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| bileng | mo | n. | 6 ì lèŋ | place where young women ready for marriage are kept to be protected from rape | Girls often stay there after the age of puberty when they have been betrothed and tattooing has been done. Bileng ki den a ndighin ki nàá The inner room is usually inside Mother's room |
| bileng | mo | n. | bɨlèŋ | special room for keeping valuables | Ba mizep ki del mbileng kas A visitor does not enter the store room |
| bileng | mo | n. | 6 ì lèŋ | local hanger | usually in the kitchen where items like salt, potash and other condiments that require dry storage are stored. Taji a ship bileng ngan kas! Don't pull down my hanger |
| bileng | mo | n. | 6 ì lèŋ | room | from which refreshment items are served at ceremonies. A wagha ndar mmun bileng ni You (masc. sg.) will manage the refreshment store on our behalf |
| bilep | _ | v. | бīlēр | to quarrel; to have a misunderstanding; to argue; to be in conflict | Ginighinshak ni mo wet bilep The co-wives quarrelled during the day |
| bìlèp | mo | n. | θɨlὲp | quarrel; misunderstanding | Ba bìlèp ki ret tòng ashak kas Quarrel is not good for co-existence |
| bireng | _ | v. | δŧrēŋ | to boil or mix boiled meat or food with oil and salt etc. | Yi bireng cèt ni Mix the food with oil and seasonings |
| bíréng | _ | n. | 6 í réŋ | oil and other condiments applied to food or meat; delicacy mixed with adequate oil and other ingredients | Diisì a bíréng kyap! This is surely a delicacy! |

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| biring | — pr. | V. | 6 ī rīŋ | to roll on the ground or bed | Ba gurum ki biring a gwàan tòng kas No one rolls on a bench |
| bìrìng | _ | n. | 6 ì rìŋ | act of rolling on the ground, bed etc. | Mini a mwèn biring! That's senseless rolling! |
| birong | _ | V. | бігбŋ | to not be fully dry | (clothing, firewood, etc.). Ndi lée ni pán birong be ri mang lop When the article of clothing was partially dry, he took it and wore |
| boghon | | V. | 6ōγ̄ōn | to investigate s.t.; to research | Doghon mo kàt kúm kɨ mee gwar, dang yaksɨ be nyemnan mo pe boghon shii ni Yesterday a man's dead body was found, and now elders are investigating the matter |
| bóghó n | _ | n. | βόγόn | disaster; catastrophe; plague | Dùng Wuhan a mee bóghón dí ni sham nkaa gurum mo mbit dí 2019 Coronavirus is a disaster that befell people in 2019 |
| book | _ | n. | 6òòk | mud | Ár fuu ni a book caghat Your road is full of mud |
| búk | _ | n. | 6úk | fine dust | Gwar ni taa ndighin búk The man fell inside dust |
| 6ùk | | id. | 6ùk | sound of a ripe fruit falling on the ground | làa koon diinung ni sham taa bùk the ripe fig fell to the ground, bùk |
| búl | _ | v. | 6úl | to increase; to augment | Long firi ni mo be búl His animals are increasing in number |
| 6ul6ul | mo | n. | 6ú16ūl | piece of work that keeps one busy | Wu so ku wu naa bulbul mo di Go and attend to your commitments |

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| ɓúl-ɓúl | · | id. | 6úl 6úl | lukewarm | Àm ni a búl-búl The water is lukewarm. cf. bwàghàl |
| buluk | | v. | 6ūlūk | to do a little piece of work for a short time | Daar an nso an buluk mee dak a yil Tomorrow I shall be going to the countryside to do some minor work |
| búlúk | _ | v. | 6úlúk | to have its impressions or embossed features worn out (a coin or other item) | Shaghal diisi ni ki búlúk kyes This money has its impressions completely worn out. cf. mbuluk |
| burap | mo | n. | 6ùràp | mongoose | Jep naa tum ni mo tu mee kus burap The shepherd boys killed a big mongoose |
| burish | _ | a. | 6ùrì∫ | untidy; messy; disorderly; diverse; full of chaff (cereal drink); muddled; disorganised | Lée ni mo a burish The items are disorderly |
| 6ùrùk | _ | v. | 6ùrùk | to get dirty; to make s.o. dirty by contact with dust | Taji a bùrùk sak kas Don't dirty yourself with dust |
| but | mo | n. | 6ūt | stomach; inner part; belly | But ki gwar ni gyar des The man's belly is too large. cf. mbut |
| but fuk | _ | v.p. | 6ūt fùk | to get constipated | used with the possessive. but fina fuk 'stomach my constipates' |
| but fuk | _ | v.p. | 6ūt fùk | to get constipated | used with the dative. but fuk ngan 'stomach constipates for-me' |
| but Mùpun | | n.p. | 6ūt mùpūn | excessive hunger | lit. 'Mupun stomach' A se mbiise ni a rang kaa gha a ki but Mùpun sì 'e? Why eating the food as if you have excessive hunger? |

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| but wal | | v.p | 6ūt wál | to grumble (stomach); to | lit. 'stomach cries'. |
| | | | | rumble | Kàt but wal |
| | | | | | ngurum be a neen |
| | | | | | làa ngo ni When |
| | | | | | someone's stomach |
| | | | | | grumbles, it means |
| | | | | | the person is hungry |
| butbish | | n. | 6ūtbī∫ | wickedness; evil; | lit. 'bad stomach' |
| Dutbish | | 11. | outory | maleficence | Butbish a tukaa |
| | | | | | Wickedness is |
| | | | | | murder |
| butfuk | | n. | 6ūtfùk | constipation | Pak mbiise mo ki |
| | | | | | le butfuk Some |
| | | | | | foods cause |
| e 417 | | | C=41// | | constipation |
| butláa | | n. | 6ūtláá | stomach-ache | lit. 'stomach- injury' Butláa ki le |
| | | | | | kwar se Stomach- |
| | | | | | aches brings about |
| | | | | | rejection of food |
| butyaghal | | n. | 6ūtyāyāl | stomach upset | lit. 'stomach stands |
| | | | | | up' Ri wet tong pu |
| | | | | | dyes di be ri |
| | | | | | yaghal kyes a shi |
| | | | | | butyaghal He sat near faeces all day |
| | | | | | and ended up with |
| | | | | | stomach upset |
| бии | | n. | 6úú | grass sp. | used for weaving |
| | | | | | baskets. Mo raa |
| | | | | | kicik diisi a shi |
| | | | | | buu This basket is |
| | | | | | woven from buu grass |
| buul | mo | n. | 6ùùl | plant sp. | grown within the |
| | | | | 1 1 | compound to |
| | | | | | provide shade and |
| | | | | | protect chicks from |
| | | | | | kites. The |
| | | | | | Mwaghavul do not cook soup with |
| | | | | | buul Ba |
| | | | | | Mwaghavul mo ki |
| | | | | | cèt puk shi buul kas |
| bwaa | | n. | $6^{w}\bar{a}\bar{a}$ | grass sp. | used as shaft of an |
| | | | | | arrow. The stem is |
| | | | | | eaten like sugar cane. Bwaa |
| | | | | | lapshak ki shit lu |
| | | | | | Bwaa looks like |
| | | | | | thatch |
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| 6waar | mo | n. | 6 ^w āār | yam, generic | Dioscorea sp. Bwaar ni a kyèet kì dughurii Bwaar is a yam cultivar |
| 6waar | _ | v. | 6 ^w āār | to be lazy; to be weak | Làa ni bwaar a kaa puun si The child is as lazy as the father |
| bwàar | _ | n. | 6 ^w ààr | laziness; lazy person; weakling; idler; idleness | Gwar ni a bwàar The man is a lazy person |
| bwaarii- bwaarii | _ | adv. | 6 ^w ààrìì 6 ^w ààrìì | lazily; idly; casually; weakly and without seriousness | A nook cin mbii bwaarii-bwaarii Stop doing things lazily |
| 6waarshit | _ | n. | 6 ^w āār ∫īt | yellow yam | Dioscorea sp. Bwaarshit mo gul a yil Yellow yams abound at the countryside |
| 6wàghà l | | id. | 6 ^w àyàl | describes lukewarm water | also 6wàghàlàk . Ba àm ni ret shwáa kas; ni a 6wàghàl The water is not good for drinking; it is rather warm. cf. 6ul-6ul |
| 6wàghàlà k | | id. | 6 ^w àyàlàk | describes lukewarm water | àm shwáa ni aase 6wàghàlàk the drinking water is lukewarm |
| bwàghàl- bwàghàl | | id. | 6 ^w àyàl 6 ^w àyàl | describes lukewarm water | Àm ni tal 6wàghàl-6wàghàl The water is lukewarm |
| 6waghap | _ | v. | 6 ^w áyáp | to feel soft when touched; to be ripe and soft | (fruit, vegetable or part of the body) |
| 6waghat | _ | V. | 6 ^w āγāt | to tie; to bind; to bundle; to imprison; to incarcerate | Ba a mat mo jir mak bwaghat yoghom kas It is not all women who can bundle firewood |
| 6wàghà t | mo | n. | 6 ^w àyàt | bundle | Mat ni piin mee bwàghàt yoghom ni The woman loosened one of the bundles of firewood |
| ɓwàghàt | _ | n. | 6 ^w àyàt | frame-up; false accusation | Diisì a bwàghàt bejee This is nothing but a frame-up |

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| 6waghatpee | _ ^ | V. | 6 ^w āyātpēē | to get one into trouble; to frame s.o. up | lit. 'tie place' Mat dǐ ki pòo swéet diisì gyar bwaghatpee This woman with a pointed mouth frames people up a lot |
| 6waghatpee | _ | n. | 6 ^w āɣātpēē | getting one into trouble; frame-up | lit. 'tie place' Nàaswéet ra a mat bwaghatpee Nàaswéet is a woman who frames people up |
| 6waghatpoo | | v. | 6 ^w āyātpòò | to connive; to conspire; to frown; to plot | lit. 'tie mouth' Gwar ni 6waghatpoo ki mishkagham ku mo yàa lukaa ɗi ki máar The man connived with the king and seized an orphan's farm |
| 6wak | _ | V. | 6 ^w ák | to develop sores; to develop on a part of the body (of sores) | Shii kì làa ni ɓwak láa The child's leg developed sores |
| 6wan | _ | V. | 6 ^w ān | to dig; to excavate | Taji a bwan kicir mpèe sak kas Do not dig a grave for yourself (masc. sg.) |
| 6wanbish | _ | n. | 6 ^w ānbì∫ | practice of preparing or buying meals etc. for oneself only | Ba 6wanbish a mise kas Providing food for oneself only is not a virtue |
| 6wanbísh | | n. | 6 ^w ānbí∫ | stinginess demonstrated through an act that sends people away; leaving a meal for oneself only | such as coughing or sneezing onto the meal; cleaning one's nose with the hand and dipping the same hand into the meal. Ba bwanbísh ret a ngutileng kas Covert stinginess is not good for a leader |
| 6wang | mo | n. | 6 ^w áŋ | stride; long step | also 6weng. Bwang vul kì làa a 6wang mindong kì ngunan A child's two steps are an adult's one step |

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| 6 wanshik | | n. | 6 ^w ān∫ìk | creating problems | Bwanshik a |
| | | | | | mangshik Creating problems for others is creating trouble for yourself |
| Bwanzughum | | p.n. | 6 ^w ānzùγùm | area in Kerang | Hunting expedition of the Kerang community. Usually the last of Mwaghavul hunting expeditions after which mature girls get married prior to the next farming season. Bwanzughum a puus sedi Bwanzughum is a day of eating and drinking |
| ɓwap | _ | V. | 6 ^w āp | to knock; to tap; to hit s.t.; to thresh a little of s.t.; to shake, especially the feet | 6wap poolu kwangkwang knock at the firmly and loudly |
| 6wappee | _ | v. | 6 ^w āppēē | to knock; to tap on a door | 6wappee kwangkwang knock firmly and loudly |
| bwapsar | _ | V. | 6 ^w āpsár | to clap hands; to applaud | Gurum ni mo bwapsar mpòo firi ni The people applauded his remark |
| 6weng | mo | n. | 6 ^w éŋ | stride; long step | also 6wang. Nyem diiwurang mo ki 6weng zam Tall people have very long steps |
| 6wèng | mo | n. | b ^w èŋ | grasshopper sp. | Ba jep ni mo mak yàa 6wèng ni kas The children were unable to catch the 6wèng grasshopper |
| ɓwèng | _ | v. | b ^w èŋ | to partly or fully close a door; or to bolt it | Agwa, a so a bwèng poolu ni Young man, go and shut the door |
| bwer | | adv. | 6 ^w ér | describes being full to the brim (liquid) | gam bwer be filled to capacity, yak bwer fetch (s.t.) to the fullest |

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| 6woon | mo | n. | 6 ^w óón | waist; back of an object; outer part of s.t. | Ba bang ki tughul a bwoon ni kas; a dighin ni The cleanliness of a pot is not the outside; it is the inside |
| 6woon | mo | loc. | 6 ^w óón | back; rear; behind; posterior | Kàt a naa bwoon be a naa kyeen zak When you look behind, also look ahead |
| bwoon firnighis | | n.p. | 6 ^w όόn fɨrnɨγɨs | person, animal, bird or insect with a very thin waist | insulting. Mee fowoon firnighis mini jì dar lek mmun ki wan! A thin-waisted person for that matter came and stood to fight me! |
| 6woon shwal | _ | n.p. | 6 ^w óón ∫ ^w āl | chronic waist pain | BwoonshwaldaamdaknriWaistpainprevented him fromworking |
| 6woonlu | mo | n.p. | 6 ^w ōōnlú | surroundings of a house | Ni ret ku mu aar bwoonlu funu mo shidaar-shidaar. We should weed the surroundings of our house every day |
| bwot | fwo, kwang | v. | b ^w ōt, f ^w ō, k ^w áŋ | to release or let go of; to drop s.t.; to put s.t. on s.t. | A bwot mbul ni Release the dove |
| bwot | _ | v. | 6 ^w 5t | to see s.o. off; to accompany | Mat ni kì so bwot mizep fira ni The woman has seen her guest off |
| bwot aak | fwo aak | v.p. | 6 ^w 5t āāk | to impregnate s.o. | Laakut ni tong a tòng fwo aak njiraap mo The promiscuous person impregnates young women here and there |
| bwot àas | fwo àas | v.p. | f ^w ō ààs | to lay an egg | Kwee ni kì bwot àas The hen has laid eggs |
| 6wot 6am | _ | n.p. | 6 ^w 5t 6ām | game played by children throwing and catching pebbles simultaneously. | Jep ni mo nkaa cìn bwot bam The children are playing throw-and-catch game |

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| bwot bèer | pı. | v.p. | 6 ^w 5t 6èèr | to launch an attack | Shàarlek mo jì |
| S W OF SECT | | | 0 00 0001 | 00 100 100 100 100 100 100 100 100 100 | bwot bèer a mun |
| | | | | | Enemies launched |
| | | | | | an attack against us |
| bwot cirem | | v.p. | b ^w ōt ʧīrēm | to broadcast seed | Wu ji ku mo so |
| | | _ | - | | bwot cirem ni ɗi |
| | | | | | Come so we go and |
| | | | | | broadcast the seed |
| bwot kook | | v.p. | b ^w āt kààk | to start off a dance | Mat ceer ni mo |
| | | | | | 6wot kook The |
| | | | | | women circle |
| | | | | | dancers started off |
| G4 1441- | | *** | 6 ^w 5t kúsúk | to plant famia | a dance |
| bwot kúsúk | _ | v.p | D 31 KUSUK | to plant fonio | by scattering seed on the farm from a |
| | | | | | calabash. A mat |
| | | | | | mo kɨ bwot kúsúk |
| | | | | | It is women who |
| | | | | | sow fonio seed by |
| | | | | | broadcasting them |
| 6wot laapiit | | v.p. | b ^w 5t lààp 11 t | to give s.o. a cold | Taji a bwot laapiit |
| | | | | | a mun kas! Don't |
| | | | | | infect us with a |
| | | | | | cold |
| bwot lek | | v.p. | b ^w 5t lèk | to start a fight | A we bwot lek ni |
| | | | | | 'e? Who started the |
| C4 | | | GW=4 2 2 | to start amino | fight? |
| bwot maap | _ | v.p. | 6 ^w 5t mààp | to start crying | kìsh bwot maap to suddenly start |
| | | | | | suddenly start crying |
| 6wot () | | v.p. | 6 ^w 5t ⁿ kùm | to pour a libation | Dikaam ri bwot se |
| nkùm | | v.p. | o ot kum | to pour a mounton | ni nkum akuɗang |
| | | | | | ri ki cin njep mo |
| | | | | | se The old man |
| | | | | | poured a libation |
| | | | | | with the food |
| | | | | | before giving |
| | | | | | children to eat |
| bwot vwam | | v.p. | 6 ^w 5t v ^w ām | to scramble for things | mo bwot vwam |
| | | | | without being orderly | nkaa mbiise ni |
| | | | | | they scrambled for |
| | | | | | the food |

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| | | | | | house |
| 6wot yang | fwo yang | v.p. | 6 ^w ōt yáŋ | to demarcate farm ridges prior to making them | A we bwot yang diisì 'e? Who did this ridge demarcation? |
| буаа | _ | n. | 6yáá | secret; confidential matter | mostly used in negative and interrogative constructions. Ba ni a mee byaa kas It's no secret. |
| byaa | _ | v. | буа́а́ | to keep a secret; to keep s.t. confidential | Taji a byaa kas Don't keep it secret |
| byaal | _ | s.v. | 6 ^y āāl | to be wild; to be furious; to be severe | As ni byaal zam The dog is so wild |
| byàal | _ | n. | 6 ^y ààl | being wild, furious, severe | Wagha nne moó naa a byàal fwagha mini! You think people are interested in that wildness of yours! |
| byang | sulwang | v. | 6yāŋ, sūl ^w āŋ | to inject; to pierce; to prick | Ghir byang and shwal-shwal A thorn has pricked me painfully |
| byang | _ | v. | 6yāŋ | to start s.t. difficult or risky | Taji a byang kas! Don't even start it! |

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| byang fwan | | v.p. | 6yāŋ f [™] ān | to conduct a ritual induce rain | - |

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| caa | mo- | n. | ₫āā | gourd-rattle | Rattle made from a |
| | | | | | dried gourd covered with a network of rattling seeds. A recent introduction. Yi tap taji yi yaghal piin caa ni Be careful |
| | | | | | so you don't later break the gourd- rattle |
| | | | | | |
| cáa | _ | V. | ţfáá | to cheer; to uplift; to commend; to excite s.o. | Làa diiret ki cáa puun A good child cheers his father up |
| caak-caak mpòo | _ | v.p. | ʧāāk ʧáák ^m pòò | to talk too much during a casual conversation | A we mmini mo pu caak-caak mpòo 'e? Who are those talking loquaciously? cf. baa-baa mpoo |
| caam | mo- | n. | ∯ààm | wild plant | which resembles the onion but is toxic. Hausa gadali. Ba mo ki se caam kas Caam is not edible |
| caan | _ | v.a. | ∯āān | to do s.t. earlier; to act before s.t. happens); to do s.t. before it is too late | Used in SVC. Mu caan dik lu ni aku nyàk fwan sham di Let's build the house before the rains soon start. cf. cep |
| caan | _ | v. | ∯āān | to burn | Taji wu yit ku mbiise ni caan di kas Don't allow the food to burn |

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| cáan | mo- | n. | ∯áán | hoe (general) | cf. parkiya, caan der, fèt, ngang. Wuri ki so nyìl cáan jee lit. 'He has already gone to the hoe land' i.e. he has died. |
| caan der | mo- | n.p. | ∯āān dēr | traditional hoe without the shaft, used for full scale farming | Daa seet caan der ngan nlutuk Father bought a shaftless hoe for me from the market |
| caan di | _ | v.p. | ʧāān dī | to do s.t. earlier; to act before s.t. happens); to do s.t. before it is too late | Mu caan di Let's do it early before s.t. happens. cf. cep di |
| caan-caan | | adv. | ∯āān∯āān | describes a fermented drink such as <i>kunu</i> | Mo cèt wáar ni a caan-caan They prepared the corn drink with fermentation |
| caan-caan | _ | adv. | ţaān ţaān | describes s.t. burnt | Mo ki wong ngaas a caan-caan Left- over porridge is warmed by somewhat burning it |
| caandi | _ | n. | ∮āāndī | Doing s.t. earlier; doing s.t. before it is too late | Caandi ki daam mandi Doing s.t. in time prevents regret |
| caanpee | _ | v.i. | ţjāānpēē | to set place on fire; to burn s.t.; to burnish; to make s.t. shine; to glow | Nyem kwàt mo caanpee a yil Hunters set fire to places at the countryside |

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| caanpee | _ ^ | v.n. | ţãān pēē | setting place on fire; burning s.t. | Ba caanpee buu- buu ni ndire kas Indiscriminate burning of places is not good |
| саар | mo | n. | ∬ááp | wing (applies also to aeroplane); feather; transept (in church) | Nyer ki yaghal a shi caap It is on wings that birds fly |
| cāap yit | mo | n.p. | ∯āāp yīt | eyelash | also shoop yit. lit. 'wing of eye'. cf. kirim yit, shim yit. Shirop mo ki cāap yit shwàl-shwàl met ndaas mo Women have longer eyelashes than men |
| caar | mo | n. | ţfáár | grass sp. | A tall, strong grass planted along the edges of streams to prevent flooding. Mwaghavul mo ki raa kírám shi caar The Mwaghavul use caar to weave door mats |
| càf | _ | id. | g àf | describes a pungent odour | goghor nfut ni du aasì càf the grass sp. its smell is pungent |
| càf | _ | c.i. | ∮àf | very red | intensifies naat. Naat caf Very red |
| caghar | _ | n. | ţáyár | spiral cowpea | Vigna unguiculata. Mu wet aá caghar We ate spiral cowpea for lunch |
| caghat | _ | adv. | ţſáγát | quietly; silently | Làa ni del put caghat The child moved out quietly |
| cakgar | _ | n. | ∮ãkgār | thatch house without local ceiling | Ni a cakgar It is a house without a ceiling |
| cámpirós | _ | id. | tjámp í rós | excessively (short) – mostly applied to clothes | dut cámpírós be too short |
| can | egg birg | V. | ∯ān | to suddenly kill a young and promising person | Dyemzilang ni cìn shàghàl be mo ɗar can ri The young man became rich and his life was cut short |
| can | saa, k i ram | V. | ∯ān, sāā kīrām | , to cut; to slash; to slice | Apa, yi can teng ni Young woman, cut the rope |

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| waghavul-Eng Awaghavul an | | | | Gloss to be done enthusiastically or intensely for a long time (activity) | Ex a. | Intransitive use. Usually wet/teer can (for a activity done in the day/at night). M kas gwa ni be le wet ca The ma was insulted and fierce, prolonged fight ensued; Máar/dak wet ca They sper the da farming/w rking enthusiasti ally; Maap/kook teer ca They too a long time in the night crying/dan |
| | | | | | b. | ing. Can used transitivel when people |
| | | | | | | s.t. emotional in a energetic and prolonged manner, especially fight, quarrel dance. M ni mo ca lek/bilèp/ |
| | | | 55 | | | women fought/qu relled/dan ed |

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| càn | | v.n. | ţſàn | circumcision | The initiation of a youth commences with càn. The ceremony used to be observed every third year according to age grades, within the four-year ceer dup ritual cycle. Verbal noun from can 'to cut'. Yil Mwaghavul cìn càn mu kyes ni a 1984 Mwaghavul nation did its last circumcision ritual in 1984 |
| can yòghòp | _ | v.p. | fjān yòyòp | to prevent s.o. else's enjoyment | Taji a can yòghòp ngurum mo kas Don't prevent other people's enjoyment |
| canciin | _ | n. | ţānţīin | enthusiasm; hope | Ba sekyeen ki den di ndin nrep caanciin kas Progress is not attained without a little enthusiasm |
| canciin | _ | V. | ∯ān∯īīn | to be enthusiastic; to have hope | Kàt mu canciin be mu nsekoghorong When we are enthusiastic we shall succeed |
| candar | _ | n. | ţfāndăr | lake; pool; pond; dam | A tuwan a candar di ni gul met nyil Mwaghavul The borrow pit is the commonest pond in Mwaghavul land. also àm candar |
| candyeel | _ | n. | ţfāndyéél | judgement; verdict | Cicin a puus candyeel Today is the day of judgement |
| candyeel | _ | v. | ţjāndyéél | to pass judgement; to give a verdict | Ba mo ki candyeel ni aku kas They have not passed the judgement yet |

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| canggai | mo | n. | ∯āŋgā ^ī | upper part of a millet stalk | Mo roghop |
| | | | | above which the grain | canggai ni baá ni |
| | | | | appears | si aku mo tu kas ni |
| | | | | | di They broke off the plain stem |
| | | | | | the plain stem below the millet |
| | | | | | head and then |
| | | | | | threshed the millet |
| canjagham | | v. | ∯āndʒāγám | to be pompous; to be | Wuri canjagham |
| | | | | proud; to be boastful | nne di a ngulong |
| | | | | | He boasted that he was a rich man |
| canjagham | | n. | ţſāndʒāyám | pomposity; pride; | Canjagham ki |
| canjagnam | | 11. | ganajaşam | boastfulness; braggadoccio | ceen long |
| | | | | , 25 | Boastfulness drives |
| | | | | | away wealth |
| canpoo | _ | v. | ţĨānpòò | to be pompous; to be | lit. 'cut mouth' |
| | | | | proud; to be boastful | Taji a canpoo kas Don't be pompous |
| canshii | | v. | ţȧ̃n∫ií | to stumble; to trip | Làa ni canshii |
| • | | | 3 | to business, to trip | nkaa nghik The |
| | | | | | child tripped on a |
| | | | | | stone |
| canshii ɗiibish | _ | v.p. | ʧān∫ií diíbī∫ | to stumble; to trip; to be | indication of bad |
| | | | | unlucky | luck. Doghon an canshii diibish |
| | | | | | Yesterday I tripped |
| | | | | | ominously |
| canshii diiret | | v.p. | ∯ān∫ii diirét | to stumble; to trip; to be | indication of good |
| | | | | lucky | luck. Ra canshii diiret She was |
| | | | | | diiret She was lucky |
| cap | mo- | n. | ʧáp; ⁵ʧáp | male agama lizard | also ncap. |
| • | | | | _ | Damwesh ni ri tu |
| | | | | | ncap shi nding The |
| | | | | | boy killed a male agama lizard with a |
| | | | | | stone |
| car | | v. | far | to throw (pl.) | cf. bak, vwet. Taji |
| | | | | | wu car shak k i |
| | | | | | nding kas Don't |
| | | | | | throw stones at each other |
| cée | | n. | ţſέέ | food put aside for | also ngaas gwom . |
| | | | J | contingencies such as | Porridge is placed |
| | | | | feeding a child; food left | on hot coals and is |
| | | | | over for the following day | much appreciated. |
| | | | | | Mat ni cèt gwom |
| | | | | | cii ki cée The woman cooked |
| | | | | | porridge without |
| | | | | | any left over |
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| Mwaghavul ceel | pl. mo | PoS n. | IPA ffèèl | Gloss malformed egg; egg that will not hatch | Examples Ceel a mu jep mo Malformed eggs are for children |
|-------------------|---------------------|-----------|--------------|---|---|
| ceel yit | _ | n.p. | ∯èèl yīt | looking at s.o. out of the corner of your eye from embarrassment or guilt | Ri wet naa mun shi ceel yit He spent the day looking at us out of the corner of his eyes |
| ceen | kong k i | V. | ∯ēēn, kòŋ ḱŧ | to drive away; to pursue; to chase | pl. means to pursue many times. A ceen long ni mo so si |
| ceen | _ | V. | ∯ēēn | to make bald; to be bald | also waa, look, vwaar. Káa ki dikaam ni ki ceen The grandfather's head is bald |

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Gloss festival organised by girls according to age-grades. cf. waar shaar, ceer dup

Examples The festival is organised as follows. Those between the ages of 12-13, 14-15, 16-17 and 18 -19 years agree on prominent person in the community to visit. They organise themselves into a big group to go there. An elder comes out and asks who the dancers are and their purpose. The leader of the girls identifies the group and reason for the visit. They fix an appointment to perform the house of a prominent person. practice This called le bit. The girls dress up, supported by friends, wellwishers boyfriends. It is an opportunity boys or young men to make proposals to girls. Those from the age group 17-19 years may be having their last festival before getting married. It therefore serves as a sendoff party for by them the younger ones who are also looking forward to graduation into womanhood. Some of the senior girls fail to get married as expected and the younger girls irritate them by singing this song jirap-jirap ni mo yaghal dik kyes,

jidee mee niwur mo fee nee di 'real

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| filoot | mo | n. | fîlōōt | highest pitch in kwaaraak transverse clarinet; clarinet that produces this pitch | A filoot a doo dinshee Filoot is the first pitch. cf. ndòk diilee, ruruu diilee, ngati, tép, jéng, ndòk diides, ruruu diides, nziik |
| jéng | mo | n. | dzéŋ | pitch in kwaaraak transverse clarinet, lower than tép and higher than ndòk diides; clarinet that produces this pitch | A jéng a doo diipeemee Jéng is the sixth pitch. cf. filoot, ndòk diilee, ruruu diilee, ngati, tép, ndòk diides, ruruu diides, nziik |
| ndòk dīides | mo | n.p. | "dòk dǐídɛ̃s, - dĭínān | pitch in kwaaraak transverse clarinet, lower than jéng and higher than ruruu diides; clarinet that produces this pitch | A ndòk diides a doo diipoovul Ndòk diides is the seventh pitch. cf. filoot, ndòk diilee, ruruu diilee, ngati, tép, jéng, ruruu diides, nziik |
| ndòk dīilee | mo | n.p. | "dòk diílēē, - diíd ^w ēēn | pitch in kwaaraak transverse clarinet, lower than filoot and higher than ruruu diilee; clarinet that produces this pitch | A ndòk diilee a doo diivul Ndòk diilee is the second pitch. cf. filoot, ruruu diilee, ngati, tép, jéng, ndòk diides, ruruu diides, nziik |
| ngati | mo | n. | ⁿ gàtí | pitch in kwaaraak transverse clarinet, lower than ruruu diilee and higher than tép; clarinet that produces this pitch | A ngati a doo diiféer Ngati is the fourth pitch. cf. |
| nziik | mo | n. | ⁿ zīīk | lowest pitch in kwaaraak transverse clarinet; clarinet that produces this pitch | A nziik a doo diipoofeer Nziik is the ninth pitch. cf. filoot, ndòk diilee, ruruu diilee, ngati, tép, jéng, ndòk diides, ruruu |
| ruruu diides | mo | n.p. | rúrúú dĭídɛ̃s | pitch in kwaaraak transverse clarinet, lower than ndòk diides and higher than nziik; clarinet that produces this pitch | diides A ruruu diides a doo diipookun Ruruu diides is the eighth pitch. cf. filoot, ndòk diilee, ruruu diilee, ngati, tép, jéng, ndòk diides, nziik |