Finance Bureau of Zhongba County, Shigatse City.

2007.10--2010.11 Deputy Secretary of the Party Committee and Mayor of Pajiang Township, Zhongba County, Shigatse City.

2010.11--2011.05 Party Secretary and People's Congress Chairman of Longgar Township, Zhongba County, Shigatse City.

2011.05--2012.10 Party Secretary and People's Congress Chairman of Payang Town, Zhongba County, Shigatse City.

2012.10--2015.07 Director of the Finance Bureau of Zhongba County, Shigatse City

2015.07--2019.09 Deputy County Magistrate of Zhongba County People's Government, Shigatse City.

2019.09--2020.03 Deputy County Magistrate and Second-level Researcher of Zhongba County People's Government, Shigatse City.



- 2020.03--2021.06 Member of the Standing Committee and Deputy County Magistrate of Zhongba County, Shigatse City.
- 2021.06--Present Deputy Secretary of the CPC Gangba County Committee, Secretary of the Party Leadership Group of the Gangba County Government, and County Magistrate of the Gangba County, Tibet Autonomous Region.

Population- 11,276 (7th National Population Census in Shigatse July 10, 2021)

Gamba County shares a border with the Indian state of Sikkim.

### **Xiaokang villages in Gamba County:**

In recent years, Gamba County has promoted the development of border well-off villages through projects focused on water, electricity, roads, communication, education, and more. By 2017, village planning for nine villages, including Jiru and Dangga, was completed, covering housing renovation, infrastructure, public services, and environmental protection. Over 110 million yuan has been allocated for residential renovations, and infrastructure design for eight villages, including Longzhong and Beicun, is nearly complete. In February 2022, Beicun Village was selected into the list of proposed names for the 2021 Tibet Autonomous Region Ecological Civilization Construction Demonstration Village. Since 2002, Gangba County in Tibet has been supported by Sinochem Group. The company has utilised its industrial strengths, implemented targeted local measures, and invested 135 million yuan in aid. It has sent six groups of 12 cadres to Tibet, promoting Gangba's economic and social development while improving livelihoods.



Xiaokang Village in Gamba County  
Source- [www.sinochem.com](http://www.sinochem.com)



**3. Yadong County (Shigatse) Party Secretary: Gong Shijun.**  
Male, from Chongqing, Han ethnicity, born in August 1972.



Source- [www.xigaze.com](http://www.xigaze.com)

**Profile:**

- 1990.09--1993.07 Studied economic management at the Department of Economic Management, Tibet University.
- 1993.07--1998.09 Worked at the Lhasa Leather Factory in Tibet Autonomous Region.
- 1998.09--1999.01 Staff member of Tibet Autonomous Region Housing Fund Management Center.
- 1999.01--2001.04 Section Officer (Assistant Accountant) of Housing Fund Management Center of Tibet Autonomous Region.
- 2001.04--2004.12 Deputy Director (Accountant) of the Housing Provident Fund Supervision and Management Office of the Construction Department of the Tibet Autonomous Region (During the period: 1999.08-2001.12 studied in the undergraduate class of the Central Party School Correspondence College majoring in economic management).
- 2004.12--2009.12 Chief Clerk (Accountant) of Housing Provident Fund Supervision and Management Office, Construction Department of Tibet Autonomous Region.
- 2009.12--2011.06 Chief Section Member, Housing Security and Housing Provident Fund Supervision and Management Division, Department of Housing and Urban-Rural Development, Tibet Autonomous Region.
- 2011.06--2015.10 Deputy Director of the Housing Provident Fund Supervision and Management Office of the Tibet Autonomous Region Housing and Urban-Rural Development Department (during: 2013.06-2013.12, village leader of Tunpu Village, Tunba Township, Nyingchi County, Lhasa City).
- 2015.10--2017.01 Deputy Director of Tibet Autonomous Region Housing Fund Management Center.
- 2017.01--2019.04 Director of the Tibet Autonomous Region Housing Fund Management Center.
- 2019.04--2020.07 Director of the Office of the Department of Housing and Urban-Rural Development of the Tibet Autonomous Region.



- 2020.07--2022.01 Director of the Office of the Department of Housing and Urban-Rural Development of the Tibet Autonomous Region and First-level Researcher (during: 2018.09-2021.07 studied in the postgraduate class of the Central Party School majoring in scientific socialism).
- 2022.01--2022.10 Director of the Political Work and Personnel Department of the Department of Housing and Urban-Rural Development of the Tibet Autonomous Region, and first-level researcher (period: 2022.05-2023.05 Chief of the village work team in Mangkam County, Qamdo City, and deputy secretary of the county party committee).

Population- 15,400 (7th National Population Census in Shigatse July 10, 2021)

Yadong County shares a border with the Indian State of Sikkim.

### **Xiaokang villages in Yadong County:**

Yadong County has accelerated the construction of border well-off villages. With a total investment of 284.604 million yuan, the project aims to resettle 100 households and 450 people from high-altitude townships in the northern part of the county. The planned land area for Resettlement Site No. 2 is 25,426 square metres, with a total construction area of 6,541.6 square metres. All construction tasks were expected to be completed by the end of August 2020. However, the exact number of such villages is difficult to determine. According to a recent report by The New York Times, "China's Great Wall of Villages," it is estimated that there are around 9 to 11 such villages in Yadong, including in disputed areas. Through my research, I came across one such well-developed village in Yadong County, namely Xiayadong Village.



Source- People's daily 人民日报



Xiyadong Village, Yadong County

Source- People's daily 人民日报



The picture shows the construction site of the resettlement site, Yadong County.

Photo by reporter Danzeng

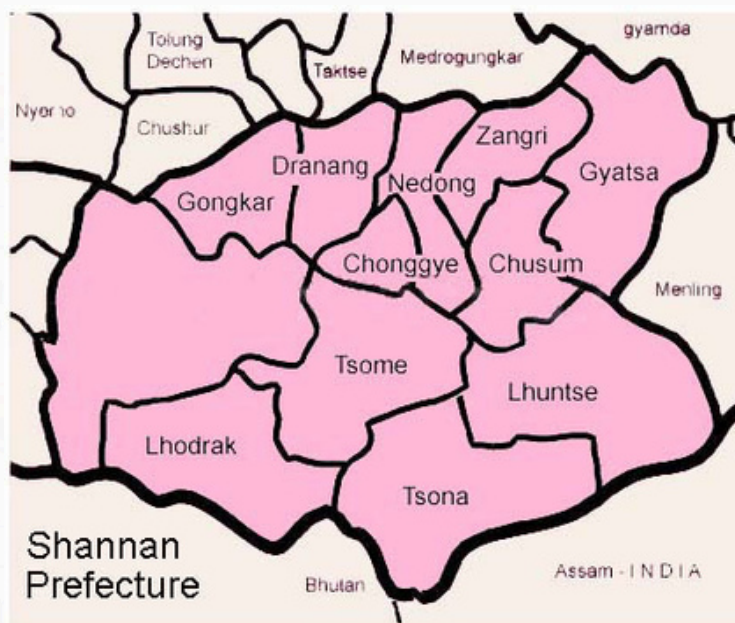


The picture shows a corner of Pangda Village, a well-off demonstration village on the border of Yadong County.

Photo by reporter Li Zhou



## Shannan (Tib:Lhoka) Prefecture:



Source- Shannan Tourism

Shannan Prefecture, historically known as Yalong, is a prefecture-level city in Tibet Autonomous Region. It borders Lhasa to the north, Shigatse to the west, Nyingchi to the east, and India and Bhutan to the south. Covering 79,090 square kilometres, it accounts for about one-fifteenth of Tibet's total area. Shannan City shares a 600-kilometre border with Bhutan and holds strategic importance as part of China's southwestern frontier bordering the Indian state of Arunachal Pradesh.





**Shannan (Tib: Lhoka) Prefecture Party Secretary: Xu Chengcang.**

Male, Han ethnicity, born in July 1963, master's degree, member of the Communist Party of China, currently serving as member of the Party Leadership Group.



Source: Baidu

**Profile:**

- Secretary of the Shannan Municipal Party Committee.
- Deputy director of the Standing Committee of the People's Congress of the Tibet Autonomous Region.
- He has served as deputy mayor of Lhasa City, Tibet Autonomous Region.
- Deputy secretary of the Qamdo Prefectural Party Committee.
- Executive Deputy commissioner and commissioner of the Prefectural Government.
- Executive deputy director of the Organization Department of the Regional Party Committee.
- Deputy secretary of the Regional Education Workers Committee.
- Deputy secretary of the Party Leadership Group of the Regional Education Department, and director of the Department.

Shannan prefecture shares a border with the Indian state of Arunachal Pradesh.

Population- 3,54,035 (7th National Population Census in Shanan June 10, 2021)



**1. Tsona (Ch:Cona) County (Shannan) Party Secretary- Yu Shengneng.**

Male, Han nationality, born in Yingshan, Hubei Province in April 1964.



Source- Baidu

**Profile:**

- 1984.09--1988.07 Student of Political Education, Department of Political Science, Central China Normal University.
- 1988.07--1989.07 Teacher at Tibet Sports School.
- 1989.07--1993.07 Assistant lecturer at Tibet Sports School.
- 1993.07-1993.12 Assistant lecturer, deputy director of the political education department of Tibet Sports School.
- 1993.12--1997.04 Lecturer, Deputy Chief of the Political Education Section, Tibet Sports School.
- 1997.04--1999.02 Deputy Director, Office of the People's Procuratorate of Tibet Autonomous Region.
- 1999.02--2002.08 Chief of the Secretariat of the People's Procuratorate of Tibet Autonomous Region (during the period: 1997.08-1999.12 studied law in the undergraduate class of the Party School of the Tibet Autonomous Region Party Committee).
- 2002.08-2005.03 Deputy Director of the General Office of the People's Procuratorate of Tibet Autonomous Region.
- 2005.03--2008.08 Member of the Party Leadership Group and Deputy Procurator General of Shannan Branch of the People's Procuratorate of Tibet Autonomous Region.
- 2008.08--2010.09 Deputy Secretary-General of Shannan Prefectural Committee of Tibet Autonomous Region.



- 2010.09--2011.05 Deputy Secretary-General of the Shannan Prefectural Committee of the Tibet Autonomous Region and Researcher of the Prefectural Committee Office
- 2011.05--2013.04 Executive Deputy Secretary of the Naidong County Committee of the Tibet Autonomous Region (county level) (during the period: 2012.03-2012.07 studied in the half-year Tibetan ethnic cadres training class of the Central Party School Training Department)
- 2013.04--2016.05 Secretary of the Tsona County Party Committee of the Tibet Autonomous Region.
- 2016.05--Deputy Director of the Standing Committee of the Shannan Municipal People's Congress of the Tibet Autonomous Region and Secretary of the Tsona County Party Committee.

Population- 13,932 (7th National Population Census in Shan'an June 10, 2021).

Tsona (Ch:Cona) county shares a border with the Indian state of Arunachal Pradesh.

### **Xiaokang villages in Tsona County:**

According to a report by People's Daily 人民日报 from May 2021, "So far, the county has planned to build **27 well-off border villages** and 76 border relocation sites (well-off villages), 23 of which have been completed, benefiting 1,292 households and 3,966 people; 11 border relocation sites (well-off villages) have been completed, benefiting 233 households and 711 people. However, during my research, a major Xiaokang village called Mama Village in the Lebu Valley emerged, which I have provided below.



Mama village, Tsona County  
Source- People's daily 人民日报



## 2. Lhunze County (Shannan) Party Secretary: Li Ning.

Male, Han nationality, was born in December 1983 in Laiwu, Shandong Province.



Source- People's daily 人民日报

### Profile:

- 2003.09--2007.06 Huazhong Agricultural University, undergraduate student, major in human resource management.
- 2007.07--2007.11 Section member of the Economic and Commercial Bureau of Wuxue City, Huanggang City, Hubei Province.
- 2007.11--2010.02 Staff member of Hubei Hong'an Revolutionary Traditional Education College.
- 2010.02--2010.12 Deputy Director, Hubei Hong'an Revolutionary Traditional Education College.
- 2010.12--2013.09 Secretary and Party Group Secretary of the Zengdu District Committee of the Communist Youth League.
- 2013.09--2016.03 Deputy Secretary of the Party Working Committee and Deputy Director of the Management Committee of the Economic Development Zone of Zengdu District, Suizhou City, Hubei Province, Secretary and Party Group Secretary of the Zengdu District Committee of the Communist Youth League.
- 2016.03--2016.07 Deputy Secretary of the Party Working Committee and Director of Beijiao Subdistrict Office, Zengdu District, Suizhou City, Hubei Province.
- 2016.07--2016.09 Member of the Standing Committee of the Jiacha County Party Committee and candidate for deputy county magistrate of Shannan City, Tibet Autonomous Region.
- 2016.09--2016.11 Member of the Standing Committee and Deputy County Magistrate of Jiacha County, Shannan City, Tibet Autonomous Region.
- 2016.11--2019.04 Member of the Standing Committee of the Jiacha County Party Committee, Shannan City, Tibet Autonomous Region, Deputy Secretary of the Party Leadership Group of the County Government, and Deputy County Magistrate.
- 2019.04-2020.07 Member of the Party Leadership Group and Deputy Secretary-General of Shannan Municipal Government, Tibet Autonomous Region.
- 2020.07--2021.05 Member of the Party Leadership Group and Deputy Secretary-General of Shannan Municipal Government, Tibet Autonomous Region.



- 2021.05--2021.05 Candidate for Deputy Secretary and County Magistrate of Longzi County, Shannan City, Tibet Autonomous Region.
- 2021.05--2023 Deputy Secretary and County Magistrate of Lhunze County, Shannan City, Tibet Autonomous Region.
- 2023-- Secretary of the Lhunze County Committee of Shannan City, Tibet Autonomous Region.

Population- 33,570 (7th National Population Census in Shannan June 10, 2021)

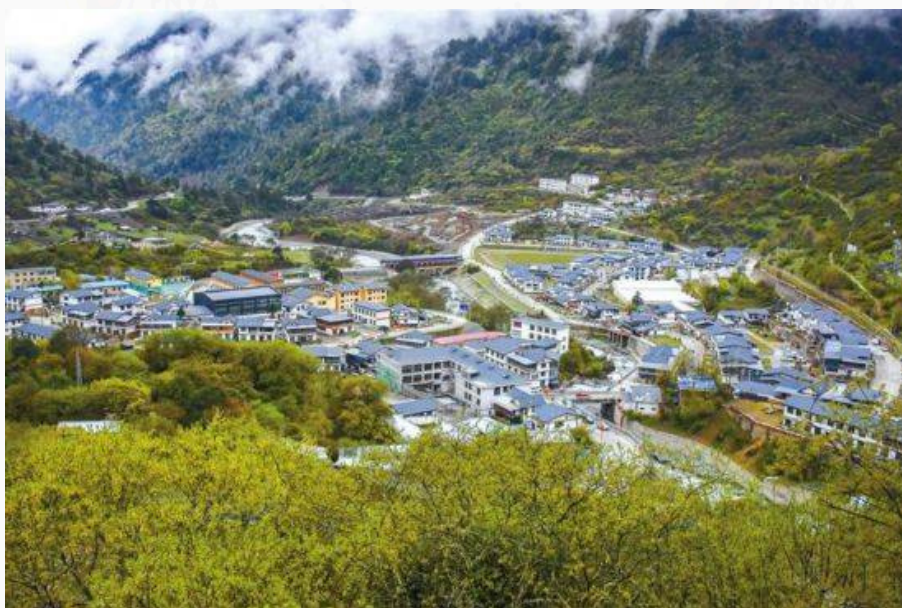
Lhunze County shares a border with the Indian state of Arunachal Pradesh.

## Xiaokang villages in Lhunze County:

As per the report in recent years, Shannan City has adhered to the principle of "stationing troops to ensure the safety of the people, while giving equal importance to consolidating and developing the border". It has coordinated the construction of **96 well-off villages** across the four border counties of Tsona, Lhunze, Lhoza, and Nagarze, transforming the landscape of the border mountainous areas. The well-off villages of Yumai, Zhazi, and Longgajiga are located in Lhunze County.

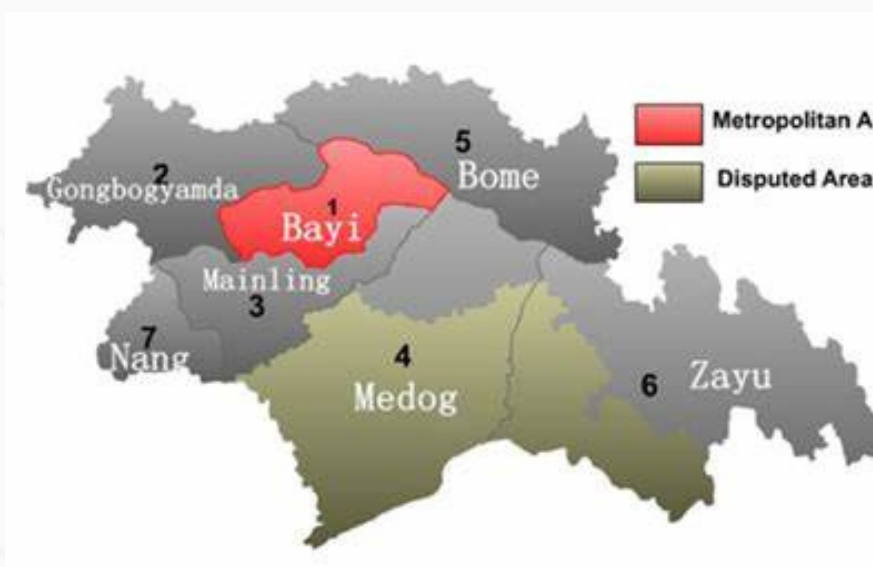


Yumai well-off Township, Lhunze County, Shannan.



Zhazhi well-off Township in Lhunze County. Photo by reporter Liu Feng

### Nyingchi (Ch: Linzhi) Prefecture:



Nyingchi Prefecture and Nyingchi counties map

Source- Tibet tour

Nyingchi, part of the Tibet Autonomous Region, borders India and Myanmar, with an average altitude of 3,100 metres. As of September 2023, it has jurisdiction over 1 urban district, 5 counties, 1 county-level city, 56 townships (towns and streets), and 504 villages (communities). It is home to 35 ethnic groups, including Tibetans, Han, Monba, Lhoba, and Lioba people, with a permanent population of 238,900.



**Nyingchi (Ch: Linzhi) prefecture party secretary: Ao Liuquan.**

Male, Han ethnicity, born in May 1974 has a postgraduate degree, is a member of the Communist Party of China, and is currently the secretary of the Linzhi Municipal Party Committee.



Source- Baidu

**Profile:**

- Deputy county magistrate of Basu County in Chamdo Prefecture
- Deputy secretary and executive deputy county magistrate of Mangkam County
- Executive deputy secretary of Jiangda County Party Committee
- Deputy secretary and county magistrate of Mangkam County Party Committee
- First secretary of Chamdo County Party Committee,
- Deputy commissioner of Chamdo Prefecture Administrative Office; member of Nagqu Prefectural Party Committee and deputy commissioner of Nagqu Prefecture Administrative Office, deputy secretary of Nagqu Prefectural Party Committee and executive deputy commissioner of Nagqu Prefecture Administrative Office, deputy secretary and mayor of Nagqu Municipal Party Committee, and secretary of Nagqu Municipal Party Committee.

Nyingchi prefecture shares a border with the Indian state of Arunachal Pradesh.

Population- 2,38,936 (7th National Population Census in Nyingchi June 10, 2021)





### 1. Nang County (Nyingchi) Party Secretary: Gongjiu

Male, Tibetan, born in October 1976, holds a postgraduate degree from the Central Party School, is a member of the Communist Party of China, and is currently the deputy secretary of the Lang County Party Committee.



Source- Nang County People's Government 朗县人民政府

#### Profile:

- Director of the Regulations Department of the General Office of the Tibet Autonomous Region Party Committee.
- Director of the Local Chronicles Editing Department of the Party History Research Office of the TAR Committee (Regional Local Chronicles Office).
- Chief clerk of the Party History Research Office of the Tibet Autonomous Region Party Committee (Regional Local Chronicles Office).
- Served as a county magistrate.
- First-level researcher of the Lang County, Tibet Autonomous Region.

Population- 17,648 (7th National Population Census in Nyingchi June 10, 2021)

Nang County shares a border with the Indian state of Arunachal Pradesh.



## 2. Mainling (Ch:Milin) County party secretary: Yan Shiqin

Male, Han nationality, born in January 1978, from Chongqing, joined the Communist Party of China in December 2000, started working in August 2001, has a university degree and a bachelor's degree in education.



Source- Mainling county people's government 米林县人民政府

### Profile:

- 1997.09--2001.08 Studied Educational Management at the Department of Education, Minzu University of China.
- 2001.08--2002.12 Staff member of the Organization Department of Linzhi County Party Committee, Tibet Autonomous Region (during: 2001.10-2002.12 seconded to the Organization Department of Linzhi Prefectural Party Committee).
- 2002.12--2004.04 Staff member, Cadre Supervision Section, Organization Department, Linzhi Prefectural Committee, Tibet Autonomous Region.
- 2004.04--2005.01 Deputy Section Chief of the Second Cadre Section of the Organization Department of the Linzhi Prefectural Committee of the Tibet Autonomous Region.
- 2005.01--2006.08 Deputy Chief of the Talent Work Section of the Organization Department of the Linzhi Prefectural Committee of the Tibet Autonomous Region.
- 2006.08-2007.06 Chief of the Talent Work Section of the Organization Department of the Linzhi Prefectural Committee of the Tibet Autonomous Region.
- 2007.06--2010.12 Chief of Cadre Management Section, Organization Department of Linzhi Prefectural Committee of Tibet Autonomous Region.
- 2010.12--2011.08 Chief of the First Cadre Section of the Organization Department of the Linzhi Prefectural Committee of the Tibet Autonomous Region.
- 2011.08--2013.06 Member of the Organization Department of Linzhi Prefectural Committee of Tibet Autonomous Region and Chief of the First Cadre Section.
- 2013.06--2013.08 Deputy Director of the Organization Department and Chief of the First Cadre Section of the Linzhi Prefectural Committee of the Tibet Autonomous Region.
- 2013.08--2014.11 Deputy Director of the Organization Department of Linzhi Prefectural Committee of Tibet Autonomous Region.
- 2014.11--2016.01 Executive Deputy Secretary of the Gongbu Gyamda County Committee of the Tibet Autonomous Region (county level).

- 2016.01--2016.08 Executive Deputy Secretary of the CPC Committee of Bayi District, Nyingchi City, Tibet Autonomous Region (county level).
- 2016.08--2019.12 Deputy Secretary and Mayor of Bayi District, Linzhi City, Tibet Autonomous Region.
- 2019.12--2021.04 Deputy Secretary, District Mayor, and First-level Researcher of Bayi District, Linzhi City, Tibet Autonomous Region.

Population- 26,176 (7th National Population Census in Nyingchi June 17, 2021)

Mainling (Ch:Milin) County shares a border with the Indian state of Arunachal Pradesh.

### **Xiaokang villages in Mainling County:**

Nyingchi Prefecture and Guangdong Province in mainland China have established a partnership under the "Aid to Tibet" or paired assistance scheme to support the development of Nyingchi prefecture. In 2016, the Linzhi Municipal Party Committee and Municipal Government first secured a loan of 1 billion yuan to initiate construction in seven villages in Mainling (Milin) County, followed by 15 more in three other border counties of Nyingchi—Medog, Nang, and Zayu. Starting in 2016, the goal was to complete the task of building well-off villages in 141 border administrative villages within three years. However, the exact number of well-off villages in Mainling (Milin) County remains unclear.



Qionglin Village, Mainling County

Source- Mainling county people's government 米林县人民政府



Qionglin Village, Mainling County  
Source- Mainling county people's government 米林县人民政



Xigamenba Village, Mainling County  
Source- Mainling county people's government 米林县人民政府



### 3. Medog County (Nyingchi) Party Secretary: Fu Yongbo.

Male, Han ethnicity, was born in October 1981 in Jiaxian County, Shaanxi Province.



Source- Baidu

#### Profile:

- 1999.09--2003.07 Studied Mechanical Engineering and Automation at the Department of Mechanical Engineering, Tsinghua University.
- 2003.07--2017.04 Dongfeng Nissan Passenger Vehicle Company of Dongfeng Motor Co., Ltd., served as Section Member, Deputy Section Chief of the Commercial Experiment Section of the Technology Center, Deputy Section Chief, Section Chief, Deputy Director of the General Manager's Office, and Deputy Director of the Project Planning Office.
- 2017.04--2020.10 Dongfeng Qichen Automobile Company, Dongfeng Motor Co., Ltd., served as the head of the business planning department and the company's deputy general manager.
- 2020.10--2020.11 Candidates for member, standing committee member, and executive deputy mayor of Linzhi Municipal Party Committee, Tibet Autonomous Region.
- 2020.11--Member, Standing Committee Member, and Executive Vice Mayor of Linzhi City, Tibet Autonomous Region.
- He is currently serving as member of the Standing Committee of the Linzhi Municipal Party Committee, Executive Vice Mayor, and Secretary of the Medog County Party Committee of the Tibet Autonomous Region.

Population- 14,889 (7th National Population Census in Nyingchi June 17, 2021)

Medog County shares a border with the Indian state of Arunachal Pradesh.



### Xiaokang villages in Medog County:

In 2016, the Linzhi Municipal Party Committee and Municipal Government first secured a loan of 1 billion yuan to initiate construction in eight villages in Medog County, followed by 15 more in three other border counties of Nyingchi—Mainling, Nang, and Zayu. Starting in 2016, the goal was to complete the task of building well-off villages in 141 border administrative villages within three years in Nyingchi. However, the exact number of well-off villages in Medog County remains unclear.



Gongri village, Medog County



Badengze village, Medog County



#### 4. Zayu County (Nyingchi) Party Secretary: Du Yuanwen.

Male, Han nationality, was born in August 1970 in Mianyang, Sichuan. He started working in July 1991.



Source- Tibet.cn

#### Profile:

- 1989.09 Studied civil affairs management at Chongqing Civil Affairs School.
- 1991.07 Clerk of the Organization Department of Linzhi Prefectural Committee of Tibet Autonomous Region.
- 1994.01 Staff member of the Organization Department of Linzhi Prefectural Committee of Tibet Autonomous Region
- 1996.04 Deputy Section-level Organizer, Organization Department of Linzhi Prefectural Committee, Tibet Autonomous Region.
- 1996.11 Deputy Chief of the Cadre Management Section of the Organization Department of the Linzhi Prefectural Committee of the Tibet Autonomous Region
- 1997.12 Chief of Cadre Education Section, Organization Department of Linzhi Prefectural Committee of Tibet Autonomous Region.
- 1998.08 Chief of the Cadre Allocation Section and Assistant Director of the Personnel Bureau of the Organization Department of the Linzhi Prefectural Committee of the Tibet Autonomous Region.
- 1999.07 Member of the Organization Department of Linzhi Prefectural Committee of Tibet Autonomous Region and Chief of the Cadre Management Section.
- 2000.10 Member of the Standing Committee of the Gongbujiangda County Committee of the Tibet Autonomous Region and Minister of the Organization Department (During the period: 2004.09-2007.07 Studied Public Administration at the Tibet Branch of the Correspondence College of the Central Party School).
- 2005.01 Deputy Secretary of the CPC Milin County Committee and Minister of the Organization Department of the Tibet Autonomous Region.
- 2009.01 Executive Deputy Secretary of Zayu County Committee of Tibet Autonomous Region (County Level).
- 2013.01 Party Secretary and Deputy Director (Deputy Director) of the Health Bureau (Family Planning Commission) of Linzhi Prefecture, Tibet Autonomous Region.



- 2013.07 Deputy Secretary of the CPC Zayu County Committee and County Magistrate of the Tibet Autonomous Region.
- He is currently the secretary of the Zayu County Party Committee of Nyingchi City, Tibet Autonomous Region.
- 2023.1 Served as Vice Chairman of the Second Linzhi Municipal Committee of the CPPCC.

Population- 28,237 (7th National Population Census in Nyingchi June 17, 2021)

Zayu county shares a border with the Indian state of Arunachal Pradesh.

### **Xiaokang villages in Zayu County:**

In 2016, the Linzhi Municipal Party Committee and Municipal Government obtained a loan of 1 billion yuan to begin the construction of six villages in Zayu County. This was followed by projects in 17 additional villages across three other border counties in Nyingchi—Mainling, Nang, and Zayu. The initiative aimed to complete the development of well-off villages in 141 border administrative villages within three years. However, the precise number of well-off villages established in Zayu County remains uncertain. The responsibility of the development in Zayu County is given to the Shenzhen City by the Central Committee.



Xiongjiu Xiaokang Village, Zayu County  
Source- Zayu County People's government 察隅县人民政府





Jingdu Xiaokang Village, Zayu County  
Source- Zayu County People's government 察隅县人民政府



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