PHOTOGRAPHS SHOWING STEPSWISE ACTIVITIES AND CONDITIONS IN A TANGKHUL SHIFTING CULTIVATION FIELD

1. Cultural/spiritual belief - prayer; a must before any activity begin in the field

2. Social harmony and helping hands - refreshing during slashing

3. Slashed/cut vegetation - the 1st step in shifting agricultural activities

4. Burning of the dried slashed vegetation

5. Plot ready for sowing/planting

6. Mixture of crops just sown/planted

7. Early stage of crop mixtures (Cucurbits, Maize, Allium)

8. Early stage of Millet

9. Early stage of crop mixtures (Maize, Beans, Potato, Cabbage)

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10. Maize dominated mixed crop with rice bean

11. Potato dominated mixed crop with maize

12. Rice bean dominated mixed crop with maize and cucurbits

13. Sesame dominated mixed crop with rice bean

14. Fairly managed field - planted with different crops and jhum hut as temporary granary and rest house (note the logs laid along the contour)

15. Weeding operation - mainly females’ domain

16. Weeding operation - mainly females domain but males also contributed

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17. Weeds piled up within the field - about to decompose (Rice bean dominated field)

18. Weeds piled up within the field (Maize dominated field)

19. Shifting cultivation field - after 1st year harvest

20. Shifting cultivation field - prior to 2nd/3rd year sowing

21. 2nd/3rd year cropping continues (trees seen; introduced during 1st year cropping)

22. 3rd/4th year cropping continues but about to shift next season/year to a new patch

23. Fallow phase dominated by Alder