

## BONDA PORAJA

The Bondo Poraja is a primitive tribe in Orissa. They are divided into two groups i.e. Upper Bondo or Bara-Jangar group and Lower Bondo. The megalithic platform called Sindibor is built either at the centre or at a convenient place in the village where the village meeting is held. The Bondo use scanty clothes. Bondo women weave ringa out of kereng fiber. To cover their upper portions Bondo women use bead necklaces. They also shave their heads completely and adorn it with colorful beads. Their family is nuclear, patrilineal and neolocal. In many cases, wife is elder than her husband. They have their own traditional community council headed by Bada Naik assisted by Pujari / Sisa their priest, Dishari, medicine man – cum astrologer and Challan / Barik, their messenger.

