

GLOSSARY

**A**

Afat- Organization  
Ahamm- Inviting Bodo word of God  
Ai- Mother  
Ang- Me  
Aorainai- Chanting of Prayer  
Apa- Father  
Aroj- Prayer  
Arw- And

**B**

Baad- Offence  
Bathou- Bodo religion  
Baan- Bewitching spell  
Bada- Another name of Bodo race  
Badua- Impure  
Bar- Air  
Basti- Village  
Baokungri- A sacred hill  
Bemary- Sick  
Besor- Mustard Seed  
Bibungthi- Opinion  
Bish- Poison  
Bhut- Ghost  
Bhuhum- Earth  
Bodosa- Son of Bodo Race  
Bugarnai- Swelling of body  
Bura Bathou- Father God of Bathou religion  
Butar- Kill  
Brai/Bwrai- Old Man  
Bwrma- Goat

Bwrla- Bow

Bwisagu- Local New Year Festival

**D**

Daina- Male witch

Dainy- Female witch

Daojla- Cock

Daorai- Peacock

Dhoudini- Female mediator of deity of Kherai worship

Dhwrwm- Religion

Dingkia- Fern

Douri- Male promoter of Bathou religion

Dubri- Bent grass

Durmao- A Bodo female name

Dokona- Traditional Dress of Bodo Woman

Dwi- Water

Dwima Dwisa- Big and Small River

**F**

Fisa- Son

Fisajw- Daughter

**G**

Gami- Village

Gajri- Evil

Goi-Patwi- Betel Nut

Goto- Kid

Gotro- Clan

Gwhw- Ability

Gwtar- Holy

Gwtwi- Dead

**H**

Haina Muli- Charming local medicine

Hama- Unfair or unsocial

Hangar- Charcoal

Harimu- Culture

Homdwng- Holding

Homnai- Grasp

Howa Arw Hinjao- Male and Female

## **I**

Indi Pitwb- Cocoon pack

## **J**

Job-Small packs of human bones, cut parts of dresses etc.

Jaolia- Insanity

Jhahura- Traditional herbal medicine

Jharinai- Applying of Spell or exorcising

Jou- Country Wine

Junat- Animal

Jwnwm- Birth

## **K**

Ketra- Evil deity

Khaji- Fry of Meat

Khasini- Amulet

Kasula- Cough Patient

Kherai- Worship Festival of Bathou Religion

Khii- Stool

Khumbra- Gourd

Kiter- Retaliation, Revenge

Kwina Santi- Goddess of River

Kwmshi- Dark

## **L**

Lama- Path

Lengra- Lame

**M**

Maan Jahwnai- Offering respect by feast

Maan- Respect

Madwi- Aunty

Manshi- People

Mantra- Spell

Maibra- Local Rice Suitable for making country wine

Megon- Eye

Modai/Mwdai- Deity

Muhini- Charming spell

Muli- Medicine

Mwdwm- Body

Mwider- Elephant

Mwingsing Brai- Father God

Mwntwr- Spell

Mwsa- Tiger

**N**

Naikangnai- Detection by astrologer or quacks

Namghar- Prayer house

Napam Batwn- Fermentation of dried fish with arum and sour in the bamboo pipe by way of airtie

Nwng- You

Nwjwr- Sight

**O**

Ojha- Exorcist

Onla Ongkri- Curry made from rice flour

Oma- Pig

Or- Fire

**P**

Pagli- Female mad  
Pahamnai- Curing  
Patalphuri- Nether world  
Phob- Burry  
Pwtainai- Belief

**R**

Randhi- Widow  
Rainai- Attacking through casting of spell  
Rashi- Zodiac sign

**S**

Saja- Punishment  
Salami- Ceremony on the eve of worship  
Samaj- Society  
Sanjari- People of eastern side  
Sandeho- Suspect  
Sao- Curse  
Sandw Baodia- A legendary Bodo violin player  
Serja- Violin  
Simang- Dream  
Sikrisikla- Virgin Deity  
Sigigra- Frightener  
Sindhur- Vermil  
Sobai Ongkri- Curry made of a kind of black pulse  
Somai- Beautiful  
Sompoti- Property  
Swdwp- Sound  
Swrgw- Heaven  
Swrjigiri- Creator

**T**

Tha Gandha- A kind of cultivated creeping plant and its larger edible tuber

Than Thin- A thin angry woman

Tailir Bilai- Banana leaf

Thansali- Altar

Tarun- Arum tuber

Tulsi- Basil plant

Tungri- Sword

Twinaï- Death

**U**

Udhayachal- Separate homeland

Udrainai- Atonement

Undu- Sleep