

An Appraisal to the Marriage System of the Karbis of Assam

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ABSTRACT Marriage is an indispensable crisis right in all societies of the world. It is understood that the marriage has been the backbone of the human civilization right from ancient period to the contemporary society. Marriage is one of the oldest socially recognized institution, and essential for the satisfaction of sexual urges and procreation of siblings. There is no definition which adequately covers all types of human marriage. Biologically, the institution of marriage arises from the facts of human procreation and the rearing of children, and also from the lengthy period of dependence of the children on their parents and the need for prolonged parental care and training. It is the combination of mating with parenthood which basically constitutes human marriage. A type popular in a society may be treated as incest in another society. Innumerable culture traits are indispensably found adhered to the marriage system. The Karbis of Assam also have a conspicuous system of marriage. In this paper an attempt has been made to discuss the marriage system of the Karbis of Assam.