

TRADITIONAL CUSTOMS, RITUALS, CEREMONIES, & FESTIVE EVENTS

3.1. CEREMONIES

- Traditional Ceremonial Reception
- Wine Oblation Ceremony
- Zhukdre Ceremony
- Consecration Ceremony
- Milk Libation

3.2. TRADITIONS AND CUSTOMS

3.2.1. Religious Traditions and Customs

- Life of Monks
- Gomchen
- Alms Begging
- Seasonal Migration
- Making Offerings
- Hoisting of Prayer Flag
- Inner Relic
- Prostration
- Custom of Pilgrimage

3.2.2. Agrarian Traditions and Customs

- Agricultural Practices
- Preparation of Organic Manures
- Shifting Cultivation
- Restrictions to Enter Hillside
- Custom of Observing Auspicious Day

3.2.3. Animal Husbandry

- Nomadic Herders
- Dairy Production
- Culling
- Castration
- Shearing
- Custom of Sparing Animal Life

3.2.4. Social Customs

3.2.4.1. Regulation of Social Manners

- Etiquette
- National Costume
- Law

3.2.4.2. Life Cycle

- Pregnancy and Baby Shower
- Matrimonial Customs
- Custom of Kinship
- Old Age
- Funeral Customs
- Rebirth and Reincarnation

3.2.4.3. Household Customs

- Family Structure
- Dining Custom
- Feast Custom
- Custom of Dunchang
- Custom of Chamchang
- Custom of Tshokchang
- Greeting and Seeing-off Customs
- Custom of Gathering Grains

- Restriction Sign
- Custom of Voluntarism
- Traditional Transportation
- Custom of Pulling Heavy Loads

3.2.4.4. General Social Practices

- Carrying a Pocket Knife and a Cup
- Betel Nut and Betel Leaf
- Carrying Flint and Tinder
- Nocturnal Wandering

3.3. RITES AND RITUALS

3.3.1. Bon Tradition

- Shamanistic Tradition
- Cairn Worshipping
- Invocation of Bon Deities

3.3.2. Buddhist Tradition

- Invocation Rituals
- Purification Rituals
- Summoning Rituals
- Rituals for Accumulating Merits
- Wrathful Rituals
- Rituals for General Wellbeing and Prosperity

3.4. FESTIVALS AND CELEBRATIONS

3.4.1. Religious Festivals

- Tshechu
- Accomplishment Ritual
- Jomkora
- Choekor and Wang Festivals
- Fire Empowerment Ceremony
- Mani and Rabney Festivals
- Aule of Laya
- Chorten Kora
- Chodpa
- Annual Ritual
- Fasting Ritual
- Summer Retreat
- Commemoration of Death Anniversary

3.4.2. Secular Festive Events

- National Events
- New Year Celebrations
- Winter Solstice
- Lochu of Sha District
- Dasain
- Meeting of Nine Evils
- Blessed Rainy Day

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