

Annexure 2: Festivals dates along Gomphu-Manas-Norbugang Eco-trail

GOMPHU			
Name of the Festival	Dates	Details	Remarks
Annual Tsechu	15-17 of the 10 th Bhutanese month	Mask dances on first two days and wang on the third day.	
Magpon/deity offering	5 th and 10 th Bhutanese months (any dates)	Offering made to local deities to keep away famine and starvation.	Can perform on demand for tourists.
PANTANG			
Name of the Festival	Dates	Details	Remarks
Pawgi Lodue (paw Nyenpa, paw Terda and paw Gaser)	5 th and 10 th month of Bhutanese calendar, twice a year for three days.	Invitation offerings to local deities on 1 st day, Paw performances on 2 nd day and farewell to local deities on 3 rd day.	Can perform on demand for tourists.
Lam Kenchok	10 th month of Bhutanese calendar every year.	Offerings to local deities.	
NORBUGANG			
Name of the Festival	Dates	Details	Location
Tsechu	Every month	Offerings to local deities	Gashari village
Tsechu	Every month	Offerings to local deities	Tsheshingzor village
Tsechu	8 th -10 th day of 5 th Bhutanese month and 9 th -10 th day of 8 th Bhutanese month	Folk and mask dances during the day and tercham performances at night.	Nimshongborang village

Source: RMNP 2011