

Ms. Marndaratna Shatsena

Ms. Marndaratna Shatsena was born in 1940 and is the eldest member. She was adopted as a baby by Mrs. Voramai Kabil Singh and grew up in a Buddhist family.

In 1957 during school vacation she experienced monastic life for 47 days and received training among the white-robed nuns. She is able to recite the chants as well.

She received B.A. from Teachers' College and helped Ven. Voramai to set up the school which started out as a school for orphans but later developed to a primary school offering education from kindergarten to grade 6. She was the principal of the school for 30 years, the number of students grew to 500 before it closed down in 2002 when she retired.

Presently she is still an active member of the monastery. She offers to cook for the sangha for seven days a month.

On her regular days she engages herself making handicrafts, producing bracelets for sale in order to bring income to support the temple.