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Gender Asymmetry and Nuns' Agency in the Asian Buddhist Traditions

Message from the Guest Editor

In Buddhist monasticism, women are relegated to the second rank. As for Chinese and Korean monasticisms, there are fully ordained nuns, but they still have to respect traditional norms regarding gender hierarchy. The resulting asymmetry between ordained men and women is a facet of living Buddhism. The upcoming volume aims to focus on the attitudes, perceptions, experiences, and actions of the Buddhist nuns themselves while drawing on examples from Buddhist countries.

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