

APPENDIX III

ANNIVERSARY OF A PERSONALITY

A. *Information concerning the personality to be commemorated*

1. Official name: Phra Chomklao Chaoyuhua (King Rama IV)
Internationally known as: King Mongkut
2. Born: 18 October 1804 Died: 1 October 1868
3. Field of activity: Education, Science, Culture, Social and Human Sciences, and Communication.
4. Full list of her or his works and / or actions
 - 1) Scholarly works on the Pali Text of Traipitaka and the establishment and operation of the school of Pali studies.
 - 2) His achievement in restoring Buddhism to its original purity through rational interpretation of Scriptures.
 - 3) Instituting the new Buddhist sect of Thamayut, characterized by strict monastic discipline.
 - 4) The pursuit of freedom of religion for all.
 - 5) His archaeological interest and endeavour leading to the discovery and renovation of Phraphathom Chedi and also the discovery of King Ramkhamhaeng's stone slab as well as two Sukhothai pillars with inscriptions.
 - 6) His achievement in laying the foundations for introducing modern science into the country.
 - 7) His achievement in mastering languages, mathematics, and astronomy.
 - 8) His practical innovations, including printing Press and the publishing of the Royal Gazette.
5. Please state whether this commemoration related to the work as a whole or to a particular work or action (if so, which?)
The Commemoration relates to the work as a whole
6. Describe how this work/action has had a genuine impact at the regional and/or universal level.
His achievements as a historian, a Buddhist scholar, and as a patron of historical research had contributed to the world of scholarship, the more lasting value was his ability to demonstrate that Asian, given adequate instruction, were capable of mastering every kind of modern technique and making advances for themselves.

B. Anniversary to be celebrated

- Fiftieth
 Centenary
 Multiple thereof (200)

Dates (s) chosen for the celebration

1 January to 31 December 2004

C. Information concerning the activities organised on this occasion by the country / countries concerned

Place	Type of activity	Institution responsible	Funds requested (under the Participation Programme)
In your country	Commemorative events, Symposium, lectures, research grants, performances, commemorative coin, stamps and phone-card publication, exhibition	Government agencies, Foundations and societies	Thai Government
In other countries (please state which) The countries to which King Mongkut paid the visits.	Exhibition, performance, lectures	Government agencies, Foundations, Societies	Thai Government

D. Links with UNESCO

1. Please indicate the field of competence of UNESCO to which this celebration is related

- Education
 Science
 Culture
 Social and human sciences
 Communication
 Transdisciplinary projects _____
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2. How do you wish UNESCO to participate

To provide facilities for Exhibitions and commemorative events and funding support from Participation program.

3. Please state in what way this commemoration is linked to, and promotes, UNESCO's objectives and missions.

The commemoration will demonstrate that, in the historical context of Thailand and in practical terms, national development is conditioned on investments in human resource development through education, science, culture, and communication.

E. Please add any other information

Please see the attachment for additional information.

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