APPENDIX

QUESTIONNAIRE

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Subject : Social Folk Customs and Economy of Tiwas of Morigaon District of Assam

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1. Name of Informant : .................................................................
   i. Age
   ii. Date
   iii. Sex

2. Name of Village : .................................................................
   i. Village : 
   ii. Panchayat :
   iii. Block :
   iv. District :
   v. Thana :

3. Name of the nearest town with distance: .........................
   i. Name: 
   ii. Distance : 
   iii. Means of transportation: 
   iv. Type of road:

4. Details about the family: ...................................................
   i. No of members :
   ii. Male / Female:
   iii. Education:
   iv. Profession :
   v. Income :
   vi. Expenditure:
vii. House type:

viii. Amenities:

5. Details about the clan: .................................................................
   i. No. of Khuta:
   ii. No. of Borghor:
   iii. No. of Household:
   iv. Approximate population:

6. Does the village possess a *samadi*?
   i. Who are the traditional functionaries?
   ii. What are the activities of the *samadi lads*?

7. Means of communication:

8. How many schools and colleges are there in the village.
   i. L. P.
   ii. MF/M.V.
   iii. H.E. /H.S.
   iv. College

9. Name of market, if any:

10. Short note on mercantile transactions:

11. How many people are engaged in earnings from
   i. Agriculture
   ii. Service
   iii. Business
   iv. Weaving

12. Status of weaving:
   a. Types of loom/name the traditional loom and the loom accessories
      (i) Does each household weave cloth?

      (ii) Whether cloth is woven for
(a) Domestic consumption  
(b) sale  
(c) To collect food grains  
(d) To pay land revenue  
(e) To meet educational expenses.  
(f) Others.

13. What are the taboos followed during child birth?
   i. ............
   ii. ............
   iii. ............
   iv. ............
   v. ............

14. What are the taboos followed during Death?

15. What are different types of festivals?

16. Who undertakes rituals? Male/Female/Girls/ 

17. From what age do the young boys involve in chamadi?

18. Who imparts teaching about the society to the young boys?

19. Are the customs and traditions good? 

20. Name the Tiwa kings and kingdoms –

21. Mention whether the Tiwas are superior to the other.

22. What type of cloth does the groom wear on the day of wedding? 

19. What type of cloth does the bride wear on the day of wedding?

20. Which one is a culture specific food of the tribe?
   i. By what way does it made of?

21. Does any food determine the status of the cultivators? What type of status does it indicate—
   i. Rich
ii. Leader

iii. Village functionary

22. Where from the cultivator gets seed?
   a. Do the sow by plough:
   b. What are the tools for cultivation?

23. Do the people cultivate food crop only?

24. How do they cultivate it?

25. Give a short description on agricultural activities of the people in the village?

26. Name the festivals.

27. Name some rituals.

28. Name some deities.

29. Mention the taboos related to occasions.

30. Mention different types of rituals associated with fairs.

31. Narrate folk beliefs related to social customs.

32. Explain the history of the place.

33. Characteristics of the old kingdom: Whether offensive, defensive etc.

34. What are the sources of the money?

35. Whether plants or vegetables are the source of earning?

36. Name the traditional methods of hunting.

37. Name the traditional games.

38. Mention the market where foods are available.

39. Name the cattle from which there arises income.

40. Explain Yourself......

41. Some other aspects of the society you are living......