GLOSSARY

Bodo name English Meaning

Abang Gosai / अन् गसाइ Almighty of God

Ag-lainai / आगलायनाय Bringing a bunch of matured paddy from the

field to house for the first time

Agrang / अग्रं God of Water

Aham Guru / आहाम गुरु The Supreme God of the Traditional Bodo

Ai / आय Mother

Ailong / आयलं God of Earth

Akhong / अखं middle room of the main house

Alaikhungri / आलाय खुंग्रि Daughter of Bathou

Amthisua / आमिथसुवा Agriculture rite observed in the month of Ashara

(Assamese month)

Aow Khundung / आवा खुनदुं White rayon

Ashansuru / आसानसुरि Bracelet

Athmangal / आथमंगल Post marriage ceremony

Ba / बा Five

Bad / बाद Offence

Bagh Raja / बाग राजा God of kherai

Bakhri / बाख्रि Granary

Bar / बार Air

Barigongtham / बारि गंथाम Maheswara

Bathou / ৰাথা Sijou plant worshipped as God and identification

as Bwrai Bathou

Bathousali / बाथौ सालि Bathou Altar

Biban Langnai / बिबान लांनाय Pre marriage ceremony

Bibar / बिबान Flower

Bindw / बिनदो Based of Bathou circle

Birna Bilai / बिरना बिलाय Leaf of sharp kind of grass

Boro Douri / बर' दौवरि Bodo priest

Bulli Burwi / बुलि बुरै Another Name of Bathou Burwi

Bumin / बुमिन Based of Bathou circle

Burwi-Bathou / बाथौ बुरि Goddess of Bodo, wife of Bwrai-Bathou

Bwisagu / बैसागु A spring festival of Bodo observed in the month

of April

Bwrai-Bathou / बाथौ बोराय The Supreme God of the traditional Bodo

Bwnanwi Langnai Haba /

बोनानै लायनाय हाबा The Bride is Forcefully Carried into the House

of the Bridegroom

Chikna Raja / सिखना राजा God of Garza

Daha Garnai / दाहा गारनाय A ritual ceremony for the death of a person on

ten day of the deceased where favorite foods are

offered in the name of dead person

Dahal / दाहाल Shield

Daobo Raja / दावब राजा King of Herons

Daothu / दावथु Dove

Daothubikha / दावथु बिखा Dove heart

Dhon / दन A small bamboo basket

Dhuna / दुना A kind of resin

Dhwn Khubir / दोन खुबिर Khuber of wealth

Dokhona / दखना Traditional dress of Bodo woman

Domasi / दमासि harvesting festival

Doudini / दौदिनि Female exorcist

Douri / दौरि Respected elder person of the community, holy

person of the day of worship

Dubri / दुन्नि A kind of sacred grass

Dwi gwthar / दै गोथार Holy water

Dwi / दे Water

Dwn Sarnai / दोन सारनाय The gift to the relatives of the dead

Dwnkharlangnai haba/

दोन खारलांनाय Marriage by elopement of boy and girl

Gambari Khamplai /

गामबारि खामज़्लाय A kind of wooden short tool of timber tree

Gamsa / गामसा Traditional dress of Bodo man

Gaobura / गावबुरा Head man of the village

Garza / गारजा Religious festival

Gasa / गासा Earthen lamp

Goikhaonai / गय खावनाय cutting of areca nut

Goi-Pathwi / गय फाथे Areca nut and betel leave

Goli / गिल Cowshed

Gonesh / गनेश Non Bodo God

Gosa thujennai / गसा थुजेननाय Started to the paddy plantation

Gwrjia lakhinai / गोरिजिया The traditional system of the Bodo where the

son-in-law has to stay in his father-in-law's

house after marriage

Haba / हाबा Marriage

Hah / ਗ਼ Earth

Harsa Douri / हारसा दौरि Non Bodo priest

Harsa Mwdai / हारसा मोदाय Non Bodo deities

Harsa / हारसा Non Bodo

Hathasuni khurnai / हाथासुनि खुरनाय Marriage ceremony

Hebnai / हेबनाय To web one into another

Hengali / हेंङालि Enemy

Ish khubir / इस खुबिर Garza god

Ishing / इसिं Kitchen

Jankla / जानज़्ला Ladder

Jao / जो Rice beer

Jara Pagla / जारा फाग्ला A God of Kherai

Jatha / जाथा Top of bamboo

Jewari / जेवारि Earthen pot

Jiw Bwrai / जिउ बोराय Bwrai-Bathou

Jotha / जाथा Cymbal

Kalmunusu / खाल मुनुस Human beings

Kathi gasa saonai / खाथि गासा सावनाय Lighting earthen lamp in the paddy field

Khal khuber / खाल खुबिर God of Garza

Kham / खाम Drum

Khangkhrai / खांख्राय Crab

Khaoa / দ্বাবা Post of bamboo

Khaoba khaswm / खावबा खावसोम Five organs of action

Kharsonnai Haba / खारसननाय हाबा Bride enter in-law's house before the mutual

understanding

Khazi Bwrai / खाजि बोराय Minister of bathou Bwrai

Kherai / खेराय Religious festival of Bathou

Khopra / ব্ৰুদ্ৰা First room of the main house

Khwtia phunai / खोथिया फुनाय Agricultural rites of sowing paddy seeds

Khul / खुल Clain

Khurwi / खुरै Bowl

Khwila / खोइला God of air

Lanjai / लानजाय Tail

Laoba Lashwm / लावबा लावसोम Five organs of knowledge

Laokhar Gosai / लावखार गसाय Protector of cowherd

Laokhar / लावखार Cowherd boy

Lotha / লথা A small water vessel

Mai Gainai/Gosha thujennai

माय गायनाय / गसा थुजेननाय paddy plantation with ritual performances

Mainao / मायनाव Goddess of wealth

Manashu / मानासु Goddess of Manas River

Maothanshri / मानथानस्रि Name of wealth goddess

Mwdai Homnai / मोदाय हमनाय Khuber

Mwdai / मोदाय Deities

Mwn-sin-sin / मोन-सिन-सिन The first man created by Bwrai Bathou

Mwsou Thukwinai / मोसौ थुखैनाय Showing of the cattle

Mwsousarwn hogarnai /

मोसौ सारोन हगारनाय To set free a bullock in the Sraddha ceremony in

some special case to liberate his soul of the dead

person

Neolai / नेवलाय Mongoose

Nomano / नमा न' Main house

Nowab Badsha / नवाब बादसा Muslim god

Nowaoni / न' आविन For home

Odla / अदला Fibre

Okhrang / अख्रां Sky

Or / अर Fire

Oza / अजा Traditional medicine man of the Bodo

Rajkhandra / राज खानद्रा A god

Rajphuthur / राज फुथुर Prince God

Salami / सालामि Pre Garza worship

Serja / सेरजा A four stringed musical instrument of the Bodo

Sewari / सेवारि Utensil of weaving

Shaya Khuber / साया खुबेर Garza God

Shwodri Bwrai / सौद्रि बोराय A name of God

Siburwi / सि-बुरै Wife of Si-Bwrai

Si-Bwrai / सि-बोराय Bwrai-Bathou, the Supreme God of Bathou

religion

Sijou / सिजौ Euphorbia splendens

Siphung / सिफुं Flute

Song Raja / संराजा God

Song Rani / सं-रानि Wife of Song Raja

Swima / सेमा Dog

Swnai / सोनाय To entry

Thansali / थानसालि Bathou Altar outside the village

Thorkha / थरखा Musical instrument of split bamboo

Thou / थौव Deep

Thungri / थुंग्रि Sword

Tulunshi / थुलुनिस Basil plant

Udrainai / उद्रायनाय penance

Uthumai / उथुमाय Cord

Wlwngi khangnai / ओलोंगि खांनाय The first activity of the exorcist (doudini)

Wngkham gwrlwi zanai /

ओंखाम गोरले जानाय New rice eating ceremony of the year for the

first time

Zatrashi / जाथ्रासि Justica assamia Clark