Glossary

Ajungli: Clay used to make mud balls to kill birds
Aluro: Harvesting
Ang or ayan: Thread
Anghs: Konyak Nagas referred to as kings.
Ar Atsutepba: Tug-of-war
Arichu: Boys dormitory
Arijuanger: Dormitory members
Asümong: Death rite
Atap: Hearth
Atsütep: Peaceful agreement
Chapili: Currency
Chuzen: Senior most group in the Ariju
Daos: Big knives
Genna/ Anempong: Prohibition
Jatangyongtang: Settlement
Jutep kiyim: Elopement (jupet, stealthy mating; kiyim, marriage)
Kedong mapang: Clan leaders
Kelamet: Pay a heavy adultery
Keyir Benjong: Marriage feasts
Kibong: Family
Kidong: Clan
Kikha süchi: Feast of merit
Kini tsüngrem: House deity
Kiyimba: Marriage
Langpang/yipchen: Bed
Langtem: Apron
Lemlangvi/Kapok: The Naga women dress their hair in the form of a bun,
Lijaba: Ao-Naga god, creator of earth
Lijak: Catapult
Longterok: Six stones
Lumelen/lumepu: Rent paid in terms of cash or kind
Mashisa: Pregnant
Mejemtsü: Rice beer
Mepu/khel: The Ao villages are divided into upper and lower clan
Mesujet, mesutet: Adopting male successor
Mithun: Mithun (Bos frontalis), the domesticated free-range bovine species. Mithun is also used as a ceremonial animal and plays important role in economic, social and cultural life.
Mongkotepsü: Ao-Naga warrior shawl
Mopungki: Little store-room
Nokpangmentang: Villages who had war-disputes in the past.
Nosem: Placenta
Nusomong: Child birth rite
Osak: Strobilanthes flaceidifolius plant
Patir: Clan priest
Pitu Menden/ Samen Menchen: Village Council
Semki/acham: Rice pounding table cut from one piece of wood.
Sentsü: Debt
Süngkong: Log drum
Süngpur: Wood carrier
Süpiti/teperemsü: Ao-Naga woman Skirt
Tatar: Council
Tekalilemtsü: Handloom
Tenapang: Blooming period
Tenem ozü: Hornbill bird
Tenü/onü: Father’s sister
Tepela tezü: Umbilical cord
Teptsü atep: Tattooing
Tsuba: Water pond
Tsükbutsüla: Matron, guardianship of an old woman
Tsükong: Ranges
Tsungrem: Gods
Tsushi: Bamboos water containers
Tzuki: Girl’s dormitory
Yimchi semer: Thirty basketfuls of grains
Yongmen: Brass ear ornament
Zafu: Priest
Züngaren: Age group
Züngaren: Age group system
Anintsüngba/Longtitsungba: Lord of Heaven
Meyutsung: Lord of death
Tiar/Tiaba: Pre-destiner
Map of Nagaland
Map of Mokokchung District