

GLOSSARY

<i>A'galmaka</i>	Agricultural festival observed by the Garos after burning the dried jungles in the jhum field.
<i>A'king</i>	Land owned or held by a Nokma
<i>A'king Gore</i>	Pair words of A'king.
<i>A'matte</i>	A plot of land possessed by an individual Garo or Family
<i>Anna</i>	1/16 of a rupee
<i>Anchalik Panchayat</i>	Block level Panchayat
<i>A'wil</i>	Fee paid to Nokma
<i>A'song</i>	Inhabited land or Country
<i>Basti</i>	Category or Class of land for revenue assessment.
<i>Bathan</i>	Cattle pound
<i>Begal</i>	Unpaid labour
<i>Bichal Ka'a</i>	Inquiry or trial in a village assembly
<i>Bigha</i>	Unit if measuring land
<i>Bobil Dinga</i>	Fight with enemy
<i>Dai</i>	Fine or compensation
<i>Dakora</i>	Messenger
<i>Dhips</i>	Boundary pillar, earthen mound or boulder
<i>Elaka</i>	Territorial division within A'king
<i>Faringati</i>	Class of land for revenue assessment
<i>Gam</i>	Village headman of a tribe in Arunachal Pradesh
<i>Gana</i>	Nokma ordination ceremony
<i>Gaonbura</i>	Village headman
<i>Ghat</i>	Place earmarked for bathing, docking ferries, boats etc.

<i>Gramdan</i>	Village donated to the society. In such a village there is no individual ownership of land. The entire land in the village belongs to the people as a whole.
<i>Gram Panchayat</i>	Village level <i>panchayat</i>
<i>Haats</i>	Weekly Markets
<i>Jamadal</i>	A small rest house temporarily constructed in the jhum field by a Garo <i>jhumer</i> .
<i>Jakbikpila</i>	Revenge
<i>Jaksil</i>	An arm belt made of copper or iron.
<i>Kalaazar</i>	Black fever
<i>Kram</i>	A Garo drum which is believed to posses spirit.
<i>Khadi</i>	An Indian homespun cotton cloth
<i>Laskar</i>	A Revenue officer who supervises over 10 to 12 Nokmas
<i>Lokayukta</i>	Civil Commissioner dealing with corruption cases.
<i>Ma'a-No</i>	Mother and her relatives
<i>Ma'chong</i>	Clan
<i>Melaa</i>	Village Assembly or meeting
<i>Mouzadar</i>	Land Revenue Officer in-charge of a Revenue Circle
<i>Mukhyiya</i>	Village Chief
<i>Nagra</i>	A big Garo drum
<i>Nazir</i>	An officer of an Indian court
<i>Noa-Namchik</i>	Sisters of female relatives
<i>Nokma</i>	Garos Village chief
<i>Nokna</i>	Inheritress
<i>Nokkrom</i>	Heiress;
<i>Paa-Gachi</i>	Husbands of elder sisters
<i>Patta</i>	Land settlement and ownership document
<i>Pradhan</i>	Chief of Village <i>Panchayat</i>

<i>Pundit</i>	Learned man, an outstanding scholar or a teacher
<i>Purohit</i>	Priest
<i>Rupit</i>	Class of land for revenue assessment.
<i>Saghan Kshetra</i>	Densely populated area
<i>Sardar</i>	Village headman or administrator
<i>Sarpanch</i>	Village chief
<i>Sarvodaya</i>	Universal uplift or progress of all
<i>Songsarik</i>	Garos people who believe in traditional Garo religion
<i>Sulabh</i>	Accessible
<i>Zamindar</i>	Tenant
<i>Zilla Parishad</i>	District level <i>Panchayat</i>
<i>Zimmdar</i>	Village headman