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Researchers in a preliminary investigation, identified traditional herbal formulation used by the Konyak tribe of Nagaland for its anti-cancer potential, providing valuable scientific insight into indigenous medicinal practices.

About Konyak Tribe

- The Konyaks can be found in **the Mondistrict of Nagaland** and also in the Tirap and Changlang districts of Arunachal.
- The term 'Konyak' is believed to have been derived from the words 'Whao' meaning 'head' and 'Nyak' meaning 'black' translating to **'men with black hair'**.
- The Konyaks are of **Mongoloid origin** and about 95% of the population follows the Christian faith now.
- **Tattooed:** Traditionally, facial and body tattoos were closely linked to social status and life achievements.
- **Language:** They speak the **Konyak language** belonging to the Northern Naga sub branch of the Sal subfamily of Sino-Tibetan.
- **Society**

- The Konyak **society is a patriarchal society** and the **eldest son** of the family usually **inherits the paternal property**.
- **Festivals:** Festivals occupy an important place in the lives of the Konyaks. The three most significant festivals were **Aolingmonyu, Aonyimo and Laoun-ongmo**.
- **Economy:** They are skilled in the art of making firearms. They are also **skilled in handicrafts** like basket making, cane and bamboo works, brass works etc.

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