

Idu Mishmi Tribe

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The Idu Mishmi tribal people of Arunachal have a unique cosmology rooted in conservation.

About Idu Mishmi Tribe

- It is one of **the tribal groups** who have been living primarily in the **Dibang Valley**, lower Dibang, and Lohit districts of **Arunachal Pradesh**.
- They **primarily live in Mishmi Hills**, bordering **Tibet in Arunachal Pradesh**.
- They can be distinctively identified by their **typical hairstyle, distinctive customs** and artistic pattern embedded on their clothes.
- **Occupation:** They are known for their **weaving and craftsmanship skills**.
- **Language:** Their language, called '**Idu Mishmi**', is considered **endangered by UNESCO**.
- **Relationship with Nature**
 - **Traditionally animists**, the tribe has **strong ties with** the region's rich **flora and fauna**.

- Tigers are especially important to the Idu Mishmis — according to Idu mythology, they were born to the same mother, and thus, tigers are their “elder brothers”.
- **Iyu-ena’**: It is a strict belief **system of myths and taboos** that restrict them from hunting many animals, including a complete prohibition on killing tigers.
- **Festivals**: They celebrate festivals such as **Reh and Ke-Meh-Ha**.
- They brew local rice **beer called Ebu**.
- **Society**: The Idu-Mishmi society is **patriarchal and patrilineal**. The property is inherited by the son from the father.

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