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www.cspa.in, the official website of 'Centre for Social & Political Art' (CSPA) will be inaugurated by Shri Jaspal Singh IPS, former Minister from Gujarat and former and Mayor of Baroda on Saturday, August 9, 2014 at 12 noon at Ashirbhavan, Ernakulam, Kerala.

CSPA, the first collaborative project of Design & People and Sylviander House is a platform to promote collective involvement of every citizen to appreciate rights of all living beings. It enables the marginalised and victimised people to voice their grievances, build awareness and receive empowerment. The Centre rallies creative artists, thinkers and activists under its banner to work against all power structures. It upholds freedom of all arts and creativity. The Centre is a catalyst, inspiring all vulnerable communities to strive against the existing repressive Social & Political order.

CSPA.in, the website of the institution also be the virtual space for Friends of Tibet Library of Books & Films and Design & People Library of Books. CSPA website allows its members and visitors to choose books and films online without giving a visit to CSPA. Researchers and students from outside Kerala can make use of the 'Get a Book by Post' facility. CSPA at Alappuzha consists of two Libraries - 'Friends of Tibet Library of Books and Films' and 'Design & People Library of Books' - developed and maintained by Friends of Tibet and Design & People, two organisations associated with CSPA. The CSPA Library has an extensive collection of books on Art, Design, Society, Politics, Architecture, Human Rights, Photography, Tibet, China, History, Religion, Traditional Medical Systems etc. Library facilities are open to CSPA Associates, Members of CSPA Residency Programmes while memberships are available for individuals and organisations. CSPA will also have a permanent collection of original photographs of renowned Indian and International Photographers. Some of them are including Angel Lopez Soto (Spain), Brian Harris (Canada), Diane Barker (UK), Jaqueline Meier (Switzerland), John Ackerly (USA), Giulia Francesca Johnson (USA), Lobsang Wangyal (Tibet), Kathryn Culley (USA), Manuela Metelli (Italy), Ken Damy (Italy), Nancy Jo Johnson (USA), Prabir Purkayastha (India), Prabuddha Dasgupta (India), Sonam Zoksang (USA), Suresh Natarajan (India), Vijay Kranti (India) and William Chapman (USA).

CSPA houses rare collections of art and artifacts from Tibet. The Museum section is being made possible with the generous support from Friends of Tibet, a Tibet Support Group and a Member Organisation with CSPA. The Centre also houses original and prints of political cartoons by renowned Indian cartoonists.

All are welcome!

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