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GLIMPSES OF TELANGANA CULTURE – LOCAL
SURVEY




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TITLE : GLIMPSES OF TELANGANA CULTURE – LOCAL SURVEY

OBJECTIVES:

- To glorify the culture and traditions practiced in Telangana
- To know about the food habits and economic status of Telangana
- To investigate about the reasons for being ignored for decades
- To learn how to collect and record history

REVIEW OF LITERATURE:

Socio-Economic and Health Issues of Banjaras in the Era of Globalization: A Study
Telangana Tribal Villages

Dr. Lal B. Suresh

Associate Professor, Department of Economics, Kakatiya University, Warangal, TS-Ind

Online published on 30 December, 2015.

2. <http://hdl.handle.net/10603/249829>

3. CULTURAL AND MEDICINAL PROPERTIES OF TELANGANA STATE TREE JAMMI
CHETTU (SHAMI TREE) (PROSOPIS CINERARIA LINN.) P. Saritha* and U. Anitha
Devi *Department of Botany, Government Degree College For Women, Karimnagar-
505001 (Telangana) India. 1Department of Botany, Government Degree College For
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4. Telanganatourism.gov.in › bathukamma › history

5. Bonalu - Wikipedia

DATA COLLECTION:

- Data collected by conducting Survey of local people
- From local news papers
- From the internet sources
- From the literature

DATA ANALYSIS:


- Telangana people are simple, homely and very social people
- All the people prefer to address others in the villages by one or other relationship like pinny, baabai, akka, baava, maama, peddayana, avva, etc.
- They celebrate festivals like Bonalu, Raksha-Bandan, Kudumula thadiya, Vinayaka Chavithi, Bathukamma, tholi ekadashi, Pochamma, Dusherra, Diwali etc.
- Bonalu is also celebrated by State Government in a very grand way. It is celebrated in the month of Ashadam. People of the local area worship Pedamma or Pochamma thalli. They awake early in the morning, prepare Bonam – rice is cooked with jaggery and milk in new earthen pot, then decorated with neem leaves and vermillion. The pot is then carried on the head of the woman along with bangles and saree to be offered to Mother Goddess at the temple. The custom is that this Bonam is not distributed to others, only the family members can have it. A goat is offered as oblation. Pothiraju in a special costume beats himself with a hunter. Transgenders are given importance during this festival. It is believed that they forecast future during the process of puja. Some trance women dance with bonam on their head to the rhythmic beats of drums. After completion of puja, they come and have their feast.
- Kudumula thadiya is a local festival celebrated by a particular vyshya sect which falls a day before Vinayaka Chaturthi. Women prepare kudumulu with rice flour, place them in bowls made of moduga leaves, spreads kankanaalu made from 11 row threads consisting of 21 knots. They invite ladies from neighbourhood apply turmeric to their feet, apply vermillion in between the eye-brows, spreads some sandalwood paste at their cheek bones. Then they put the leave bowls in their saree pallu and offer to the invited ladies. They give them rice (akshinthalu), pray to their feet and make them bless with the akshinthalu.
- Vinayaka chaturthi is also celebrated in a very grand way. After the institutional efforts of popularizing clay idols, people are now using clay idols of ganesh. On the day of Puja, people collect 21 types of different plants leaves (pathri) for offering ganesh. 5 types of Prasad are made. Ganesh idol is placed under a vegetable decorated palavelli. Few families cook food without oil on this day. They do not look moon of this day. It is believed that if they see moon on this day they may face wrongly face denunciation (apaninda). Thaalikala paayasam, vadapappu, kudumulu, undraallu, pulihora etc are offered as naivedyam to the deity.
- Bathukamma is the state festival and is celebrated with full pomp and show for nine days starting from amavasya of aashvija maasam to upto navami. Each day bathukamma has different name and different prasadam. Bathukamma is prepared with all types of flowers mainly thangedu and gunugu poolu are used

for making floral bathukamma. It is believed that the deity blesses the woman with prosperity and health. Bathukamma of all houses are placed at a common point and the ladies sing and dance around it for around 4 to 5 hours in the evening session. On the last day, women decorate themselves with new jewellery and wear new clothes. Last day, Bathukammas are compulsorily floated in the river.

- Dusshera is auspicious especially to men. It falls on dasami of aashvija masam. All the vehicles, machinery are cleaned, temples are visited and shami tree leaves are exchanged as gold and blessings are taken from elders. Many special dishes are prepared.
- Sankranthi celebrated in the month of January every year. For 15 days special types of rangoli, designs of lines are drawn in the front yard of the house. Special snack known as chakinaalu is prepared in huge quantities and also distributed in the neighbourhoods. On the bogi, bogi pandlu (small deep fried rice balls) along with jujubi fruits are poured over the head of kids during the process of oil bath. On the day of sankranthi, pongali is cooked with new rice. Few families practice nomulu, a set of 21 of any item is distributed to others. Some distribute sesame laddus specially on this day.

CONCLUSION:

Telangana State festivals are less known to the international community for the past decades but due to the emergence of new state, all telangana festivals are receiving great respect and are being celebrated overseas also. The local survey shows more adherence to traditional methods


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SURVEY ON TELANGANA CULTURE

As part of Student Study Project titled " GLIMPSES OF TELANGANA CULTURE"

(Conducted By Department of History, GDC Chennai)

1. Name of the Participant: *Alsheen Naaz*.

పాల్గొనే వ్యక్తి పేరు :

2. Address: (చిరునామా): *H: NO:-10-107, Line 4th Street,
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3. No. of family members: (మీ ఇంట్లో ఎంత మంది ఉంటారు) - *05*

4. No. of family members in your adjacent house: (మీ పక్క ఇంట్లో ఎంత మంది ఉంటారు) - *06*

5. Name of the Head of the Family: (మీ పక్క ఇంట్లో ఇంటి పెద్ద పేరు) *Mohammed Zakirya*.

6. How do you address that Head of the Family? : (ఆ ఇంటి పెద్ద ను మీరు ఏమని పిలుస్తారు) : *Big Father*.

7. What are the festivals you celebrate? : (మీకు ముఖ్యమైన పండుగలు ఏవి)

Ramzan, Bakrid,

8. What do you do during these festivals? : (ఆ పండుగలప్పుడు మీరు ఏం ఏం చేస్తారో వివరించ గలరు)

We fast for one month in ramzan and on the last day of the month we celebrate the festival by offering prayers to god. we prepare multiple food dishes and share among family members and neighbours. the same we do for bakrid.

9. Did you enjoy this survey? : (మీకు ఈ సర్వే నచ్చిందా)

Yes. I enjoyed by participating this survey by sharing my views.

Signature of the Participant

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R. Narsaiah

6. How do you address that Head of the Family? : (ఆ ఇంటి పెద్ద ను మీరు ఏమని

పిలుస్తారు)

Mama.

7. What are the festivals you celebrate? : (మీకు ముఖ్యమైన పండుగలు ఏవి)

Buddha Pournima, Bonalu, Moharram.

8. What do you do during these festivals? : (ఆ పండుగలప్పుడు మీరు ఏం ఏం

చేస్తారో వివరించ గలరు) we celebrate different types of festivals, mostly we prefer to celebrate 'Buddha - Pournima'. On that day we offer prayers to Lord buddha and we recite Panchasheela and ~~remember~~ remember Dr B.R. Ambedkar specially.

9. Did you enjoy this survey? : (మీకు ఈ సర్వే నచ్చిందా)

yes,

Signature of the Participant

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