# COMMUNITY BASED INVENTORYING FORM FOR THE MAPPING OF INTANGIBLE CULTURAL HERITAGE (ICH)

کمیونٹی کی بنیاد پر عیر مادی وراثتی اثاثہ جات کا معلومانی قارم

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: پونین کولسل / UC	Chelhar	Chelhar Village / گاول :		: گاول / ج	Bhorilo
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1. Identification of ICH Element					
1.1 Name of the Element Used by the Community concerned (in local language)					
Lok Daahap or Lok Danai, (لوڪ ڏاهپ يا لوڪ دانائي) literally translated as folk wisdom					
1.1.1 Brief descriptive title of the element (in English or Urdu)					
Lok Daahap can also be referred to as folk science, as the wisdom is based on centuries old folk experiences which are orally passed from one generation to the other.					

1.2 Domain of the Element	اثاثه کا دائرہ کار			
Domain	Number 1-9 (prioritize on the basis of relevance of element to domain (s)			
ربانی روایات اور اظهارات / Oral Traditions and Expression	1			
□ Performing Arts / فنون لطيفه				
سماجی روایات، رسومات اور میله/ Social Practices, Rituals and Festive Events	2			
✓ Knowledge and Practices concerning Nature and the Universe /				
قدرت اور کانٹات سے وابستہ علم اور روایات	1			
🗆 Traditional Craftsmanship / روایئتی سنرمندی				
🗆 Traditional Cuisine / روانگیتی کھانے				
🗆 Traditional Games and Sports / روانگیتی کھیل				
زعی طریقے / Agricultural Practices ∕	2			
روانینی ادویات / Traditional Medicine □				
□ Other :				
اس اثاثہ سے وابستہ مقامی آبادی، گروہ، اور افراد 1.3 Community(ies), groups, and individuals concerned				
The CBI was conducted with representative of Suthar community in Bhorilo village. However, all <i>Thari</i> communities practice this ICH element.				
1.4 Physical location(s), distribution, and frequency of enactment of the element  1.4 Physical location(s), distribution, and frequency of enactment of the element  1.5 کا منبع کونسا علاقہ ہے؟ اوراس کا رواج کتناہے؟ لوگوں  1.4 Physical location(s), distribution, and frequency of enactment of the element				
Lok Daahap is not specific to any physical location. There are only a few knowledge bearers of this element left in Tharparkar. The knowledge is being dismissed by the younger generations, due to easy access to related information through mobile phones and internet, as well as change in lifestyles.				

1.5 Short description of the element (preferably no more than 200 words)

Lok Daahap in Tharparkar dates back to the day people came to the desert and investigated the way of living in desert. Henceforth, their wisdom is evident in choosing strategic location of the houses, to meet the needs of combatting extreme climatic conditions.

- 1. The houses are either located on top or at the foot of the ridges, the location allows the houses to be cool in summers and hot in winters. On the other hand, such placement allows monitoring the movement of animals and defense against any possible invaders.
- 2. Similarly, the wells dug in Tharparkar are in circular shape, instead of square or rectangle, as the region is prone to minor/mild earthquakes. By the same logic, the traditional houses 'Chaunra' are built in a cylindrical form, so that during any natural calamity like earthquake or storms any wall collapse would happen outwards.
- 3. There is a festival of farmers called *haariyan jo purbh*, in which the farmers spectate *Kandi* or *Kumbhat* (Gum) tree to find *shagan* (cue) for rainfall in the upcoming year. The observation period is time specific taking place between the months of April-May. During the festival, farmers look for an insect called *'loinh'* on the tree, feeding on its leaves. The presence of these insects on the tree and the deteriorating leaves suggest that it is likely to rain or there will be heavy pouring the following year.
- 4. Omens for rain suggested in Dhatki saying, is that if the *Tussan* vine is too long and if the *Bawri* tree is lush green, there will be no rain.
- 5. If ants are seen crawling out of the soil with their eggs, it is seen as a hint for coming rain.
- 6. For digging up a well for sweet water, the selection of a suitable place is governed from the interpretation of existing flora on the land; if the location has vegetation nearby that grows on sweet water, it is taken as an indication that the water under the surface is likely to be sweet.
- 7. Earlier people relied on stars to know the time at night.
- 8. An earlier practice was to store millet seeds for farming the next year, in clay pots with a bunch of neem leaves, which helped to keep the seeds from decaying. Later, clay pots were replaced with metal air tight containers, which affected the fertility of seeds. Having lost the traditional wisdom, nor reverting back to the indigenous knowledge, people have started buying millet seeds from Jacobabad which are a misfit for the ecology of Thar, as they need ample water to grow.

These signs have been studied over the centuries by people, and in older times there was a dependence on these signs from the nature. With the advent of technology, the transmission of indigenous knowledge has been affected gravely. In fact, the knowledge is even dismissed where there is a dire need.

# 2. Transmission of the ICH Element (personnel and language(s) involved)

غیر مادی اثاثے کی منتقلی

2.1 Personnel/individuals (if applicable) directly involved in the practice and/or enactment of the element (Name, Age, Gender, Professional category) اس اثاثے سے براہ راست منسلک افراد یا شخصیات ( نام، عمر، جنس، شعبہ)

Rirnh Mal Adjani, 82 years old, elderly member of Pabuhar Kunwan Village Sobedar Abbas, approx. 65 years old, security officer at TIEST-NEDUET

Khurram Ahmed, approx. 40 years old, Head of Computer Training Institute in Nagarparkar

2.2 Other people in the community less directly involved, but who contribute to the practice of the element or facilitate its practice or transmission

ایسے مقامی لوگ جو اس اثاثے کی ترقی اور اسے عوامی بنانے میں شامل ہوتے ہیں

Bharumal Amrani has made a conscious effort to document the folk wisdom of Thar in his book, "Thar jo Lok Daahap".

2.3 Language (s) and dialect (s) involved (if applicable)

ا ثاثے کی زبان اور لہجہ

Dhatki, Sindhi, Parkari, Urdu, Gujrati, Hindi

2.4 Language (s) and dialect (s) spoken by the community concerned

آبادی کی زبان اور لہجہ

Dhatki, Sindhi, Parkari, Urdu, Gujrati, Hindi

3. State of ICH Element

غیر مادی اثاثے کی

3.1 Threats (if any) to the continued transmission of the element within the relevant community (ies)

آپ کے پیش نظر کوئی ایسی بات ہے جس سے اثاثے کے تسلسل کو کوئی خطرہ ہو

With modern means of communication, the pace of life has changed. The younger generation is under the influence of exposures about urban life, which they come across while watching or listening on television and radio respectively. Also, there is a generational gap between the knowledge bearers and the young folks of the community.

3.2 Threats to any tangible elements and resources (if any) associated with the element

In earlier times, by the end of each day there were gatherings at the *otaaq* (a gathering space in villages for men only), where younger generation used to sit in company of elders and adhered to the practices and experiences of the elders. There used to be teaching and there were ethics of sitting or asking questions in the gathering. *Otaaq* culture is now on a decline, and young people prefer to spend their time watching television or listening to radio; none of which offers anything constructive from their context.

3.3 Safeguarding or other measures in place (if any) to address any of these threats and encourage future enactment and transmission of the element

There has been no safeguarding of the knowledge by the community.

3.4 Viability of the element

3.4.1 Does the element require urgent safeguarding

Due to the dismissal of indigenous knowledge, the ecology of the region is getting disturbed. Thus, it is crucial to save the indigenous knowledge. The policy makers or agriculture experts in the team of policy makers, often have their understanding from a different context, and propose to imply the same knowledge to Thar. This in the longer run, has proved to be un-sustainable due to incompatibility with the ecology of the desert. The land of Thar is primarily grazing grounds; earlier only a portion of land was used for farming abiding by the Thar Desert Policy of 1930 and 1970. Contrarily, the revised policy of 2000 has similar by-laws for Thar Desert as those for barrage areas; allowing farming on major portions of grazing grounds. Inclusion of locals having sound knowledge of Thar's ecology and natural features, within the advisory committee of policy maker, may help developing a better policy specific to the regions ecology. Henceforth, safeguarding of the element is essential and urgent.

3.4.2 Is the element a viable representative of the ICH of the community(ies)?

Yes. The knowledge can also be referred to as folk science; it is their years of experiences, observations and interaction with nature.

3.4.3 Any safeguarding/innovation measures taken for enhancing viability

کیا اس اثاثہ کی بڑھوتری کے عمل کو جاری رکھنے کے لیے کوئی حفاظتی اقدامات کیئے گئے ہیں

Bharumal Amrani has written book on folk wisdom of Thar titled 'Thar jo Lok Daahap' The book has 12 chapters; having compilation of indigenous knowledge regarding different professions, including farming and medicine for both humans and livestock. The idea for the book was pitched by the Provincial Minister of Sindh for Culture, Tourism and Antiquities, Sardar Shah and the book was published by the support of Civil Society Support Program.

# 4. References concerning the ICH element (if any).

اثاثہ کے متعلق حوالہ جات

4.1 Literature (if any) (published articles, books, newspapers etc.)

ادبی حوالے (شائع مضمون، کتابیں، اخبارات وغیرہ)

Title of book, Article, عنوان /.Newspaper etc	Name of Author(s) / مصنف	Publication Year / اشاعت کا سال	Page Number(s) / صفحه نمبر	ناشر / Publisher
Thar ji Lok Daahap	Bharumal Amrani	2021		Civil Society Support Program
Thar	Arif Mahmood	2005		Ferozsons
Tarikh e Registan	Raichand Harijan	2005		Sindhi Adabi Board, Jamshoro
MITHI Whispers in the Sand/ Sand Chronicles	Salman Rashid	2021	9 -27	Sang-e-Meel Publication, Lahore
Thar The Great Pakistani Desert/ Omen and Superstition	Ihsan H. Nadiem	2001	212 - 214	Sang-e-Meel Publication, Lahore
History of Sind Series Vol – 1 Sind: General Introduction	H.T, Lambrick	1964	12 - 13	Sindhi Adabi Board, Hyderabad
موسمی تبدیلی کے اثرات میں "صحرا تھر کی بھٹکتی زندگی https://www.humsub.com.pk /211393/bharumal-amrani-	Bharumal Amrani	2019		Humsub 2019
صحرائے تھر میں کسانوں کا تہوار .صحرائے تھر میں کسانوں کا تہوار https://www.independentur du.com/node	Bharumal Amrani	2020		Independent Urdu

4.2 Audio-visual materials, recordings, or any objects etc., in archives, museums, and private collections (if any)

اثاثے کی صوتی، بصری اور ریکارڈنگ (چاہے کسی عجائب گھر میں یاکسی کی ذاتی ملکیت ہوں

Title of audio-visual material or object / عنوان	<b>Location /</b> جگه	Collected / Recorded by / مواد اکٹھا یا ریکارڈ کرنے وال کےکا نام	Year of collection and/or publication / اکٹھا کر نےیا اشاعت کا سال
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#### 5. Data restrictions and Permissions

مواد پر پا بندیا ں

5.1 Restrictions if any to the use of (or access to) information e.g., is there any sensitive information you would not like to be shared

-ایسی حساس معلومات جن کو بتایا نه جا سکے

The information on *Lok Daahap* has been keenly shared by the resources and also available through published sources.

#### 5.2 Resource person(s) detail

معلومات دينے والے كى تفصيل

Name/ را	وابستگی / Affiliation	رېائش / Location	رابطه نمبر / .Contact No
Bharumal Amrani	Writer, Poet and School Teacher	Chelhar, Tharparkar	0333 2504520

### 6. Attachments material related to ICH element

- مزید ذرائع ابلاغ جو اس غیر مادی اثاثے سے متعلق لف میں

- مفصل تفصیل / Detailed Description
- (۱۰ تصاویر (زیاده سے زیاده ۱۵ اور کم سے کم / Photograph(s) Maximum 15, Minimum 10
- رصوتی (اگر ممکن ہو / Audio (if possible) ✓
- ربصری (اگر ممکن ہو / Video (if possible) ✓
- □ Other / کوئی اور

# 7. Permission to Compile Data

احازب نامه

7.1 Name(s) of the Person(s) of the concerned community who participated in filling the form

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#### **Bharumal Amrani**

7.2 Date (s) and place(s) of information generated

معلومات حاصل کرنے کی تاریخ اور جگہ

(September 14, 2022) Bhorilo Village, Chelhar, near Mithi, Tharparkar, Sindh.

7.3 Proof of consent of the community(ies) concerned for	اثاثے اور معلومات کو ریکارڈ کرنے کیلئے مقامی آبادی کا			
inventorying the element; and the information to be	العالم الوال المواد و			
provided in the inventory	احازت نامر			
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1 Bharumal agree as a representative of	the Sulkar community to the			
inventorying of information gathered in reference to it/then	n being placed on the National and/or Provincial			
ICH Database. This inventorying form has been filled with the	collaboration of local community.			
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