

**“A DISSERTATION ON THE TIWAS
OF SINDHISAR VILLAGE, JAGIROAD,
MORIGAON DISTRICT OF ASSAM WITH
SPECIAL REFERANCE
TO RELIGIOUS BELIEFS AND PRACTICE”**

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INTRODUCTION

Anthropologists study humanity in the broadest possible sense. The subject is devoted to the study of human societies as they exist across time and space. It is distinct from other social sciences in encompassing both the full span of human history and the full range of human societies and cultures, including those located in historically marginalized areas of the world. As a result, anthropology is especially attuned to questions of social, cultural and biological diversity and to issues of power, identity and inequality.

Anthropologist's methods are different from those of other social sciences. They tend to base their studies on what can be called as fieldwork, which involves living and working with a small group of people for a definite period of time in order to understand and describe their society at micro- level by learning their language, ways of life, political and economic systems, local beliefs etc. Anthropologists generally rely on first hand ethnographic study of small groups on site, rather on surveys or experiments in laboratory settings. For this purpose of training the students in the methods of ethnographic fieldwork, the Anthropology curriculum of undergraduate program under Dibrugarh University has added a compulsory paper 'Field workbased report'. In this paper the students are taught to carry out independent research in the planning of the project proposal, data collection, data analysis and report writing, using conventional and scientific methods at various stages of the field dissertation.

For this fulfillment of the course, study of the B.A/ B.Sc. 6th semester, a field study is organized every year by the faculty of the department of Anthropology, Dibru College, to undertake ethnographic field investigation in a rural area preferably in a tribal village. This year, under the supervision of Assistant Professor in Anthropology Dr. Promanita Bora, the study area for the field work was selected to be the Sindhisar village in Morigaon District, mainly inhabited by the Tiwa community.

AIM AND OBJECTIVE

The aim of this field workbased report is to familiarize us with the concept of ethnographic fieldwork in anthropology and to prepare us in carrying out independent research work using various methods of data collection, analyzing them and preparation of report using these data.

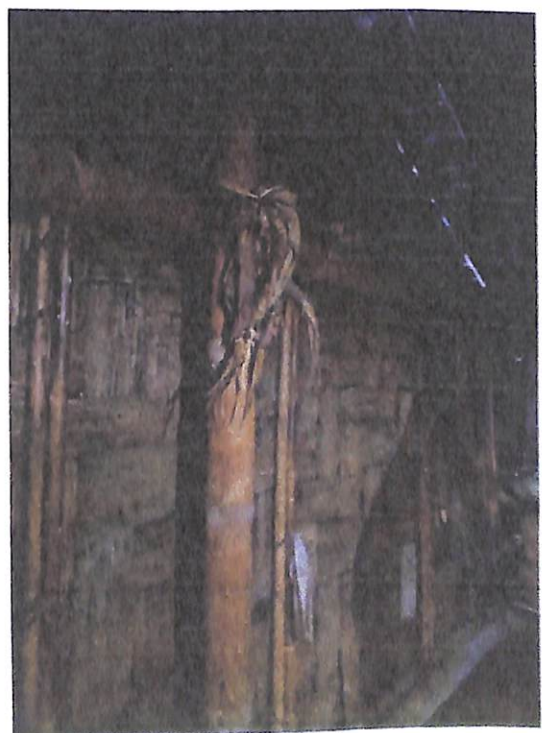
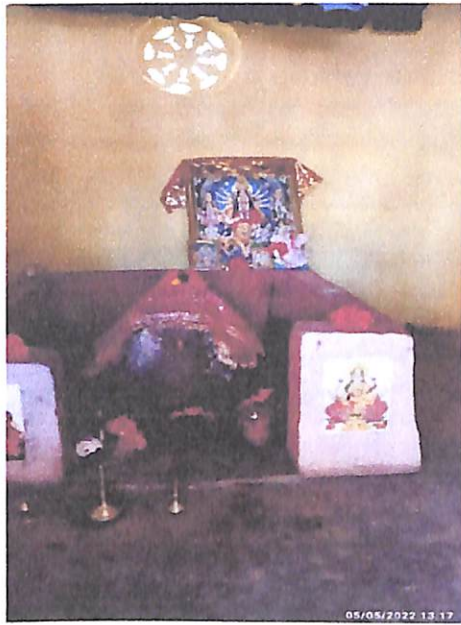
The objective of the present ethnographic fieldwork which was conducted on Tiwa community of Sindhisar village are as follows –

- a) To get myself acquainted with the people and their culture of the concerned community.

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Religious beliefs include practices/rituals such as

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