

Bagata Tribe

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About Bagata Tribe:

- The Bagatas cite the historic origin of their community name as the devoted warriors (Bhaktas) of the then rulers.
 - They are also called **Bagatha, Bagat, Bagodi, Bogad or Bhakta**.
 - **Location:** They live in the state of **Odisha** and also in the state of **Andhra Pradesh**.
 - **Festivals:** **Dhimsa** is one of the dances and Bagata tribes of all ages enjoy energetic dancing, and all ages take part. The dances of the Bagata are called **Sankidi Kelbar**.
 - **Family life:** Nuclear families are commonly found in their society. They prefer cross-cousin marriage and consider marriage by negotiation as the ideal type of matrimony.
 - **Language:** They speak with one another in a form of the **Oriya language**. One of their main languages is **Telugu**. Their local dialect is Adivasi Oriya.
 - The Bagata tribes have undertaken the **profession of farming** in order to sustain the requirements of their day-to-day living.
 - They worship Hindu gods and goddesses in addition to their family and tribal gods.
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Q1: Who are called as 'tribe' in India?

According to the Imperial Gazetteer of India, a tribe is a collection of families bearing a common name, speaking a common dialect, and occupying or professing to occupy a common territory. India is known as a Melting pot of tribes and races.

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