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Rashmi Ekka is the founder of Adivasi Development Network and volunteers and leads the team as the Executive Director and also serves on the Board. Rashmi grew up in Jamshedpur, Jharkhand. In her day job she works as a finance and research specialist for an international development consulting firm. She has a BA in Economics from the College of Wooster.

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Jennifer Quigley has worked on the movement for freedom and justice in Burma in different capacities for ten years. Prior to joining the U.S. Campaign for Burma, she worked for the Women's League of Burma and its member organizations on international advocacy and capacity building both while living in Thailand and in the U.S. Her work included advocating for and with women from Burma at the United Nations to both ensure the U.N. Security Council and other UN bodies pressure the military regime to end violence against women and bring peace and democracy to Burma and guarantee women from Burma are full participants in all stages and decision-making levels of the peace-building process.

As the Advocacy Director for the U.S. Campaign for Burma, she works to ensure international policymakers, including the US government, support the movement for freedom and democracy in Burma, provide support for human rights and humanitarian needs, as well as seek to bring justice and an end to crimes against humanity and impunity in Burma.

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Senge Sering was born in Shigar, a district of disputed region of Gilgit-Baltistan. He finished his degree in textile engineering from University of Engineering and Technology, Punjab and Masters in Development Studies from University of East Anglia in the U.K. During the 1990s, he worked as a cultural activist and helped revive indigenous script in Baltistan. He also helped establish a non-profit in the Shigar valley to promote education and health services for the local women. Later, he joined a project of Aga Khan Foundation and worked in the monitoring, evaluation and research department. During that time, he was also associated with Baltistan Cultural Foundation. In 2009, he was selected as a visiting fellow to the Institute for Defence Studies and Analyses, New Delhi. Currently, he is running a non-profit in Washington D.C. called Institute for Gilgit Baltistan Studies, and at the same time working on his publication which relates to China's presence in Gilgit-Baltistan. He is also member, board of directors of Gilgit Baltistan National Congress.