

PARENGA



1. **Location (Major)** : Koraput, Malkangiri
2. **Language** : Gorum (Mundari)
3. **Major Occupation** : Settled & Shifting Culti., Forest Collection, Wage earning
4. **Major Festivals & Rituals** : Pus punei, Chait parab, Bandapana, Baura
5. **Religion** : Autonomous Tribal Religion

6. Other Distinct Socio-Cultural Features : The **Parenga** family is nuclear, patrilocal, patrilineal and patripotestal. They are divided into a number of exogamous totemic clans viz. Ontal (Cobra), Khara (Sun), Khilla (tiger), Pangi (vulture), Khinbudi (bear), Machha (fish) and Golari (serpent) etc. Junior sororate, junior levirate and cross-cousin marriages are prevalent among them. Marriage by negotiation (Raibadi) is considered ideal and prestigious. Marriage by capture, elopement, exchange and by service is in vogue. Family is monogamous, nuclear, patrilocal and patrilineal and remarriage of widows and widowers and divorcee are allowed. Bride price costing around Rs.2000/- includes a goat or a sheep, rice beer and food grains. Divorce is approved by the traditional council of the village elders. The Parenga practise both cremation and burial. Dom musicians beat the drum when the corpse is carried to the burial ground. They observe death pollution for five days. Besides their own deities like Nissani, Nangseri, Budha Bhairab and Mangal Pura they worship different Hindu Gods and Goddesses, visit Hindu temples and observe Hindu festivals. Naik is the traditional village headman. Disari and Sisa, the ritual functionaries also assist the Naik in managing the village affairs. The regional head is called Bhata Naik. They have preserved their rich tradition of dance and music.

7. Selected Demographic Profile and Parameters :

Sl.No.	Parameters		Census Year					
			1961	1971	1981	1991	2001	2011
1	Population	Total	6801	3032	9623	5843	12646	9445
		Male	3316	1616	4778	3017	6129	4532
		Female	3485	1416	4845	2826	6517	4913
2	Decadal Growth Rate			- 55.42	217.35	- 39.27	116.43	-25.31
3	Sex Ratio		1051	876	1014	937	1063	1084
4	Literacy Rate	Total	3.00	3.10	11.50	14.66	21.01	32.78
		Male	2.95	5.01	21.01	24.28	34.98	46.95
		Female	0.23	0.92	2.12	4.53	7.84	20.09
5	Workers	Total Workers	3347	1023	5615	3351	7026	5778
		Total Male	2103	999	3160	1845	3662	2861
		Total Female	1244	24	2455	1506	3364	2917
		Main Workers	-	-	4146	2820	4680	3253
		Marginal Workers	-	-	1469	531	2346	2525

6	WPR		49.21	33.74	58.35	57.35	55.56	61.18
7	Marital Status	Never Married	3555	1392	4543	2597	5729	-
		Married	2964	1495	4568	2917	6092	-
		Widow	264	138	456	284	755	-
		Divorced or Separated	18	7	56	45	70	-
		Un-specified	-	-	-	-	-	-
8	Dependency Ratio		1.35 : 1	1.27 : 1	0.77 : 1	0.66 : 1	0.76 : 1	-
9	* Child Population	Population	3329	1241	1066	1219	2257	1743
		Ratio to Total Population	0.49 : 1	0.41 :	0.11 : 1	0.21 : 1	0.18 : 1	0.18:1
10	** Population in the working age group		2899	1336	5451	3516	7195	-

* Child Population for 1961 & 1971=0-14 yrs, For 1981 = 0-4 yrs, For 1991 & 2001 = 0-6 yrs

** Working Age Group Population for 1961 & 1971=15-44 yrs, For 1981, 1991 & 2001=15-59 yrs

DISTRICTWISE DISTRIBUTION OF POPULATION (1961 - 2011)

Sl.No.	Name of the Old & New District		YEAR					
			1961	1971	1981	1991	2001	2011
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
1	Balasore	Balasore	-	01	-	32	-	0
2		Bhadrak	-	-	-	-	-	0
3	Bolangir	Bolangir	-	-	03	354	-	0
4		Sonepur	-	-	-	-	-	0
5	Cuttack	Cuttack	-	-	09	148	14	0
6		Jagatsinghpur	-	-	-	-	-	0
7		Jajpur	-	-	-	-	2	0
8		Kendrapara	-	-	-	-	-	0
9	Dhenkanal	Dhenkanal	-	-	-	27	-	0
10		Anugul	-	-	-	-	-	9
11	Ganjam	Ganjam	-	-	31	28	-	1
12		Gajapati	-	-	-	-	-	0
13	Kalahandi	Kalahandi	-	-	110	39	176	0
14		Nuapara	-	-	-	-	-	0
15	Keonjhar	Keonjhar	83	-	05	80	2	0
16	Koraput	Koraput	6702	3029	9379	4673	11390	8296
17		Malakangiri	-	-	-	-	913	1093
18		Nowrangapur	-	-	-	-	54	6
19		Rayagada	-	-	-	-	-	0
20	Mayurbhanj	Mayurbhanj	16	-	03	88	-	0
21	Phulbani	Kandhamal	-	-	-	-	-	0
22		Boudh	-	-	-	-	-	0
23	Puri	Puri	-	-	04	10	-	0
24		Khurda	-	-	-	-	10	22
25		Nayagarh	-	-	-	-	-	0
26	Sambalpur	Sambalpur	-	-	27	301	-	4
27		Baragarh	-	-	-	-	13	0
28		Deogarh	-	-	-	-	-	0
29		Jharsuguda	-	-	-	-	-	0
30	Sundergarh	Sundergarh	-	02	52	63	72	14
		Total	6801	3032	9623	5843	12646	9445

Source : Census of India ' 1961, 1971, 1981, 1991, 2001 & 2011





