1. **Membership in UNESCO:** 3 April 1982

2. **Membership on the Executive Board:** No

3. **Membership on Intergovernmental Committees, Commissions, etc.:**

4. **The Director-General’s visits to Bhutan:** None

5. **Permanent Delegation:** H. E. Mr Daw Penjo as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary, Permanent Representative to the UN Office in Geneva (since 23 July 2013)
   Previous Permanent Delegate: H.E. Mr Veshey Dorji (2010)

6. **UNESCO Office in Bhutan:** none.
   *Bhutan is covered by UNESCO Cluster Office in New Delhi.*
   **Member states serviced:** Bhutan, India, Maldives and Sri Lanka
   **Director:** Mr Shigeru Aoyagi (since January 2012, D-1)

7. **National Commission for UNESCO:** established in October 1986
   - **Structure:** The Membership of the Commission represents national institutions as well as the media and Kuensel, the only newspaper in the country.
   - **Chairperson:** Mr H.E. Mingbo Dukpa (since December 2013)
   - **Secretary General:** Mrs Sangay Zam (since September 2008)
   - **Priority Areas:** Literacy; non-formal education; cultural and natural heritage; intangible heritage; development of libraries, archives and information services;

8. **Personalities associated with UNESCO activities:** none

9. **UNESCO Chairs and UNITWIN Networks:** none

10. **Associated Schools:** 53 (3 Primary School, 23 Primary/Secondary School; and 27 Secondary School)

11. **Category 2 institutes and Centres:** none

12. **Biosphere Reserves:** none

13. **World Heritage List:** none

14. **Tentative List:** 8
   - Ancient Ruin of Drukgyel Dzong (08/03/2012)
   - Bumdeling Wildlife Sanctuary (08/03/2012)
   - Dzongs: the centre of temporal and religious authorities (Punakha Dzong, Wangdue Phodrang Dzong, Paro Dzong, Trongsa Dzong and Dagana Dzong) (08/03/2012)
   - Jigme Dorji National Park (JDNP) (08/03/2012)
   - Royal Manas National Park (RMNP) (08/03/2012)
   - Sacred Sites associated with Phajo Drugom Zhigpo and his descendants (08/03/2012)
   - Sakteng Wildlife Sanctuary (SWS) (08/03/2012)
   - Tamzhing Monastery (08/03/2012)
15. **Intangible Heritage Lists:** 1  
   - The Mask Dance of the Drums from Drametse (2008)

16. **Memory of the World Register:** no entries

17. **Creative cities network:** no entry

18. **Legal instruments:** 5 ratified and 34 non-ratified

19. **Anniversaries with which UNESCO is associated:** none

20. **Participation Programme:**  
   - 2014-2015: 3 projects approved for a total amount of US$ 64,395  
   - 2012-2013: 1 project approved for an amount of US$ 26,000  
   - 2010-2011: 8 projects approved for a total amount of US$ 183,000

21. **Fellowship:** 2 fellowships awarded since 2010, for a total amount of US$ 31,000

22. **Voluntary contributions to UNESCO:**

   | Voluntary Contributions to UNESCO Extra-Budgetary Activities and Institutes (Expressed in US Dollars) |
   |----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
   | COUNTRY                         | Jan-Jun 2015 | 2014  | 2013  |
   | BHUTAN                          | 0             | 0     | 0     |

23. **Payment of assessed memberships fees for 2014-2015:**  
   (Assessment rate: 0.001%; contributions assessed for 2014-2015: US$6,530)

24. **Representation within the Secretariat:** under-represented  
   1 professional in geographical posts (min.2 - max.4)