

Name of the Element: Kheter Broto/'Field Vows

Name of Inventory: Test Inventory 1

Serial No: D3-00003

Brief Description

In almost all the villages of Haluaghat region, the vows of the field or Kheter broto have been observed. In the course of time, the Bratachar is almost extinct in this region today. This information is unknown to the locals as to when, where and who started this vow. However, many say that at that time Vikramapar, some people of Mymensingh settled in Haluaghat, Munsirhat areas. And they started the activities of these vows according to the lineage tradition. Field vows are agricultural rituals. The women of the village, especially the married Sadaba women, directly participate in this work by fasting. At the end of Nabanna in Agrahayan month every year, the pickle is taken to the house and the ritual is celebrated in the household. This vow is made by making a roof over 10 houses and making a roof over the paddy.

The main mantra of this vow is the vow of Rari-Puri Duikhya. It is a folktale about Khetro deity. At the end of the vows, there is a practice of giving Chhatu Prasad, betel nut and oil to each other.

Region: Munsirhat , Munsirhat Bazar, Bhagber, Bustabuli, Haluaghat, Mymensingh Division

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