"Ice River - a journey to Zanskar in Winter"

# 3 Questions for you to answer....

### 1. What makes Zanskar an extreme environment/ wilderness?

2. What natural and human/cultural attractions does Zanskar offer to potential adventure tourists?

3. What impact does/could tourism have on Zanskar and what will the new road mean for tourism in the area?

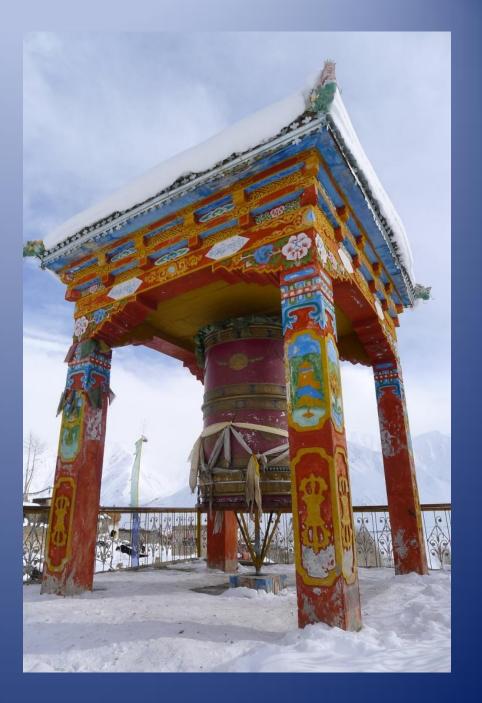


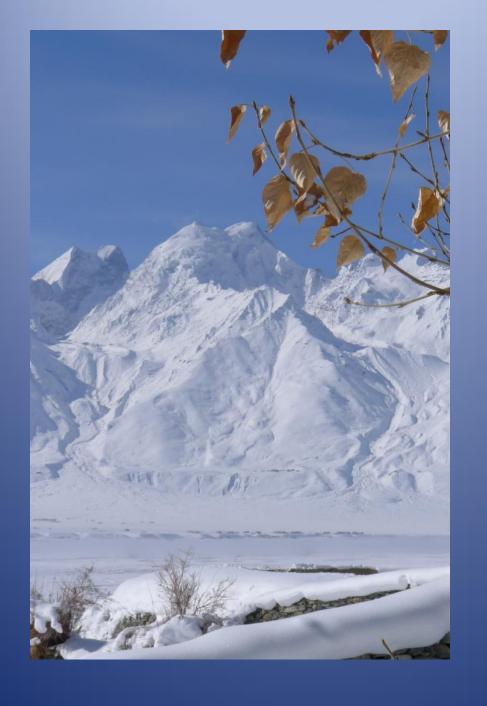
A frozen waterfall....

### It is so cold washing hung out to dry freezes .....

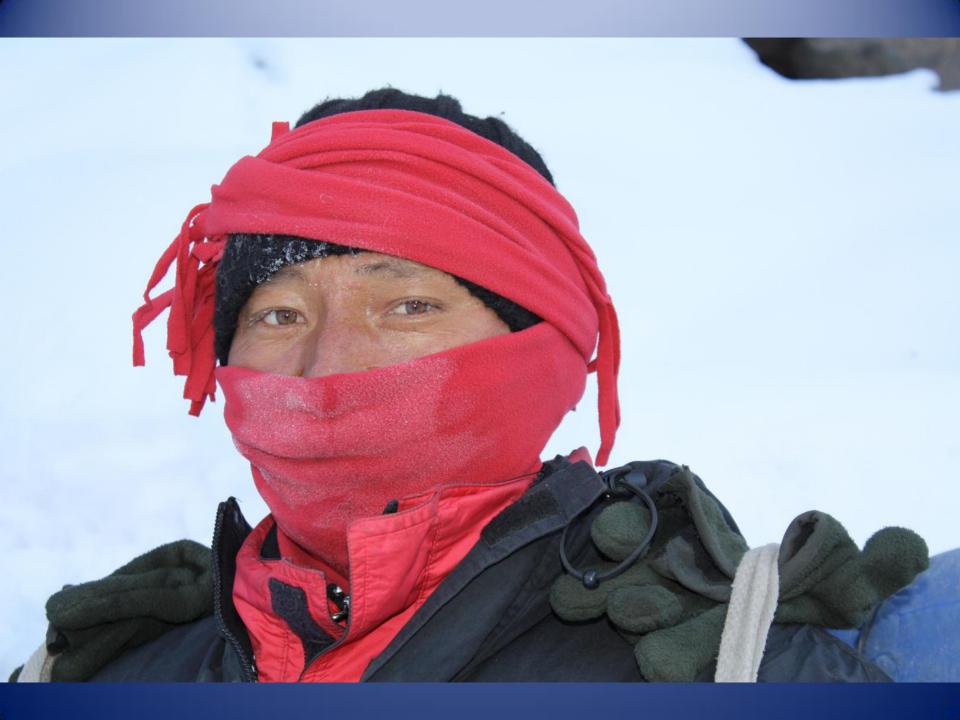


Religious artefact:
The Stupas

















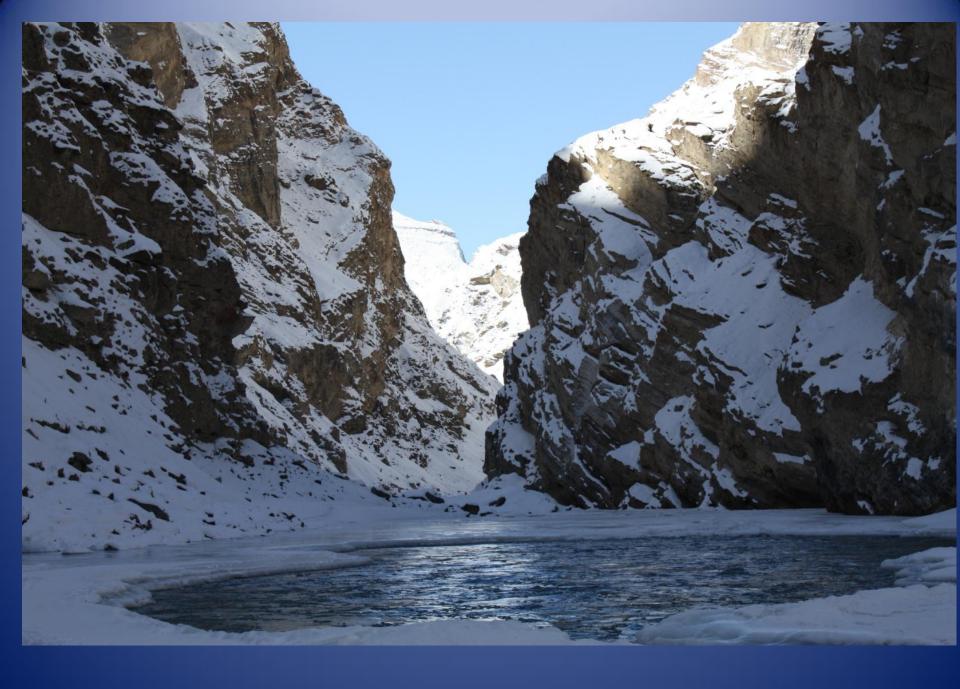
#### Walking on ice ......



### Digging for fresh water from under the ice...



Evidence of a snow leopard.....







Sledging has provided winter entertainment for Zanskaris for centuries, though it used to be undertaken on stones rather than 'sledges'



Traditional (three stones and an open fire) ways of cooking and keeping warm in Zanskari houses.

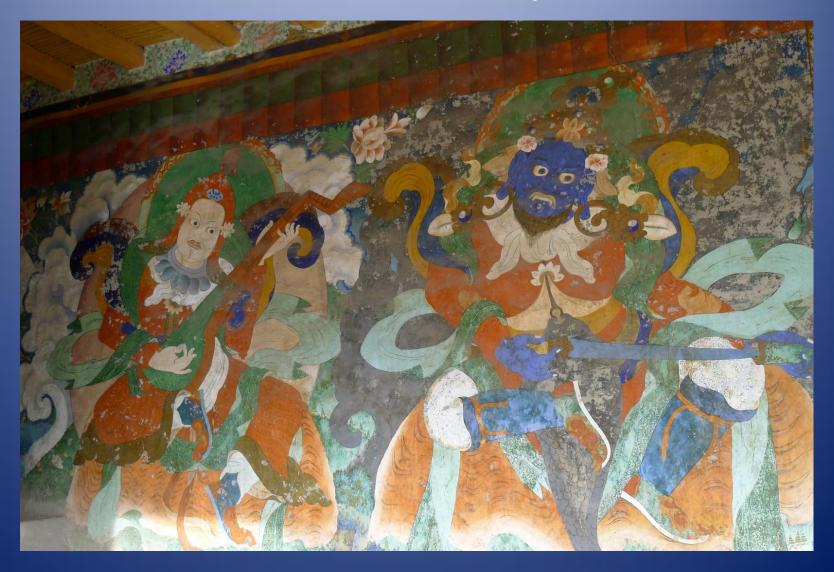


A modern rudimentary version of a multi-fuel stove ways of cooking and keeping warm in Zanskari houses.





Views of one of the ornately decorated prayer rooms at Karsha monastery, one of the most important in Zanskar and still home to nearly 100 monks.





## Young monks at Karsha fresh from their morning devotions.





#### The porters.....











Our sledge

#### A traditional Zanskari rucsac





Collecting fire wood.

Fires are an essential part of keeping warm







Traditional Zanskaris clothing....

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