

rGya dmar ba's dBu ma de kho na nyid – General outline

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NB: This outline is editorial and meant to provide an orientation into the text. Please refer to the edition for a precise account of divisions made by the author, divisions indicated in interlinear notes, and editorial divisions of the text. The numbering of the verses is preliminary.

<i>dBu ma de kho na nyid</i>		Verses	
0. Verses of invocation		1b1	
1. Statement of purpose		1b1	
2. The three characteristics within the Two Truths and the division of provisional and definitive meaning		1b2–2a8	
1	Summarized explanation	1b2–3	
2	Extended explanation	1b3–2a8	
1	The three characteristics within the Two Truths according to the respective philosophical systems	1b3–4	
2	Teaching the distinction between the provisional and definitive meanings	1b4–2a8	1 1b4
3. Explanation of the division of the Two Truths		2a8–29a5	2 (programmatic) 2a8
I	Basis of the division into Two Truths (<i>dbye ba'i gzhi</i>)	2a8	
II	Meaning of the division into Two Truths (<i>dbye ba'i don</i>)	2b1–5a8	
III	Meaning of the terms (<i>ming gi don</i>)	5a8–7a6	3 5a8 4–6 (bsdus don) 7a4–5
IV	Specification of the number (<i>grangs nges pa</i>)	7a6–8a6	7 7a6 8–10 (bsdus) 8a4–5
V	Definiens of the Two Truths (<i>mtshan nyid</i>)	8a6–15a7	
1	Actual definiens of the two truths (<i>bden gnyis mtshan nyid dngos</i>)	8a6–9b3	11 8a6
2	Divisions (<i>so so'i dbye ba</i>)	9b3–9b5	12–13 (bar skabs tshigs bead) 9b3–4
3	Definitions of the respective kinds of conventional (<i>kun rdzob kyi rnam par dbye ba'i mtshan nyid</i>)	9b5–10a6	14 (programmatic) 9b5
4	What has this definition (<i>mtshan nyid dang ldan pa</i>)	10a6–15a7	15–16 (mdor gzha) 11a4–5 17–23 (bar skabs tshigs bead) 12a2–5 24 (programmatic) 12b7 25 (programmatic) 13a7–8 26–27 (parallel to Madhyamakālaṅkāra) 14b1 28 (bsdus ba'i tshigs bead) 14b3–4 29–31 (bar skabs tshigs bead) 15a6–7
VI	Valid cognition determining that the definiens applies (<i>tshad ma</i>)	15a7–29a5	
1	The valid cognition determining the definiens of conventional truth	15a7–15b7	32 15a7
2	The valid cognition determining the ultimate	15b7–29a5	33–35 (bsdus ba'i tshigs bead) 16b3–4 36 23b6 37–40 27a1–2
4. Negating attachment to entities			29a5–39b1
5. The result of cultivating emptiness			30b1–30b8
6. Conclusive verses			31a1–31a2
7. Colophon			31a2–3