GLOSSARY

Bodo Term English Meaning

Bathwu Bodo Religion

BathwuBwrai/BwraiBathwu Supreme God of Bodos

Sijwu Euphorbia Plant

Kherai Bodo Religious Festival

Garza Bodo Religious/agricultural Festival

Dwuri Village Priest

Oza Village Physician

Dwudini Woman Priest (she is the central figure of Kherai worship)

Ba Five

Thwu Depth of Philosophy

Ha Soil

Dwi Water

Bar Air

Or Fire

Okhrang The Sky

Anan Gosai God

AbongGosai God

Abonglaori God

Swrjigiri Creator/God

Sibinai Worship

Apha Father

Aie Mother

Bwrai Old/ Ancient

Bandwba Five step barriers put round Bathwu with Bamboo.

Mwnsing sing Bwrai Bodos first man/old man

Bwrli Sacrifice animal/bird

Mwnthwr Mantra/Charm

ArojMethai Hymns

On Gundwi Rice Powder

Khangkla A kind of reed plant

Khunthlai Flying cotton fibre

Onthai Stone

Laothai Empty shell of gourd calabash

Bangbur Sun grass and its flower

AlariBathi Light/ An earthen pot for illumination

BimaMainao Goddess of Wealth (Lakshmi)

Dwikhungri Queen of water

Bwiswmuthi The earth

Barmwdai Deity of wind

Odal Biphang A kind of tree

Mwider Elephant

Kham Drum(Bodo traditional instrument)

Siphung Flute(Bodo traditional instrument)

Jotha Cymbal(Bodo traditional instrument)

Serja Violin(Bodo traditional instrument)

Gwthwigwthangnwbaonai Sacrifice to dead soul

DaothenBaonai Sacrifice/Offering

Bathwi Bowl

Phathali A share of offering given to god and goddess

Alangao Paradise

Phathalphuri Nether world

GambariKhamphlai A kind of Stool made with Gambari Wood

Lotha Pot

Dwigwthar Holy water

Thungri Sword

Dahal Shield

Khophri Bamboo-made hat used as umbrella

Raigon A cane stick used by Dwudini

Si busini Cottony white cloth

Khwijwma Yellow ant

Gandwula Dragonfly

Badali/Badamali Bat

Mwisw Buffalo

Nao Boat

Muphur Bear

Mwsa Tiger

Gorai Horse

PhuthliHaba Doll Marriage

DibaBwra The first man of creation

DibiBurwi The first woman of creation

Daomasar A jungle fowl

Gidali Singer of Hymns

Abwi Grand mother

Abwu Grand father

Oma Bunda Male pig

Habru Mud

Oma Gondra Shed of Pigs

Oua Bamboo

Jekhai A bamboo-made net used for catching fish

Khobai A bamboo-made tool for carrying fish

Bwisagu A spring time festival

Badari Wood cutter

Nwlw Reed plant

Diglilithi A kind of medicine plant

Dudali A kind of arum plant

Markha Strong

Abad Paddy

Maibra A species of paddy

Jwsa A kind of fragment fine rice

Olodor A kind of esculent arum

Sibru A kind of thorny arum

Hololokha A kind of vegetable

Dingkhia Fern

Danai-Lunai Weaving and Loom

Agor Bodo weave design in cloth

Indi si Silk cloth

Mu Scale of Bodo women folk

Sithla Threshold

Magw/Domasi Bodo seasonal festival

Belagur Maggi

Laokhar Cowboy

Katigasa Bodo seasonal festival

Engkhwr A kind of reed plant

TharaiBiphang A jungle plant resembling the wild Cardamom

Mai Dubli Paddy field

ThaigirKhong The sheaths of a wood-apple fruit

ThalirPhosla Tender sheaths of banana used as vegetable

MwdwmphulPhithai Papaya fruit

Bakhri Granary/Barn

Goli Cowshed/Cowherd

Maihendw Putting rice inside

Wngkhamsongra Kitchen

Burbulia A kind of insect

Jwu/Jumai Rice-beer

Silimala A kind of centipede insect

Gwmwthing A cloth cutting insect

Hadidogla A kind of family gruidae bird

Dulabatha A kind of small bird

Dabkha A big earthen pot for putting rice-beer

Oma bedor Pork

Bwirathi Woman attendant of bride and bridegroom in a marriage ceremony

Barlampha The top responsible man in the Bodo marriage affair who leads the

bridegroom party

Thorkha A piece of split bamboo

Gongwna A kind of instrument made with bamboo

Goi Betel-nut

Phathwi Betel-leaf

HathasuniHaba Oldest marriage system of the Bodos

Onlawngkhri A curry prepared from ground rice

HwuaGwdan Bridegroom

HinjaoGwdan Bride

Bihao Father-in-law

Bikhunjw Mother-in-law

Bisi Wife

Phisai Husband

Phathwilaibisinai Divorce

Bimai Maternal uncle

Dokhona Thaosi Bodo traditional bride dress

Khasi Sickle

Orkhi Embers

Hasumutra Bedwetter

Khanjong Comb

KhugaJarimin Oral history

Daoha War

Solo methai Ballad

Suthur Enemy

Santhri Soldiers

Bangal Mughal/ Foreign

Maonai-dangnainiMethai Work song

Hadan Newly reclaimed land

Jaharbari Forest

Abadari/Halua Cultivators

Dongphang Wood

Hwua Male

Hinjao Female

Sengra Young boy

Sikhla Young girl

Mwigong Vegetables

Na Gurnai Fishing

Ji danai Weaving

Dingkhi Pestle

Bihari Co-wife

Siphai To break

Thangkhao Severely

Ual A wooden husking implements

Gaihen Heavy wooden pestle for pounding and husking

paddy

Daojladao Rooster

MwswuHalua Bull

Nangwl Plough

Jungal Yoke

Sanjaha East

Sandung The heat of the Sun

Okha Rain

Sal Handloom

Gandwi One of the two beams of a handloom on which the

yarns and woven cloths are rolled up

Makhu Turtle

WngkhamMaidi Rice gruel

Aoluri Unskilled (women) in duties

Rua Oxe

Gwswthwnai Beloved

KhunLunai Spinning cotton into yarn

LaphaSaikho A kind of bird

Nathur Prawn

Samu Snail

Lai A kind of vegetables

Lapha A kind of winter vegetable

Thuri Thatch

Khanthal Jackfruit

Odal A kind of forest tree (Cordia myka)

Haijeng Ginger

Bokhali Teenager

Dao khokhling Cuckoo

Thailir Banana

Thailirbidang A bunch of Banana

Daokha Crow

Hathorkhi Stars

Thangkhu Tobacco

Bogolorid a kind of Bird

Sangrema Glow-worm

Philwu Intestine

Daobo Crane

Harsagotho Non Bodo boy

Sila Kite

Khoso/dwuba The front part of dokhona in wearing

Udasi Smaller kind bitter gourd

Hangma Unfulfilled desires

Dwima River

Jiri-jiriBwhwinai With weak flow

Gwmwthao Surprising

Sari-sari In lines

Embu Bongla Frog

Lao Long gourd

Khumrajalai Tender white gourd

Bijamadwi Son-in-law

Bihamjw Daughter-in-law

Gumwi Brother-in-law

Bibwnang Sistwr-in-law

Hajwkhoro Top of hill

Na bingsi A kind of small fish

Thakha Money

Gwribgundra Poor

Khwithing thing Sour

Dwibru bru Watery

Khangkhoma Cockroach

Undugaduri Sleepy

NarengKhomla Orange

Mwitha Rosily

Don khaoraii A bamboo basket having heel

BathaBilai A kind of reed leaf

Mwjlaijanji Waist of ant

SikhriSikhlai Pari/Angel

Dao Aijeng Spur of cock