PLATES
1. Pony carts carrying trade goods of itinerant non-tribal vendors to Damra early in the morning of *haat* day.

2. A Khasi arriving at Hahim *haat* with a pony load of areca nut from an interior village of Meghalaya.
3. A local producer on the way to external markets. Bamboo receptacles brought to Panza by Garos and bulk packed by Bihari middlemen for supplying to traders of city market, Garo Bazaar and Jagirbazar.

4. A group of non-tribal traders loading the gardens of the horticulture of Hahim kaat. In the foreground is a group of Khasi women.
5. The Kolor bazaar (banana market) at Darrangiri.

7. Garo weavers selling products of their loom at Damra haat.

8. Jadoi Weavers returning home with his unsold handicraft goods from Assam haat.

10. A traditional songsarek Garo producer-seller of chilli at Rongsai haat.
11. A Khasi producer-seller of turmeric at Hahim haat. Before he could enter the haat, an Assamese Hindu middleman buyer started bargaining.

12. Paddy purchased by wholesale traders from outside are loaded on trucks at Darrangiri haat.
13. Garo girls at a stationery and cosmetic stall operated by an itinerant Bengali Hindu vendor at Hahim haat.

14. A group of Hajong women at Darrangiri haat. Note the changes in their dress.
15. Two Khasi business women buyers at Hahim market after their day's transaction. They procure various commodities for supplying to shops in the interior villages of Meghalaya.

16. The Khasi women buyer at Hahim bargaining with an Assamese Hindu labourer for carrying the jackfruits and areca nuts she has purchased to the truck.
17. Garo couple selling whet-stones at Damra.

18. A Garo trapper selling rabbit at Damra.
19. Vegetable market-corner at Damra: sellers are mostly Bhatiya peasants from riverine area while buyers are mostly local Caros and Rabhas.

20. A Bihari confectioner vending varieties of sweets at Damra haat.
21. Hira potters (hand-made pottery) at Damra haat.

22. A Bihari Hindu selling iron implements at Amjenga haat.
23. An Assamese Muslim oil (scorn) seller at Darrangiri.

25. A Bodo Kachari customer with a Bengali Muslim itinerant tailor at Damra haat.

26. Snake charmer at Haahim: A seasonal recreation in almost all the haats.
27. A view of Damra haaat at peak hours.

28. A Bihari sweeper who regularly cleans the haaat site before the market day at Pungsan.
29. A view of Rongsai boat site, with permanent shops in the front.

30. Market committee meeting in progress at Darangiri boat...
31. A Bodo Kachari farmer's family at Manupara village (near Amjonga haat).

32. A siju cactus (Euphorbia splendens) - the traditional sacred plant of the Bodo Kachari in the courtyard of a house (Manupara village).
33. The Garos are mostly Christian. Christmas feast in progress at a Garo village near Damra haat.

34. The hundred drum march: The Garos march round the village beating western drums on the Christmas day.
35. Rabha women of Dipkai village near Rongsai haat.

36. Garo family members are getting ready to visit Rongsai haat with their garden produce to sell (Aradonga village).
37. Garo women harvesting paddy at Aradonga village.

38. Members of a Garo household of Aradonga village sorting out *muvt*, *rococ*, for delivering to the Assamese Hindu middleman at Hariharam.
39. Tending a new technology: A Bodo Kachari farmer spraying pesticide on his wheat-field (Manupara village near Amjonga haat)

40. A Rabha woman of Damra Patpara village to Damra haat to see exam.