# AGRICULTURAL FOLK SONGS OF ARUNACHAL PRADESH



A. K. Bhalerao Bagish Kumar A. K. Singha P. C. Jat R. Bordoloi A. M. Pasweth Bidyut C. Deka



ICAR-ATARI, Zone-III
Indian Council of Agricultural Research
Umiam, Meghalaya- 793103

# AGRICULTURAL FOLK SONGS OF ARUNACHAL PRADESH

A. K. Bhalerao Bagish Kumar A. K. Singha P. C. Jat R. Bordoloi A. M. Pasweth Bidyut C. Deka



ICAR-ATARI, Zone-III
Indian Council of Agricultural Research
Umiam, Meghalaya- 793103

#### **FOREWORD**

The ICAR-Agricultural Technology Application Research institute, Zone-III with its headquarters at Umiam, Meghalaya is the nodal institution for monitoring the extension activities conducted by the Krishi Vigyan Kendras (KVKs) in North East Region, which comprises of eight states, namely Arunachal Pradesh, Assam, Manipur, Meghalaya, Mizoram, Nagaland, Sikkim and Tripura. All these states have the tribal population which gives them the unique identity as compared to the other part of the country. This peculiarity is due to the traditional wealth conserved by the people of this region from ancestors through oral traditions.

Folk songs in relation of agriculture are one of the traditional assets for this region. These songs describe the different aspects of nature in general and agriculture in particular for understanding them in a comprehensive way. It simply shows the close liaison of the native people with the natural phenomenon.

I appreciate the effort and hardship of the KVK staffs in general and editors of this publication in particular for bringing out such a useful document for the benefit of all the stakeholders working for the prosperity of indigenous people.

*Umiam*, 2016

Bidyut C. Deka Director, ICAR-ATARI-Umiam, Meghalaya-793103

#### **PREFACE**

Traditional wealth is the cultural heritage, which is conserved from generation to generation and peculiar to the particular locality. Traditional media is one of the dimensions of traditional wealth. This wealth is mainly expressed through folk lore, folk songs, storytelling, poem reciting etc. Traditional media can be observed in any field such as health, nutrition, meteorology, agriculture etc. Agriculture is a huge reservoir of traditional media.

North Eastern region of India is the land of traditional art due to the prevalent of tribal population in the hilly tract of this region. This part of India is one of hot spot for biodiversity in the world. The biodiversity of North East India is not only limited to the flora and fauna, but extended to the traditional media also. The rich cultural heritage of this region is still conserved and expressed through folk lore, folk songs, local paintings and so on.

The present document is the effort to compile the traditional folk song related with agriculture from the different states of North East India.

The editors would like to place on record the deep sense of gratitude and indebtedness to all the resource persons i.e. Programme coordinator, Subject Matter Specialists and Programme Assistants of different KVKs of North East India for helping in compilation of this resource book.

The editors, dedicate this publication to the farming community of North East India. We look forward to contribute more for the betterment of farming community in entire North East Region. We also welcome the suggestions for further improvement.

Umiam, 2016 The Editors

# **CONTENTS**

SL. No.	KVK District	Title of Song	Page Number
1,00	Introduction		06
01.	East Kameng	Numtung Rungduk	17
02.	East Kameng	Modi Aniya Kaniya Tajo	18
03.	East Siang	My Village (Esing eme)	20
04.	East Siang	Let's go (Kaju angong gila ju)	22
05.	East Siang	Let's work. (Ager IIa)	23
06.	Lohit	Lik Hong Khan Khao (Lakshmi ma ki avahaon granth)	25
07.	Lower Dibang Valley	Origin of grain	28
08.	Lower Dibang Valley	Making land for agriculture (paku johtah baji chi eney meyha)	29
09.	Lower Dibang Valley	Celebration of new food grain (Abuni keh-meh ma aswah hawa)	30
10.	Lower Dibang Valley	A man's prayer been heard (apeh sah api giwaye)	32
11.	Lower Subansiri	Uhi biniing emo	33
12.	Lower Subansiri	Nentu rungo tuko	35
13.	Papumpare	Debbe-Leyu	38
14.	Tawang	Kokoley-ko	40
15.	Tawang	La Sho La	42
16.	Upper Subansiri	Farming Season Song	43
17.	Upper Subansiri	Deri Ngona Ane Ngona (We the goddess of Agricultural)	45
18.	West Siang	Tami Komji	47
19.	West Siang	NgunnukDolu lo	49

# INTROCUCTION

Arunachal Pradesh, North east India's remotest state, also known as 'Land of the Dawn-lit-Mountains' is the first Indian soil to greet the morning sun. Arunachal Pradesh is the north-eastern tip of India with its borders touching China, Bhutan and Burma (Myanmar). Towards the south is Assam and Nagaland. It is rich in flora and fauna which attrach any tourist. The state contain more than 500 rare species of Orchids. Its mysterious, powerful and beautiful rivers with faces and moods that change dramatically ever so often form the colourful lifelines. It is ideal for rafting and angling and the rugged terrain is ideal for trekking, hiking and holidaying in a serene atmosphere. River Rafting routes include Kameng (Seppa-Bhalukpung), Subansiri (Taliha- North of Daporijo), Siang (entire course), Dibang (Anini- Assam Border). The best time for trekkers is in the month of May and October. Bomdila- Tawang area is the most interesting choice for trekking especially around the Tawang Chu. The trek starts from Jong, located between Se- la and Tawang, to Mago amidst forests studded with waterfalls. Besides the World's second highest pass, the Se la Pass through a high altitude lake is located here. The sixth Dalai Lama was born in the soil of Arunachal Pradesh and the 13th found refuge and safety here. The main destinations of Arunachal Pradesh is Tawang, Bomdila, Tipi, Itanagar, Ziro, Daporijo, Along, Mechuka, Pasighat, Roing, Anini, Tezu, Hayuliang, Parsuramkund, Namsai, Miao and Changlang.

Arunachal Pradesh have different climate which varies with the altitude. The southern part of the state has hot and humid sub-tropical climate. The central region is cooler while there is alpine climate in the higher altitudes. Rainfall is uneven distribute and continues throughout the year. The rainy season are the months from May to September. The best time to visit Arunachal is Mid September to mid December and mid March to mid June when the sky is clear and the cold weather is bearable.

is predominantly dominate by tribal people and there are about 20 - 26 major tribes which are divided into a number of sub tribes. The principal tribes are Adis, Nishi, Apatani, Tagin, Mismi, Khampti, Noite, Wancho, Tangsha, Singpho, Monpa, Sherdukpen and Aka. These tribes have their own dialect. The major social and cultural events of the state are very much associated with the tribal life. Assamese, Bengali and Hindi are the major languages spoken in the state. Buddhists religion dominate in Arunachal, the others are Hindus, Muslims, Christians and Sikhs etc.

The shifting cultivation also known as *Jhuming* which means collective farming occupies the central position in Arunachal Pradesh in the field of agriculture. This is the form of cultivation that sustains majority of the people in the area which is been practiced from earlier days.

*Jhuming* involve cutting and burning of forests after a particular number of years called the jhum cycle, dribbling seeds into the cleared patch by the help of a poker. Management includes weeding at least four times, watching and protecting the growing plants from the wild animals and birds. Finally, harvesting was done after 5 to 6 months for feeding the workers - men, woman and children who had put hard labour into the patch with small yield.

The major crops grown are paddy, millet and maize are Sweet potatoes, brinjal, ginger, chillies, pumpkin, cucumber, and local cowpea are the indigenous vegetables. Fruits such as pine apple, oranges, lemon, lichi, papaya, banana and peach walnut, almond etc are also grown in Arunachal.

# FESTIVALS OF ARUNACHAL PRADESH

Arunachal Pradesh is a state of distinct culture and is amongst the most wonderful places in India. There are different tribes that inhabit the state making it quite colorful with its diverse culture and traditions. One can rightly call Arunachal Pradesh as one of the best places for cultural holidays in India. The festival seasons are simply the best times to visit this culturally rich state as one has the opportunity to learn more about the diversity. There are many agricultural, religious and socio-cultural festivals where people dance, sing, pray, pay gratitude and make merry as a community. These festivities indeed add to the reason why one should visit Arunachal Pradesh. Some of the most popular festivals celebrated in the state are:

# **SIANG RIVER FESTIVAL**



The Siang River Festival is celebrate for communal harmony in Arunachal Pradesh. Previously this festival was celebrated in Tezu and Pasighat in the form of Brahmaputra Darshan Festival but after the year 2005, the festival is celebrated as Siang River Festival in places like Tuting, Yingkiong and Pasighat in the month of December each year. It is one of the most popular festivals in Arunachal Pradesh This festival attempt to promote eco-tourism and offer a lot of adventure and fun activities like elephant race, traditional boat race, Didi – the mock war game of Mishmis, River rafting, Food Festivals, Folk dances, Cultural Shows, Hot air balloon & Para gliding and Exhibition of local model house. Exhibition of handloom and handicrafts by the different districts is also oraganised.

# PANGSAU PASS WINTER FESTIVAL



This festival started in the year 2007 which was celebrated during winter season and since then has been gaining a lot of popularity in the state. This festival is celebrated in Nampong which is situated in Changlang district of Arunachal Pradesh. Pangsua Pass Winter Festival (PPWF) is a three-day fest that takes place in the month of January each year. At this festival, the people of Arunchal Pradesh celebrate their extravagant ethnicity and perform folk dances and sing folk songs. Exhibition are organised for handicraft and handloom articles in different parts of the state. Along with displaying the variety of culture and tradition of Arunachal, PPWF offers a platform for the neighbouring country of Myanmar to exhibit its culture as well. The festival were join together with the tribes of both North East and Myanmar and gives them the opportunity to showcase their culture and traditions to each other.

### **ZIRO FESTIVAL OF MUSIC**



This festival is Arunachal's own version of the Sunburn Festival. Ziro Festival of Music is the biggest outdoor music festival in the state and is the most happening event in Arunachal Pradesh as well. Music lovers from all over the state and the North East region gather at Ziro, where this festival takes place. It is a four-day festival where the music lovers enjoy the performances of international and domestic music artists. Folk acts from all across the North East are also organized; therefore it is a good opportunity to learn about the different cultures here. People make merry and spend four unforgettable days at the Ziro Festival of Music.

#### **SOLUNG**



Solung an agriculture festival is celebrated in the month of monsoon (July / August). It is celebrated for 10 days in West Siang district, East Siang district, Lower Dibang Valley district, Upper Dibang Valley district and Upper Siang district by the Adi community. The festival date varies from year to year and is decided by Kebang or the village council keeping the convenience of the villagers in mind and once the date is fixed the preparation of the local beer Apong starts. Indian Bison along with pigs are slaughtered on the first day in the early hours of the morning. On the second day, 1/3rd of the meat is distributed among the relatives; also a grand dinner feast is arranged for neighbours, women and children. On the fourth day of the festival which is also called the Oinnyad, one of family member goes to the field and sacrifices a fowl especially for 'Kine Nane'. On the seventh day or Ekob, men assemble at the village dormitory known as 'Mosup' to make bows and arrows, which are then fastened on the doors of every house in the village. On the last and final day of the festival, village people uproot the weak and affected plants of paddy that get spoiled by worms and insects and this process is known as Irni. This is practice in the hope that 'Kine Nane' (the Goddess) will drive away the worms and insects out of the fields.

#### **NYOKUM**



Nyokum is an important festival of the Nyishi tribe which is celebrated for the harmony and prosperity of the people. Nyokum is usually organised on the 28th of February every year in East Kemang district, Lower Subansiri district, Kurung Kummey district and Papumpar district. The term Nyokum is derive from the two native word Nyok meaning Land and Kum meaning People. The festival is organized for 2-day festival by the Nyishi tribe which includes singing, dancing and gathering up. Men and women hold

hands and form a circle to perform a traditional dance. The high priest performed major rituals and prayers are offered to the spirits to bring tranquility and prosperity to each household.

#### LOSSAR FESTIVAL



This festival is celebrate by the Monpa tribe in Arunachal Pradesh to welcome a new year. Monpa is the dominating tribe of Tawang and West Kemang district; therefore one can consider Lossar as one of the major festivals here. Visiting Tawang during the festival is indeed the ideal time for tourist. The festival is usually celebrated in the month of February or in early March and lasts for about 8 to 15 days during which homes are cleaned, prayers are offered, religious flags are hoisted atop each house, holy scriptures are read and lamps with butter are lit in all the houses. The Monpas worshipped local deity for the benefit of the society and the people. Losar is also the time to taste the local made drinks and savour the traditional cuisine.

#### **DREE FESTIVAL**



Dree Festival is a crucial part of the Apatani tribe of Lower Subansiri district and celebrated with great zeal and enthusiasm. Ziro is the ideal place to see the celebration of Dree. During the festival people offer sacrifice of fowls, eggs and animals to the Gods and pray to the deities of Tamu, Metii, Danyi and Harniang. Prayers are offered to God Tami so that he protects the plants from harmful pests and insects. Metii is worshipped for controlling of famine and epidemics. Danyi, on the other hand is offered prayer for the protection and prosperity of mankind. God Harniang is worshipped for ensuring the fertility of soil and preventing the paddy plants from getting dried. Individual househould prepared a local beer called Apong during this festival. The high priest (Nyibu) decided the venue for the worship, which is usually located near the paddy fields.

#### **BOORI BOOT**



This festival is celebrated after harvesting of crop to offer gratitude for successful harvest of the crops. It is a 3 days festival that is celebrated by the Hill-Miris in the Upper Subansiri and Lower Subansiri district in the month of February (4 – 6 Feb). Boori Boot means to get together irrespective of caste, creed, age and sex to celebrate the arrival of spring. Another aspect of this festival is that people pray to the spirit of Boori Boot so that it blesses them with prosperity and frees them from diseases. People from all over Arunachal Pradesh gather to Upper and Lower Subansiri districts to be a part of this festival and and actively participate in all the activities organized during the fest. The high priest who is known as Nibu' performs the rituals and conducts the sacrifice on behalf of the people.

#### **LOKU FESTIVAL**



Loku is the main festival of the Nocte Tribe of Tirap district which is celebrated to bid farwell to the winter. The term Loku came from two words from the local dialect – Lofe, which means to drive out and Rangku, which means the season. Loku or Chalo Loku is celebrated in the month of February and is considered an agriculture festival. The elders decided the date of the festival which fall according to the days of the waxing moon. It is a 3 days festival. The first day was called Phamlamja; on this day animals like pigs and buffaloes are slaughtered for meat and the village people engage in preparations for the next day. Also people check their traditional costumes, which would be worn during the celebrations. The second day of the festival is known as Chamkatja and on this day the Noctes enable the male members of the family to become full-fledged members of the Paang (decision-making committee). It is in fact mandatory that each household performs a ritual called Chamkat for each of its male member who has attained adolescence on the day of Chamkatja. The third and final day is called Thanlangja, and on this day villagers, irrespective of sex, age or social status participate in folk dances. The dances are performed at the house of the Chief and in the premises of the Paang. The families who have observed Chamkat invite the dancers to perform at their houses and in return offer food and drinks to the participants. Thanlangja is also a day for the people to visit their relatives and friends.

#### Sanken



Sanken is one of the important religious festivals in Arunachal Pradesh and is celebrated on 14th February each year. It is mainly celebrated by the Khampti tribe of Lohit district; however, it is celebrated in entire Arunachal Pradesh. Sanken or Sangken is a three-day festival in which people bathe the idol of Buddha. The festival also marks the beginning of the New Year. On the first day of the festival prayers are offered for the well-being of all by beating of drums and gongs. During the entire festival, people abstain from killing animals, taking intoxicating drinks and indulgence in illicit sexual activities. People also refrain from all forms of manual work, gambling and even cutting trees. After ritual bathing of the images of Buddha and holy shrines, people sprinkle clean water on each other and exchange greetings. On the final day, the idol of Lord Buddha is installed back in the main temple and a community feast is organized.

# Other Festivals in Arunachal Pradesh

Apart from the above mentioned festivals, there are many other festivals that the people of Arunachal Pradesh celebrate throughout the year. These festivals also revolve around the successful harvest seasons, religious beliefs and socio-cultural norms. Khan, Gomkum Gompa, Si Donyi, Mopin, Aran, Tamaldu, Shapawng Yawng Manau Poi, Reh, Oriah and Mol are other festivals celebrated in Arunachal with equal zeal and enthusiasm.

# Agricultural Folk Songs of Arunachal Pradesh State

# STATE: Arunachal Pradesh KVK: East Kameng

1. Title of the Song : Numtung Rungduk

Recorded date : 16.09.2015

Language of recording: Nyishi

Location of recording (Address) : Kafla Village

Lyrics of song	Meaning
Numtung rungduk hay ngoluga opaku	The season for our cultivation has come, the
Rakho oduk hay ngoluga opaku	god and goddesses of the cultivation too are
Charmuk hocham nga chamdu opaku	welcoming and wishing for healthy harvesting
Molo hocham nga chamdu opaku	
Gangte yarte ga asi sote ga	The debris created and deposited due to flood
Defu paner ham diya paner ham	of rivers and wind has to be cleared as the
Ngolu rakri sam ripo tayu	season for cultivation has come.
Numtung rungduk hay ngoluga opaku	
Rakho oduk hay ngoluga opaku	As the seasonal animals and birds giving us
Charmuk hocham nga chamdu opaku	the indication for the cultivation seasons. As
Molo hocham nga chamdu opaku	the harvesting seasons come we the youth too
Dabe patha hai bingling rekunang	gets excite with flavor of the new grains
Diyam pingchang hai bingling rekunang	
Charmu likung ngolu lilac toku	As the season for cultivation has come, lets
Ompong ponglong hai pongling rekunang	cultivate with gaiety.
Mikpong pong ponglong hai ponglong	As we start harvesting, the god goddesses of
rekunang	grains too get happy. As the season for
Dene tongpa ngolu hingpo toyu	cultivation come, lets cultivate with gaiety.
Numtung rungduk hay ngoluga opaku	
Rakho oduk hay ngoluga opaku	
Charmuk hocham nga chamdu opaku	
Molo hocham nga chamdu opaku	
Amtuk mitak hai tukling rekunang	
Amge mige hai baling rekunang	
Parte deng ngolu sungchang sona	
Numtung rungduk hay ngoluga opaku	
Rakho oduk hay ngoluga opaku	
Charmuk hocham nga chamdu opaku	
Molo hocham nga chamdu opaku	

Name of Singers: Robo Brey, Meme Brey, Molou Gungli, Ramesh Taba, Ramoti Gungli, Yashap Gungli Recorded by: KVK East Kameng

Collected and recorded by: Dr. S. Borthakur, PC, Mr. PP Tripathi, SMS (PP), Miss Habung Ganga SMS (Home Science).

\_\_\_\_\_\_

**2. Title of the Song** : Modi Aniya Kaniya Tajo

*Recorded date* : 18.09.2015

Language of recording: Nyishi

Location of recording (Address) : Pampoli

Modi Aniya Kaniya Taju – 2 Ashi Aniya Nglu Kaniya Taju – 2 Nglu ge sangcha so kataju Lungki Dadi – 2 Namtung Aniya lo Rungniya Taju – 2 Rakhon Aniya lo Rungniya Taju – 2 Modi Aniya Kaniya Taju Ashi Aniya Nglu Kaniya Taju Ashi Aniya Nglu Kaniya Taju Nglu ge sangcha so kataju Lungki Dadi  Aamge Aniya Geniya Taju Nige Aniya Nglu Geniya Taju Nglu ge sangcha so Aamge Aniya Geniya
Nglu ge sangcha so kataju Lungki Dadi – 2  Namtung Aniya lo Rungniya Taju – 2 Rakhon Aniya lo Rungniya Taju – 2  Modi Aniya Kaniya Taju Ashi Aniya Nglu Kaniya Taju Nglu ge sangcha so kataju Lungki Dadi  Aamge Aniya Geniya Taju Nige Aniya Nglu Geniya Taju Nglu ge sangcha so Aamge Aniya Geniya  Modi Aniya Kaniya Taju Now time has come to bring the new harvest of different crops viz., paddy and others.  Let us learn about the useful technologies an methods of cultivation from outsider too.
Namtung Aniya lo Rungniya Taju – 2 Rakhon Aniya lo Rungniya Taju – 2 Modi Aniya Kaniya Taju Ashi Aniya Nglu Kaniya Taju Nglu ge sangcha so kataju Lungki Dadi  Aamge Aniya Geniya Taju Mige Aniya Nglu Geniya Taju Nglu ge sangcha so Aamge Aniya Geniya  Cultivation of different crops to be undertake by adopting different varieties with tradition culture.  Now time has come to bring the new harvest of different crops viz., paddy and others.  Let us learn about the useful technologies an methods of cultivation from outsider too.
Rakhon Aniya lo Rungniya Taju – 2  Modi Aniya Kaniya Taju Ashi Aniya Nglu Kaniya Taju Now time has come to bring the new harvest of different crops viz., paddy and others.  Aamge Aniya Geniya Taju Mige Aniya Nglu Geniya Taju Nglu ge sangcha so Aamge Aniya Geniya  by adopting different varieties with tradition culture.  Now time has come to bring the new harvest of different crops viz., paddy and others.  Let us learn about the useful technologies an methods of cultivation from outsider too.
Modi Aniya Kaniya Taju Ashi Aniya Nglu Kaniya Taju Now time has come to bring the new harvest of different crops viz., paddy and others.  Aamge Aniya Geniya Taju Mige Aniya Nglu Geniya Taju Nglu ge sangcha so Aamge Aniya Geniya  Culture.  Now time has come to bring the new harvest of different crops viz., paddy and others.  Let us learn about the useful technologies an methods of cultivation from outsider too.
Ashi Aniya Nglu Kaniya Taju Nglu ge sangcha so kataju Lungki Dadi  Aamge Aniya Geniya Taju Mige Aniya Nglu Geniya Taju Nglu ge sangcha so Aamge Aniya Geniya  Now time has come to bring the new harvest of different crops viz., paddy and others.  Let us learn about the useful technologies an methods of cultivation from outsider too.
Nglu ge sangcha so kataju Lungki Dadi  Aamge Aniya Geniya Taju  Mige Aniya Nglu Geniya Taju  Nglu ge sangcha so Aamge Aniya Geniya  of different crops viz., paddy and others.  Let us learn about the useful technologies an methods of cultivation from outsider too.
Aamge Aniya Geniya Taju Mige Aniya Nglu Geniya Taju Nglu ge sangcha so Aamge Aniya Geniya  Let us learn about the useful technologies an methods of cultivation from outsider too.
Mige Aniya Nglu Geniya Taju methods of cultivation from outsider too. Nglu ge sangcha so Aamge Aniya Geniya
Nglu ge sangcha so Aamge Aniya Geniya
Таји
Nglu ge sangcha so Mige Aniya Nglu
Geniya Taju
Let us visit KVK to learn about cultivation
Sambo Aniya Kaniya Taju practices.
Hambo Aniya Nglu Kaniya Taju
Nglu ge sangcha so Sambo Aniya Kaniya Taju
Nglu ge sangcha so Hambo Aniya Nglu
Kaniya Taju We shall plant litci, cole crops and others in our field.
KVK Ga Tamsar Tataju
KVK Ga Koniya Tataju
Modi Aniya Kaniya Taju Let us enjoy the beautiful mountains and
Ashi Aniya Nglu Kaniya Taju spring of water around us in the period of ou
Nglu ge sangcha so kataju Lungki Dadi young and growing stage of life.
Lechi puli la leba Taju, Kobi puli la leba Taju
Modi Aniya Kaniya Taju
Ashi Aniya Nglu Kaniya Taju
Nglu ge sangcha so kataju Lungki Dadi -2

Name of Singers: Mepoli Rimo, R.F. Rimo, Lodari Rimo, Megung Rimo, Chungni Rimo, Tachi Rimo, Rashni Taba, Mei Rimo, Yajik Rimo, Pule Taba

Recorded by: KVK East Kameng

Collected and recorded by: Dr. S. Borthakur, PC, Mr. AK Pandey, SMS (Soil Sc.), Dr. M.K. Singh SMS (Horti), Mr. S. Kumar SMS(Fishery) Miss H Ganga SMS (Home Science)

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_





# STATE: Arunachal Pradesh KVK: East Siang

**1. Title of the Song** : My Village (Esing eme)

Recorded date : 24.04.2015

Language of recording : Adi

Location of recording (Address) : Runne Village of Pasighat

Lyrics of song	Meaning
Esing eme yaying yage komporuna among alop mo telo ngoluke dolug, mo telo ngoluke dolug.	A beautiful greeneries and natural sceneries exists in a short distance making my village beautiful and I can see it from my village.
Esing eme yaying yage komporuna among alop mo telo ngoluke dolug.	A beautiful greeneries and natural sceneries exists in a short distance making my village beautiful and I can see it from my village.
Nguk dolung mimi bulu lamku lo kiro gela, monam lo esing tado losi lobag ati kama-pe, mo telo ngoluke dolug.	Beautiful ladies of the village with wooden sack in their back go to jungle to collect fire woods without fear and bore.
Esing eme yaying yage komporuna among alop mo telo ngoluke dolug	A beautiful place with greeneries and natural sceneries exists surrounding our village.
Nguk dolung Bibing bulu, eging em pirate tula, monam lo esing tado losi lobag ati kama-pe, mo telo ngoluke dolug.	Handsome gents of the village sharpen their axes and goes to the jungle to collect fire woods without fear and bore.
Esing eme yaying yage komporuna among alop mo telo ngoluke dolug.	A beautiful place with greeneries and natural sceneries exists surrounding our village.
Nguk dolung Babu bulu, Yoksik lok rigo em ido, losi lobag aati kama-pe	Grandfathers and elderly peoples of the village sharpen their knife at home and m prepares ropes from creepers and bamboos
Ngoluke dolug nane bulu longeme sipiak em, doket em etkietki	Grandmothers and elderly women were busy making thread from cotton collected from nature
losi lobag aati kama-pe, mo telo ngoluke dolug	Without feeling tired and boring.
Esing eme yaying yage komporuna among alop mo telo ngoluke dolug, mo telo ngoluke dolug mo telo ngoluke dolung	A beautiful place with greeneries and natural sceneries exists surrounding our village.

Name of Singers: Mrs. Obi Darang

Recorded by: KVK East Siang, CHF, CAU, Pasighat, Arunachal Pradesh

Collected and recorded by: Mr. Naloh Darang (Supporting Staff, KVK East Siang)

Any other relevant information: The song is sung during paddy jhum cultivation.





2. Title of the Song : Let's go (Kaju angong gila ju)

*Recorded date* : 24.04.2015

Language of recording: Adi

Location of recording (Address) : Runne Village of Pasigha

Lyrics of song	Meaning
Kaju angong gilaju nana pora punkolo, Kaju	Come friends, let's goto a place where
angong gilaju Jojer appun punkolo, payi patta	beautiful flowers and creepers grow
ru ru rungkolo, payi patta ru ru rungkolo	Come friends, let's goto a place where we
	find seeds we eata place where birds also
	live happily Where birds also live
	happily
payi patta ru ru rungkolo, payi patta ru ru	TATI 1: 1 1: 1 1: 1 TATI
rungkolo	Where birds also live happily Where
	birds also live happily
Donyi sango danpeya, o.o.o Donyi ogo	OooWhere the sun rises OooWhere
danpeya a a a Silok lokgling lingko lo, Tagat	the sun riseswhere big tree red flowers of
galling lingko lo payi patta ru ru rungkol,	big grows lets go there
payi patta ru ru rungkolo	
	Come friends, let's goto a place where
Kaju angong gilaju nana pora punkolo, Kaju	beautiful flowers and creepers grow
angong gilaju Jojer appun punkolo, payi patta	Come friends, let's goto a place where we
ru ru rungkolo, payi patta ru ru rungkolo	find seeds we eata place where birds also
	live happily where birds also live
	happily

Name of Singers: Mrs. Obi Darang.

Recorded by: KVK East Siang, CHF, CAU, Pasighat, Arunachal Pradesh Collected and recorded by: Mrs. Nabum Yadi, Training Asst. KVK East Siang. Any other relevant information: The song is sung during winter season.

\_\_\_\_\_\_

3. Title of the Song : Let's work. (Ager Ila)

*Recorded date* : 24.04.2015

Language of recording: Adi.

Location of recording (Address) : Runne Village of Pasighat

Lyrics of song	Meaning
Ager ila dudo ngolu agi ekum lo ngila hola gido ngolu angong ekum lo oi angong ekum lo	We are happy working at home so do happy going and doing at friends home
Losi lobag na ami sim ila mang, ngina romna ami si; sim ila do oi, sim ila do	People who feel boring and tired can't do thatwe who don't feel boring can do it with joy
Losi lobag na ami sim ila mang, ngina romna ami si; sim ila do oi, sim ila do	People who feel boring and tired can't do thatwe who don't feel boring can do it with joy
Ager ila dudo ngolu agi ekum lo ngila hola gido ngolu angong ekum looi angong ekum lo	We are happy working at home so do happy going and doing at friends home
Lendak adak de lokke, sim ager si…ilen boto ane –abu sim ager sim oi, sim ager si…	Working as taught by our grandfather and Grandmother and doing it so, on and on.
Ager ila dudo ngolu agi ekum lo ngila hola gido ngolu angong ekum looi angong ekum lo	We are happy working at home so do happy going and doing at friends home

Name of Singers: Mrs. Obi Darang.

Recorded by: KVK East Siang, CHF, CAU, Pasighat, Arunachal Pradesh Collected and recorded by: Mrs. Nabum Yadi, Training Asst. KVK East Siang. Any other relevant information: This song is sung to encourage the villagers for work.





# STATE: Arunachal Pradesh KVK: Lohit

1. Title of Song : Lik Hong Khan Khao (Lakshmi ma ki avahaon granth)

Recorded on date : 04.09.2015
Language of recording : Tai Khampti
Location of recording (Address) : Momong

# Lyrics of song

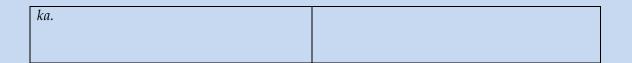
# <u>LIK HONG KHAN KHAO</u> Tasa Bhagobatu arohatu sam

Namo Tasa Bhagobatu arohatu samma som Buddhasa. Nele sing kha pansu Chou ewan hong pu ya mon chou lai kha kam pha jim mou sak sak sang jung pah phan hao mao ya pung lung. Khan pou tou jim khai hao yu lom. Khan pou tou jim khai hai yu lom kang ye kha khan nihoong hi kang kai kang na japa mao mi mang mut sing khan pu tu hot luk kup lan lai mon. khey tu fat kha khon ni hong kham yon fik tao. Ma ley ma ta pin kang na khao hoong koon mit fi ka aan nap lum pak pai fom kujou hom ngi tang lung neo wan ma ley ma ta ma khan ya pai la. Khing kao mou sing tai khup tha mong tao nam owan.khing kao ma-ma hong lai kha khou khen tou su jao ma kin koi, ooi khong kin ku ju fom fup jou to tam ma namg phun pu ning ya pan kon kom. Ma ley ma ta ma kin pa koup khong owan. Ma kin khong hom jou lai pan pu ya. Ma kin suk ni kon khai kham khao lon. Ka aan sak sak jou mou mun pan kon hit ma. Jang ti wang pan khong ni khao kang na nop aap. Maley ma ta ka aan tun pai hai sum lom se sang tan chou phak

# Meaning

LAKSHMI MA KI AVAHAON GRANTH

Samyak sambuddha ke charan me namasker kar ke mantra path kar raha hu ki homara purbas purus se paalaniya avom kheti karna aur kheti morai ke bad niyom-niti bhavishya me hamara pota-puti purna gyan ke liye aaj lakshmi ma ki avahaon karta hu Lakshmi maa oy 120 bidh bidhi sompurna karke ke aapku sah-sanman se nimontran karta hu ki homara ghar ka bhandar me dhan -chaol, nana bi, saksabjian, kand-mol, aalu-kasu, aadi se bharpur ho ke salbhar kha ke avong samaj ko aur dharam-karm me dan-dakshina kar ke aur pashu-pankshi aadi ko khilake homara upalabdh hona he jaise hamlog sukhi hota hu aise sabhi prani sukhi hona chahiye.



Name of Singers: Chow Lumang Mannoi Recorded by: KVK Lohit, Namsai District, Arunachal Pradesh, under: ICAR-NRC on Yak, Dirang, West

Kameng, Arunachal Pradesh

Collected and recorded by: Chow Kulenda Khunchow







# STATE: Arunachal Pradesh KVK: Lower Dibang Valley

1. Title of Song: Origin of grainRecorded on date: 4.10.2015Language of recording: Idu MishmiLocation of recording (Address): Ezengo Village

# Lyrics of song

# Meaning

Keme-ha keme-ha keme-haloso ena ,iniye inye keba

Inye inye keba..aruji hambho tambho gaji. Apesha chime kepi weya mo...sopne hayi ne Sopne hayi ne ,inye keba keira-ha ga weya Kepi me nui braimbha..aaya hone epi me libane apesha gachi.

Ke aala gado aaku logoney

Ke-aapi gyina

Keme-ha ena inyige gaji..keme-ha ena iniyge

gaji

Aapimey aalimey lane hanega naja.. Lala pimz ne....aapi aalimey lane hanega naja Aaduya aapesha khuna gene..asi ha atha..ha lagaja

Aapipu ame..ja lona gene, keme-ha na gaja Keme-ha keme-ha keme haloso ena Inyine inyi keba aruji hambho tombo gaji An epic untold a faint memory from the pages of idu-mishmi .god and men were equal in everything what differ was that got had different power than men. God were envious for men where in prosperous living. What men did not have was the food grain, now the men's were worried, why on earth was our paddy not growing?

The priest found out that god had cheated us the gain which was been sent by the god with half cooked grain. And thus the paddy plant had no germination. Now the people decided to reply to their trick and called their priest andizru to send espionage in the land of god. Andizru send ipih and peka the birds as they were the tiniest bird .the place were called apesha.

Apesha was a place of prosperity and bewitching blessed with grain filled. The place were only for the gods and goddess guarded by apeh milih and apeh golloh. The birds anyhow managed to bring the grain and maize on his back hidden in the feather. Soon on the land of people cleared the jungle and yield the crops and now the people were in rejoice for they had tricked the god too. And thus feast began.

Name of Singers: Mrs. Jina Linggi, Mrs. Sima Mena, Mrs Aichu Mimi and Mrs Akubhi Mimi Recorded by: Dr. T.J. Ramesha-Senior Scientist and Head Rural Youth assisted in recording Miss.Riya Tapo (Belong to Idu Mishmi Tribe), Ezengo Village, Lower Dibang Valley District Collected and recorded by: KVK, Lower Dibang Valley.

2. Title of Song : Making land for agriculture (paku johtah baji chi eney meyha)

Recorded on date : 4.10.2015 Language of recording : Idu Mishmi Location of recording (Address) : Ezengo Village

# Lyrics of song

Paku johtah baji chi e-nyi mey-ha bipina.. enyi mey-ha bipne

Apiya lakeh da e-nyi meha bipana , meyhne bipane.

Kache tama baji chi enyi meyha bipne..e-nyi mey-ha bipne

Apiya lakeh da e-nyi me-ha bipne ,mey-hne bipne.

Karoh phitah baji chi e-nye meyha bipne..e-nyi mey-ha bipne .

Apiya lakeh e-nyi meha bipne mey-ha bipne. Khe-li tama baji- chi e-nyi mey-ha bipne..enye mey-ha bipne.

Apiya lakeh da e-nyi mey-a bipana , mey-ha bipane.

Alicheta baji chi e-nye meyha bipne..e-nyi mey-ha bipne

Apiya lakeh da e-nyi meha bipne mey-ha bipne.

Kehtre tama baji- chi e-nyi mey-ha bipne..enye mey-ha bipne

Apiya lakeh da e-nyi mey-a bipana , mey-ha bipane.

Alochi hano ma choc ho...paku johtah baji chi

# Meaning

All young man women my elders the day has come yet again god has blessed us to cut the forest and make a land for our food. Come lets begin with the burning of the forest. Oh my apiyas and men make your weopan(doa) as edge as a the mountain tip, women flok provide our apiyas and elder the yu(beer). So that they don't stop them from their task.

Forest are cleared now its the time to pick the leftover of plants leaves branches and burn them as manure. Sisters and women lets yield the crop (paddy) for our family and prosperity of the village. Sooner the weeds and unwanted plants may grow, so again we have to clean up the land and save our food crops from geeting wild. Rain has been blessed upon us come lets praise the deity goddess nani intaya and seek her blessing.

September has fallen keh-meha the grain are riped and harvesting has to be began. Come my aliyas apiyas and elders work together to get the fruit of our honesty.

Oh u women! The strongest hold of all brings us the grain carrying it in the basket on your back. Prepare the grain to make it refine to be offered, separate the husk from the grain and grind it.

Our feast is approaching nearer show us the path to true living so, that we never stop working hard. Lead us to our home nani intaya as to properly thank you and begin our feast of harvesting.

*Name of Singers:* Mrs. Jina Linggi, Mrs. Sima Mena, Mrs Aichu Mimi and Mrs Akubhi Mimi *Recorded by:* Dr. T.J. Ramesha-Senior Scientist and Head

Rural Youth assisted in recording Miss.Riya Tapo (Belong to Idu Mishmi Tribe), Ezengo Village, Lower Dibang Valley District

**Collected and recorded by:** KVK, Lower Dibang Valley.

3. Title of Song : Celebration of new food grain (Abuni keh-meh ma aswah hawa)

Recorded on date : 4.10.2015

Language of recording : Idu Mishmi

Location of recording (Address) : Ezengo Village

# Lyrics of song

abuni keh-me kemeri a halameh , abuni kehmekemeri a halameh

kemeri seyachi amewey ...hm..hm apoko hupoge teywede , poko-humpo siyachi...hm..hm

ako gowey machi... kolege thogala...dewey de, machi kolaya kela

siyo ba-..hm..hm masi kela , yachime weyde achi singo ba...ha achi yambu geweyde, abu sihgo...ba..hm..hm

yabu yathre yowede , athre singo- ba..hm..hm yathre perame tabi bawey-de ,peraa- singo-ho ba ,

pera cebacha wey de ceba singho ba ceba.... amey chiru weyde hone ,singoho.. ba , yame..umpo larume de oweyde umpo laru sima ba?, umpo yekraw deva a yowoyde,

# Meaning

Two couples seating and encircling the fire place, today they have harvested the paddy. Grain has been bestowed upon us. It's a day of eating the new paddy brought from the field. Dear husband lets join our hand and pray to goddess (apesha), with the ceremony of burning the grain. Now let's have a feast together to show our gratitude. My dear husband what should we have with the steamed rice cooked? Oh my dear wife look into the basket you shall find a portion of meat i brought from hunting. Get me also the knife to tear the meat kept between the walls. Dear husband the knife has gone missing, Oh no! The mouse has taken to his hole. Dear husband where is the mouse? My wife the snake must have taken him as a prey .My husband then we must find out the snake. I heard the snake has been eaten by the bird, where the bird should be then? A man named larume umpo shot the bird. My husband where is he now? He is also no more the, he felt from the top hill during the hunting. My dear wife no one is left to give back what we seek for let's forget the knife and just boiled and gobble up I can't wait.

Name of Singers: Mrs. Jina Linggi, Mrs. Sima Mena, Mrs Aichu Mimi and Mrs Akubhi Mimi **Recorded by:** Dr. T.J. Ramesha-Senior Scientist and Head

Rural Youth assisted in recording Miss.Riya Tapo (Belong to Idu Mishmi Tribe), Ezengo Village, Lower Dibang Valley District

Collected and recorded by: KVK, Lower Dibang Valley.





4. Title of Song : A man's prayer been heard (apeh sah api giwaye)

Recorded on date : 4.10.2015 Language of recording : Idu Mishmi Location of recording (Address) : Ezengo Village

# Lyrics of song

epi kiri asi ha awu hega egu nga ga hmmm... hega chi yape yambri yiedu hook inyi lane tulu yasi ebi, ess.leba ,malu epi pila eto yamu suyi

yamu suyi
hili ati thruji maso
epi eli ato kiba chibi aa.. laga
maluo apo tine tulu yahi eku epro ..ee..
pene cheto di eku kepro pene eli miso hogene
la hm..hm
epi miaihi gena laga..hm..hm
eli mishu hoga epi midhi genalaga
eli miphu hoga epi mian mune
api ambri eli hume looga maso epi
ape heba ape eendo lila epi

asi limu nume...
epi nuya alem babi laga nidu
sluni pimbi aru moro epi asi lige
hone epi asi prabu laga epi yape
eendo yila epi yasi yiga hm..hm
ayu ape eendo loo mi yindro mugoss..
abe yacha eba yime pichi muye
ayu yape eendo dronga yindro mugo
yipi andu bruga yindro yizoo muda hm..hm,
yasa...eba yimi pichi muhe kera aka eme

ahoruga pehimuye hm..hm

# Meaning

A man worked for the day he had responsibility upon his brothers and sister. Now he was an old man men with no destine of his life. But he remain determined that god would hear his prayer. It was the midnight clock striking as usual he worked in his field, it was not for the fast time he felt the spark on the mountain area. He thought what could be the spark shinning has a diamond. He thought today am going to hunt for it. May be there is a salvation to my worth living till now. The man left for the spark. This mountain had been always known for its mysterious creature and awful happening named 'chilo' he thought that faraway spark could bring my family prosperous and to live ever after. He reached the mountain after a year of toil and return back. Now happiness could be seen a spark on his village. No more drought sufficient grain to feed the family at least for a year. He had achieved his longing waiting of prosperity.

Name of Singers: Mrs. Jina Linggi, Mrs. Sima Mena, Mrs Aichu Mimi and Mrs Akubhi Mimi Recorded by: Dr. T.J. Ramesha-Senior Scientist and Head Rural Youth assisted in recording Miss.Riya Tapo (Belong to Idu Mishmi Tribe), Ezengo Village, Lower Dibang Valley District Collected and recorded by: KVK, Lower Dibang Valley.

\_\_\_\_\_\_

# STATE: Arunachal Pradesh KVK: Lower Subansiri

1. Title of Song: Uhi biniing emoRecorded on date: 26.04.2015

Language of recording: Apatani

Location of recording (Address) : Village Kalung, P.O.-Ziro, Lower Subansiri district, Arunachal Pradesh

Lyrics of song	Meaning
Title : <b>Uhi biniing emo.</b>	Meaning of song: Song of Bumper
Uhi Bining emo ngunu litey talyi	Harvest
Ayu daye ali oho budu pa	Let us go and plant the grain given by god
Hopa ngunu sillo miding lidu ku	So that, it shall will bring bumper harvest till
Hopa ngunu sarse lidu ku	the end
Hopa ngunu sillo andi lidu ku	
Hopa ngunu sillo sarese didu ku	So today we prepare nursery bed
Ali oho aya yapa ngunu myoko mudu	So today we are planting rice grain
	So today we plant millet seed
Uhi binimh emo ngunu litey talyi ayu daye	
ali oho budu pa	Let us go and plant the grain given by god
	So that, it shall will bring bumper harvest till
Sillo n gunu aji honi duku	the end
Sillo ngunu yapio miini duku	
Sillo ngunu taku mi pordu ku	Today we plough the paddy field
Sillo ngunu tanyi mi pidu ku	Today we plough the millet field
Tachang tiyo pima yapa ngunu dree miidu	Today we are plucking the cucumber
	Today we are harvesting the maize
Uhi binimh emo ngunu litey talyi ayu daye	We celebrate Dree festival to prevent the pest
ali oho budu pa	
	Let us go and plant the grain given by god
Ngunu dudo hemi dree miikang sa	So that, it shall will bring bumper harvest till
Ngunu sando hemi dree sokang sa	the end
Ali oho mi aya giini pa	
Diinii tups mi aler ginii pa	Until we survive we shall celebrate Dree
Dree myoko uhi mi ngunu bulyu masa	festival
Uhi binimh emo ngunu litey talyi ayu daye	So that we have bumper harvest
ali oho budu pa	We shall never ignore Dree Myoko god
	Let us go and plant the grain given by god
	So that, it shall will bring bumper harvest till
	the end

Name of Singers: Mrs. Kalung Diming (Leader, Mrs. Lod Asha, Mrs. Kalung Ampi, Mrs. Kalung Onya, Mrs. Kalung Opi, Mrs. Kalung Odii, Mrs. Subu Onko, Mrs. Lod Pubyang, Mrs. Subu Yadi, Mrs. Subu Konya,

Recorded by: KVK Lower Subansiri, Arunachal Pradesh

Collected and recorded by: Aka Kalung, Programme Assistant (Computer Science)





2. Title of Song

: Nentu rungo tuko : 03.05.2015

Recorded on date

Language of recording: Apatani

Location of recording (Address) : Village Kalung, P.O.-Ziro, Lower Subansiri district, Arunachal Pradesh

Lyrics of song	Meaning
Sillo allo so ngunu patang,	Today, our farmer group
Sii anii ranchi ka pido kamo	Descendent of mother ranchi
So aba rantii ka hada roto	Descendent of father rantii
So solii aya mi soka talyi	We shall play joyously
So ngarlii aya mi ngarka talyi	We shall smile happily
La Diima tulyang la rando akhii	Our hair been neatly combed
La kappa siito la Lanyang tassang	With beautiful beads necklace around the
La langko taying la kapo siito	neck
La Huttu kobyang la hurang gakhe	
La kapo siito la Muko bihang	With beautiful bangles in the wrist
La riku yachu la kapo siito	With skirt beautiful tied with thread in the
La nentu talyi la tuka talyi	waist
La riingo Talyi la puka talyi	
	We shall go and work in the agricultural field
La mudo tapang ka tapang aji	
So mudo siijo ka siijo aji	
so Tasser baju ka piimi gyoda	To the paddy field of mudo tapang
mi banyii giito la Tapi yatii	To the paddy field of mudo siijo
ka piiyo khana mi banyo giito	Carrying basket and umbrella in the back
la tapang simo ka koma riyang	
Mi dori talyi la tuka talyi	
La taley chunyi ka jiji mormo	
Mi haju talyi la pyaka talyi	
La olyo nuri ka chanja bosi	
Mi dori talyi la tuka talyi	We shall pick and collect the beautiful water
Ç Ç	beetel of Taley
La ngunu patang si sillo alo	Wriggling in the field
Si tagyang kua ka bemo bero	
Mi tagyang hiimey pa dori talyi	Today, our farmer group
	We shall pick and collect the grasshopper
La tuka talyi la tapi gonchi	For our kids those waiting at home
ka bemo bero mi mudo hiimey	
la haju talyi la pyaka talyi	We shall catch the dragonfly, those flying
hiila garpi achang ka mitey tassing	For the kids at home
ka miigo bolyo mi tagyang hiimey	
pa haju talyi la pyaka talyi	We shall pick and collect larva/molt
ka garpi achang ka ngerlo ngyi	swimming in the trench
ka ami bosi mi mibyo bosi	For the kids at home
hiimi ngunu ane biinii pa dori talyi	We shall pick and collect fingerlings
La tuka talyi la silo simo	swimming in the trench
Ka ata gole mi ngunu aba	For the kids at home
Pa haju talyi la pyaka talyi	
	And for those old man and women waiting at

La palii mili mi anu mili Pa sedu giitola keley miley Mi abang miley pa sedu giito La ngunu mundo ka nentu tugo La bipo bosi mi sansung bosi Mi mikhung bodu mi diinyi talyi La keeley miley mi abang miley Pa sedu giito la mi siipe Mi tanye talyi la bilo bosi Mi riipong bosi mi yobii chago Mi pulyang talyi la chape talyi La yacho khogo mi chibu talyi La chigung chape talyi la ngunu patang La chalyang doku pa dodu doku Pa paru doku pa ngego doku

Pa silo alo so ngunu patang Si kamo chini si silyi chini Si diting kendo ku kamo ronii Si roting kendo ku diibo talyi Si Boka talyi ku nentu tugo Ngunu tupe biilyi riingo pogo Mi pope biilyi ku ngunu patang home

With khurpi and weed scraper We shall control the growth of weeds in bunds and field

Today we shall overcome the work bestowed upon us

Today, our farmer group As the dawn is approaching It is getting darker We shall go back to our home

We have completed our today's task

Name of Singers: Mrs. Kalung Diming (Leader, Mrs. Lod Asha, Mrs. Kalung Ampi, Mrs. Kalung Onya, Mrs. Kalung Opi, Mrs. Kalung Odii, Mrs. Subu Onko, Mrs. Lod Pubyang, Mrs. Subu Yadi, Mrs. Subu Konya,

Recorded by: KVK Lower Subansiri, Arunachal Pradesh

Collected and recorded by: Aka Kalung, Programme Assistant (Computer Science).







## STATE: Arunachal Pradesh KVK: Papumpare

1. Title of Song : Debbe-Leyu

Recorded on date : 1996
Language of recording : Nyishy
Location of recording (Address) : Doimukh

Lyrics of song	Meaning
Debbe- leyu ge Charin hin Nam	With the on-set of the spring season
Anne Nam -2 Mingpo Do!	O my Mother -2 . I do remember you.
Abo Nam -2 Mingpo Do!!	O my Father -2. I do remember you.
Ngo Panne lerum solekkar jakkam	Even if I am moving and remaining out my village
Ngo Manne Lerum so Lakkar jekkam	I do remember My Father's contruction of our
Ngollu Abo ge Nomtu tunam	Home.!
Ngam Mingpo do!	Ho Ho I do remember My Mother's Paddy
Ho Ho Ngollu Anne ge Rongo	Field!!
Ronam	
Ngam Ngo Mingpo do !!	

Name of Singers: Mrs Taba Yal Nabam Recorded by KVK: KVK, Papumpare

Collected and recorded by: (Name and details of KVK staff who recorded the folk song)- Dr. Taba Heli,

Senior Scientist & Head

Any other relevant information: NIL



**2.** *Title of Song* : Nyokum Alle

Recorded on date : 1997
Language of recording : Nyishy
Location of recording (Address) : Doimukh

Lyrics of song	Meaning
- Nyokum Alle Hayiku	With the of Nyokum Festival mood in February
Nyshi Sodde Hayiku!	Nyishi Community remains in festive mood!
Yullo Alle Hayiku	With the festive Nyokum celebration
Booya Sodde Hayiku!!	All Nyishi Community dance in giety!!
	Oh All My friends Lets Dance with joy
Solla Ju Ajin Tuul nga	Oh All My Friends Lets celebrate this Nyokum
NirlaJu Orrum Tullu nga 2	Day

Name of Singers: Mr. Techi Tab

Recorded by KVK: NIL

Collected and recorded by: (Name and details of KVK staff who recorded the folk song)- Dr. Taba Heli,

Senior Scientist & Head

Any other relevant information: NIL



### STATE: Arunachal Pradesh KVK: Tawang

1. Title of Song: Kokoley-koRecorded on Date: 27.04. 2015

Language of recording : Monpa tribe, of Arunachal Pradesh

Location of recording (Address) : Khum Studio Tawang

### Lyrics of song

Kokoley-ko,kokoley-ko,ngeksi thoither langa wey Owla-hey,owla-hey,ngeksi thoither dozomo. Dozoh dozoh gungtsi sara, aara sara bangchang dota chomin chega ngocha sara,kota sara yangla sara nomlang tsangma sho sho, puna tsangma sho sho lakpar bapna blanpa rana, dozo dozo sho. Kokley-ko

Zyomu shosa hotta wey, Tsering Geymo hotta wey zyokpo ngare hotta wey, kyampuk nisho hotta wey, zyuku yar koikhorsi, goga duktaichu ow ngai tsoring tsoringya, leka zyintaichu ow Ara shinna bangchang shinna, domshinya thonga.
Kokley-ko

Bobshe-baba,-Bobshe-baba, Bobshe-baba, Bobshe baba yangku aami yangrota,wongku aami wongrota Gamye demu sho sho, brenye lhatu sho sho zya kila moshoru,yang mila moshoru Go tashi sho zyu yangcha sho, soinam sagu sho. Kokley-ko

Puna shosa kapchang thonga,nomlang shosa kapchang thonga para puntsan kapchang thonga,youepa kharpa kapchang thonga ngoshe dikshe kapchang thonga, thongyuk nowthi deshi thonga desh nopti ngaiye ma-ngai, nogor langye ma-lang changsi nena khongpa ropna, tapsi tapsi thongyou.

kokley-ko

#### Meaning

I can hear the Voice "Kokoley-ko" (The alarm of the cock) its time to wake up, oh my dear friend.
I can hear the voice "owla he" (The ridam song of farmer) Lets walk fast towards the field, oh my dear friends.

Do it fast, pack the lunch and the local beer, sharp your tools and make your mind.

Make the line of two, the youths in front and olds in second.

Today its your turn to work hard for me, as I did in your farm.

Kokoley-ko

The company of my darling girl, Tsering Geymo boosts my energy, If she wouldn't have come today, I would have failed. Its a challenge for me to finish up today, but I do need some rest and some wine for a while.

you can have your choice of brand, I have both beer and wine. Kokley-ko

"Bobshe-Baba" (The God of crop) may he do a miracle this year May the goddess of luck hear our prayer and shower her blessings. May we all have a bumper harvest this season, may we celebrate the festival with best of health and prosperity. Kokley-ko

Today I invite, all the friends, all the well-wishers, all the villagers and all the community to my place to celebrate the party of finishing of my field works Kokley-ko

Name of Singers: Mrs.Kesang Lhamu, Miss.Tsering Lhamu

Recorded by: Kejang Droima Komu (PA computer)

Collected and Recorded by: Dr. Nitin Kumar PandeySMS (AE)





2. **Title of Song** : La Sho La Recorded on Date : 21.08.2015

Language of recording : Monpa Tribe, Arunachal Pradesh

Location of recording (Address) : Gyankhar Village, Tawang District, Arunachal Pradesh

#### Lyrics of song Meaning SHO.....LASHO.....LANI...LA.... We the people of this village pray to you The Almighty, to SHO....DANPOLA...SHO....SHO.... bless us as we are going to perform our daily farm work. LA..... SHO.... Oh! Almighty shower us with your all power for good THIDONLA.....LANI....SHO..... performance of our field. Please grant us with good yield *LA....SHO.....* and keep our field and crops away from evil spirits, insects MA....GYARTAP...SHO...LA....SHO and pests. Let the people of this village be blessed with all LA...SHO YUIPODE..... kinds of crops and let all be happy forever.... PHORAMLA....SHO.... LA.... SHO.... DINCHEN THA...PHORAM LA...SHO... LA...SHO....MAYUR TAP...LA...SHO... LA....SHO....SHANPA DE....LA....SHO.... LA...SHO...SHENCHEN KARMO.....LA.....SHO.... LA....SHO....MA GYAR *TAP....LA...SHO...* LA...SHO..... MA GYUR *TAP....LA....SHO....*

Name of Singers: Rinchin Phuntso, Tenzin, Sang Rinchin, Dorjee Ngutup and Tashi Drema.

Recorded by: Kejang Droima Komu (PA computer)

Collected and Recorded by: Dr. Nitin Kumar Pandey SMS (AE)



### STATE: Arunachal Pradesh KVK: Upper Subansiri

1. Title of Song : Farming Season Song

Recorded on date : 12.05.2015

Language of recording : Tagin Dialogue

Location of recording (Address) : Dugi Village

Lyrics of song	Meaning
Dene sitomngonuna	We all women group
Dene gitomngonuna	We women living together
Lemipolukarduku	The month of April has come
Lenipolukarduku	The month of April has come
Chirpirpapukmenduku	The bird chirpir -papok has started singing
Takampapukmenduku	The bird Takam–papuk has also started
Gidhiapupuduku	chirping
Geyиаририdиkи	The Gidhi flowers has stated blooming
	Geyu flowers has also started blossoming.
Dene sitomngonuna	
Dene gitomngonuna	We all women group
Derianenyikumlaju	We women living together
Duguanenyikumlaju	Let us pay homage to our mother earth
Milli lima lilaju	For a bumper harvest we should all pray to
Amli lima lilaju	goddess Dugu
	Come let us sow millets
Dene sitomngonuna	Come let us sow paddy.
Dene gitomngonuna	
Yulupolukarduku	We all women group
Tenlupolukarduku	We women living together
Nyinji pare paduku	The month of June has arrived
Poji pare paduku	The month of July has come
Nyinjiruwaholaju	The paddy field has started to mature
Pojiruwa hulau	Flowers has also started to blossom in maize
Dene sitomngonuna	plant
Dene gitomngonuna	It's time for weeding in the paddy fields
	It's also time for weeding the maize field.
	We all women group
	We women living together

Name of Singers: Smti. YapiSikom, YapeDugi, YapakDugi, GanyaDugi, MeenaDugi, YagiDugi, Kaya Dugi,

YakiDugi, Sri TalenDugi and AmaSikom

Recorded by: KVK Upper Subansiri, Maro

Collected and recorded by: Dr. Deepanjali Deori (Programme Coordinator), Tage Tabin( Programme

Assistant, Comp), Arvind Pratap (SMS, Agron), GyatiYakang,(SMS, Home Sc.)

Any other relevant information: All the participant are from NggoNampo Farmer's club.





2. Title of Song : Deri Ngona Ane Ngona (We the goddess of Agricultural)

Recorded on date : 15.05.2015 Language of recording : Tagin Dialogue Location of recording (Address) : Nima Village

Lyrics of song	Meaning
Deringonaanengona -3	We the goddess of agriculture-3
Yariginchi lo gereplayeju	Pick up our nariginchi (bag pad for carrying
Yaparginda lo gereplayeju	seeds)
Deringonaanengona -2	Pick up naperginda (bag pad for carrying
	firewood)
	We the goddess of agriculture-2
Momanamtu go rureplakuju	Lets make ourselves busy in weeding
Mamorengo go mereplakuju	Lets make ourselves busy in other agricultural
Deringonaanengona -2	operation
	We the goddess of agriculture-2
Chirmilimaloliliklakuju	Lets dibble paddy
Melo lima lo liliklakuju.	Lets dibble melo (local sorghum)
Deringonaanengona -2	We the goddess of agriculture-2
Mijurumalorungilakuju	Lets do weeding in millet field
Amjuigmaloegngilakuju	Lets do weeding in paddy field
Deringonaanengona -2	We the goddess of agriculture-2
Mijinimum e mumreprekunyi	Millet flowering has started
Millet flowering has started	Paddy flowering has started
Kekepetanakelam lakuju-2	Lets scare birds away
Deringonaanengona -2	We the goddess of agriculture-2
Chirmeamchik 20 chikkumlaju	Lets harvest and collect paddy
Meloayor 90 yorkumlakuju	Lets harvest and collect local sorghum
Deringonaanengona -2	We the goddess of agriculture-2
Deringonumengonu -2	vve the goddess of agriculture-2
Suridisi lo sikkumlakuju	Lets store properly the paddy grains in granary
Sumkodeak lo agkumlakuju	Lets store properly the grains millet in granary

Name of Singers: SmtiYanga Lute and her Party

Recorded by: KVK Upper Subansiri, Maro, Arunachal Pradesh

Collected and recorded by : Dr. DeepanjaliDeori, PC, ShriNyape Bam, SMS, Soil Sc., Miss

GyatiYakang, SMS,

Home Sc. Sri TageTabin, P. A. (Comp)

Any other relevant information: SorumBarne SHG (Daporijo Camp)

.....





# STATE: Arunachal Pradesh KVK: West Siang

1. Title of Song
Language of recording
Location of recording (Address) : Tami Komji

: Galo

: West Siang

Lyrics of song	Meaning
Tami KomjiSisangadda,	My sisters come let's celebrate Mopin
KajuaatoMopinmolaju	Let the world know about Mopin
Sigodogo tapa dobe	Wearing new traditional dresses
kajuaato MojiMolaju	Wearing our traditional necklace
JeliBelibumelelakajuakum to	8
Gumsidogminbumelelakajuakum to	
NyigamKomjigisangadda	My brothers come let's celebrate Mopin
KajuatoMopinMolaju	Let the world know about Mopin
Sigodogo tapa dobe	Let's dance together hand in hand
KajuatoPopirpoglayju	Wearing traditional cloak
	Wearing tradition necklace and dresses
Tamgolalikbumelelakajuakum to	Let's make beauty our surrounding
Gumlidoglibumelelakajuakum to	Mesmerize the peoples who listening to us
BeliJelibumelelakajuakum to	Let's come and celebrate
Gumsidogminbumelelakajuakum to	Let's invite the good sprite and to get blessing from them
Yitojagtodogo Kaken tayenmajidobe	The state of the s
Popirponu lumen dobeakum to	
Augioglujigijogokakentayenmajidobe	To welcome the invitee sprite
Ponurugum numen dobeakum to	Priest will chanting them
Tami KomjiSisangadda,	So Let's come together
KajuaatoMopinmolaju	My brothers come let's celebrate Mopin
Sigodogo tapa dobe	My sisters come let's celebrate Mopin
kajuaato MojiMolaju	Let's pray for coming generation for their healthy, wealthy and wise
Nyitegamteayiaagamnur pinto be	So Let's come together
JeneKenelurdamogi kaka ju	30 Let 3 come together
Tango lalikbhumlelaKajuaakum to	
Dogliboglibhumlelakajuaakum to	
Todiamongutegamromojiamamigidobe	
Sine kagunbhume tope aakum to	
PinknPintengirjupulumojiama	
Majidobe sine numerpururikdobeaakum to	
NyigamKomjigisangadda	
KajuatoMopinMolaju	
Sigodogo tapa dobe	
KajuatoPopirpoglayju	
Ajjioloujuenagategamto be	
Moji mopingediagambuminkalaju	

JeliBelibumelelakajuakum to Tamgolalikbumelelakajuakum to Gumsidogminbumelelakajuakum to

Nyitegamteayiaagamnur pinto be JeneKonelurdamogi kaka jsi Tango lalikbhumlelaKgeraakum to Nyogliboglibhumlebakajuaakum to

Name of Singer: Marto, Rode, Tai, Karken and Mori

Recorded by KVK: West Siang

Any other relevant information: Song is collected by Dr. Moloy Sarmah Barua and Dr. KangabamSuraj

Singh

Translated into English and written Lyric in Galo language by: Tagam Bam (SSS), Jumkar Bam (T1)

Karyom Bam (SRF-NICRA KVK), and Banu Bam (SRF-NICRA Research)



2. Title of Song : NgunnukDolu lo

Language of recording : Galo Location of recording (Address) : West Siang

Lyrics of song	Meaning
Ngunnukdolu lo mopinalo lo nyiboyameaaye	In our village, during mopin, guest people
Alo lo myigodolatahenkahen hila	(Gur) will come,
myamamadimengaye	They will stay, we will talk and know each
Aayodoyimengaye	other,
Ngunnukdolu lo	Know each other
	In our village
Jesekorekakennamhumlaletumopinalo lo	C
gemendobe	Traditional dress and belt, we have already
Manputadokriminnamrilaletu,popirponu lo	kept ready for you all to wear during Mopin
gemendobe	day
Rayi bola kojidemennaruemrilaletu,	Traditional ornaments also we have kept
Ngunnukkemuemkalanamgolatadobe	ready to wear during (traditional) dance
Aayodoyimengaye	moment
Ngunnukdolu lo	From head to toeeverything to wear
	All we have kept ready
Popirponuirga be pongmendobe,	To show what we have got
bedubeloemginamgela	In our village
Mine paina pol airmen	
dobe,opomonememmolerrtila	To make our dance (cultural) interestingly,
Kakamanamnyigamkomjinaruemensi hila ju	lets wear our cultural dresses
Nunukasinapukemlangendela2	Let's smear on face, lets drink Apong (
Ngunnukdolu lo	fermented rice beer) we have made
	Let's meet and know unseen girls and boys,
	They may take on heart
	In our village

Name of Singer: Jumyir and Linyir Recorded by KVK: West Siang

Any other relevant information: Song is collected by Dr. Moloy Sarmah Barua and Dr. KangabamSuraj

Singh

Translated into English and written Lyric in Galo language by: Tagam Bam (SSS), Jumkar Bam (T1) Karyom Bam (SRF-NICRA KVK), and Banu Bam (SRF-NICRA Research).







Agrisearch with a Buman touch

Correct Citation: Bhalerao A.K., Kumar B., Singha A. K., Jat P.C.,

Pasweth, A.M., Deka Bidyut C., 2016, Agricultural Folk Songs of Arunachal Pradesh, ICAR-Agricultural Technology Application

Research Institute, Umiam, Meghalaya, India

Published by: The Director,

ICAR-Agricultural Technology Application Research Institute, Umiam (Barapani), Meghalaya-793103

Email: <u>icarzcu3@gmail.com</u>
Website: http://icarzcu3.gov.in

Phone no. 0364-2570081

Edited by: Amol K. Bhalarao, Scientist (AE)

Bagish Kumar, Scientist (AE)
A. K. Singha, Pr. Scientist (AE)
P. C. Jat, Sr. Scientist (Agro)
A. M. Pasweth, SRF-NICRA

Bidyut C. Deka, Director, ATARI Umiam

Word Processing: A. M. Pasweth and Synshai Jana

Cover Design: Johannes Wahlang

Layout and Printing: Technical Cell, ICAR-ATARI, Umiam

#### DISCLAIMER:

Information in this publication is compiled from various secondary sources by subject experts and compiled by editors. The information in this book is meant to supplement the knowledge about agricultural folk songs and festivals in NE region. The publication contains information about [festivals and folk songs], the information is not advice, and should not be treated as such. Compilers & editors are not responsible for any mistake or lacuna or plagiarism in this ebook as individual songs are compiled by contributors, singers etc. and festival information, pictures etc. from various secondary sources like internet. This publication is only for academic purposes, and not for commercial use. The main idea behind this publication is creating awareness and sharing information. Although the editors and publisher have made every effort to ensure that the information in this publication was correct at publishing time, the editors and publisher do not assume and hereby disclaim any liability to any party for any loss, damage, or disruption caused by errors or omissions, whether such errors or omissions result from negligence, accident, or any other cause. This is pre-publication copy, uploaded to be reviewed by authors and peers.

