

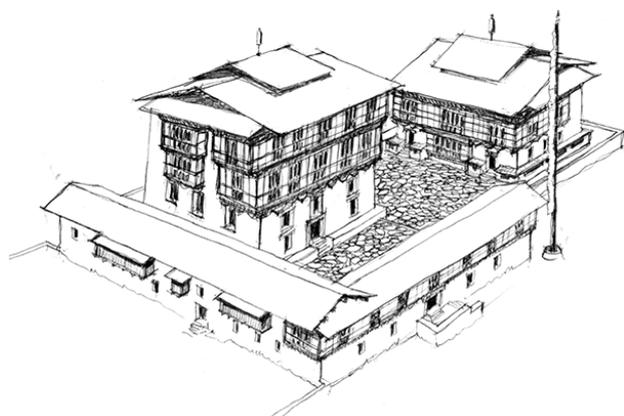
PROTECTION OF A HERITAGE SITE IN BHUTAN

OGYEN CHOLING MANOR IS A SIGNIFICANT HISTORICAL BUILDING IN CENTRAL BHUTAN. THE OGYEN CHOLING FOUNDATION HAS PURCHASED FOGTEC FIRE FIGHTING EQUIPMENT AS A MAJOR PRESERVATION MEANS.



Front view of Ogyen Choling Manor

Located on a mountain in Bumthang District, at an altitude of 3000m the manor overlooks the picturesque and secluded Tang valley.

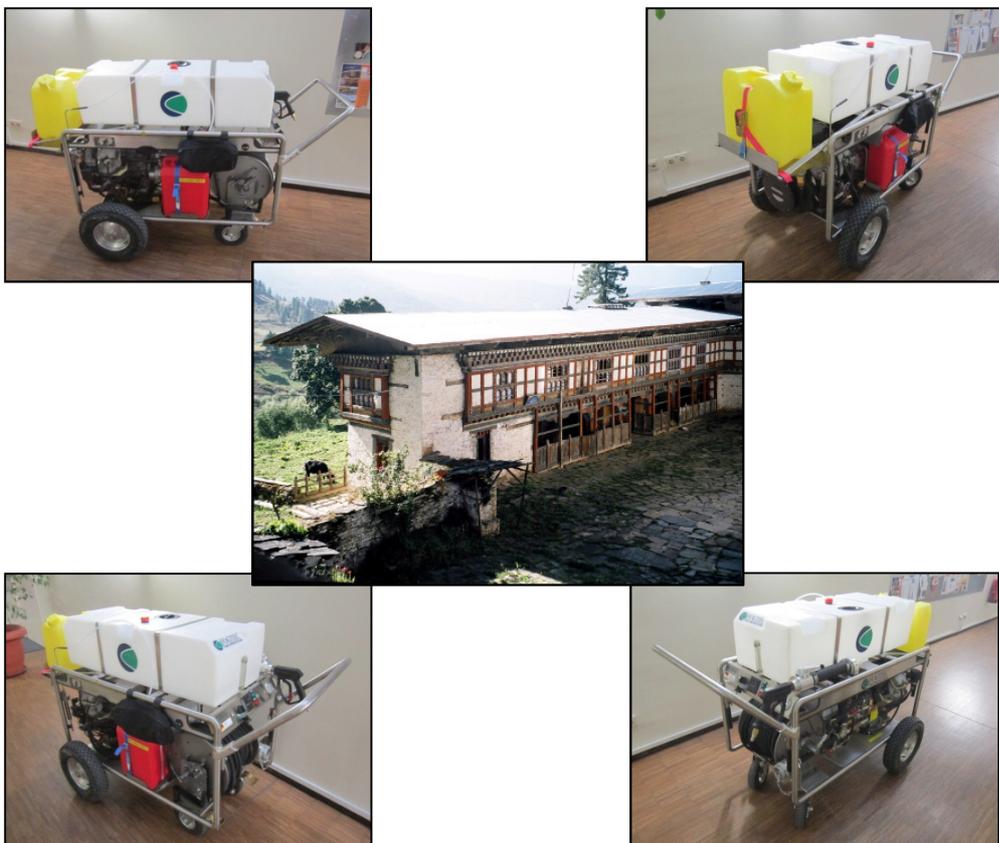


Once the home of the religious nobility of the region the manor has stood witness to a changing nation. Ogyen Choling has not only survived these changes but has adapted to the new realities to create a niche for itself as an important site of cultural heritage.

Ogyen Choling's architectural significance, its connection to a fading pre-democratic past

and its continued religious relevance makes it the ideal site for a museum which opened to the public in 2001.

The Ogyen Choling Foundation cares for the preservation of the museum and has recognized that this traditional building made of wood and stone is highly vulnerable to fire. Thus the Foundation has looked for a fire fighting system that can protect the central tour (housing the museum) and the temple and will neither damage the structures nor the exhibits. The FOGTEC mobile fire fighting units type KFT had been identified as most suitable.



These mobile units with a manually operated FOGGUN are flexible to be moved to the concerned areas and offer the desired sensitivity at the ancient building structures and exhibits.

FOGTEC has adapted the standard mobile unit with a motor suitable for the altitude of 3.000m above sea level and special wheels that can cope with the rough pavement conditions.