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A Record of the Buddhist Religion as Practised in India and the Malay Archipelago (A. D. 671-695)
Buddhist Ideals in Medieval Chinese Hagiography

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Relations between China and India underwent a dramatic transformation from Buddhist-dominated to commerce-centered exchanges in the seventh to fifteenth centuries. The unfolding of this transformation, its causes, and wider ramifications are examined in this masterful analysis of the changing patterns of the interaction between the two most important cultural spheres in Asia. Tansen Sen offers a new perspective on Sino-Indian relations during the Tang dynasty (618-907), arguing that the period is notable not only for religious and diplomatic exchanges but also for the process through which China emerged as a center of Buddhist learning, practice, and pilgrimage. Before the seventh century, the Chinese clergy—given the spatial gap between the sacred Buddhist world of India and the peripheral China—suffered from a “borderland complex.” A close look at the evolving practice of relic veneration in China (at Famen Monastery in particular), the exposition of Mount Wutai as an abode of the bodhisattva Mañjuśrī, and the propagation of the idea of Maitreya’s descent in China, however, reveals that by the eighth century China had overcome its complex and successfully established a Buddhist realm within its borders. The emergence of China as a center of Buddhism had profound implications on religious interactions between the two countries and is cited by Sen as one of the main causes for the weakening of China’s spiritual attraction toward India. At the same time, the growth of indigenous Chinese Buddhist schools and teachings retrenched the need for doctrinal input from India. A detailed examination of the failure of Buddhist translations produced during the Song dynasty (960-1279), demonstrates that these developments were responsible for the unraveling of religious bonds between the two countries and the termination of the Buddhist phase of Sino-Indian relations. Sen proposes that changes in religious interactions were paralleled by changes in commercial exchanges. For most of the first millennium, trading activities between India and China were closely connected with and sustained through the transmission of Buddhist doctrines. The eleventh and twelfth centuries, however, witnessed dramatic changes in the patterns and structure of mercantile activity between the two countries. Secular bulk and luxury goods replaced Buddhist ritual items, maritime channels replaced the overland Silk Road as the most profitable conduits of commercial exchange, and many of the merchants involved were followers of Islam rather than Buddhism. Moreover, policies to encourage foreign trade instituted by the Chinese government and the Indian kingdoms contributed to the intensification of commercial activity between the two countries and transformed the China-India trading circuit into a key segment of cross-continental commerce.

The Journey to the West Cambridge University Press

Containing chapters 51-100 of China's best-loved work, in an edited, yet complete and wholly accurate translation for the Western reader. Travel with Monkey, Pig, Friar Sand and the Tang Priest as they continue their journey to India and finally attain the scriptures. Volume 2 contains some of the most famous episodes from this classic, including Monkey's duel with the Princess Iron Fan.

Buddhist Pilgrimage Hiuen Tsang

Hiuen Tsang, a Chinese pilgrim who came to India in A.D. 629, was the most distinguished Buddhist

scholar of his times. He stayed in India for 16 long years, travelling extensively and holding discussions with Buddhist scholars all over the country. A kee

Chasing The Monk's Shadow Bdk America

First published in 1871, this is a detailed geographical study of India's Buddhist period, up to the seventh century CE. Written by the influential archaeologist Sir Alexander Cunningham (1814-93), it draws on material ranging from the campaigns of Alexander the Great to the travels of the Buddhist pilgrim Xuanzang.

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India and China are two of the most important civilizations of the ancient world. Looking at the relations between these empires before the 6th century A.D., Xinru Liu conclusively establishes the transmission of Buddhism from India to China, and describes the various items of commercial trade. *Ultimate Journey* Motilal Banarsidass Publ.

The Chinese Buddhist Pilgrims visited India during the early centuries of the Christian era. The Buddhist literature of China contains the records of their travels, the authenticity of which vouchsafed by the facts related in them. the principal Chinese Buddhist Pilgrims who visited India and wrote the accounts of their travel were Shih Fahian Sung Yun and Hwei and I-tsing The records are very interesting as they refer to the geography, history, manners and religion of the people of the countries West of China, of India in particular, visited by the pilgrims.

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Contributed papers on the life and achievements of Xuanzang, ca. 596-664, Buddhist priest presented at an international seminar; includes papers on Buddhist cultural heritage.

Where the Buddha Walked Westview Press

Buddhism, often described as an austere religion that condemns desire, promotes denial, and idealizes the contemplative life, actually has a thriving leisure culture in Asia. Creative religious improvisations designed by Buddhists have been produced both within and outside of monasteries across the region—in Nepal, Japan, Korea, Macau, Hong Kong, Singapore, Laos, Thailand, and Vietnam. Justin McDaniel looks at the growth of Asia’s culture of Buddhist leisure—what he calls “socially disengaged Buddhism”—through a study of architects responsible for monuments, museums, amusement parks, and other sites. In conversation with noted theorists of material and visual culture and anthropologists of art, McDaniel argues that such sites highlight the importance of public, leisure, and spectacle culture from a Buddhist perspective and illustrate how “secular” and “religious,” “public” and “private,” are in many ways false binaries. Moreover, places like Lek Wiriyaphan’s Sanctuary of Truth in Thailand, Suối Tiên Amusement Park in Saigon, and Shi Fa Zhao’s multilevel museum/ritual space/tea house in Singapore reflect a growing Buddhist ecumenism built through repetitive affective encounters instead of didactic sermons and sectarian developments. They present different Buddhist traditions, images, and aesthetic expressions as united but not uniform, collected but not concise: Together they form a gathering, not a movement. Despite the ingenuity of lay and ordained visionaries like Wiriyaphan and Zhao and their colleagues Kenzo Tange, Chan-soo Park, Tadao Ando, and others discussed in this book, creators of Buddhist leisure

sites often face problems along the way. Parks and museums are complex adaptive systems that are changed and influenced by budgets, available materials, local and global economic conditions, and visitors. Architects must often compromise and settle at local optima, and no matter what they intend, their buildings will develop lives of their own. Provocative and theoretically innovative, *Architects of Buddhist Leisure* asks readers to question the very category of "religious" architecture. It challenges current methodological approaches in religious studies and speaks to a broad audience interested in modern art, architecture, religion, anthropology, and material culture.

The Life of Hiuen-Tsiang Motilal Banarsidass Publ.

Draws on contemporary sources and first-hand accounts to reconstruct the history of the route through the personal experiences of these characters.

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The Realignment of India-China Relations, 600-1400 Penguin Books India

His wisdom and scholarship were like the sun, bringing light to the world. When Hiuen Tsang, the learned pilgrim from China, made the perilous journey to the land of Buddha, his prayers were said to work miracles. From Turfan to Bamiyan and from Gandhara to Prayag, hostile rulers and merciless thieves were rendered powerless by his calm courage. His accounts bring 7th-century India to life even today.

Cities of Ancient India OUP India

The Silk Road Journey with Xuanzang tells the saga of the seventh-century Chinese monk Xuanzang, one of China's great heroes, who completed an epic sixteen-year-long journey to discover the heart of Buddhism at its source in India. Eight centuries before Columbus, this intrepid pilgrim traveled 10,000 miles on the Silk Road, meeting most of Asia's important leaders at that time. In this revised and updated edition, Sally Hovey Wriggins, the first Westerner to walk in Xuanzang's footsteps, brings to life a courageous explorer and devoutly religious man. Through Wriggins's telling of Xuanzang's fascinating and extensive journey, the reader comes to know the contours of the Silk Road, Buddhist art and archaeology, the principles of Buddhism, as well as the geography and history of China, Central Asia, and India. The Silk Road Journey with Xuanzang is an inspiring story of human struggle and triumph, and a touchstone for understanding the religions, art, and culture of Asia.

In the Footsteps of the Buddha Genesis Publishing Pvt Ltd

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A Companion to the Buddhist Places of India Basic Books

Buddhist Pilgrimage takes us on a journey through beautiful, evocative illustrations and a text on the Buddha's life, the places where he lived and taught, and the million who follow his teachings. Also in Japanese.

Śrāvastī Delhi ; New York : Oxford University Press

"The great Tang dynasty record of the western regions is the itinerary of the journey undertaken by the Tripitaka-Master Xuanzang [a.k.a. Hsüan-tsang], in India and some parts of Central Asia in 629-45 C.E."--Page 1.

Trade and Religious Exchanges, AD 1-600 Jaico Publishing House

The saga of the seventh-century Chinese monk Xuanzang, who completed an epic sixteen-year journey to discover the heart of Buddhism at its source in India, is a splendid story of human struggle and triumph. One of China's great heroes, Xuanzang is introduced here for the first time to Western readers in this richly illustrated book.

Cambridge University Press

"In an attempt to reconstruct an elusive aspect of the medieval Chinese imagination, *The Eminent Monk* examines biographies of Chinese Buddhist monks, from the uncompromising ascetic to the unfathomable wonder-worker. The book treats representations of asceticism in biographies of Chinese monks, focusing particularly on attitudes toward sex, food, and clothing. It analyzes the image of the Buddhist thaumaturge in these biographies, including the monk's relationship to supernormal powers, spells, and miracles. Finally, it mines the hagiography for clues to monastic attitudes toward scholarship, including a discussion of education in the monasteries, debate, and the constraints on intellectual exchange within the monastic community." "While analyzing images of the monk in medieval China, the author addresses some questions encountered along the way: What are we to make of accounts in "eminent monk" collections of deviant monks who violate monastic precepts? Who wrote biographies of monks and who read them? How did different segments of Chinese society contend for the image of the monk and which image prevailed?" "By placing biographies of monks in the context of Chinese political and religious rhetoric, *The Eminent Monk* explores both the role of Buddhist literature in Chinese history and the monastic imagination that inspired this literature."--BOOK JACKET.Title Summary field provided by Blackwell North America, Inc. All Rights Reserved

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Retracing the Path of an Ancient Buddhist Monk who Crossed Asia in Search of Enlightenment Disruptive Pub

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