

《活佛查询系统上线 验证活佛真伪》

An online system has been launched for Buddhists to check the authenticity of living buddhas in Tibetan Buddhism, with 870 already verified.

The system was put in place by the Buddhist Association of China to counter fake living buddhas, who swindle believers out of money. They also undermine the reputation of verified living buddhas and bring Tibetan Buddhism into disrepute. The system publishes detailed, accurate information on living buddhas, including photos, names, monastic titles, date of birth, religious sects, and resident monasteries.

The association is continuing to verify other living buddhas, in the hope of creating a complete database. The inquiry system can be found at the official website of the State Administration for Religious Affairs. It's the first time information on the country's religious leaders has been made accessible via the internet. The establishment of the system aims to promote transparency at the association, and regulate the issue of reincarnation for living buddhas.

