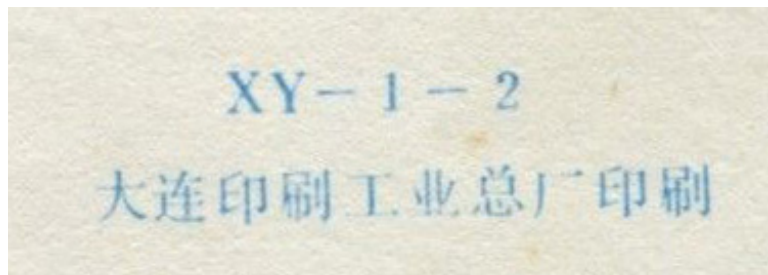


1988 cover with postage due red oval & doubly bilingual chops

Attractive cover franked with 2f stamp from the R18 definitive series, with bilingual Tibetan/Chinese cds of Baiyu དཔལ་ལྷལ་/白玉, Sichuan, dated 26/10/1988. Handstamped with red oval postage due chop and handwritten 0.06 (6f to pay):



The cover is illustrated with a colour print of birds on peonies and has the serial number XY-1-2 on the reverse.



Also on the reverse is a bilingual Mongolian/Chinese 10/11/1988 receiver of an unidentified district of Chifeng, Inner Mongolia.

Baiyu County is in [Garzê Tibetan Autonomous Prefecture](#), the largest and most westerly division of [Sichuan Province](#) of China, in the eastern part of the mountainous Tibetan plateau.



screenshot from Google maps

It is a remote town lying 160 km almost due east of Qamdo, Tibet (390 km by road!); 335 km west-north-west of Garze town (558 km by road); 520 km almost due west of Chengdu, Sichuan (877 km by road).

There are 4 postcodes listed¹ for Baiyu County; 627150 - 627153. This postmark has the first and so may be that of Baiyu township.

I haven't identified the exact location it was sent to - 024086 is not listed on the [postcode.info](#) web site, and I can not decipher the Chinese or Mongolian. However, 024081 and 024084 are both near Chifeng 赤峰 (Ulankhad) city, Inner Mongolia.

¹ [postcode.info](#)