## Opening the Door to Certainty

Bokar Rinpoche's Summary of the Pointing-Out Instructions of Wangchuk Dorje's Ocean of Certainty

## Pointing Out Awareness-Emptiness (Rig-sTong)

The manner of pointing out to decisively ascertain awareness-emptiness:

First, let the mind remain in its natural state, loose and relaxed.

Look nakedly at the essence of loosened mind;

cultivate and maintain unwavering, simple mindfulness.

Whatever discursive thoughts arise, specifically, do not contrive,

do not abandon or adopt, whatsoever.

Rest wide awake in ordinary mind, in the knowingness of the moment -

a vividly resplendent luminosity-emptiness, free from identification.

## Pointing Out Through Movement ('gyu)

Moreover, the manner of pointing out by means of movement:

First, let your cognition remain in its natural state, loose and relaxed.

Then, in this condition, look at its essence.

Now, allow or induce a thought movement, after which ask -

How are thinking mind and abiding mind different?

The moving mind and the looking mind -

actually look to see how they are different. In doing so, the movement proceeds self-liberated.

Then, remain in this condition, one-pointedly, without distraction.

## Pointing Out Through Appearances (sNang)

গু মুন্ মৌ মা 1) All appearances are mind

With using forms and the like as support,

examine closely whether mind and appearances are the same or distinct.

Realize apparent objects displaying as outside are all the self-luster of mind;

when realizing that they are not other than that,

in this condition, without fixation or grasping, rest openly.

থ বামৰা স্থ্ৰীন যো 2) Mind is emptiness

Mind-as-it-is, in every possible way, is not something other than emptiness-as-such.

This, in no way can be characterized

not by speech, concept nor description, just like the sky.

In this condition, remain loose in non-fabrication.

१ क्रिंप पुत्र शुत्र । 3) Emptiness is spontaneously present

Similarly, unwavering from the emptiness of phenomena,

manifestation capacity and luster, unimpeded, verily arise in all their variety.

None other than emptiness, be aware that the universe of appearances and possibilities, the phenomena of samsara and nirvana,

are spontaneously present as inseparable appearance-emptiness.

৬ খ্লুব'মুন'ম্ন'র্ম্য 4) Spontaneous presence is self-liberated

Similarly, appearances, awareness, and emptiness, are primordially

luminosity-emptiness, an indivisible unity and spontaneously accomplished.

Without relying on antidotes, abandonment or adoption, elimination or placement,

this is the ultimate meaning of self-liberation, mahamudra.