**Glossary**

**Awmlai** : Natural death.

**Bahzar** : An enclosed verandah with a raised floor at the back of a Mizo house.

**Bawi** : A chief's dependent.

**Bengbeh** : Earring

**Buhtthai** : The scraping of paddy through the floor by the feet.

**Chhawngchnawt** : It was a feast held on the Pawl Kut and Chapchar Kut occasions by children and young people in the village square or near the memorial platforms. Children, Young men and women stuffed meat and rice into one another's mouths amidst merriment.

**Chawilung** : Stone used for weight lifting.

**Chhiah** : Tax

**Chi** : Salt

**Cooly** : Labourer

**Chung Pathian** : God above us.

**Dawhkilh** : Hair stick

**Dawnpuanphah** : One of the formal engagements performed by a boy and girl.

**Dan** : A custom

**Durbar** : Court

**Dawrawn** : A basket

**Fathang** : Paddy tax usually paid to a chief
Fatlum : Youngest son
Fan : Marriage with out parent's consent, the bridegroom going to live in the bride's house.
Hawilopar : Flower of no turning back
Hlamzuih : Infant dead at birth
Hmaram Pawnfen : Petticoat
Hmeichhia : Women
Hmei : A concubine
Hmeifa : Son or daughter by concubine
Hmingchhia : Defamation
Hnamchhia : Commoners.
Hnatlang : Community work
Inbuan : Wrestling
Inleng : Suitor
Inthen : Divorce
Kaihbu : A spinning top
Khawchhiar : Village writer
Khuaichhiah : Tax on honey
Khuallam : Dance of the guests
Khual : Guest.
Khuang : Drum.
Khuaniu : Mother of nature
Khumpui : Main bed or family's bed.
Khumpui Kaiman: Price for going to the main bed.

Kut : Festival

Lal : Chief

Lam : Dance

Lâwi : Conducting a bride to a groom’s house

Lungdawh : A stone or wooden platform put up a memorial to the dead.

Lawichal : Man who accompanies a bride to the groom’s house with a duty of protecting the bride.

Lukhawng : A death due.

Man : Bride price.

Manbo : Marriage without price.

Manpui : The principal bride price.

Mantang : The subsidiary marriage price.

Mi that Sa kap : Slayer of both men and animals.

Mitthi khua : Festival of the dead.

Mitthi rawp lam : The dance of the dead.

Ngawi : Fish trap.

Nu : Mother

Nula : Young unmarried girl of marriageable age.

Nupui : A wife

Nula rim : Courting

Nupu : A wife’s father or brother

Palai : Negotiator
Pa : Father
Pathian : God
Pialral : Paradise
Puan : Cloth
Puandum : A striped woven cloth with black background.
Puanpui : Mizo rug
Ram : Land
Puisawmsial : Newly born Mithun
Puithiam : Priest
Ramhuai : Evil spirit
Ramhual : Adviser to a chief in connection with jhum
Rit chawi : Weight lifting
Run : Fined
Sa : Meat
Sadawt : Priest for a chief
Sa chhiah : Meat tax or hunting due
Sai ngho : Ivory
Sechhun : The sacrifice of a Mithun
Sakhua : Religion
Sal : Slave
Sawn : Illegitimate child
Sumfang : Part of the marriage price.
Sial : Mithun
Sepui ngal kal : Grown up Mithun
Se chhiah : Tax on selling a Mithun
Sut : A post inside the house supporting the ridge pole.
Tam : Famine
Thian : A friend
Tha chhiah : Labour tax.
Thihna : Amber necklace
Thimkual : Hair pins
Thirdeng : Blacksmith
Thisenpal : A woman who has children by her husband.
Thisenpallo : A woman who has no children by her husband.
Thlarau : Spirits
Thlan : A grave
Thuam : Bridal goods
Tlah pawi : Assistant to Sadawt
Tingtang : Mizo guiter
Tlai sial : Young Mithun
Tlang : Mountain
Tlangau : Village crier
Tlangval : Young man or A Mizo youth
Thul : A container made of bamboos for keeping clothes.
Uire : Adultery
Upas : Elders
Upa min : Prime minister of a Lushai Chief.
Val Upa : Leader in the Zawlbuk
Vanchung nula: Maiden of Heaven
Zalen : Chief's assistant
Zawlbuk : Bachelor's dormitory
Zawlken puan : A special kind of black cloth used by the Mizos for covering the dead.
Zu : Rice beer