

**Dadaba Dhugunogiy Surichen ko
Aranjachen ko Gɔlachen**

**ሱሪኛ- እንግሊዝኛ- ኦግሮኛ
መዝገበ ቃላት**

**Suri-Amharic-English/English-Suri
Dictionary**



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Introduction

This Suri-Amharic-English/English-Suri Dictionary contains around 1400 Suri words which are organized in alphabetical order and includes mainly the words describing the lifestyle, traditions etc. of the Suri people. It is hoped that this dictionary will be helpful for many people: those of any age who are learning about the Suri language and culture; for anyone doing translation from or into the Suri language; and for the Suri themselves who may desire to learn Amharic or English.

Any improvements and suggestions would be appreciated.

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The Suri language is spoken by the Suri people in the Southern Nations, Nationalities and Peoples Regional State, in the Surma Wereda of the Bench-Maji Zone. Most of the people are located in the Kibish and Tulge valleys. The number of speakers is approximately 27,000 according to the 2007 census.

Abbreviations

adj – Ajective	n - Noun
adv – Adverb	num – Numeral
conj – Conjunction	pl – Plural
det – Determiner	poss – Possessive pronoun
excl – exclusive	pro – Pronoun
incl – inclusive	sg – Singular
interj – Interjection	v – Verb
Words written in upper case (<i>EUPHORBIAEAE</i>) are Latin names	

SURI-AMHARIC-ENGLISH

A a

a - (v) - ነው - is (to be)

achoy - (n) - የዛፍ ዓይነት -
tree species

age - (pro) - እኛ፤ እኔ(ማከበር) -
we (polite for one person)

ahi - (n) - ዕቃ - thing; stuff

ahuyጋ - (v) - መጥባት - suck
(breast)

ajeyጋ - (v) - መስጠት - give

algay - (n) - አልጋ - bed

ali hale - (adv) - በኋላ - after

alley₁ - (n) - በርጨማ፤ ወምበር
- stool, chair

alley₂ - (n) - ጠረጴዛ - table

alubtay - (n) - ዳስ ቤት -
small house

ambጋ - (v) - መብላት - eat

angiyጋ - (v) - መንከስ - bite

anjoy - (n) - ዘምባባ - doum
palm

anyaneyጋ₁ - (v) - መድከም -
afraid (to be)

anyaneyጋ₂ - (v) - መፈራት -
weak (to be)

anyanyogi - (n) - ፈሪ -
fearful person

anye - (pro) - እኔ - I; me

aranjay - (n) - ፈረንጅ -
foreigner

archumay - (n) - ከመዳብ የሠራ
ይጅሮ ጌጥ - earrings
(copper earrings in top of
female's ears)

ari - (n) - ሳንጋ - steer

arku - (n) - እረፍት፤ እሑድ፤
በዓል፤ ሳምንት - Sunday (a
day without work; has come
to represent week)

artጋ - (v) - መጮኽ - shout;
yell

asanayጋ₁ - (v) - ማመንዘር -
commit adultery

asanayጋ - (v) - ከጓዴኛ ጋር
መወያየት - together with
smb (to be)

ashay - (n) - የልጅ ልጅ -
grandchild; descendant

ashuy - (n) - ቀንዛ - tree
species

aw - (n) - የመጀመሪያ ልጅ፤
የበኩር ልጅ - eldest child

awreni - (adj) - ሙቀት - hot

awsጋ - (v) - ማረፍ - rest

ayu - (n) - ሥጋ - meat

B b

ba - (n) - መሬት - dirt; land

baba - (n) - አባት - father

badhungay - (n) - የዛፍ ዓይነት
- tree species (*with edible
fruit*)

bagay - (n) - ወተት መያዣ
ከእንጨት የተሠራ - milk
container

bahጋጋጋ - (n) - ምንም - zero
(*this word is used in a game
when your balls cannot make
around to your opponent's
side*)

balagaray - (n) - ጠላት -
enemy

balangi - (n) - የእሕል ቆጥ -
storage (*upper grain storage
part of a house*)

balay - (n) - አንጎል - brain

balday - (n) - አዲስ ጨረቃ -
period of time (*when the
moon starts growing until it
becomes full*)

balesi - (n) - የዚልማሙ ሰው -
Baale people (*Tirmag name
for the Kacipo-Balesi people*)

balyay - (n) - የሳር ዓይነት -
cattail plant

banasጋ - (v) - መነሳት፤ ተነስቶ
መቆም - stand

banduy - (*n*) - ተደ - juniper tree

bangadhi - (*n*) - ኩይሳ - termite mound

bangey₁ - (*n*) - ኩሬ - pond; swamp

bangey₂ - (*n*) - ሚንጭ - spring of water

bangka - (*n*) - ገጅራ - machete

bar - (*n*) - ሌሊት - night

bara - (*n*) - የኮሶ ትል - tapeworm

barabaray - (*n*) - በርበሬ - red hot pepper

barari₁ - (*adj*) - ኃይልኛ - powerful (*in a spiritual way*)

barari₂ - (*adj*) - የሚመር - strong taste

barcha - (*n*) - ዳጉሣ - millet

bardhuchinya - (*n*) - ቦላሌ ሱሪ - pants

bare - (*adv*) - ትላንትና - yesterday

bari - (*n*) - ሽማግሌ - old man (*the next step up from rori*)

barwadhoy - (*n*) - የወፍ ዓይነት - nightjar bird species

baso - (*v*) - መዳን - healed (to be); alive; well

bawuray - (*n*) - የእንጨት ድንች - cassava *Manihot esculenta* EUPHORBIACEAE (*arrow root*)

bay - (*adv*) - በታች፤ ከታች - under, around, down

bayay - (*n*) - የዛፍ ዓይነት - acacia tree species (*dark barked acacia with small bean pods*)

bayoy - (*n*) - የስኳር ድንች - yam

baysi₁ - (*adj*) - ጠፈፍያለ - partially dried out

baysi₂ - (*n*) - ጎበዝ ሰው - clever person

baysi₃ - (*n*) - ብልጥ - firm (mud, tila, etc)

bayuwi - (*n*) - ድንች - potatoes

- bele** - (*n*) - መላጣ - bald spot
- bere** - (*adv*) - ዱሮ - long ago
- bε** - (*n*) - ድንጋይ - stone
- bekay** - (*n*) - ጓደኛ - friend
- benay** - (*n*) - ብዕር - pen
- ber** - (*n*) - ጦር - spear
- bergu₁** - (*n*) - ወራት - lunation
- bergu₂** - (*n*) - ወር - month
- bertጋ** - (*v*) - መለቀም፤ መምረጥ - choose; pick out
- bi** - (*n*) - ላም - cow
- binjogi** - (*n*) - የድንጋይ ዓይነት - reddish flint-type rock; laterite (*sharp rock used to cut meat*)
- birgi** - (*n*) - ከእንጨት የተሠራ የከንፈር ጌጥ - wooden lip-plate
- biri** - (*n*) - ብር - birr
- birni** - (*n*) - እሾክ - thorn
- bohe** - (*n*) - ኮብራ እባብ - cobra
- bokoy** - (*n*) - የዛፍ ውሃ - tree sap
- bolisay** - (*n*) - አሸናፊነትን አማሳየት በዛፍ ላይ የሚደረግ ምልክት - victory markings (*on a tree making by a champion stick fighter*)
- bolku** - (*n*) - ጉድጓድ - hole in the ground; pit
- bolli** - (*n*) - ጉሎ - castor bean tree *Ricinus communis* EUPHORNIAEAE
- bollongi** - (*n*) - ጉንጭ - cheek
- bolo** - (*adj*) - ነጠብጠብ ያለበት መልክ ለእንስሳት - spot; spotted
- bolobogotoy** - (*n*) - የዛፍ ዓይነት - tree species *Strychnos innocua* LOGANIACEAE
- bolobongguy** - (*n*) - ጌሾ - tree/plant
- bolokonguy** - (*n*) - ከዝሆን ጥርስ የተሠራ ትልቅ ጥሩንባ - elephant tusk horn

boloy - (n) - የቅርብ ጎረቤቶች ተሰብስበው እሳት አንድደው ምግብ የሚመገቡበት ሥፍራ - fire area (enclosed by wood of rocks where people from different houses can come together to talk and/or eat)

bolu - (n) - የራስ ጀርባ - nape

borkodhi - (n) - የዛፍ ዓይነት - falcon's claw acacia tree *Acacia polyacantha* FABACEAE (small with thorns)

bortoy - (n) - የሾላ ፍሬ - fruit of shamushi (after it is ripe)

boyt₁ - (v) - መጮህ - bark

boyt₂ - (v) - መንሸራሸር - go for a walk

bonggoray - (n) - አደንጓሬ - beans

borwto - (v) - መዘለል - jump

borwto - (n) - ከትናንት ወዲያ - day before yesterday

boyto - (v) - መንቀል - pull out; pull off

bu - (adj) - ትልቅ - large; big

budhto - (v) - ወደ ኋላ ለማየት - look back

buga - (n) - ጅብ - hyena

buluku - (n) - ብርድ ልብስ - blanket

bunay - (n) - ቡና - coffee

bunjalay - (n) - ሙጂሌ - sand flea

bur - (n) - አመድ - ash

burakandi - (n) - የዛፍ ዓይነት - tree species (used for cleaning teeth)

burcho - (n) - በደንብ ያልተሠራ ሙቅ ገንፎ - porridge (that has chunks in it)

busi - (n) - የእግር መገጣጠሚያ - joint just below the knee

busiyo - (v) - መመንጠር - cut

busoy - (n) - ቡዳ (ለሴቶች) - curse (curse used only by females)

buti - (n) - ፍራ ድንጋይ - rock flour from soft rocks

butogi - (n) - ውሽታም - liar

butomo - (n) - ውሸት - false;
lie

buy - (adj) - ሽልምልሜ - white
legs and black body

Bh bh

bhadhto - (v) - ብልጭታ

(ለመብረቅ) - strike

(for lightning)

bhaktō - (v) - መኖር - live;

dwel

bhalal - (n) - ትኩሳት፤ ወባ -

fever

bhalayay - (adj) - ቡራቡራ

ለከብድ - spots on back
only (small sizes)

bhallay - (n) - ፍሬው የሚበላ

የሐረግ ዓይነት - vine species

Tylosema fassoglensis

FABACEAE (with edible
seeds found in pods)

bhallogi - (n) - ቅጠል - leaf

bhanydo - (v) - መማጸን -

plead (hand motions are
involved)

bharineycō - (v) - መገናኘት

መተላለፍ - meet in passing

bharoy - (n) - ልጥ - bark for

tying (could also be specific
type of bush).

bharriyto - (v) - መንቀጥቀጥ -

shiver

bhaseni₁ - (adv) - ቀላል - easy

bhaseni₂ - (adj) - ርካሽ -

cheap

bhayaktō - (v) - መብላት - eat

bhe - (n) - ቦታ - place;

portion

bhelley - (n) - ከሌሊቱ 10

ሰዓት ገደማ - around 4 am.

bhey - (n) - መጥረቢያ፤ ፋስ -

axe

- bhekto** - (v) - መጠበቅ - guard;
watch
- bhelanayጋ₁** - (v) - መፍጠር -
create
- bhelanayጋ₂** - (v) - መብዛት -
reproduce
- bheldጋ** - (v) - መሠንጠቅ - cut
open; split
- bheneni** - (n) - ዘመድ -
relative
- bhibhi** - (adj) - የተለያየ -
different
- bhichang** - (adj) - ልዩ -
different
- bhiikto** - (v) - መስበር - break
(using for non-fragile thing)
- bhilday** - (n) - ቃጭል - bell
(high sounding)
- bhiley** - (adj) - ቢጫ - yellow
- bhinbhinoy** - (n) - የሚፈለቅ
የምንጭ ውሃ - spring (place
where the water comes up
from the ground)
- bhire** - (n) - በትር - stick
- bhiy** - (n) - የሐረግ ዓይነት -
vine species *Abrus*
precatorius subsp. africanus
FABACEAE (red and black
berries)
- bhogoni** - (n) - ዋርካ - fig
tree species *Ficus vasta*
MORACEAE (which gives
something like chicle from its
milk)
- bhogum** - (n) - ቡቅል -
sprouting sorghum grain
- bhokon** - (n) - ግማሽ - half;
some
- bhokonnጋ** - (n) - ሌላ ቦታ -
another place
- bholisi** - (n) - ፖሊስ - police
- bholisoy** - (n) - የዛፍ ዓይነት -
tree species *Croton*
zambesicus
EUPHORBACEAE (used by
traditional healer to take bad
spirits)
- bhololdጋ** - (v) - መጮኽ፤
ሁካታ - talk loudly (like
when people are drunk)
- bholongguy** - (n) - ቆረቆንዳ -
corn cob

bholoytoy - (n) - ሽጉጥ -
pistol

bhonosጋ - (v) - መውጣት -
leave

bhorsonoy - (n) - አህያ -
donkey

bhoy₁ - (adj) - በሙሉ - all

bhoy₂ - (adv) - በሙሉ - every

bhoyogi - (n) - ደሐ - orphan
(poor; having no father,
mother, siblings, corn,
nothing)

bhጋ - (adv) - ውጭ - out;
outside

bhጋanayጋ - (v) - ማውጣት -
pick out

bhጋcha - (n) - ከሲታ
(ለእንስሳትና ሰው አንዳንድ ጊዜ)
- thin (used for animals
usually)

bhጋdhtጋ - (v) - መገልበጥ -
turn over

bhጋge - (n) - የተቋተ ውሃ፤
የተጠራቀመ ውሃ - waterpool

bhጋkጋli₁ - (n) - የመኒት ሰው -
Me'en person

bhጋkጋli₂ - (adj) - ዝንጉርጉር -
spots in between stripes
(small sizes)

bhጋktጋ - (v) - መቆፈር - dig

bhጋllጋyጋ - (v) - መፈለፈል -
shell (beans, etc.)

bhጋngi - (n) - የወፍ ዓይነት -
egret type of bird

bhጋጋ - (adj) - ሰፊ - wide

bhጋray - (n) - የዛፍ ዓይነት -
tree species (fruit has oil
that can be used for cooking)

bhጋrጋge - (n) - ቀስተደመና -
rainbow

bhጋguy - (n) - ጀርባ - upper
back

bhጋhugi - (n) - ቡዳ - curse
(with eyes only)

bhጋkoy - (n) - አባሎ -
Brown's myrobalan tree
Terminalia brownii
COMBRETACEAE

bhጋngay - (n) - ጌጥ የተደረገለት
በሬ (ባለን ብረቱ ስለሚወደው)
- person's special bull

bhጋuran - (n) - ሠፋ ያለ የከብቶች
በረት - cattle camp (large)

bhuray - (n) - ቆለጥ - testicles

bhurbhur - (n) - መስኮት -
window

bhurray - (n) - ዕንቁላል - egg

bhurray bhatoyne belesho
- (n) - የእንቁላል አስኳል -
yolk

bhurrey - (n) - ጭስ - smoke

bhurruchoy - (n) - የዛፍ ዓይነት
- India plum tree
Flacourtia indica
FLACOURTIACEAE (with
small edible fruit)

bhuseni - (adj) - ዝንጉርጉር -
black spots on white
background

bhuso - (v) - መረገም - cursed
(to be)

bhusukoy - (n) - ትልቅ ነጭ
እንጉዳይ - mushroom
species (*big white edible*)

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chabbala - (n) - ትከሻ -
shoulder blade

chabbalday - (n) - የሸክላ ጌጥ
(ለጆሮ) - clay lip plug

chabbali - (adj) - ጠፍጣፋ -
flat

chagi - (adj) - አረንጓዴ -
green; unripe; new

chahi₁ - (n) - rubber; plastic

chahi₂ - (n) - ጫማ - shoe

chaholi - (adj) - ሰማያዊ - blue
color

chalagutumay - (n) - የዛፍ
ዓይነት - tree species *Senne*
petersiana *FABACEAE* (*like*
the tamarind tree has black
fruit)

chalay - (n) - ጨሌ - bead
challi - (adj) - ጥሩ - good
chaloy - (n) - የዛፍ ዓይነት -
 tree species (*large lowland tree that has red fruit*)
chalu - (n) - ሙቅ - porridge
 (*that is dissolved in water*)
chamamagi - (v) - አይጣፍጥም
 - tastes bad (*not as good as it should taste*)
chamani - (n) - ተኳሽ፤ አላሚ፤ አዳኝ - good hunter
chamochi - (n) - ሾላ -
 sycamore fig tree *Ficus sycomorus* MORACEAE
 (*that's fruits can be eaten when they are still green*)
chamun₁ - (n) - ጊም - beard
chamun₂ - (n) - አገጭ - chin
changgalay - (n) - የጎመን ዓይነት - greens
char - (n) - ኑብር - leopard
chargaley - (n) - አቦሽማኔ - leopard like
chargi - (adj) - እርጥብ - wet

chargalony - (n) - የደጋ ቆቅ - red-necked spur fowl
charki - (n) - ጨርቅ - cloth
chasጋ - (v) - መጥገብ - full (to be); satisfied (to be)
chawuy - (n) - የጎመን ዓይነት - shrub species *Solanum nigrum* SOLANACEAE (*edible leaves*)
chawzey - (n) - የዛፍ ዓይነት - tree species
chay - (n) - የሱርማ ብሄር ዘር - Chay (*Suri clan that lives mainly east of the Kibbish river*)
chayto₁ - (v) - መለወጥ - exchange
chayto₂ - (v) - መበቀል - avenge
cheriyጋ - (v) - ማሻገራት - draw designs (*using straight lines*)
chereteni - (n) - ጃርት - porcupine

chergechani - (n) - ወይባ -
 velvet leaf combretum
 tree *Combretum molle*
COMBRETACEAE

chidhineyጋ - (v) - መውረድ፤
 ማሽቆልቆል - go downhill

chigtጋ - (v) - መሳቅ - laugh

childጋ - (v) - መቆም - stop;
 stand

chinggilikita - (n) - አለብላቢት
 - nettle species *Tragia abortiva*
EUPHORBIACEAE

chinyi₁ - (adj) - ትንሽ - small

chinyi₂ - (adj) - ወጣት - young

chirartጋ - (v) - ማድመጥ -
 listen

chirbhisiyጋ₁ - (v) - መመኘት -
 covet

chirbhisiyጋ₂ - (v) - ማረ -
 merciful (to be)

chita - (n) - የጎመን ዓይነት -
 edible cultivated green

chiyigtጋ - (v) - መሸልቀቅ
 (ለበቆሎ እሽት) - husk; skin

chochi - (n) - መውቀሪያ ድንጋይ
 - geode type rocks

chodhigay - (n) - ቋንጣ ሥጋ -
 dried meat

chol - (n) - ለጨዋታ ዒላማ
 ለማነጣጠር የተዛጋጅ ሹል
 እንጨት - spear (little spear
 for use with rolling ring
 game)

chonggi - (n) - ክራር - finger
 piano

chori - (n) - የወፍ ዓይነት -
 bird species

chorigani - (n) - እኩል ጨረቃ
 - full moon (comes up
 within one hour after dark)

chormote - (n) - የጎመን ዓይነት
 - greens species

choy - (adj) - ጣፋጭ - good
 tasting

chጋbhጋጋ - (v) - መሳም - kiss

chጋdhay - (n) - ፍሬው የሚበላ
 የሐረግ ዓይነት - vine species
Corchorous oliterius
TILIACEAE (edible plant)

chəgəne₁ - (n) - አባቱ - his father

chəgəne₂ - (n) - አባቷ - her father

chəgənu - (n) - አባትህ፤ አባትሽ - your father

chəktə - (v) - ግብረ ሥጋ መፈጸም - sexual intercourse (to have)

chəllaneyə₁ - (v) - ማስቸገር - wrong someone

chəllaneyə₂ - (v) - በጠበጠ - trouble or be troubled

chəlwə - (v) - መቆጩት - disappointed

chəmbə - (v) - ማመግ - eat together with another food

chərgəni - (n) - የዛፍ ዓይነት - tree species

chərgəni - (n) - የአፍንጫ ኮሽኳሽ - cartilage in the bridge of the nose

chərwə - (v) - መሸናት - urinate

chərra - (n) - ሽንት - urine

chərti - (n) - ጸጉር - hair

chərtə - (v) - መርገም - curse

chəwa - (n) - አሰማ - bushpig

chəyay - (n) - ጅግራ - guinea fowl

chudhtə - (v) - ሟሟ ለፈሳሽ ነገር - dissolve

chuguldə - (v) - መዘፈን - sing

chumaray - (n) - ቡዳ፤ ሰላቢ - witch (may mean wizard that can do curse)

chunoy - (n) - ጎመን - generic word for edible greens

churtə - (v) - ማጠብ (ለራስ ወይም ሌላ) - wash clothes etc.

churuyə₁ - (v) - ማጥበቅ - tighten

churuyə₂ - (v) - መጨቆን - oppress

chuwan - (n) - ብርድ - cold

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dadab₁ - (n) - ወረቀት - paper

dadab₂ - (n) - ዳብዳቤ - letter

dakumoy - (n) - የጉንጭ አጥንት
- cheekbone

dalle - (n) - ሞኝ - fool;
stupid

dalne - (adj) - ሞኝ - foolish

dambi - (n) - ባህል - custom;
ritual behavior

dambə - (v) - ማድባት - stalk

dambu - (n) - ትምባሆ -
tobacco

dana - (n) - ቀጭን ገንፎ -
watery or slimy

dandil - (n) - የዛፍ ዓይነት፤
እንደጎመን የሚያገለግል - tree
species *Boscia salicifolia*
CAPPARIDACEAE (with
edible leaves)

dar - (n) - ረባዳ ቦታ - flat
area of land (underneath a
mountain)

darchoy - (n) - ከቆዳ የተሠራ
የእግር መከላከያ - leather
shin guard

darchəngəl - (n) - ዋሽንት
የሚሰራበት ዛፍ ፍሬ - fruit
(that is used to make a flute)

darginy - (n) - የደጋ አሣማ -
forest hog

dari - (adv) - በድብቅ መሄድ -
sneakily

darmay - (n) - ሬት - aloe
vera plant *Aloe pirotte* and
aloe macrosarpa LILIACEAE
(yellow and red flower)

dehuny - (n) - ጓደኛ - friend

deni - (n) - ጠንቋይ - fortune
teller

deeso - (v) - መደንገጥ -
surprised (to be)

deldelda - (n) - በሲብጎ ወይም
በጠፍር የተሰካ ጨሌ ጌጥ -
string of many beads
(long one that are given to a
boy by his girlfriend)

dɛmneyɔ - (v) - ትዕቢተኛ መሆን
- stubborn (to be)

dɛmni₁ - (n) - ነገረኛ ሰው -
stubborn

dɛmni₂ - (n) - ተንኮለኛ - hard
person

derre - (n) - ከጨሌ የተሠራ
መቀነት - girls beaded belt

dib - (adj) - ቀጥ - straight

digir - (n) - ሸክላ - clay (used
in making lip plates and ear
plugs. It comes from a certain
kind of termite mound)

digirey - (n) - የሳር ዓይነት -
grass species

digiri - (n) - የቀለም ዓይነት -
dirt (that is used to put on a
person's body for spiritual
reasons)

dindalata - (n) - የጠመንጃ
ዓይነት፤ ጅምሲሪ - FN rifle

dinggoy - (n) - የዛፍ ዓይነት -
plant species (the skin of
the fruit will make you itch,
but inside is a soft material
used for making lip plates)

dir₁ - (n) - በከብቶች በረት
የጎረምሶች መኝታ ቦታ -
sleeping place (for boys at
a cattle camp; married
women can't go there)

dir₂ - (adv) - ብዙ ጊዜ - long
time

dirmay - (n) - ጸናፍል ከእንጨት
ፍሬ የሚሠራ የዛፍ ዓይነት -
musical instrument (made
from the fruit of a 'dirmay'
tree with sand or rocks
inside)

dirtɔ - (v) - መጥረግ - sweep

diy - (n) - ጭቅጭቅ ያለው
ሰብሰባ - difficult meeting

dob₁ - (n) - ጥቅጥቅ ያለ ሳር -
dense grass

dob₂ - (n) - ዱር - forest area

dokollu - (n) - አፈሰፊ ቅል -
gourd (with the top cut off)

dokto₁ - (v) - መርገጥ - stomp

dokto₂ - (v) - መሞቀር -
attempt

dole - (n) - ማስሮ - cooking
pot (small species)

dolote - (n) - ኤሊ - turtle

- dongdongi₁** - (*adj*) - ወፍራም - fat (*to describe animals*)
- dongdongi₂** - (*n*) - የአረም ዓይነት - weed species
- dori** - (*n*) - ቤት - house
- dori jagare** - (*n*) - ግድግዳ - wall
- dori tutug** - (*n*) - መግቢያ - entrance
- dormi** - (*n*) - ቁላ - penis
- dowun** - (*n*) - የሜዳ አህያ - zebra
- dɔkay** - (*n*) - የዛፍ ዓይነት - tree species *Harrisonia abyssinica* SIMARAUBCEAE (*with thorn used as medicine for malaria*)
- dɔlme** - (*n*) - እንቁራሪት - frog
- dɔlmey** - (*n*) - የጡንቻ መቆጣት - inside thigh
- dɔlmɔchi** - (*adj*) - ዝግታ - slow
- dɔra** - (*n*) - ቀበሮ - fox or hunting dog (*with black tail and gray body*)
- dɔrdɔri** - (*adj*) - ወፍራም - big (*animate objects*)
- duguy** - (*n*) - ዘር - seed
- duhu** - (*n*) - ለቅሶ - funeral
- duktɔ** - (*v*) - መትከል - plant
- dukuwa** - (*n*) - ጥንጥላ - umbrella
- dumay₁** - (*n*) - ጉትቻ - silver earrings
- dumay₂** - (*n*) - ከሸፈ - bullet that misfires
- dumbɔ** - (*v*) - ቁስልን መንካት - hurt a sore
- dun₁** - (*n*) - ከገበጣ ጨዋታ ጋር የተያያዘ ነው - something very small (*word is used in a game*)
- dun₂** - (*n*) - ትንሽ ነገር፥ ጅረት - ravine (*a small one, where there is always water*)
- dungga** - (*n*) - ደንቆር፤ የማይሰማ - deaf person
- dunggi** - (*n*) - ቁምቡሩስ - grub worms

dunu - (*n*) - ዲፋርሳ -
water-buck
duriyጋ - (*v*) - ዘፈን መዝፈን -
shuffle dance
durrum - (*n*) - የሸክላ ዓይነት፤
ቦሮቦር - white type of clay
durrumey - (*n*) - ጉቶ - stump

dus - (*n*) - ቦረሐ - brushland
dusendጋ - (*v*) - ማኩረፍ -
pout; mad (to be)
duu - (*n*) - ነቀዝ - weevil;
wood borer
duy - (*n*) - ሳር ያለበት መንገድ -
overgrown path

Dh dh

dhaa - (*conj*) - የመገረም ለሜትን
መማለጫ - expresses
surprise
dhachi - (*n*) - ጠጅ - beer
(from other places than Suri)
dhaktጋ - (*v*) - መምታት - hit
dhandhali₁ - (*adj*) - የጠንከረ
ደረቅ - hard; difficult
dhandhali₂ - (*adj*) - ውድ -
expensive
dhebe - (*n*) - ሸክላ በጆሮና
በከንፈር ላይ የሚንጠለጠል፤
ሸክላ ዓይነት - clay plug in
the ear lobes or lip-plate
dheno - (*n*) - መግል - puss

dhere - (*n*) - እውነት፤ ትክክል -
truth
dhergisጋ - (*v*) - ማላብ - sweat
dheyጋ - (*adv*) - ከ--ጋር፤
አብራችሁ - beside
dheytጋ - (*v*) - መጨረስ - finish
dhechiyጋ - (*v*) - ማስነጠስ -
sneeze
dhedhesiyay - (*n*) - የዛፍ
ዓይነት - tree species
dhedheyጋ - (*v*) - መውቀር -
knock; tap with a rock or
banjka

dhemsa - (n) - የጉልቻ መደገፊያ
ድንጋይ - rock (small rock
used to help support a pot in
a fire pit if the main rock isn't
big enough)

dhendo - (v) - ይሆድ መነፋት -
bloating (to be)

dheri - (n) - ላብ - sweat

dhidhingi - (adv) - ከባድ -
heavy

dhigando - (v) - መሸኘት -
accompany

dhik - (adj) - ሙሉ - full

dhinyesendo - (v) - ይረሳል -
forget

dhiy - (n) - ቆሽት - pancreas

dhiyto - (v) - መሙላት - fill;
cause to be full

dhokkoli - (n) - ጉሜሮ -
shrub species *Capparis*
tomentosa
CAPPARIDACEAE

dhokol - (n) - caracal; serval
cat

dhokoy - (n) - ቅልጥም -
marrow

dholdoy - (n) - ፊንጢጣ -
anus

dholdu - (n) - ጋያ - pipe

dhorrong - (n) - የቆላ አጋዘን -
topi

dholdo - (v) - ማሳየት - point
to, show

dholmay - (n) - በዶንጋ ጨዋታ
ጊዜ እጅ ላይ የሚደረግ
መከላከያ - handshield

dhoma - (n) - ስድብ - curse
word; insult

dhombao - (v) - መሳደብ -
insult

dhone - (num) - አንድ - one

dhonggo - (v) - ከባድ ነገር
ማንሳት - raise; pick up
something heavy

dhor - (n) - ጭቃ - mud

dhoroጎጎsi - (adj) - ደረቅ - dry

dhoroጎጎጎ - (v) - መድረቅ -
dry

dhoto - (v) - መቅረት - absent
(to be)

dhəyə - (*n*) - ሻኛ - cow's hump

dhudhubangguray - (*n*) - ሹላ - cape fig tree *Ficus sur*
MORACEAE

dhugey - (*n*) - የሞተ ጥጃ ቆዳን አሰመስሎ ማሰራት - calf decoy

dhugumbə - (*v*) - ማጎንበስ - bend

dhul - (*adv*) - ፍጹም - completely; absolutely

dhum - (*n*) - ጉብታ፤ ዳገት - hill

dhumanay - (*v*) - መያዝ - get

dhumbə - (*v*) - ማንሳት - gather (wood)

dhumbuli - (*adj*) - ደነዝ - dull

dhumgolu - (*n*) - ድምቢጥ - fire finch bird

dhundhuri - (*adj*) - ወፍራም (ለመጠጥ ለሚውል ነገር) - thick (soup, geso, etc)

dhunggə - (*v*) - ማንቀላፋት - nod off to sleep

dhusiyə - (*v*) - መድማት ነስር - ooze blood

E e

e - (*interj*) - አዎን - yes; OK; that's right

e so - (*adv*) - በእውነት፤ በትክክል - really

ebbelechi - (*n*) - የዛፍ ዓይነት - tree species *Gnidia involucrata* A. Rich.
THYMELACEAE

egisi - (*adj*) - በሰለ - ripe

egiso - (*v*) - መብስል - ripe (to be)

ektə - (*v*) - መላክ (ለሰው) - send someone

elesə - (*v*) - ማስጣት - lay out; spread out

eliyጋ - (v) - መጥራት - call
emoy - (n) - የሳር ዓይነት -
 grass species (*by river tall
 with smaller tops and wider
 blades*)
eresጋ - (v) - መሻገር - cross
eri - (n) - ልጅ - child

eriy - (n) - ቆዳ - skin
erri - (n) - የዛፍ ዓይነት -
 white-barked acacia tree
Acacia asak FABACEAE
ewo - (n) - ዕዳ - debt
eytጋ₁ - (v) - መተኮስ - shoot
eytጋ₂ - (v) - መንደፍ - sting

፪ ፫

፪ - (n) - መልክ - appearance
(beauty)
፪anayጋ - (v) - መርዳት - help
፪bektጋ - (v) - ማንፋስ - blow
፪denyጋ - (v) - ማስረገዝ -
 make someone pregnant
፪deyጋ₁ - (v) - ማጥፋት -
 accident (have); wrong
 (to do something)
፪deyጋ₂ - (v) - become spoiled
፪dhemisiyጋ - (v) - ማስተማር -
 teach

፪dhemiyጋ - (v) - መማር -
 learn
፪gelbeyo - (n) - ጭሪ - bird
 species (*small bird that
 follows the cows*)
፪gerchogi₁ - (n) - የዛፍ ዓይነት -
 wild custard apple tree
Annona senegalensis
 ANNONACEAE
፪gerchogi₂ - (n) - ትጓንጎ -
 bedbug (*that stinks if you
 squish it*)
፪ጮ - (v) - መገለጥ - expose,
 reveal

eheyto - (*v*) - ማንጠፍ -
prepare sleeping place

ekenyando₁ - (*v*) - መጣላት -
argue

ekenyando₂ - (*v*) - መቆጣት -
angry (to be)

ekenyanyogi - (*n*) - ነገረኛ ቁጡ -
– fighter (with words);
arguer

ela - (*n*) - ምንጭ - spring

enenengi - (*det*) - ምን ዓይነት -
which one

eneng - (*adv*) - እንዴት - how

engereso - (*v*) - መፈራት -
fear; afraid (to be)

ercha - (*n*) - የቤት መደብ -
mud platform in house
(which used for sleeping)

ereyto - (*v*) - መቅደድ - tear;
rip

erto - (*v*) - መጨመር - add
(dirt, water, etc)

esedhto - (*v*) - ማሰብ - think
about

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ga - (*interj*) - ቆይ - wait!

gadhi - (*n*) - ተራራን ከፋፍሎ
በመገደብ የሚታረስ እርሻ -
stone terrace

gadhiyo - (*v*) - መክፈል - pay

gadhumoy - (*n*) - ማንጋጭላ -
jawbone area; side of the
face

gaga - (*adj*) - ገደል - steep
downhill

gaganyu - (*poss*) - የኔ - mine

gagayo - (*poss*) - የኛ
(ለአንዳንድ ሰው) - our (*excl*)

gagenye - (*poss*) - የሱ፤ የሷ -
his/hers

gagga - (*poss*) - የኛ (ለሁሉ
ሰው) - our (*incl*)

gagge - (*poss*) - የነርሱ - their

gaggu - (*poss*) - የናጉተ - your
(*pl*)

gagigi - (*poss*) - የማገ - whose

gagunyu - (*poss*) - ያገተ፤ ያገቺ
- your

gaha - (*n*) - ጎጆ ቤት - shelter
(*small house found in cattle
camp*)

galenən - (*n*) - ዋርሳ - wife's
brother-in-law

galgali - (*n*) - ትልቅ ጆሮ ያለው
(እንስሳ ወይም ሰው) - animal
or person with large ears

galisey - (*n*) - ግመል - camel

gambə - (*v*) - ማግባት - marry

gamuy - (*n*) - ሰኔ - twelfth
month in the Surma
calendar

ganggu - (*n*) - መንገድ - road

ganyjoy - (*n*) - የሾላ ፈሬ
(*immature green fruit of one
of the fig trees*)

gara - (*n*) - ጨጓራ - stomach;
tripe

garasə - (*v*) - መጥፋት -
disappear

garchu - (*n*) - ባርኔጣ - cap;
hat

garsan - (*n*) - የጨው ጣም
ያለው አፈር - salt lick

gaw - (*n*) - ገበያ - market

gawl - (*n*) - ትከሻ - shoulder

gawtey - (*n*) - ገበቴ (ከእንጨት
ተጠርቦ የሚሠራ) -
traditional wooden gold
pan

gayə - (*v*) - ማወቅ - know

gaysa - (*n*) - ገሶ - hoe

gaysey - (*n*) - የዛፍ ዓይነት -
tree species

gedhe - (*n*) - ፈንጣጣ -
smallpox

gelegan - (*n*) - የቤት ታዛ -
house normal Surma
house (*that has open
perimeter area for people,
goats, etc.*)

geso - (*n*) - ቦርዴ - fermented
sorghum drink

geba - (*n*) - ጻሮ - yard area
(*outside of the 'rata'*)

gedegede - (n) - በውል ተለይቶ የማይተወቅ ጫጫታ -
jibberish

gelegenay - (n) - የሌሊት ወፍ -
bat

ger - (n) - ፌቆ - oribi

gereng - (adj) - መጥፎ -
terrible; bad

gersi - (adj) - መጥፎ - bad

gesay - (n) - ዳገት - incline;
hill

gidangi₁ - (adj) - ቡናማ ቀለም -
brownish colour dirty

gidangi₂ - (adj) - ቆሻሻ - dirty

gigey - (n) - አጥንት ጉማ -
bone blood debt

gik - (adv) - ጠበቅ - solidly,
tightly

giligili - (n) - ሳጥን - box

gimay - (n) - ጠጅ፤ ብርዝ -
honey mead (*fermented and non-fermented*)

gina - (n) - የባለባት ጦር -
spear of the komoru

gindi - (n) - ለስላሳ ለማሠሪያ የሚውል ወፍራም ሐረግ -
vine

gingini - (n) - ለብ -
lukewarm

girari - (n) - ወይራ - African
wild olive *Olea europaea*
subspecies cuspidata
OLEACEAE

girartoy - (n) - የዛፍ ዓይነት -
tree species

girgiri - (n) - የዛፍ ዓይነት -
tree species

girngay - (n) - ንፍጥ -
mucous

girong - (n) - አፍንጫ - nose

girwani - (n) - ስልባቦት -
cream

gisə - (v) - መጋጥ - eat

giway - (n) - የዱላ ጫፍ -
point at the top of a
fighting stick

giyong - (det) - የትኛው -
which; which ones (*pl*)

go - (n) - እሳት - fire

- go kabari** - (n) - የጣወት እሳት
– large fire area (for
people/cows to rest, not for
cooking)
- gochong** - (n) - ወንድም፤
የአጎት ልጅ (ወንድ) - brother
(father's male children)
- gochu** - (n) - ጋሻ - shield
- godhoy** - (n) - የወፍ ዓይነት -
bird species
- gogoteni** - (n) - ኩላሊት -
kidney
- goldoshi** - (n) - የዛፍ ዓይነት -
tree species
- golu** - (n) - የድንጋይ ወፍጮ -
bottom grinding stone;
mortar
- gondoy** - (n) - የዛፍ ዓይነት -
tree species *Terminalia*
schimperiana
COMBRETACEAE
- gonggul** - (n) - ጅልሳ - boat
- goona** - (n) - ወንድሜ - my
brother
- goonu** - (n) - ወንድምህ፤
ወንድምሽ - your brother
- gori₁** - (n) - የሽምብቆ አንጓ -
stalk (corn, grass, etc)
- gori₂** - (n) - የጃርት እሾህ -
porcupine quill
- goroki** - (n) - የጎረጊጥ ዛፍ -
Black plum *Vitex doniana*
VERBENACEAE
- goso** - (n) - ስንዴ፤ ገብስ -
wheat
- gotiri** - (adj) - ጠንከር ያለ
ወፍራም - thick (for objects)
- golay** - (n) - አማራ - Amhara
people
- gale** - (n) - እንሽላሊት - lizard
- galonyi** - (adj) - ቀይ - red
- gam₁** - (n) - ድንጋያማ ተራራ -
stone terrace
- gam₂** - (n) - ግምባር - brow
- gamay** - (n) - አምባር - copper
bracelet
- gonggay** - (n) - ሰነፍ - lazy
person
- gongggolay** - (n) - የጅብ ጥላ -
mushroom species (small
inedible)

gənydɔ - (v) - ማየት፤ መመልከት - look

gəray - (n) - ቦቆሎ - maize

gərw₁ - (n) - መንገድ - path

gərw₂ - (n) - መንገድ - road

gəyɛ - (n) - ወንድሙ፤ ወንድሟ - his brother

gəyɔ - (v) - መዋጥ - swallow

gəyɔy - (n) - መድሃኒት - medicine

gu - (n) - እርሻ - garden

gubɔ - (v) - ማግሣት - burp (a smelly, sick one)

guchurɔ - (n) - አውራ - predator; scavenger

guldu - (n) - እምብርት - navel

gulsa - (n) - ኃላፊ - leader, authority figure, chief

gulugulu - (n) - የበግ ጨንፈ የሚንጠለጠለበት እንጨት ነፍስ ጋዳይ ይቅርታ መጠየቁን የሚያሳይ ነው - part of an intestine (which is hung by a murderer after killing someone to ask for forgiveness)

gumunyoy - (n) - የዛፍ ዓይነት - tree species

gundi - (n) - ሚዳቋ - duiker

guney - (n) - ሙከት (ለፍየል) - goat steer

gurdhangey - (n) - ገበሎ - lizard (*large, whose head bounces*)

guru - (adj) - ባዶ ቦታ፤ ባዶ ቤት - deserted (*for a house or area*)

gusi - (n) - ቅል - gourd (*used for pipes and containers*)

gususi - (n) - ጉንዳን - ant species (*black army ant*)

gutuma - (n) - የእህል ዱቄት - grain flour

guy - (n) - የጦጣ ዓይነት - monkey species

guyɔ - (n) - ዝናብ - rain

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gharatey - (n) - ጦጣ - vervet

ghendetጋ - (v) - መሥራት -
make; fix

gheney - (n) - ከቆዳ የተሠራ
ቀበቶ - leather thong/strap

gheru - (n) - በር፤ መዝጊያ -
door cover

gheretጋ - (v) - መኘክ - chew
(like baboons)

ghilghili - (adj) - ልሙጥ -
smooth

ghima - (n) - ጫት - ch'at
(leaves of a tree which are
used as a drug)

ghimamu - (n) - ቅመም -
spices

ghindoጋ - (v) - መጠየቅ - ask

ghinyani - (n) - የዛፍ ዓይነት -
tree species *Ficus glumosa*
MORACEAE (with edible red
berries)

ghirghiri - (adv) -

የሚያንሸራትት - slippery

ghoytጋ - (v) - መማስ - scoop

ghጋጋጋ - (n) - ወሽመጥ (የወንዝ)
- land going across the
river

ghጋጋጋ - (v) - መዳሀ - crawl

ghuley - (n) - የዛፍ ዓይነት -
tree species *Ziziphus*
RHAMNACEAE (thorn tree
with brown fruit but people
do not eat it)

ghulsi - (n) - ቁልፍ - key;
padlock (things like
screwdrivers which open or
operate other item)

ghunchi - (n) - የከብት በሽታ -
cattle disease

ghurghuri - (adj) - የሠለጠነ፤
ባለሙያ - skilled

ghurutጋ₁ - (v) - መሳብ - pull

ghurutጋ₂ - (v) - መጎተት - lead

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haldɔ - (v) - መጥረብ - carve
out by machete

hale - (adj) - ቀስ በል - slow

hale hale - (adv) - ቀስ ማለት -
slowly

hallagi - (n) - ጣት - finger

hamogi - (n) - የዛፍ ዓይነት -
shrub species *Hoslundia*
opposita LAMIACEAE

harra - (n) - አውራ መንገድ -
road (large)

harroy - (n) - ሰም - dry
honeycomb

hartey₁ - (n) - ፈረስ - horse

hartey₂ - (n) - በቅሎ - mule

hartɔ - (v) - ማስታወክ - vomit

haya - (n) - የመኝታ ቁርበት -
cow skin

hayena - (num) - አምስት -
five

hayu - (n) - ማማ - platform
(built in gardens where
people guard their crops)

heo - (n) - ዓይነት - kind of;
type

hergechani - (n) - የዛፍ ዓይነት
- tree species

hetɔ - (v) - መምሰል -
resemble; look like (used
only with pl)

hinde - (conj) - ከ- - if

hindɔ₁ - (v) - መፈለግ - want

hindɔ₂ - (v) - መውደድ - like

hira resa - (n) - የሞተ ሰው፤
እሬሳ - dead person

hiri₁ - (n) - ወንድ - man

hiri₂ - (n) - ሰው - person

hiri₃ - (n) - ባል - husband

hirkon - (num) - ሃያ - twenty

hiyonghiyong - (n) -
ጭምጭምታ - chatter,
rumor

hiytɔ - (v) - መጥረግ - scoop
and throw away

hogir - (n) - ሳላ - oryx

hohu - (n) - ሳምባ - lungs

holdoy - (n) - የትምባሆ

ማስቀመጫ - tobacco
container

holiy - (n) - ኒያላ - roan

holo - (n) - ባሕላዊ ጨዋታ -
cultural form of singing
and dancing

hologun - (n) - ቀዳዳ - hole

honduy - (n) - ሳሪሳራ -
temple on forehead

hor - (n) - ገበጣ - game

horroy - (n) - መንጋጭላ - jaw
area of the face

hoy - (n) - ከረከሮ - warthog

hoayne - (n) - ልጅ (ለእንስሳ) -
offspring (*animals*)

hozo - (n) - ረሃብ - hunger

hōli - (adj) - ነጭ - white
clean

hōlihōli - (adj) - ቀላል - light

hōlōng₁ - (adj) - ባዶ - empty

hōlōng₂ - (adj) - እርቃን -
naked

hōlōngōsay₁ - (n) - የዛፍ ዓይነት

- tree species

Clerodendrum myrocoides
VERBENACEAE

hōlōngōsay₂ - (n) - የጎሽ ዝንብ

- tsetse fly

hōngay - (n) - ትንፋሽ -

breath

hōnggō - (v) - መተንፈስ -

breathe

hōri - (adj) - ጥልቀት - deep

hōrōyo - (v) - መምዘዝ - slip
something out

hudhugtō - (v) - መውለድ -
give birth (*humans*)

hugtō - (v) - ማፀዳት - clean

hulneyō - (v) - ማብብ - bloom

hulu - (n) - ኦቾሎኒ - peanut

hunay - (n) - ሸለቆ - valley;
ravine

hung - (adv) - እንዲሁ - just;
well

hunggagey - (n) - እስስት -
chameleon

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ibaysiyጋ - (v) - ማዳን - cure

ibayto - (v) - ማስጠንቀቅ -
warn

ibt₁ - (v) - መያዝ - grab

ibt₂ - (v) - መጨበት - take
hold of

ichirtጋ - (v) - መጮኽ - yell

idhibeni₁ - (adj) - ወፍራም -
muscular body; big

idhibeni₂ - (adj) - ጮማ - fat

idho - (n) - ደመና - cloud

idhoyto - (v) - መደባላቅ - put
together; combine; mix

idirando - (v) - መንካት -
touch

ige₁ - (pro) - እናንተ - you (pl)

ige₂ - (pro) - እርስዎ - you (sg,
polite)

ighirtጋ - (v) - መለቅለቅ (ለቤት)
- paint (with mud or paint)

igombጋ - (v) - እሽ ማለት -
obey

ihe₁ - (v) - አለ - exists

ihe₂ - (v) - አለ - present
(to be)

ihጋ - (v) - መሳል - sharpen

ilagasጋ - (v) - መታመም - sick
(to be)

ilaldጋ - (v) - ማጽናናት -
comfort

ili - (n) - ልምጭ - tree species
Clausena anisata
RUTACEAE

iliso - (v) - ማግደም - walk in
a switchback pattern

illey - (num) - ስድስት - six

iloliyto - (v) - በጭንቅላት ላይ
በእጅ ላይዙ መሸከም - carry
on one's head (without
holding)

ilonggo₁ - (v) - ማደግ -
growing (like corn)

ilonggo₂ - (v) - መከመር -
stack

imagto - (v) - አያውቀም -
don't know

imbə - (v) - መትከል - plant
(tree)

inda - (interj) - እንትን፤ እንትና
- Umm

indo₁ - (v) - መሰበር (ቀላሉ
የሚሰበር) - break (*fragile
things*)

indo₂ - (v) - ላም አረደ - kill a
cow

inggare - እንጃ - I have no
idea

inigi - (n) - ቅንድብ -
eyebrow; eyelash

inəng - (det) - የትኛው -
which; which one;
singular

iriyay - (n) - ደጋን - bow

iriyto₁ - (v) - መወለድ - born
(to be)

iriyto₂ - (v) - መወጠር መዘርጋት
- stretch tightly

irogiyto - (v) - ማሳደግ - feed;
raise (cow, child)

irokto₁ - (v) - መውጣት ዛፍ
ወይም ተራራ - climb

irokto₂ - (v) - ላም ጠራ - sing
to a cow

irriyto - (v) - መቅለብ - catch

irsasi - (n) - እርሳስ - pencil

isabbay - (num) - ሰባት -
seven

isayə - (v) - ሰላምታ መስጠት -
greet

ishərtə - (v) - መሻጥ - put
sticks in a roof

isokto - (v) - ዞር ማለት - get
out of the way

isəng - ስንት ነው? - how
many?; how much?

issey - (num) - ስምንት - eight

itinyandə - (v) - መገናኘት -
meet

itondə - (v) - መላክ - send

iwoyə - (v) - መጠበቅ (ለከብት)
- tend livestock

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ja - (*adv*) - ቅርብ - near

jagari - (*n*) - እግር - foot

jalay₁ - (*n*) - የበቆሎ አበባ -
corn tassel

jalay₂ - (*n*) - የበቆሎ እሸት ሙቅ
- porridge (*made from fresh
corn*)

jalɔy - (*n*) - የወፍ ዓይነት -
starling bird species

jarhɔli - (*adj*) - ቡራቡሬ መልክ
- black and white spotted
(*based on the color of the
legs*)

jimbɔ - (*v*) - መቅደም - go
first; go ahead; proceed

jo - (*n*) - ዓይነ ምድር - feces

jogorey - (*n*) - ቃጭል - bell
(*little one tied on legs or
arms for decoration*)

jɔanayɔ - (*v*) - ማግኘት - find

jɔne₁ - (*n*) - እናቱ - his
mother

jɔne₂ - (*n*) - እናቷ - her
mother

jɔrɔk - (*n*) - ሣላ - oryx

ju - (*n*) - ማስሮ - pot

junu - (*n*) - እናትህ፤ እናትሽ -
your mother

Jh jh

jhany - (*n*) - ከስዓት በኋላ -
afternoon

K k

kabhabhogi - (n) - ቅርፊት -
bark species (*maybe any tree*)

kadhinyogi - (n) - ጎበዝ
ሠራተኛ - good worker

kadht₁ - (v) - ማስታወስ -
remember

kadht₂ - (v) - ማስታወስ -
remind

kajoroy - (n) - ብረድሰት - pot

kaka - (n) - ሴት አያት -
grandmother

kakay - (n) - መንጋጋ ጥርስ -
molar

kalahi - (n) - ቀለሕ - bullet
shell

kalamchi - (n) - ጠመንጃ -
Kalashnikov rifle

kalay₁ - (n) - የወፍ ዓይነት -
bird species

kalay₂ - (n) - ቅልጥም - shin
bone

kali₁ - (n) - ቀን - day

kali₂ - (n) - ጨዋታ -
conversation

kali kali - (adv) - ሁል ጊዜ -
always

kalli - (n) - አርጫማ - switch

kallochi - (n) - የዛፍ ዓይነት -
tree species *Grewia mollis*
or *villosa TILIACEAE*

kalma - (n) - ማማስያ -
spatula

kaluway - (n) - ሰሰ -
klipspringer (*a small agile antelope*)

kaluwey - (n) - ብብት -
armpit

kama - (n) - ስልቻ - leather
bag (*thing to carry flour in*)

kaman - (n) - ጦረኛ - warrior,
fighter

kambay - (n) - እንቆቆ - tree
species

- kana** - (*adj*) - ከሳ፤ መክሳት - thin (*animate object*)
- kandarukuy** - (*n*) - ቆቅ - Francolin partridge species
- kangay** - (*n*) - ዝንጀሮ - baboon
- kanggacho** - (*n*) - ፍሩሽካ - mash from fermenting sorghum
- kangiten** - (*adj*) - ግራ - left
- kangiya** - (*n*) - ሸርባ - soup
- kanigay** - (*n*) - ቀልደኛ - funny person; joker
- kantay** - (*n*) - ወንፊት - sieve
- karam** - (*n*) - ጉሬዛ - colobus monkey
- karamochi** - (*n*) - የዛፍ ዓይነት - tree species *Bridelia micrantha*
EUPHORBIACEAE
- karane** - (*adj*) - ታች - down; lower; low
- karbay** - (*n*) - የሀብታም ሚስት - wife of a wealthy man
- karcha** - (*n*) - ቁስል - bad sore that stinks
- kargariyጋ** - (*v*) - መድከም - tired (to be)
- kari** - (*adv*) - ከ-ጋር - together with
- karinday** - (*n*) - ጎዴሬ - arrowroot type of plant
- karomo** - (*n*) - በላሞች ራስ ላይ የሚደረግ ጌጥ - head band (*decorative leather one used for cattle*)
- karoti** - (*n*) - ካሮት - carrot
- karuyጋ** - (*v*) - ማከከ - scratch
- kasay** - (*n*) - አሸዋ - sand
- kasi** - (*n*) - የዛፍ ዓይነት - tree species *Triumfetta rhomboidea* *TILIACEAE*
- kawari** - (*n*) - ዓይን - eye
- kawukawu** - (*n*) - የእንስሳትን አካል አሳብጦ የሚገድል በሽታ - cattle disease (*might be rinderpest*)
- kayጋ** - (*n*) - ምላስ - tongue

- kejhogi₁** - (n) - የጌጥ ጠባሳ - scars (small round scars from scarification on men and women)
- kejhogi₂** - (n) - በምስጥ የተነካከሰ ጠባሳ - termite bite
- kelley** - (n) - ጥንቸል - rabbit
- kelmetey** - (n) - ትከሻ - shoulder blade area
- kendo₁** - (v) - መቁረጥ - cut; chop settle
- kendo₂** - (v) - መስማማት - agree
- keni** - (n) - ዛጎል መሳይ ፍጡር (ውኃ ውስጥ የሚኖር) - freshwater oyster shell
- kerker** - (n) - የፍየል የበግና የጥጃ ሸሆናዎች ለጌጥ ሲስሩ - hoof bone
- keruy** - (n) - ሐረግ ያለው አረም - vine species
Cyphostemma adenocaula
VITACEAE
- keryagi** - (n) - ሽቦ - wire spiral rings (which is around a waist belt on a child)
- keso** - (n) - ቤት - house
- keanayao** - (v) - አልተቀበለም - to reject
- kedenggeshi** - (adj) - ጥልቀት የሌለው - shallow
- kedhedhi** - (n) - ቁጫጭ - wood ant
- kedhem** - (n) - ሾርቃ - gourd (one that is split in half)
- kege** - (n) - የዱር እንስሳት - wild animal
- kenggo** - (v) - መካድ - deny
- kengo₁** - (n) - ጊዜ - times or occurrences
- kengo₂** - (n) - ሆድ - stomach
- keong** - (adv) - ለምን - why
- ker** - (adv) - ደህና - well
- kere** - (n) - ቀንድ - cow horn; insect antenna
- kergheno** - (n) - መገከል - middle
- keriy** - (n) - ጤፍ የመሰለ ሳር - grass seeds (small ones, that people eat during hunger times like 'tila')

keshi - (n) - ቃንጫ - fiber
 (used in making cord (sisal plant))

keya bohe - (n) - የዛፍ ዓይነት (ለእባብ መርዝ መድኃኒትነት የሚውል እንጨት) - tree species *ASTERACEAE*

keya guchony - (n) - የዛፍ ዓይነት - dwarf morning glory *Evolvulis alsinoides CONVOLVULACEAE*

keya karamuny - (n) - የዛፍ ዓይነት - tree species *Hypoestis forsakaolii ACANTHACEAE*

keya kəgəwa - (n) - የዛፍ ዓይነት - tree species

keya kulgulony - (n) - የዛፍ ዓይነት - tree species

keya tumuny - (n) - የዛፍ ዓይነት - tree species *Osyris SANTALACEAE*

keyay - (n) - የዛፍ ዓይነት - tree species *Rhus natalensis ANACARDIACEAE* (with edible fruit)

keyaya suny - (n) - የዛፍ ዓይነት - tree species *Rhus vulgaris ANACARDIACEAE* (that has different kind of fruit than a normal keyay)

keyə - (n) - ዛፍ - tree

kibiriti - (n) - ክብሪት - match

kidho - (n) - ወንዝ - river; stream

kidhong - (n) - ከበሮ - drum

kilgishoy - (n) - ጨሎሎ - kite bird

kimiroy - (n) - ከጥጃ ጠፍር የሚሠራ የክንድ ጌጥ - arm band made of leather

kingi - (det) - ዱሮ ጊዜ፤ ጥንት - long time ago

kinyang - (n) - ዐዞ - crocodile

kinyinyi - (n) - ቁንጫ - flea

kirimogi - (n) - እባጭ - scar (small)

kirin - (n) - ቀጭኔ - giraffe

kiriyay - (n) - የዛፍ ዓይነት - tree species *Tragia EUPHORBIACEAE*

- kirɔnggi** - (n) - ዝንብ - fly
- kirrey** - (n) - ክር - thread
- kisi₁** - (n) - አነስተኛ የሚዳቋ
ዓይነት - animal species
- kisi₂** - (n) - ኪስ - pocket
- kisingey** - (n) - ጉልቻ - fire
area (*three large stones used
in fire pits*)
- kiyɔ** - (n) - ጊንጥ - scorpion
- ko₁** - (conj) - ክ--ጋር - with;
including
- ko₂** - (conj) - እና - and
- ko....** - ወደ፤ ከ... - towards
from (*after words ending
with a vowel*)
- kobi** - (n) - ዶሮ - chicken
- kodor** - (n) - የንብ ቀፎ -
beehive
- kogine** - (n) - አያት -
grandfather (*father's
father /mother's mother's
father*)
- kogoloy** - (n) - ዛጎል - snail
shell
- kokon** - (n) - የዓመት መጨረሻ
ወር - eleventh month (*in
the Surma calendar*)
- kokong** - (n) - ቅድመ አያት -
great grandfather (*on
either parents' side*)
- koliloy** - (n) - የዛፍ ዓይነት -
tree species
- kolmami** - (n) - የሱዳን ሰው -
people from Sudan
- kolobi** - (n) - ጥሻ - grassy
plain with a few trees
- kolochi** - (n) - ከቅል የተሠራ
ጭልፋ ነገር - spoon or
dipper (*big size*)
- kologol** - (n) - አንገቱ ላይ
ቃጭል የታሰረለት ሳንጋ -
steer with no bell
- kologoli** - (n) - የእንስሳ ዓይነት
ቤቱን መሬት ውስጥ ቆፍሮ
የሚያዝጋጅ - *aardvark*
- kololonggoy** - (n) - የቆላ አባል
- *combretum tree variety*
- kolu** - (n) - ከሰል - charcoal
without fire
- komoru** - (n) - ነጉሥ - ruler

- kona** - (n) - ሌላ - other;
another
- konen** - (n) - አማች - mother-
in-law (*'father-in-law' or*
'brother-in-law')
- kono** - (n) - እባብ - snake
- korigeni** - (n) - ሸምበቆ -
bamboo
- korokoroy** - (n) - ቆሮቆሮ - tin
can
- korri** - (n) - ድኩላ - bushbuck
- korriy** - (adj) - ቡሬ - white
with red spots
- koru₁** - (n) - በረሃ ቆላ -
lowland
- koru₂** - (n) - መሮ - chisel
(*used to remove nails in*
wood or teeth)
- koti** - (n) - ሸሚዝ - shirt;
jacket
- kəbhtə** - (v) - መከተል -
follow
- kəbərətə** - (n) - ዝናር - leather
belt with pouches worn
by men; pockets
- kədhə** - (n) - ውጊያ (ለጦርነት) -
war
- kədhə** - (n) - ቃጭል - cow
bell (*low sounding*)
- kəyət** - (v) - መውሰድ - take
- kəginyay** - (n) - ጥፋምባ
(ለከብቶች መገሳ የሚውል) -
horn used to call cows
- kəgət** - (adj) - ሻካራ - rough
(*as opposed to smooth*)
- kəla** - (n) - የፍየል ኮርማ - billy
goat
- kələləri** - (n) - የዛፍ ዓይነት -
tree species
- kəlyəngay** - (n) - የዛፍ ዓይነት -
tree species (*with black*
fruit)
- kəmi** - (n) - ጉልበት - knee
- kəmkəm** - (n) - ልምጭ
እንጨትን አንድ ክብ አድርጎ
ማሠርና ወርወ.ሮ መጫወት -
ring (*little one which is used*
in the special game)
- kəməni** - (n) - እንግዳ - visitor;
guest
- kəndə₁** - (v) - መግደል - kill;
stab

- kəndə₂** - (v) - መጻፍ - write
- kəngay** - (n) - አሸንጎ - termites
species (*small flying termites that come out when it rains*)
- kərmī** - (n) - መንጠቆ - fish-hook
- kərwəray** - (n) - የደንደሰ አጥንት - spine
- kərrə** - (adj) - ጥቁር - black
- kərrəng** - (n) - ጉሮሮ - throat
- kəshi** - (n) - ጫካ - forest
- kəsə₁** - (v) - ማረስ መመንጠር - clear land
- kəsə₂** - (v) - መቆፍር - farm
- kəwa** - (n) - የሚስት እህት ባል (ለባል) - wife's sister's husband
- kəwakəway** - (n) - ትልቁ አደንጓሬ - bonavist beans
Lablab purpureus
FABACEAE
- kubay** - (n) - ኩባያ - cup
- kubhurki₁** - (n) - በረሮ - cockroach species
- kubhurki₂** - (n) - የዛፍ ዓይነት - tree species
- kuddi** - (n) - እንስት - inset
banana
- kudhari** - (n) - የወንድ ጓደኛ - boyfriend
- kudhusay** - (n) - ቁጥ - buttock
- kudulang** - (n) - የሐረግ ዓይነት - vine species *Kedrostis foetidissima*
CUCURBITACEAE
- kugumi** - (n) - ቅል - calabash
- kugura** - (n) - በረዶ - hail
- kuguri** - (n) - ከዘምባባ የሚሠራ ጥሩር - hat worn at stick fights
- kulgulo** - (n) - አይጥ - rat
- kuliyə** - (v) - መንዳት - drive a car or a boat
- kulle** - (n) - ነውር - forbidden; taboo
- kumbə₁** - (v) - መዳሰስ - feel of
- kumbə₂** - (v) - መንካት - touch

- kumuli** - (*adj*) - ሉል፤ ክብ - round
- kumulጋ** - (*det*) - ሁሉ - all
- kuna** - (*n*) - ሕልም - dream
- kunasጋ** - (*v*) - ሕልም ማየት - dream
- kundo** - (*v*) - ይመጣል - come
- kuneyጋ** - (*v*) - ያመጣል - bring
- kunggachi** - (*n*) - ዱባ - pumpkin species
- kura₁** - (*n*) - ዋልታ - peak of a roof
- kura₂** - (*n*) - ኳስ - ball
- kurmay** - (*n*) - የሐረግ ዓይነት - vine species *Vigna schimperi* FABACEAE
- kurmusi₁** - (*n*) - እፉኘት - viper
- kurmusi₂** - (*n*) - እሸት - fresh corn
- kurጋ₁** - (*n*) - ወገብ - small of the back (person)
- kurጋ₂** - (*n*) - ጭራ - tail
- kurrutጋ₁** - (*v*) - ማግሳት (ለእንስሳ) - growl
- kurrutጋ₂** - (*v*) - ማንኮራፋት - snore
- kurtጋ** - (*v*) - አፈር ማውጣት - scratch out
- kuruyoy** - (*n*) - ትል - worm
- kuta** - (*n*) - ክዳን - pot lid
- kutu** - (*n*) - ስልቻ - skin (*used to catch the flour after grinding*)
- kutul** - (*n*) - ተራራ - mountain
- kuusጋ** - (*v*) - እብጠት - swollen
- kuyay** - (*n*) - ጮማ፤ ሞራ - animal fat

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laali - (n) - ሞግሼ - friendship

(based on sharing the same name)

laateni - (n) - ጆሮ - earlobe

labay - (n) - ሾላ - tree

species (has fruit)

lachanayጋ - (v) - በዝግታ

ያስቀመጣል - lower slowly;
relax

lagun - (n) - ቀስት - metal

arrow tip

lala - (n) - ጉልበትና ክርን

ሲመታ የሚሰማ የሕመም ስሜቱ
- funny bone

lalang - (n) - አምባር -

bracelet (brass, large size)

lalangi - (n) - የእጽዋት ዓይነት -

plant species (edible)

lalay - (n) - የዛፍ ዓይነት - tree

species *Combretum*

adenogonium

COMBRETACEAE (without fruit)

laleni - (adj) - ቅዝቃዜ - cold

lalጋ - (n) - ሚዳቋ ዓይነት -

gazelle

lamiyጋ - (v) - መፈለግ - look

for; search

lang - (n) - አማት፤ አማች -

relatives by marriage (in-laws)

langgaray - (n) - ገንፎ ማማሰያ

- wooden spatula (used to stir porridge)

lanjoy - (n) - ሳር - grass

lanjoya kugori - (n) - የዛፍ

ዓይነት - guinea grass

Panicum maximum

POACEAE

lay₁ - (adv) - ጸጥ - quietly

lay₂ - (adv) - ጭጭ ማለት - just

leddey - (n) - የዛፍ ዓይነት -

tree species *Lannaea*

schimperi

ANACARDIACEAE (with

small fruit that looks like

sorghum bunches)

- lemudurgani** - (n) - እንጉዳይ
ዓይነት - mushroom species
(red edible)
- letə** - (v) - ከጥንቆላ ጋር በተያያዘ
ምንገድ በሽተኛን ለመፈወስ
መሞከር - exorcise
- leyogi** - (n) - የወባ ትንኝ -
mosquito
- lebeng** - (n) - የጥጋብ ወቅት -
time of much food after
the first harvest
- legiyə** - (v) - መቆፈር - dig
with a pick
- lekeny** - (n) - የጉልበት
መጋጠሚያ - area just
above the knee
- leluy** - (n) - የሙሽራ ልብስ
ለወንዶች - cloth species
(especially worn during
marriage celebration)
- lengguy** - (n) - የወፍ ዓይነት -
hornbill
- leshi** - (adj) - ስለት - sharp
- leshuy** - (n) - ቁንጥር - clitoris
- lesiyagi** - (n) - ስስታም -
stingy person
- leway** - (n) - ቅርንጫፍ -
branch
- leytə** - (v) - ቅርንጫፍ መቆረጥ -
trim tree branches
- ligindo₁** - (v) - ማሳለድ -
intercede
- ligindo₂** - (v) - ቁጢጥ ብሎ
መቀመጥ - squat
- liiso₁** - (v) - መድከም - tired
(to be)
- liiso₂** - (v) - እርጎ ወተት -
become sour (milk)
- liiya** - (n) - ማፈር - shame
- litye** - (adj) - ዳገት - steep
uphill
- liwaa yelany** - (n) - የዛፍ
ዓይነት - tree species (that
has brown or red fruit that
looks like sorghum)
- liway** - (n) - ማሽላ - sorghum
(bi-color type)
- liytə** - (v) - ቤት መክደን -
thatch a roof
- log** - (n) - ጉድጓድ - hole;
grave

- loggi₁** - (n) - የወፍ ዓይነት -
bird species
- loggi₂** - (n) - ድንች - sweet
potatoe
- loggiya kanguny** - (n) -
የድንች ዓይነት - tree species
(found in the lowlands)
- loggor** - (n) - ጉሮሮ - Adam's
apple
- logonyey** - (n) - አንጎል -
brains
- lolu₁** - (n) - እብድ - crazy
person
- lolu₂** - (n) - ሸርሙጣ -
prostitute (if said to a
female)
- lombu** - (n) - ባትሪ -
flashlight
- lomburay** - (n) - ሰርዶ -
crabtype grass species
- lommo** - (n) - ጣውንት - name
type (which only wives call
each other if their husbands
are brothers or if they have
the same husband)
- lommugoy** - (n) - ደቅማ -
tree species *Manilkara
butugi* SAPOTACEAE
- lomu** - n 1) ሎሚ - lemon 2)
ብርቱካን - orange
- loorki** - (n) - የዛፍ ዓይነት -
acacia tree species *Acacia
drepanolobium*
MIMOSOIDEAE
- loshan** - (n) - ወንጭፍ -
slingshot
- loshi** - (n) - የሐረግ ዓይነት -
vine species *Ipomea
spathulata*
CONVOLVULACEAE
- lotay** - (n) - ዳቦ፤ ቂጣ - bread
(large and flat made by
Surma and Dizi)
- lottoy** - (n) - የዛፍ ዓይነት -
tree species *Vangueria
apiculata* RUBIACEAE
- loy** - (n) - የዛፍ ዓይነት - tree
species
- loya₁** - (n) - ቀበሮ - fox
species
- loya₂** - (n) - ፈሪ - male who
doesn't stick fight

- loye** - (n) - ቀበሮ - jackal
- lochini** - (n) - አልቅት - leech
- log₁** - (n) - ቃል - word;
verbal matter
- log₂** - (n) - ወሬ - news
- log₂nd₂** - (v) - መውሰድ (በእጅ)
- carry in your hands
- log₂ri** - (adj) - ጠቃጠቆ ያለ
መልክ - blackish or
greyish undercoat
- lok₂r** - (n) - ክርን - elbow
- l₂l₂** - (n) - የማሕፀን ቦር - birth
canal and uterus together
- l₂may** - (n) - ኮሽም - wild
plum tree; hog plum
Ximenia americana
OLACACEAE
- l₂may₂ suny** - (n) - እንኮይ -
plum tree
- l₂mb₂** - (v) - አለው - have
- l₂siney₂** - (v) - መሣል - cough
- luddum** - (n) - ደረት - chest
- ludduri** - (n) - የዛፍ ዓይነት -
tree species *Grewia velutina*
TILIACEAE (with edible
fruit)
- lug₂t₂** - (v) - ማጠር - make or
build a fence
- luguru** - (n) - መኸር - second
harvest
- luguwiy** - (adj) - ስልምልሜ -
black and white large
spots (like a colobus
monkey)
- lukuri** - (n) - እኩያ - age
mate
- lulumi** - (adj) - ቡናማ -
brownish color
- luluy** - (adj) - ጣፋጭ - sweet
- lunggurtay** - (n) - የሱርማ
ጉትቻ ከሸክላ የሚሰራ ለጆሮ -
thick semi-tubular clay
ear plug
- lusha** - (n) - ጠመንኛ - rifle
- lusi** - (n) - ወንድ ልጅ - boy

M m

- ma** - (n) - ውሃ - water
- ma kawari** - (n) - ምንጭ -
source of the water
- machiy₁** - (v) - ቆንጆ ነኝ ብሎ
መኩራት - show off
- machiy₂** - (v) - መጭመቅ
(ለልብስ) - wring out
- madhiny** - (n) - ጣፊያ -
spleen
- madht₁** - (v) - መጠጣት -
drink
- madht₂** - (v) - ማስመር -
teach
- magali** - (n) - ከጨሌ የሚሠራ
ያንገት ጌጥ - necklace
(*choker-type beads*)
- magay** - (n) - የማዕድን ዓይነት
ጮው ጮው የሚል - ash
that tastes like salt (*eaten
with tobacco*)
- mal** - (n) - ዘይት - oil
- malay** - (n) - አምባር - ankle
bracelet
- malo** - (n) - አጎት - uncle
(*mother's brother*)
- malugt_o** - (v) - መልበስ - wear
- mama** - (n) - እናት - mother
(*vocative*)
- mandeni** - (n) - ጠፍር -
woven leather (*used to hold
a bell for cows or a 'sira for
the young girls'*)
- mangay** - (n) - ማንጎ - mango
- mannigoy** - (n) - የዛፍ ዓይነት -
tree species *Rhoicissus
tridentate VITACEAE* (*has
small berries, but Suri do not
eat them*)
- mara** - (n) - መንጋ - herd
- maradhangey** - (n) - ሸረራት -
spider (*one that makes a
small, dense, web*)

- maradhogi** - (n) - ፌንጣ - grasshopper
- marchan** - (n) - አምሬላ - lesser kudu
- marchari** - (n) - ምስጥ - termite
- marichogi** - (n) - ማገር - sticks (one that are placed horizontally to construct a wall)
- marto** - (v) - እምቢ ማለት - refuse
- mashasha** - (n) - የመሳሪያ ዓይነት - gun
- may** - (n) - ወንድ - male
- maya** - (v) - -ቡ - able to; have to
- mayiyto** - (v) - መጠምዘዝ - twist
- maysay** - (n) - አሉም - plant species of emerynth type *Amaranthus hybridus* AMARANTHACEAE
- meso** - (v) - መሥራት - do

- metu** - (n) - ከዝንጅሮ ጸጉርና ከላባ የሚሠራ ለሴቶች ኮፍያ - headdress (kind of dress for the head which is made of baboon hair and chicken feathers, used by the women when dancing)
- mey** - (n) - መጅ - grinding stone (small stone that is held while grinding)
- medere** - (n) - በግ - sheep
- menengi** - (n) - እርኩስ መንፈስ - spirit
- meri** - (det) - ብዙ - many
- meya₁** - (n) - አሁን - now
- meya₂** - (n) - ዛሬ - today
- meyare** - (adv) - አሁኑኑ - immediately
- meziyo₁** - (v) - ማውራት - speak; discuss
- meziyo₂** - (n) - ንግግር - speech
- minang** - (adv) - መቼ - when
- mirgari₁** - (n) - አጋም - tree species *Carissa edulis* or *Acokanthera schimperi* APOCYNACEAE

- mirgari₂** - (n) - ኮምጣጣ - sour
- miro** - (n) - ዝንጉርጉር - stripes
- mirogi** - (n) - ጣላት - enemy
- misimari** - (n) - ምስማር - nail
- mogiy** - (n) - ሜዳ - field
(grassy plain without trees)
- oldoy** - (n) - ሃላብ የፈጠረው -
mythical creature
- moloy** - (n) - ጠባሳ - scar
from a wound
- moshi** - (n) - እንጨትን
በማፈጋፈግ እሳት መፍጠር፤
አስቱ - using sticks to
make fire
- mozoy** - (n) - ልንቋታ፤ አጎባይ -
shrub species *Grewia
villosa* TILIACEAE
- mɔana** - (n) - ግልፍተኝነት፤
በአችር ጊዜ የሚደረግ የዶንጋ
ድብድብ - stick fight
(exercising)
- mɔdhay** - (n) - ምራቅ - saliva
- mɔdhəsi** - (adj) - ላስላሳ - soft
- mɔkɔnyi** - (adj) - አጭር -
short
- mɔktɔ** - (v) - ማሸነፍ -
conquer; defeat
- mɔr** - (n) - ጥጃ - cow calf
- mɔri₁** - (n) - ቱቦ - hose
(hollow tube as a bamboo
pole)
- mɔri₂** - (n) - ዋሽንት - flute
- mɔsay** - (n) - ገመድ - rope,
string, cord, twine
- muchugi** - (det) - ጥቂት - few
- muda** - (n) - ወስፌ - iron
hand pick (small size)
- mudhugusɔ** - (v) - መጠውለግ -
shrink; wither
- mugur** - (n) - ጨረቃ
የማትታይበት ወቅት - period
of time when there is no
moon
- mujusi** - (adj) - መበስበስ -
rotten; stinky
- mukay** - (n) - ጥፍር (ለእንስሳ) -
claw
- mukto** - (v) - መሰብሰብ -
gather together

muleny - (n) - አውራረስ -
rhinoceros

mumጋ - (n) - ፊት - face

mun - (n) - መሰና - barren
female cow

munggugu - (n) - እውር እባብ
- blind snake

muni₁ - (n) - ጡንቻ - calf of
leg; forearm

muni₂ - (n) - የሙርሲ ሰው -
Mursi people (*the Suri term
of them*)

munugutጋ - (v) - ማከክ - itch

munyagi - (n) - ጭራቅ - meat
eater (*possibly cannibal*)

munyinyi - (n) - ኮከብ - star

munyusጋ₁ - (v) - ማዘን - sorry
(to be)

munyusጋ₂ - (v) - ማኩረፍ -
pout

murmura - (n) - ከብረት
የሚሠራ የሱርማ ልጃገረድ
ቅሚስ - things that a 'sira'
is made of

murmuri - (adj) - ቀጥተኛ -
straight

murnay - (n) - ቀስት - three-
pronged arrow (*used to kill
birds*)

muruyani - (n) - ጠባሣ - scar

mutan - (n) - በሽታ - disease;
sickness

muyelay - (n) - አውጥ -
gooseberries

muzu - (n) - ሙዝ - banana
Musa sapientum
MUSACEAE

N n

na₁ - (interj) - ታዲያ፤ አዎን -
yes; yeah; yep;

na₂ - (conj) - እና - and

nananu - (pro) - የኔ - mine

nanayo - (pro) - የኛ (ለአንዳንድ
ሰው) - our (*excl*)

nanene₁ - (*pro*) - የሱ - his
nanene₂ - (*pro*) - የሷ - her
nanini - (*det*) - የማን - whose
nanna - (*poss*) - የኛ (ለሁሉ ሰው) - our (*incl*)
nanne - (*poss*) - የዊርሱ - their
nannu - (*poss*) - የናንተ - yours (*pl*)
nanunu - (*poss*) - ያንተ፤ ያንቺ - yours
nebi - (*n*) - ንሽ - buffalo
negi - (*n*) - የኪቢሽ ወንዝ - Kibish valley

neng - (*pro*) - ማን - whom; who
neray - (*n*) - ምግል የሚያስተፋ በሽታ - sickness (*that causes headaches, shoulder aches and you spit up puss*)
nigiyay - (*n*) - ጥርስ - tooth
ningenesi - (*n*) - ያገባች ሴት - married daughter
ningge - (*v*) - የለም - not present; doesn't exist
nɔng₁ - (*pro*) - እሱ - he
nɔng₂ - (*pro*) - እሷ - she

Ng ng

nga- - አል...ም - don't
ngaa - (*adv*) - እዚህ - here
ngaare - (*adv*) - እዚህ - right here/there
ngachuruge - (*n*) - የተሰካ ጨሌ - many magal (*choker beaded necklace*)

ngagay - (*n*) - ነጋዴ - merchant
ngagenu - (*pro*) - እነዚያ - those; them
ngagiya - (*pro*) - እነዚህ - these
ngahi - (*n*) - ሴት - female

- ngakalda** - (*adv*) - ማራ - today
- ngambጋ** - (*v*) - ማፋሸግ - yawn
- nganda** - (*pro*) - ይህ - this
- ngandonu** - (*pro*) - ያ - that
- nganga** - (*det*) - እንደዚህ - like this; do it this way
- ngani** - (*adv*) - ገና - not yet
- nganngani** - (*n*) - የሳር ዓይነት - grass species (*short bunch grass with thin blades*)
- nganyur** - (*n*) - ድመት - cat
- ngasemu** - (*n*) - ዘይት የሚወጣበት እንጨት - second batch of oil (*from the special tree*)
- ngatuny** - (*n*) - አንበሳ - lion
- ngerrey** - (*n*) - ድንበር፤ ወሰን - property border
- ngedhetጋ** - (*v*) - መቆረጥ (ለእንጨት) - chop
- ngelgemay** - (*n*) - አገጭ - jaw bone
- ngere** - (*n*) - ጠንቋይ - traditional healer
- ngerto** - (*v*) - ማካፈል - share; separate
- ngeso** - (*v*) - መሮጥ - run
- nginingini** - (*n*) - የጣዝማ ንብ - sweat bee
- ngo** - (*n*) - ማጅራት - back of the neck
- ngochu** - (*adj*) - ጠባብ - narrow
- ngoni** - (*n*) - ፍቅረኛ (ለሴት) - girlfriend
- ngonitekጋጋ** - (*n*) - የአረም ዓይነት - greens species
- ngoonu** - (*adv*) - እዚያ - over there
- ngorto** - (*v*) - መሸከም (በጀርባ) - carry on one's back
- ngosoni** - (*n*) - የእህት ልጅ - one's sister's child
- ngጋanayጋ** - (*v*) - መውደቅ - fall
- ngጋጋri** - (*n*) - ቁስል - sore
- ngጋldጋ** - (*v*) - ማንከስ - limp
- ngጋli** - (*adj*) - ሽባ - lame

ngollay - (n) - ጥርስ የተነቀለበት
ክፍት ቦታ ፍንጭት - lower
incisors that are removed

ngona - (n) - እህቱ - my
sister

ngone₁ - (n) - እህቱ - his
sister

ngone₂ - (n) - እህቷ - her
sister

ngonu - (n) - እህትህ፤ እህትሽ -
your sister

ngony - (n) - የደም ሥር -
jugular vein

ngorchaga - (n) - በደንብ
ያልተፈጨ ዱቄት - cracked
semi-ground hard roasted
corn

ngoreni - (n) - ቦርጭ፤ ቦርጫም
- fat stomach

ngornay - (n) - ቅቤ - butter

ngorɔ - (n) - ዝሆን - elephant

ngoyɔ - (n) - ነፋስ - wind

ngugto - (v) - መጎተት - pull

ngunydo - (v) - መፍጨት -
grind

ngurnguroy - (n) - በቀላሉ
የሚሰበር ዛፍ - plant species
Maytenus senegalensis
CELASTERACEAE

Ny ny

nyabi - (n) - ጆሮ - ear

nyagari - (n) - አይሮፕላን -
airplane

nyagasi - (adj) - ሽማግሌ
(ለወንድና ሴት) - old

nyamani - (n) - ጋኔን - spirit
type

nyando - (v) - ማርገዝ
(ለእንስሳት) - pregnant (to be) (*used only for animals*)

nyawa - (n) - ደም - blood

nyima - (v) - ሲመቱ ሕመምን ጨክኖ መዋጥ - cringe; hold it in

nyalɔgay - (n) - የቀጭኔ ጭራ (ለአንገት ጌጥ የሚሠራ) - necklace (*made of giraffe hair*)

nyɔmay - (n) - ምላጭ - razor blade

nyugt₁ - (v) - መዘጋት - close

nyugt₂ - በጥፊ መምታት - slap

nyurluy - (n) - አኙአክ ሰው - Anuwak people (*called by Suri people*)

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ochoy - (n) - እንጉዳይ - mushroom species (*red edible mushroom with large head*)

ogoldo - (v) - መለመን - beg

ogorto - (v) - መስረቅ - steal

ogto - (v) - መቀቀል - cook

okondoy - (n) - ዱባ - pumpkin

ole - (n) - ብሬ - bull

olli - (n) - ጥንቅሽ አገዳ - sorghum stalk; sugarcane

onydo - (v) - ሰሙነት መታጠብ - wash one's body

ori - (adv) - የት - where

oriyang - (n) - ዘንዶ - python

orto - (v) - ማየት - see

owonoyɔ - (v) - መክፈት - open

oyt₁ - (v) - መሰብሰብ - meeting (to have)

oyto₂ - (v) - ማስቀመጥ - put

oyyo₁ - (n) - አመት - year

oyyo₂ - (n) - ክረምት - rainy
season

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ጋdagto - (v) - አሳለፍን፤ ለቀቅለን
- clear the way

ጋgorto - (v) - መጥበስ - fry

ጋgyto - (v) - መላስ - lick

ጋklay - (n) - አስተርጓሚ -
translator

ጋkto - (v) - መፍታት - untie

ጋlay - (n) - የጤፍ ዓይነት - bird
species (*small one that is a
garden pest*)

ጋlway - (n) - አልጌ - algae

ጋneyo - (v) - ኃይለኛ መሆን -
strong (to be)

ጋng - (det) - ምን - what

ጋnganayo - (v) - መግማት -
stink

ጋጋng - (interj) - በምን -
means what?

ጋr - (n) - መንደር - village;
place of residence

ጋrey - (n) - ስለት ነገር እጅ ላይ
የሚደረግ - knife (*sharp one
worn on the wrist*)

ጋrgom - (n) - የከንድብ አጥንት -
bone over the eyebrows

ጋso - (v) - መቁላት - roast

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radhi - (n) - የዛፍ ዓይነት -
eagle claw thorn tree

ragay - (n) - የዛፍ ዓይነት -
tamarind tree *Tamarindus*
indica FABACEAE

rakoy - (n) - ቁራ - raven
species

raman - (num) - ሁለት - two

ramay - (adj) - ረጅም - tall
(maybe long too)

rata - (n) - ቀዩ - yard
(cooking area around houses
or working area)

reyጋ - (v) - መጠበቅ - wait for

ree₁ - (n) - ሰውነት - trunk;
stalk; human body

ree₂ - (n) - የማሰሮ ሰባሪ -
broken cooking pot for
grain

rega - (n) - አክርካሪ - spine

reghe - (adj) - ወይን፤ ጠጅ -
pink, maroon, purple

rena - (adv) - ሩቅ - far

renggay - (n) - የውሃ ተርብ -
dragonfly

rerehi - (adj) - ስስ - thin
(inanimate object)

resi - (adj) - ሙት፤ የሞት -
dead

reso - (v) - መሞት - die

rete - (n) - ማር - honey

ridhoy - (n) - ንቅሳት -
horseshoe or line shaped
scarification (scars that a
person gets after killing a
Bume)

rigiyጋ - (v) - መፋቅ - make
smooth

rima - (n) - ወንዶች የሚራገሙት
ርግማን - curse (only boys
can give this type of curse)

rimboy₁ - (n) - ጥላ - person's
shadow

rimboy₂ - (n) - መፋቂያ - stick
toothbrush

rimbo - (v) - ጥራጥራ መቆጠም
- chew (like corn)

ringgay - (n) - ተርብ - species
of paper wasp abdomen
(*brownish yellow striped*)

ririnya - (n) - ድንግዝግዝ -
dusk

riřtə - (v) - መሰካት - string
beads

riy - (n) - ጥላ - shadow of a
tree, house, etc.

rodhi - (n) - ውስጡ ጣፋች ነገር
- good part of fruit (*in the
middle of the fruit of a
certain tree has lots of small
hairs on it*)

rogono - (n) - ነገ - tomorrow

rogonyey - (n) - ጎድን - rib

rori₁ - (n) - መኅራ ለወንድ -
title for a groom (*what a
male is referred to during his
wedding*)

rori₂ - (n) - የዕድሜ ክልል -
group of men advancing
in an age set

rəktə - (v) - መጮህ (ለወንድ
እንስሳ) - thunder; make a
loud noise

rəጠ - (n) - ሰጎን - ostrich

rəngədh₁ - (adj) - ጠማማ -
bowed; bent

rəngədh₂ - (adj) - ጎባጣ -
curved

rəጐ - (n) - ውሻ - dog

rəway - (n) - ላባ - feather

rugum - (n) - ጉጉት - owl

rum - (n) - ልብስ - cloth;
cotton; clothing

ruyə - (v) - ማልቀስ - cry

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sab - (n) - የቃጭል ጠፍር -
woven leather (*worn
around cow's neck*)

sabba - (n) - ራስ - head

sabbaray - (n) - ደቅማ -
 waterberry tree *Syzygium guineese* MYRTACEAE

sabbጋ - (adj) - በፊት - first;
 before

sabhtጋ - (v) - መሸተት - smell

sagine - (n) - የዱላ ጨዋታ -
 stickfight

sakal - (num) - ዘጠኝ - nine

salani - (n) - ሰሌን - woven
 palm-frond sleeping mat

sambi - (n) - ፍም - burning
 coals in a fire

samuni - (n) - ሳሙና - soap

san - (n) - ጭን - thigh

saniyጋ - (v) - ይቆያል - spend
 the day

sara - (n) - ስም - name

saranayጋ - (v) - ይቀማል -
 snatch

sari - (n) - አጥር - fence

sati - (n) - ሰዓት - hour;
 watch

say - (n) - ሰቶች ይሚለበሱት
 ቆዳ- ያደራ ከብት - goatskin
 or buckskin (*worn by girls
 with writing on it a cow that
 is given to someone else to
 tend*)

saytu - (n) - ስርቻ ገንፎ -
 porridge (*that isn't fully
 cooked*)

sedhey - (n) - ልጃገረድ - girl

seluy - (n) - የወፍ ዓይነት -
 heron or crane

semun - (n) - ብሆር -
 reedbuck

seyጋ - (v) - ማለት - say

sebtጋ - (v) - መፋቅ - scrape

segen - (adv) - እንደገና - again

segeray - (n) - ዛጎል - cowrie
 shell

seldineyጋ - (v) - መዘለል
 (ለጦጣና ለዝንጀሮ) - jump
 from tree to tree
 (*monkeys*)

sere - (n) - ተራ - turn (*a
 period of participation*)

seten - (adv) - ቀኝ - right

seyto₁ - (v) - መደበቅ - hide
 seyto₂ - (v) - ማስታካከል - fix
 siggi - (n) - አምባር - metal
 sigiro₁ - (n) - አህያ - donkey
 sigiro₂ - (n) - የልጃገረድ ዘፈን -
 action (when girls start
 dancing and hitting their hips
 to call others to dance)
 sigiyay - (n) - መኻገር - tick
 silding - (n) - ከፍየል ቀንድና
 ከእንጨት የሚሠራ ፊሽካ -
 whistle (made from wood or
 a goat's horn)
 silki - (n) - ራዲዮን - radio
 simbili - (n) - ሰመንቶ፤ ቀለም -
 flower species (its bulb has
 a sticky substance used as
 glue or cement)
 sinday - (n) - ስር - root
 sini - (n) - ልብ - heart
 sira₁ - (n) - ለምልክት የተበጣ
 የላሞች ጆሮ - cutting marks
 (in the ear of favorite cattle)

sira₂ - (n) - ለጌጥ የተሠራ የብረት
 ጥርቅም - girls' waist belt
 of metal trinkets (*not for
 women*)
 siraholi - (adj) - ግራጫ
 ልመልክ - white with
 greyish areas
 siro - (n) - ኡዱምብ - eland
 sirta - (n) - ሽርክት - fresh
 grain (after it has been
 ground once)
 sirwa - (adj) - ቡናማ -
 blackish with cream
 undercoat
 sisay - (n) - ንብ - bee
 sisiwon - (n) - መርገብገብ
 ለምሳሌ ዓይን ጡንቻ (በራሱ
 ሲርገብገብ) - twitch
 siyo - (n) - እጅ - hand
 siyo ganggu - (n) - የእጅ አጥቅ
 - wrist joint
 sizi - (num) - ሶስት - three

sogodhi - (n) - የሳር ዓይነት -
grass species (*a drink made
from this grass is spit out by
bride and groom when
married*)

sogoreni - (n) - መኤኒት - Bodi
people (*the Suri term for
them*)

ጋጋጋ - (n) - እበት - wet cow
dung

ጋጋጋ - (adv) - ብቻ - only

su - (n) - ፀሐይ - sun

sugum₁ - (n) - የእንጨት ሥር -
tree trunk

sugum₂ - (n) - እምስ - vagina

sukaley - (n) - ጭልፊት -
falcon species (*gray
small/medium sized*)

suri - (n) - የሱርማ ሰው -
Surma people (*self-name*)

surichen - (n) - ሱርማኛ -
Surma language (*self-
name*)

surrey - (n) - ቁምጣ - short
pants

surusi - (n) - ያረረ - burnt
(*food*)

susጋ - (n) - የበጋ ጊዜ - dry
season

suyey - (n) - የዲዚ ሰው - Dizi
person

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shawshaw - (adv) - ቶሎ ቶሎ
- quickly; fast

shawzey - (n) - የዛፍ ዓይነት -
tree species *Lannea species*
*ANACARDIACEAE (that has
red fruit shaped like a pencil)*

shay₁ - (n) - ሻይ - tea

shebbel₁ - (n) - አፎት -
leather sheath

shebbel₂ - (n) - ትንሽ ቆዳ -
piece of leather (*small*)

shææ - (*adj*) - በደንብ - well
(good)

shægerani - (*n*) - የዛፍ ዓይነት -
velvet leaf combretum
tree *Combretum molle*
COMBRETACEAE

shibtə - (*v*) - ማሰር - tie

shigin - (*n*) - ቆርቁ - Swayne's
hartebeest

shigtə - (*v*) - መስፋት - sew

shiktə - (*v*) - መስማት - hear

shəay₁ - (*n*) - ወፍ - bird

shəay₂ - (*n*) - መንታ - twin

shəbəsə - (*v*) - ማጣጣም - suck
(like candy)

shəlləy - (*n*) - አንጀት -
intestine

shəyi - (*n*) - ጨው - salt

shuldoy - (*n*) - እባት - wet
cattle dung

shumundə₁ - (*v*) - ደስ ማለት -
happy (to be)

shumundə₂ - (*v*) - ፈገግታ -
smile

shunguru - (*n*) - ቀይና ነጭ
ሽንኩርት - onions

shuroy - (*n*) - አረም - weed

shurray - (*n*) - የግራር ዓይነት -
acacia tree species *Acacia*
hockii FABACEAE

shushugtə - (*v*) - ማሸት - rub
together; husk

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taan - (*n*) - ደራሽ ውሃ፤ ጎርፍ -
flood

tabar - (*n*) - አለት - rocky
place in a river

tabay - (*n*) - ክንፍ - wing

tabhtə - (*v*) - ቦሮቦ መቅባት -
smear limestone (*on one's*
body in horizontal patterns)

- tabto** - (v) - ማታለል -
deceive, lie
- tagi₁** - (n) - ጨረቃ - moon
- tagi₂** - (n) - ወር - month
- tahin** - (n) - ሽንፍላ -
intestinal part
- takari** - (n) - የዛፍ ዓይነት -
wood species *Gardenia ternifolia subsp. jovistonantis* RUBIACEAE (has fig-like fruit but don't eat it; used for making wooden lip plates)
- takuy** - (v) - መጠምጠም፤
መጠምጠም - twist
- talamoy** - (n) - ጭላዳ ዝንጅሮ -
monkey w/white stomach and red back
- taldō** - (v) - መግዛት - buy
- taliso**y - (n) - የዛፍ ዓይነት -
tree species *Dodonaea angustifolia* SAPINDACEAE (keeps termites away)
- talkay** - (n) - የዛፍ ዓይነት -
tree species
- talneneyo** - (v) - መሸጥ - sell
- tambari** - (n) - ተማሪ -
student
- tambo**y - (n) - የዛፍ ዓይነት -
tree species *Trichocladus ellipticus*
HAMAMELIDACEAE (no fruit)
- tandō** - (adv) - ማዶ - across
- tangi** - (n) - ጅኒያ - sack
- tarra** - (n) - ጉቦት - liver
- teldey** - (n) - የዓይን ጠርዝ -
corner of the eye
- teley** - (n) - የመተት በትር፤ ባላ
- forked stick (sometimes given by a witch doctor to protect a person when traveling, etc.)
- telu** - (n) - ያበደ ውሻ ቀበሮ -
rabid animal or person
- teny** - (n) - የጥጆች በረት--እኩያ
- enclosed area at a cattle camp (for the calves age set for boys)
- teri** - (n) - አቧራ - dust
- teriyō** - (v) - ተቀባብሎ መዘፈን
- answer in songs

terri - (*n*) - የተቃጠለ ቦታ -
burnt off land with little
grass left

terter - (*n*) - ጥፍር -
fingernail

tegay - (*n*) - ወጣት - young
man

telegay - (*n*) - ሰንበሌጥ -
savannah grass

tereso - (*v*) - መፀዳዳት -
release

teri - (*n*) - ሴት - married
woman

tiinyoy - (*n*) - ተረከዝ - heel

tila₁ - (*n*) - ጉንፎ - corn or
sorghum mush

tila₂ - (*n*) - ምግብ - food

tilildo - (*v*) - እሳት ላይ መጥበስ
- crackle; roast (over a
fire)

tilinggo - (*v*) - መቅዳት - add
to (dirt or liquids)

timay₁ - (*n*) - ንፍሮ - boiled
corn or sorghum grain

timay₂ - (*n*) - ጭራሮ - tree
species

timitimi - (*n*) - ቲማቲም -
tomato

tiranydo - (*v*) - መጫወት -
play

tiray - (*n*) - የአበባ ዓይነት -
flower species (*red flower
that grows in the grass*)

tirey - (*n*) - ባላ - forked
supporting pole (*used to
construct the grain storage
area in a house*)

tiri - (*adv*) - ፈጣን - fast

tirinyay - (*n*) - ድድ - gums

tirmaga - (*n*) - የሱርማ ብሔር
ክፍፍል - name for Suri
people (*Suri people who live
mainly west of the Kibbish
river*)

tiyi - (*adv*) - ሁል ጊዜ -
always

tobey₁ - (*n*) - የንጋት ኮከብ፤
የኮከብ ዓይነት - morning
star

tobey₂ - (*n*) - ጥላኔት - planet

tohay - (n) - የዛፍ ዓይነት -
tree species (*lowland tree with hard brown fruits*)

toloy - (n) - የዛፍ ዓይነት - tree species (*tree with huge pods, but not edible*)

tomogi - (n) - ብረት - general word for metal (*iron; iron bracelet; korokoro*)

torong - (n) - ቀስት - large arrow (*for shooting animals*)

tortə - (v) - መቅመስ - taste

toye - (n) - ውስጥ - inside

toyiyə₁ - (v) - መቁጠር - count

toyiyə₂ - (v) - ማንበብ - read

təgəshi - (n) - የቆላ ዋንዛ - Camel's foot tree; Monkey bread *Piliostigma thonningii* FABACEAE

təgtə₁ - (v) - ማሰማራት - herd/gather cows

təgtə₂ - (v) - ጥሎሽ - pay bridewealth

tələbay - (n) - የአረም ዓይነት - plant species (*dandelion type plant with thistle-like spines*)

tələgənyi - (adj) - ደካማ - weak

təməən - (num) - አስር - ten

təngə - (n) - ፍየል - goat

təwəgtə - (v) - መፍሳት - pass gas

tərtə - (v) - መጨመር - add to

tu - (n) - ብረት - area for the bigger cows at a cattle camp

tubbyoy - (n) - የዛፍ ፈሬ ዘር - tamarind fruit

tudunggə - (v) - ማራገፍ - knock; beat out (cloth, etc.)

tugə₁ - (n) - አፍ - mouth

tugə₂ - (n) - ቋንቋ - language

tukurətə - (v) - ማማስል - stir

tukusə - (v) - ማነሳሳት - pick at something

tula - (adj) - ጅገንጉርጉር - striped

tuluku - (n) - ሽኮኮ - ground squirrel

tummi - (n) - ግራር - flat topped acacia tree
tumu₁ - (n) - ሰማይ - lower sky (*where the birds fly*)
tumu₂ - (n) - እግዚአብሔር - God
tundā - (adv) - በላይ፤ ከላይ - above; on; on top of; over
tunā - (adv) - ወደ ላይ - up hill; above
tuntunu - (n) - ጆሪካን - jerrycan; bucket
tunugtā - (v) - መግባት - enter
ture - (n) - ጥሩምባ - horn (*used to call cows with*)

tureholi - (n) - የዛፍ ዓይነት - carrot tree *Steganotaenia araliaceae APIACEAE*
turgi - (n) - የዛፍ ዓይነት - plant species *Solanum incanum SOLANACEAE* (*has inedible fruit that look like yellow tomato*)
turguli - (adj) - ጠማማ (ለእንጨት) - bent
turumbay - (n) - ጎጆ ቤት - house (*small one; sticks are propped together at the top; grass covers the entire house*)
turumbel - (n) - መኪና - automobile
tusā - (v) - መትፋት - spit; expectorate

U u

ubulanayā - (v) - መንከባለል - roll
ubuldā - (v) - መቀላቀል - mix together

uchubhtā - (v) - መከልከል - selfish (to be); hold back; forbid
udhuytā - (v) - ማፍሰስ - spill

ugundo - (v) - መግፋት - push

uhu - (n) - ጨው ጨው የሚል አኳር - mineral eaten with tobacco

uhudhto - (v) - መቀባት - wax; rub in

uhunydo - (v) - መመረቅ - bless (special kind)

ujukto - (v) - መወርወር - throw

ulubto - (v) - መሸፈን - cover

ulugunydo - (v) - መደበቅ - hide

umbə - (v) - በጠቀሳ መጥራት - call someone with your hand

ungo - (n) - ቀን - sleep (day)

unguso - (v) - መተኛት - sleeping

unjoy - (n) - ቅማል - louse

urda - (det) - በቂ - enough; sufficient

urgusi - (n) - ዓሳ - fish

uri - (n) - ብረት አንጣሪ፤ ቀጥቃጭ - blacksmith (a person who works with metal)

uro - (n) - ወተት - milk

ushuldo - (v) - መፍሳት - pass gas silently

uso - (v) - መብቀል - sprout

usurusiyə - (v) - ያቃጥላል - burn (food)

utudhandə - (v) - መጠቅለል - wrap

utumbə - (v) - ማንደድ - tend a fire

uyto - (v) - በቡጢ መምታት - hit with fist

W w

wa - (adv) - አሁን - just now; recently happened

wadhendo - (v) - የህመም ስሜት - hurt; have pain

waney - (n) - ሕመም - pain
wanggay - (n) - ጭጋግ - fog
War - (n) - የአዋ ወንዝ - Omo
 river
wara - (n) - ቢላዋ - knife
way - (n) - ጡት - breast
way tugo - (n) - የጡት ጫፍ -
 nipple
wayajonekedhe - (n) -
 የማሪያም ፈረስ - walking
 stick bug
wiy - (n) - ጩኸት - yell

wochin - (n) - መሄድ - going
wolokto - (v) - መቆጣት -
 angry (to be)
wololo - (n) - ሰርግ - wedding
woo - (conj) - ወይም፤ ወይስ -
 or
wowoy - (n) - የሳር ዓይነት -
 grass species (*short bunch
 grass*)
woyo - (v) - መዘዋወር - go
 leisurely (*by car or foot*)
wurto - (adj) - ጳላ - last
wuy - (num) - አራት - four

Y y

yagto₁ - (v) - መፍቀድ - permit
yagto₂ - (v) - መልስ መስጠት -
 answer
yagto₃ - (v) - መመለስ - return
yana - (n) - ያክሰት ልጅ -
 cousin (*mother's sister's
 children*)

yatani - (n) - የፀሐይ፣ ጥልቀት -
 sunset (*cloudless sunset that
 is green, yellow and pink*)
yelamugu - (n) - አውጥ -
 gooseberry tomato plant
Physalis peruviana
 SOLANCEAE
yelay - (n) - እርግብ - pigeon

yeldo - (v) - መፍቀር - love

yelegoy - (n) - በረሐ ማእበል -
mirage

yelloy - (n) - ዘፈን - song

yebhto - (v) - ማመን - believe

yeldo - (v) - ምግብ ለመፈለግ -
search for food

yirisi - (n) - የተጠራቀመ የጎርፍ
ውኃ (ጨለቅለቃ)፤ ሐይቅ -
flooded area; lake

yiro - (n) - ጡንቻ - biceps

yiso - (v) - መላጨት - shave

yiynay₁ - (n) - የትል ዓይነት -
bug species (*lives in the
grass that makes cows sick if
they eat it. The bug excretes
something that looks like
spit*)

yiynay₂ - (n) - የደም ሥር -
artery

yo - (pro) - እነርሱ - they

Z z

zanggay - (n) - ዘንጋዳ -
sorghum (*dark-red highland
variety*)

zaytu - (n) - ዘይት - cooking
oil

zel - (n) - የመዋኛ ሥፍራ - pool
of water

zibu - (n) - መድኃኒት -
medicine

zibua kono - (n) - የዛፍ ዓይነት
(የእባብ መድኃኒት) - tree
species *Thunbergia ruspolii*
or *Ruellia patula*
ACANTHACEAE (*snake
medicine*)

zig - (n) - ፍግ፤ ማዳበሪያ ፍግ -
dry cattle dung

zigay - (n) - ወንደላጤ -
bachelor

zigtə - (*v*) - ከቦታ ቦታ መዘዋወር

ለኑሮ - move to another
dwelling place

zinggo - (*n*) - ስራ - work

zoy - (*n*) - ጉንዳጎ - ant
species

zurgay₁ - (*n*) - ቆሻሻ - dirty
things

zurgay₂ - (*n*) - ጥራጊ - trash

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A a

able to (*v*) - maya
above (*adv*) - tundo; tundo
absent (to be) (*v*) - dhoto
absolutely (*adv*) - dhul
acacia tree species (*n*) – bayay;
 loorki; shurray
accident (have) (*v*) - edeyo₁
accompany (*v*) - dhigando
across (*adv*) - tando
action (*n*) - sigiro₂
Adam's apple (*n*) - loggor
add (dirt, water, etc) (*v*) - erto
add to (*v*) - torto
add to (dirt or liquids) (*v*) -
 tilinggo
afraid (to be) (*v*) - anyaneyo₁;
 engereso
African wild olive (*n*) - girari
after (*adv*) - ali hale
afternoon (*n*) - jhany
again (*adv*) - segen
age mate (*n*) - lukuri
agree (*v*) - kendo₂
airplane (*n*) - nyagari
algae (*n*) - olway
alive (*v*) - baso
all (*adj*) - bhoy₁; (*det*) - kumulo

aloe vera plant (*n*) - darmay
always (*adv*) - kali kali; (*adv*) -
 tiyi
Amhara people (*n*) - goday
and (*conj*) - ko₂; na₂
angry (to be) (*v*) – ekenyando₂;
 wolokto
animal fat (*n*) - kuyay
**animal or person with large
 ears** (*n*) - galgali
animal species (*n*) - kisi₁
ankle bracelet (*n*) - malay
another (*n*) - kona
another place (*n*) - bhokonno
answer (*v*) - yagto₂
answer in songs (*v*) - teriyoo
ant species (*n*) - gususi; zoy
anus (*n*) - dholdoy
Anuwak people (*n*) - nyurluy
appearance (*n*) - e
ardvark (*n*) - kologoli
**area for the bigger cows at a
 cattle camp** (*n*) - tu
area just above the knee (*n*) -
 lekény
argue (*v*) - ekenyando₁
arguer (*n*) - ekenyanyogi

arm band made of leather (*n*)
 - **kimiroy**
 armpit (*n*) - **kaluwey**
 around 4 a.m. (*n*) - **bhelley**
 arrow (*n*) - **torong**
 arrowroot type of plant (*n*) -
karinday
 artery (*n*) - **yiynay₂**

ash (*n*) - **bur**
 ash that tastes like salt (*n*) -
magay
 ask (*v*) - **ghindo**
 attempt (*v*) - **doktə₂**
 automobile (*n*) - **turumbel**
 avenge (*v*) - **chaytə₂**
 axe (*n*) - **bhey**

B b

Baale people (*n*) - **balesi**
 baboon (*n*) - **kangay**
 bachelor (*n*) - **zigay**
 back of the neck (*n*) - **ngo**
 bad (*adj*) - **gəɾəŋg; gərsi**
 bad sore that stinks (*n*) -
karcha
 bald spot (*n*) - **bele**
 ball (*n*) - **kura₂**
 bamboo (*n*) - **korigəni**
 banana (*n*) - **muzu**
 bark (*v*) - **boytə₁**
 bark for tying (*n*) - **bharoy**
 bark species (*n*) - **kabhabhogi**
 barren female cow (*n*) - **mun**
 bat (*n*) - **gəɬəŋnyay**
 bead (*n*) - **chalay**
 beans (*n*) - **bəŋgəɾay**

beard (*n*) - **chamun₁**
 beat out (cloth, etc.) (*v*) -
tudunggə
 become sour (milk) (*v*) - **liisə₂**
 become spoiled (*v*) - **ɛdɛyə₂**
 bed (*n*) - **algay**
 bedbug (*n*) - **ɛgəɾchogi₂**
 bee (*n*) - **sisay**
 beehive (*n*) - **kodor**
 beer (*n*) - **dhachi**
 before (*adj*) - **sabbə**
 beg (*v*) - **ogoldə**
 believe (*v*) - **yəbhtə**
 bell (*n*) - **bhilday; jogorey**
 bend (*v*) - **dhugumbə**
 bent (*adj*) - **rəŋgəɬhi₁; turguli**
 beside (*adv*) - **dheyə**
 biceps (*n*) - **yirə**

big (*adj*) - bu; dərđəri;
 idhibeni₁
billy goat (*n*) - kəla
bird (*n*) - shəy₁
bird species (*n*) - chori;
 ɛgəlbeyo; godhoy; kalay₁;
 loggi₁; əlay
birr (*n*) - biri
birth canal and uterus
 together (*n*) - ləb
bite (*v*) - angytə
black (*adj*) - kərrə
black and white large spots
 (*adj*) - luguwiy
black and white spotted (*adj*) -
 jarhəli
Black plum (*n*) - goroki
black spots on white
 background (*adj*) - bhuseni
blackish or greyish undercoat
 (*adj*) - ləgəri
blackish with cream
 undercoat (*adj*) - sirwa
blacksmith (*n*) - uri
blanket (*n*) - buluku
bless (*v*) - uhunyə
blind snake (*n*) - munggugu
bloated (to be) (*v*) - dhəndə
blood (*n*) - nyawa
bloom (*v*) - hulnəyə
blow (*v*) - ɛbəkətə

blue color (*adj*) - chahəli
boat (*n*) - gonggul
Bodi people (*n*) - sogorəni
boiled corn or sorghum grain
 (*n*) - timay₁
bonavist beans (*n*) -
 kəwakəway
bone blood debt (*n*) - gigej
bone over the eyebrows (*n*) -
 ərəgəm
born (to be) (*v*) - iriytə₁
bottom grinding stone (*n*) -
 golu
bow (*n*) - iriyay
bowed (*adj*) - rəngədh₁
box (*n*) - giligili
boy (*n*) - lusi
boyfriend (*n*) - kudhari
bracelet (*n*) - lalang
brain (*n*) - balay
brains (*n*) - logonyey
branch (*n*) - ləway
bread (*n*) - lotay
break (*v*) - bhiiktə
break (fragile things) (*v*) -
 ində₁
breast (*n*) - way
breath (*n*) - həngay
breathe (*v*) - hənggə
bring (*v*) - kunəyə

broken cooking pot for grain
(*n*) - rεε₂

brother (*n*) - gochong

brow (*n*) - gɔm₂

brownish color (*adj*) - lulumi

brownish colour dirty (*adj*) -
gidangi₁

Brown's myrobalan tree (*n*) -
bhukoy

brushland (*n*) - dus

bucket (*n*) - tuntunu

buffalo (*n*) - nebi

bug species (*n*) - yiynay₁

bull (*n*) - ole

bullet shell (*n*) - kalahi

bullet that misfires (*n*) -
dumay₂

burn (*v*) - usurusiyɔ

burning coals in a fire (*n*) -
sambi

burnt (*n*) - surusi

burnt off land with little grass
left (*n*) - terri

burp (a smelly, sick one) (*v*) -
gubto

bushbuck (*n*) - korri

bushpig (*n*) - chɔwa

butter (*n*) - ngɔrnay

buttock (*n*) - kudhusay

buy (*v*) - taldo

C c

calabash (*n*) - kugumi

calf decoy (*n*) - dhugey

calf of leg (*n*) - muni₁

call (*v*) - eliyɔ

call someone with your hand
(*v*) - umbɔ

camel (*n*) - galisey

Camel's foot tree (*n*) - tɔgɔshi

cap (*n*) - garchu

cape fig tree (*n*) -
dhudhubangguray

caracal (*n*) - dhokol

carrot (*n*) - karoti

carrot tree (*n*) - turɛholi

carry in your hands (*v*) -
lɔgɔndo

carry on one's back (*v*) -
ngortɔ

carry on one's head (*v*) -
iloliytɔ

cartilage in the bridge of the
nose (*n*) - chɔrɔgeni

carve out by machete (v) - haldə
cassava (n) - bawuray
castor bean tree (n) - bolli
cat (n) - nganyur
catch (v) - irriytə
cattail plant (n) - balyay
cattle camp (n) - bhuran
cattle disease (n) - ghunchi; (n) - kawukawu
cause to be full (v) - dhiytə
chameleon (n) - hunggagəy
charcoal without fire (n) - kolu
ch'at (n) - ghima
chatter, rumor (n) - hiyonghiyong
Chay (n) - chay
cheap (adj) - bhaseni₂
cheek (n) - bollongi
cheekbone (n) - dakumoy
chest (n) - luddum
chew (like baboons) (v) - gherətə
chew (like corn) (v) - rimbo
chicken (n) - kobi
child (n) - eri
chin (n) - chamun₂
chisel (n) - koru₂
choose (v) - bərtə
chop (v) - ngədhətə

chop settle (v) - kendə₁
claw (n) - mukay
clay (n) - digir
clay lip plug (n) - chabbalday
clay plug in the ear lobes or lip-plate (n) - dhebe
clean (v) - hugtə
clear land (v) - kəsə₁
clear the way (v) - ədagtə
clever person (n) - baysi₂
climb (v) - irəktə₁
clitoris (n) - læshuy
close (v) - nyugtə₁
cloth (n) - charki; (n) - rum
cloth species (n) - læluy
clothing (n) - rum
cloud (n) - idho
cobra (n) - bohe
coffee (n) - bunay
cockroach species (n) - kubhurki₁
coffee (n) - bunay
cold (n) - chuwan; (adj) - laleni
colobus monkey (n) - karam
combine (v) - idhoytə
combretum tree variety (n) - kololonggoy
come (v) - kundə
comfort (v) - ilaldə
commit adultery (v) - asanayə₁

completely (*adv*) - dhul
conquer (*v*) - mǎktǎ
conversation (*n*) - kali₂
cook (*v*) - ogtǎ
cooking oil (*n*) - zaytu
cooking pot (*n*) - dole
copper bracelet (*n*) - gǎmay
corn cob (*n*) - bholongguy
corn/sorghum mush (*n*) - tila₁
corn tassle (*n*) - jalay₁
corner of the eye (*n*) - teldey
cotton (*n*) - rum
cough (*v*) - lǎsinɛyǎ
count (*v*) - toyiyǎ₁
cousin (*n*) - yana
cover (*v*) - ulubtǎ
covet (*v*) - chirbhisiyǎ₁
cow (*n*) - bi
cow bell (*n*) - kǎdho
cow calf (*n*) - mǎr
cow horn (*n*) - kɛrɛ
cow skin (*n*) - haya
cowrie shell (*n*) - sɛgɛray
crabtype grass species (*n*) -
 lomburay

**cracked semi-ground hard
 roasted corn** (*n*) - ngǎrchǎga
crackle (*v*) - tilildǎ
crawl (*v*) - ghǎlbtǎ
crazy person (*n*) - lolu₁
cream (*n*) - girwani
create (*v*) - bhɛlanayǎ₁
cringe (*v*) - nyima
crocodile (*n*) - kinyang
cross (*v*) - eresǎ
cry (*v*) - ruyǎ
**cultural form of singing and
 dancing** (*n*) - holo
cup (*n*) - kubay
cure (*v*) - ibaysiyǎ
curse (*n*) - bhuhogi; busoy; (*v*)
 - chǎrtǎ; (*n*) - rima
curse word (*n*) - dhǎma
cursed (to be) (*v*) - bhusǎ
curved (*adj*) - rǎngǎdhi₂
custom (*n*) - dambi
cut (*v*) - busiyǎ; kendǎ₁
cut open (*v*) - bheldǎ
cutting marks (*n*) - sira₁

D d

day (*n*) - kali₁

day before yesterday (*n*) -
b̄ort̄o

dead (*adj*) - r̄esi

dead person (*n*) - hira r̄esa

deaf person (*n*) - dungga

debt (*n*) - ewo

deceive, lie (*v*) - tabt̄o

deep (*adj*) - h̄ori

defeat (*v*) - m̄akt̄o

dense grass (*n*) - dob₁

deny (*v*) - k̄engḡo

descendant (*n*) - ashay

deserted (*adj*) - guru

die (*v*) - r̄es̄o

different (*adj*) - bhibhi;
bhichang

difficult (*adj*) - dhandhali₁

difficult meeting (*n*) - diy

dig (*v*) - bh̄akt̄o

dig with a pick (*v*) - l̄egiȳo

dirt (*n*) - ba; digiri

dirty (*adj*) - gidangi₂

dirty things (*n*) - zurgay₁

disappear (*v*) - garas̄o

disappointed (*v*) - ch̄ol̄s̄o

discuss (*v*) - m̄eziȳo₁

disease (*n*) - mutan

dissolve (*v*) - chudht̄o

Dizi person (*n*) - suyey

do (*v*) - mes̄o

do it this way (*det*) - nganga

doesn't exist (*v*) - ningḡe

dog (*n*) - r̄os̄o

donkey (*n*) - bhorsonoy; sigir̄o₁

don't nga-

don't know (*v*) - imagt̄o

door cover (*n*) - gheru

doum palm (*n*) - anjoy

down (*adj*) - karane

dragonfly (*n*) - r̄engḡay

draw designs (*v*) - cheriȳo

dream (*n*) - kuna; (*v*) - kunas̄o

dried meat (*n*) - chodhigay

drink (*v*) - madht̄o₁

drive a car or a boat (*v*) -
kuliyo

drum (*n*) - kidhong

dry (*adj*) - dh̄or̄oḡsi; (*v*) -
dh̄or̄oḡs̄o

dry cattle dung (*n*) - zig

dry honeycomb (*n*) - harroy

dry season (*n*) - sus̄o

duiker (*n*) - gundi

dull (*adj*) - dhumbuli

dusk (*n*) - ririnya

dust (*n*) - teri

dwarf morning glory (*n*) -
keya guchony

dwell (*v*) - bhakt̄o

E e

eagle claw thorn tree (*n*) -
radhi

ear (*n*) - nyabi

earings (*n*) - archumay

earlobe (*n*) - laatəni

easy (*adv*) - bhaseni₁

eat (*v*) - ambə; bhayaktə

eat (like corn on the cob) (*v*) -
gisə

eat together with another food
(*v*) - chəmbə

edible cultivated green (*n*) -
chita

egg (*n*) - bhurray

egret type of bird (*n*) - bhəngi

eight (*num*) - issey

eland (*n*) - siro

elbow (*n*) - ləkər

eldest child (*n*) - aw

elephant (*n*) - ngərə

elephant tusk horn (*n*) -
bolokonguy

eleventh month (*n*) - kokon

empty (*adj*) - həlɔŋg₁

enclosed area at a cattle camp
(*n*) - teny

enemy (*n*) - balagaray; mirogi

enough (*det*) - urda

enset banana (*n*) - kuddi

enter (*v*) - tunugtə

entrance (*n*) - dori tutug

every (*adv*) - bhoy₂

exchange (*v*) - chaytə₁

exists (*v*) - ihe₁

exorcise (*v*) - letə

expectorate (*v*) - tusə

expensive (*adj*) - dhandhali₂

expose, reveal (*v*) - ɛgtə

expresses surprise (*conj*) -
dhaa

eye (*n*) - kawari

eyebrow (*n*) - inigi

eyelash (*n*) - inigi

F f

face (*n*) - mumə

falcon species (*n*) - sukaley

falcon's claw acacia tree (*n*) -
borkodhi
fall (*v*) - ngɔanayɔ
false (*n*) - butomo
far (*adv*) - rɛna
farm (*v*) - kɔsɔ₂
fast (*adv*) - shawshaw; (*adv*) -
tiri
fat (*adj*) - dongdongi₁; (*adj*) -
idhibeni₂
fat stomach (*n*) - ngɔrɛni
father (*n*) - baba
fear (*v*) - ɛngɛrɛsɔ
fearful person (*n*) - anyanyogi
feather (*n*) - rɔway
feces (*n*) - jo
feed (*v*) - irogiytɔ
feel of (*v*) - kumbɔ₁
female (*n*) - ngahi
fence (*n*) - sari
fermented sorghum drink (*n*) -
geso
fever (*n*) - bhalal
few (*det*) - muchugi
fiber (*n*) - kɛshi
field (*n*) - mogiy
fig tree species (*n*) - bhogoni
fighter(with words) (*n*) -
ɛkɛnyanyogi
fill (*v*) - dhiytɔ

find (*v*) - jɔanayɔ
finger (*n*) - hallagi
finger piano (*n*) - chonggi
ingernail (*n*) - terter
finish (*v*) - dheytɔ
fire (*n*) - go
fire area (*n*) - boloy; (*n*) - go
kabari; (n) - kisingey
fire finch bird (*n*) - dhumgolu
firm (mud, tila, etc) (*n*) -
baysi₃
first (*adj*) - sabbɔ
fish (*n*) - urgusi
fish-hook (*n*) - kɔrmi
five (*num*) - hayɛna
fix (*v*) - ghendetɔ; sɛytɔ₂
flashlight (*n*) - lombu
flat (*adj*) - chabbali
flat area of land (*n*) - dar
flat topped acacia tree (*n*) -
tummi
flea (*n*) - kinyinyi
flood (*n*) - taan
flooded area (*n*) - yirisi
flower species (*n*) - simbili;
tiray
flute (*n*) - mɔri₂
fly (*n*) - kirɔnggi
FN rifle (*n*) - dindalata
fog (*n*) - wanggay

follow (*v*) - kəbhtə
food (*n*) - tila₂
fool (*n*) - dalle
foolish (*adj*) - dalnɛ
foot (*n*) - jagari
forbid (*v*) - uchubhtə
forbidden (*n*) - kullɛ
forearm (*n*) - muni₁
foreigner (*n*) - aranjay
forest (*n*) - kəshi
forest area (*n*) - dob₂
forest hog (*n*) - darginy
forget (*v*) - dhinyɛsɛndə
forked stick (*n*) - teley
forked supporting pole (*n*) -
 tirey
fortune teller (*n*) - deni
four (*num*) - wuy
fox or hunting dog (*n*) - dərə

fox species (*n*) - loya₁
Francolin partridge species
 (*n*) - kandarukuy
fresh corn (*n*) - kurmusi₂
fresh grain (*n*) - sirta
freshwater oyster shell (*n*) -
 keni
friend (*n*) - bəkay; dehuny
friendship (*n*) - laali
frog (*n*) - dəlme
fruit (*n*) - darchəngəl
fruit of shamushi (*n*) - bortoy
fry (*v*) - əgərtə
full (*adj*) - dhik
full (to be) (*v*) - chasə
full moon (*n*) - chorigani
funeral (*n*) - duhu
funny bone (*n*) - lala
funny person (*n*) - kanigay

G g

game (*n*) - hor
garden (*n*) - gu
gather (wood) (*v*) - dhumbə
gather together (*v*) - mukto
gazelle (*n*) - lalə
general word for metal (*n*) -
 tomogi

generic word for edible greens
 (*n*) - chunoy
geode type rocks (*n*) - chochi
get (*v*) - dhumanay
get out of the way (*v*) - isokto
giraffe (*n*) - kirin
girl (*n*) - sedhey

girlfriend (*n*) - ngoni
 girls beaded belt (*n*) - dærrɛ
 girls' waist belt of metal
 trinkets (*n*) - sira₂
 give (*v*) - ajɛyɔ
 give birth (*v*) - hudhugtɔ
 go ahead (*v*) - jimbo
 go downhill (*v*) - chidhinɛyɔ
 go first (*v*) - jimbo
 go for a walk (*v*) - boytɔ₂
 go leisurely (*v*) - woyɔ
 goat (*n*) - tɔngɔ
 goat steer (*n*) - goney
 goatskin or buckskin (*n*) - say
 God (*n*) - tumu₂
 going (*n*) - wochin
 good (*adj*) - challi
 good hunter (*n*) - chamani
 good part of fruit (*n*) - rodhi
 good tasting (*adj*) - choy
 good worker (*n*) - kadhinyogi
 gooseberries (*n*) - muyɛlay
 gooseberry tomato plant (*n*) -
 yelamugu
 gourd (*n*) - dokollu; gusi;
 kɛdhem
 grab (*v*) - ibtɔ₁
 grain flour (*n*) - gutuma
 grandchild (*n*) - ashay
 grandfather (*n*) - koginɛ

grandmother (*n*) - kaka
 grass (*n*) - lanjoy
 grass seeds (*n*) - kəriy
 grass species (*n*) - digirey;
 emoy; nganngani; sogodhi;
 wowoy
 grasshopper (*n*) - maradhogi
 grassy plain with a few trees
 (*n*) - kolobi
 grave (*n*) - log
 great grandfather (*n*) - kokong
 green (*adj*) - chagi
 greens (*n*) - changgalay
 greens species (*n*) - chormote;
 ngonitekɔɔ
 greet (*v*) - isayɔ
 grind (*v*) - ngunyɔɔ
 grinding stone (*n*) - mey
 ground squirrel (*n*) - tuluku
 group of men advancing in an
 age set (*n*) - rori₂
 growing (like corn) (*v*) -
 ilonggɔ₁
 growl (*v*) - kurrutɔ₁
 grub worms (*n*) - dunggi
 guard (*v*) - bhɛktɔ
 guest (*n*) - kɔmɔni
 guinea fowl (*n*) - chɔyay
 guinea grass (*n*) - lanjoya
 kugori

gums (*n*) - tirinyaygun (*n*) - mashasha

H h

hail (*n*) - kugurahair (*n*) - chṛtihalf (*n*) - bhokonhand (*n*) - siyṵhandshield (*n*) - dhṵlmayhappy (to be) (*v*) - shumundṵ₁hard (*adj*) - dhandhali₁hard person (*n*) - dṛmni₂hat (*n*) - garchuhat worn at stick fights (*n*) -
kugurihave (*v*) - lṵmbṵhave pain (*v*) - wadhendṵhave to (*v*) - mayahe (*pro*) - nṵng₁head (*n*) - sabbahead band (*n*) - karomoheaddress (*n*) - metuhealed (to be) (*v*) - basṵhear (*v*) - shiktṵheart (*n*) - siniheavy (*adv*) - dhidhingiheel (*n*) - tiinyoyhelp (*v*) - ṛanayṵher (*pro*) - nanṛnṛ₂her father (*n*) - chṵgṵnṛ₂her mather (*n*) - jṵnṛ₂her sister (*n*) - ngṵnṛ₂herd (*n*) - maraherd/gather cows (*v*) - tṵgtṵ₁here (*adv*) - ngaaheron or crane (*n*) - seluyhide (*v*) - ṛeytṵ₁; ulugunyṵṵhill (*n*) - dhum; gṛṛṛṛṛhis (*pro*) - nanṛnṛ₁his brother (*n*) - gṵyṛnṛhis father (*n*) - chṵgṵnṛ₁his mother (*n*) - jṵnṛ₁his sister (*n*) - ngṵnṛ₁his/hers (*poss*) - gagṛnyṛhit (*v*) - dhaktṵhit with fist (*v*) - uyṵtṵhoe (*n*) - gaysahog plum (*n*) - lṵmayhold back (*v*) - uchubhtṵhold it in (*v*) - nyimahole (*n*) - hologun; loghole in the ground (*n*) - bolkuhoney (*n*) - rṛṛṛṛ

honey mead (*n*) - gimay
hoof bone (*n*) - kerker
horn (*n*) - turε
horn used to call cows (*n*) -
 kəginyay
hornbill (*n*) - ləngguy
horse (*n*) - hartεy₁
horseshoe or line shaped
scarification (*n*) - ridhoy
hose (*n*) - məri₁
hot (*adj*) - awreni
hour (*n*) - sati
house (*n*) - dori; (*n*) - kesə; (*n*)
 - turumbay

house normal Surma house
 (*n*) - gelegan
how (*adv*) - εnεng
how many? isəng
how much? isəng
human body (*n*) - rεε₁
hump on a cow's back (*n*) -
 dhəyε
hunger (*n*) - hozo
hurt (*v*) - wadhendə
hurt a sore (*v*) - dumbə
husband (*n*) - hiri₃
husk (*v*) - chiyigtə; shushugtə
hyena (*n*) - buga

I i

I (*pro*) - anye
I have no idea inggare
if (*conj*) - hinde
immediately (*adv*) - məyarε
incline (*n*) - gəsay
including (*conj*) - ko₁
India plum tree (*n*) -
 bhurruchoy
insect antenna (*n*) - kεrε
inside (*n*) - toye

inside thigh (*n*) - dəlməy
insult (*n*) - dhəma; (*v*) -
 dhəmbə
intercede (*v*) - ligində₁
intestinal part (*n*) - tahn
intestine (*n*) - shəlləy
iron hand pick (*n*) - muda
is (to be) (*v*) - a
itch (*v*) - munugutə

J j

jackal (*n*) - loye
jacket (*n*) - koti
jaw area of the face (*n*) -
 horroy
jaw bone (*n*) - ngelgemay
jawbone area (*n*) - gadhumoy
jerrycan (*n*) - tuntunu
jibberish (*n*) - gɛdɛgɛɛ
joint just below the knee (*n*) -
 busi

joker (*n*) - kanigay
jugular vein (*n*) - ngɔny
jump (*v*) - bɔrɔɔ
jump from tree to tree
 (monkeys) (*v*) - sɛldinɛyɔ
juniper tree (*n*) - banduy
just (*adv*) - hung; lay₂
just now (*adv*) - wa

K k

Kalashnikov rifle (*n*) -
 kalamchi
key (*n*) - ghulsi
Kibish valley (*n*) - negi
kidney (*n*) - gogotɛni
kill (*v*) - kɔndɔ₁
kill a cow (*v*) - indɔ₂
kind of (*n*) - heo

kiss (*v*) - chɔbhɔɔ
kite bird (*n*) - kilgishoy
klipspringer (*n*) - kaluway
knee (*n*) - kɔmi
knife (*n*) - ɔrɛy; wara
knock (*v*) - dhɛdɛyɔ;
 tudunggɔ
know (*v*) - gayɔ

L 1

- lake** (*n*) - yirisi
lame (*adj*) - ngɔli
land (*n*) - ba
land going across the river (*n*)
 - ghɔgɔl
language (*n*) - tugɔ₂
large (*adj*) - bu
last (*adj*) - wurto
laterite (*n*) - binjogi
laugh (*v*) - chigtɔ
lay out (*v*) - elesɔ
lazy person (*n*) - gɔnggay
lead (*v*) - ghurutɔ₂
leader, authority figure, chief
 (*n*) - gulsa
leaf (*n*) - bhallogi
learn (*v*) - ɛdhɛmiyɔ
leather bag (*n*) - kama
leather belt with pouches
 worn by men (*n*) - kɔbɔrtɔ
leather sheath (*n*) - shebbel₁
leather shin guard (*n*) -
 darchoy
leather thong/strap (*n*) -
 gheney
leave (*v*) - bhonosɔ
leech (*n*) - lɔchini
- left** (*adj*) - kangitɛn
lemon (*n*) - lomɔ 1
leopard (*n*) - char
leopard like (*n*) - chargaley
lesser kudu (*n*) - marchan
letter (*n*) - dadab₂
liar (*n*) - butogi
lick (*v*) - ɔgɔytɔ
lie (*n*) - butomo
light (*adj*) - hɔlihɔli
like (*v*) - hindɔ₂
like this (*det*) - nganga
limp (*v*) - ngɔldɔ
lion (*n*) - ngatuny
listen (*v*) - chirartɔ
live (*v*) - bhaktɔ
liver (*n*) - tarra
lizard (*n*) - gɔlɛ; gurdhangɛy
long ago (*adv*) - bere
long time (*adv*) - dir₂
long time ago (*det*) - kingi
look (*v*) - gɔnyɔ
look back (*v*) - budhtɔ
look for (*v*) - lamiyɔ
look like (*v*) - hɛtɔ
louse (*n*) - unjoy

love (*v*) - yeldə
 low (*adj*) - karane
 lower (*adj*) - karane
 lower incisors that are
 removed (*n*) - ngəllay
 lower sky (*n*) - tumu₁

lower slowly (*v*) - lachanayə
 lowland (*n*) - kuru₁
 lukewarm (*n*) - gingini
 lunation (*n*) - bərgu₁
 lungs (*n*) - hohu

M m

machete (*n*) - banka
 mad (to be) (*v*) - dusendə
 maize (*n*) - gəray
 make (*v*) - ghendətə
 make a loud noise (*v*) - rəktə
 make or build a fence (*v*) -
 lugtə
 make smooth (*v*) - rigiyə
 make someone pregnant (*v*) -
 ɛdenydə
 male (*n*) - may
 male who doesn't stick fight
 (*n*) - loya₂
 man (*n*) - hiri₁
 mango (*n*) - mangay
 many (*det*) - məri
 many magal (*n*) - ngachurugə
 market (*n*) - gaw
 married daughter (*n*) -
 ningənəsi

married woman (*n*) - təri
 marrow (*n*) - dhokoy
 marry (*v*) - gambə
 mash from fermenting sorgum
 (*n*) - kanggacho
 match (*n*) - kibiriti
 me (*pro*) - anye
 Me`en person (*n*) - bhəkəli
 means what? (*interj*) - ənəng
 meat (*n*) - ayu
 meat eater (*n*) - munyagi
 medicine (*n*) - gəytəy; zibu
 meet (*v*) - itinyandə
 meet in passing (*v*) - bharineyə
 meeting (to have) (*v*) - oytə₁
 merchant (*n*) - ngagay
 merciful (to be) (*v*) -
 chirbhisiyə₂
 metal (*n*) - siggi
 metal arrow tip (*n*) - lagun

middle (*n*) - kærghɛnɔ
milk (*n*) - urɔ
milk container (*n*) - bagay
millet (*n*) - barcha
mine (*poss*) - gaganyu; (*pro*) - nananu
mineral eaten with tobacco (*n*) - uhu
mirage (*n*) - yelegoy
mix (*v*) - idhoytɔ
mix together (*v*) - ubuldɔ
molar (*n*) - kakay
Monkey bread (*n*) - tɔgɔshi
monkey species (*n*) - guy
monkey w/white stomach and red back (*n*) - talamoy
month (*n*) - bɛrgu₂; tagi₂
moon (*n*) - tagi₁
morning star (*n*) - tobey₁
mortar (*n*) - golu
mosquito (*n*) - leyogi

mother (*n*) - mama
mother-in-law (*n*) - konɛn
mountain (*n*) - kutul
mouth (*n*) - tugɔ₁
move to another dwelling place (*v*) - zigtɔ
mucous (*n*) - girngay
mud (*n*) - dhɔr
mud platform in house (*n*) - ɛrcha
mule (*n*) - hartɛy₂
Mursi people (*n*) - muni₂
muscular body (*adj*) - idhibeni₁
mushroom species (*n*) - bhusukoy; gɔnggɔlay; lemudurgani; ochoy
musical instrument (*n*) - dirmay
my brother (*n*) - goona
my sister (*n*) - ngɔna
mythical creature (*n*) - moldoy

N n

nail (*n*) - misimari
naked (*adj*) - hɔlɔng₂
name (*n*) - sara

name for Suri people (*n*) - tirmaga
name type (*n*) - lommo
nape (*n*) - bolu

narrow (*adj*) - ngochu
navel (*n*) - guldu
near (*adv*) - ja
necklace (*n*) - magali; (*n*) -
 nyɔɔlogay
nettle species (*n*) -
 chinggilikita
new (*adj*) - chagi
news (*n*) - lɔgɔ₂
night (*n*) - bar

nightjar bird species (*n*) -
 barwadhoy
nine (*num*) - sakal
nipple (*n*) - way tugo
nod off to sleep (*v*) - dhunggo
nose (*n*) - girɔng
not present (*v*) - ningge
not yet (*adv*) - ngani
now (*n*) - meya₁

O o

obey (*v*) - igombɔ
offspring (*n*) - hoyne
oil (*n*) - mal
OK (*interj*) - e
old (*adj*) - nyagasi
old man (*n*) - bari
Omo river (*n*) - War
on (*adv*) - tundo
on top of (*adv*) - tundo
one (*num*) - dhɔne
one's sister's child (*n*) -
 ngosoni
onions (*n*) - shunguru
only (*adv*) - sɔng
ooze blood (*v*) - dhusiyo
open (*v*) - owonoyo

oppress (*v*) - churuyo₂
or (*conj*) - woo
orange (*n*) - lomu 2
oribi (*n*) - ger
orphan (*n*) - bhoyogi
oryx (*n*) - hogir; jɔrɔk
ostrich (*n*) - rɔm
other (*n*) - kona
our (*poss*) - gagayo; gagga;
 nanna (*pro*) - nanayo
out (*adv*) - bhɔ
outside (*adv*) - bhɔ
over (*adv*) - tundo
over there (*adv*) - ngoonu
overgrown path (*n*) - duy
owl (*n*) - rugum

P p

padlock (*n*) - ghulsi
pain (*n*) - waney
paint (*v*) - ighirtə
pancreas (*n*) - dhiy
pants (*n*) - bardhuchinya
paper (*n*) - dadab₁
part of an intestine (*n*) -
 gulugulu
partially dried out (*adj*) -
 baysi₁
pass gas (*v*) - tərəgtə
pass gas silently (*v*) - ushuldə
path (*n*) - gərə₁
pay (*v*) - gadhiyə
pay bridewealth (*v*) - təgtə₂
peak of a roof (*n*) - kura₁
peanut (*n*) - hulu
pen (*n*) - bənay
pencil (*n*) - irsasi
penis (*n*) - dormi
people from Sudan (*n*) -
 kolmami
period of time (*n*) - balday
**period of time when there is
 no moon** (*n*) - mugur
permit (*v*) - yagtə₁

person (*n*) - hiri₂
person's shadow (*n*) - rimboy₁
person's special bull (*n*) -
 bhungay
pick at something (*v*) - tukusə
pick out (*v*) - bərtə; bhəanayə
pick up something heavy (*v*) -
 dhənggə
piece of leather (*n*) - shebbel₂
pigeon (*n*) - yelay
pink, maroon, purple (*adj*) -
 rəghə
pipe (*n*) - dholdu
pistol (*n*) - bholytoy
pit (*n*) - bolku
place (*n*) - bhe
place of residence (*n*) - ər
planet (*n*) - tobey₂
plant (*v*) - dukətə
plant (tree) (*v*) - imbə
plant species (*n*) - dinggoy;
 lalangi; ngurnguroy;
 təlɔbay; turgi
plant species of emerynth type
 (*n*) - maysay
plastic (*n*) - chahi₁
platform (*n*) - hayu

play (*v*) - tiranydɔ
plead (*v*) - bhanydɔ
plum tree (*n*) - lɔmaya suny
pocket (*n*) - kisi₂
pockets (*n*) - kɔbɔrtɔ
point at the top of a fighting stick (*n*) - giway
point to, show (*v*) - dhɔldɔ
police (*n*) - bholisi
pond (*n*) - bangɛy₁
pool of water (*n*) - bhɔgɛ; zel
porcupine (*n*) - chɛrɛtɛni
porcupine quill (*n*) - gori₂
porridge (*n*) - burcho; chalu; jalay₂; saytu
portion (*n*) - bhe
pot (*n*) - ju; (*n*) - kajoroy
pot lid (*n*) - kuta
potatoes (*n*) - bayuwi
pout (*v*) - dusendɔ; munyusɔ₂
powerful (*adj*) - barari₁

predator (*n*) - guchurɔ
pregnant (to be) (*v*) - nyandɔ
prepare sleeping place (*v*) - ɛhɛytɔ
present (to be) (*v*) - ihe₂
proceed (*v*) - jimɔ
property border (*n*) - ngerrey
prostitute (*n*) - lolu₂
pull (*v*) - ghurutɔ₁; (*v*) - ngugtɔ
pull off (*v*) - bɔytɔ
pull out (*v*) - bɔytɔ
pumpkin (*n*) - okondoy
pumpkin species (*n*) - kunggachi
push (*v*) - ugundɔ
puss (*n*) - dheno
put (*v*) - oytɔ₂
put sticks in a roof (*v*) - ishɔrtɔ
put together (*v*) - idhoytɔ
python (*n*) - oriyang

Q q

quickly (*adv*) - shawshaw

quietly (*adv*) - lay₁

R r

- rabbit** (*n*) - kelley
rabid animal or person (*n*) -
 telu
radio (*n*) - silki
rain (*n*) - guyə
rainbow (*n*) - bhəɾəŋɛ
rainy season (*n*) - oyyo₂
raise (*v*) - dhəŋgə
raise (cow, child) (*v*) - irogiyɔ
rat (*n*) - kulɡulɔ
raven species (*n*) - rakoy
ravine (*n*) - dun₂
ravine (*n*) - hunay
razor blade (*n*) - nyəmay
read (*v*) - toyiyə₂
really (*adv*) - e so
recently happened (*adv*) - wa
red (*adj*) - ɡəɫənyɪ
red hot pepper (*n*) - barabaray
reddish flint-type rock (*n*) -
 binjogi
red-necked spur fowl (*n*) -
 chərgəɫəny
reedbuck (*n*) - semun
refuse (*v*) - martə
relative (*n*) - bhənənɪ
relatives by marriage (*n*) -
 lang
relax (*v*) - lachanayə
release (*v*) - tərɛsə
remember (*v*) - kadhtə₁
remind (*v*) - kadhtə₂
reproduce (*v*) - bhələnayə₂
resemble (*v*) - hətə
Resolution -ni
rest (*v*) - awsə
return (*v*) - yəgtə₃
rhinoceros (*n*) - muləny
rib (*n*) - roɡonyey
rifle (*n*) - lusha
right (*adv*) - sətən
right here/there (*adv*) - ngaarɛ
ring (*n*) - kəmkəmə
rip (*v*) - ɛrɛytə
ripe (*adj*) - egisi
ripe (to be) (*v*) - egisə
ritual behaviour (*n*) - dambi
river (*n*) - kidho
road (*n*) – ganggu; ɡəɾə₂;
 harra
roan (*n*) - holiy
roast (*v*) - əsə

roast (over a fire) (v) - tilildo
rock (n) - dhamsa
rock flour from soft rocks (n)
- buti
rocky place in a river (n) -
tabar
roll (v) - ubulanayo
root (n) - sinday
rope, string, cord, twine (n) -
mṣay

rotten (adj) - mujusi
rough (adj) - kəgə
round (adj) - kumuli
rub in (v) - uhudhtə
rub together (v) - shushugtə
rubber (n) - chahi₁
ruler (n) - komoru
run (v) - ngəsə

S s

sack (n) - tangi
saliva (n) - mṑdhay
salt (n) - shəyi
salt lick (n) - garsan
sand (n) - kasay
sand flea (n) - bunjalay
satisfied (to be) (v) - chasə
savannah grass (n) - tɛləgay
say (v) - seyə
scar (n) - kirimogi; muruyani
scar from a wound (n) - moloj
scars (n) - kejhogi₁
scavenger (n) - guchurə
scoop (v) - ghoytə
scoop and throw away (v) -
hiytə

scorpion (n) - kiyo
scrape (v) - səbtə
scratch (v) - karuytə
scratch out (v) - kurtə
search (v) - lamiyo
search for food (v) - yeldə
second batch of oil (n) -
ngasemu
second harvest (n) - luguru
see (v) - ortə
seed (n) - duguy
selfish (to be) (v) - uchubhtə
sell (v) - talnənəyo
send (v) - itondə
send someone (v) - ekətə
separate (v) - ngertə

serval cat (*n*) - dhokol
seven (*num*) - isabbay
sew (*v*) - shigtō
sexual intercourse (to have)
 (*v*) - chōktō
shadow of a tree, house, etc.
 (*n*) - riy
shallow (*adj*) - kēdēnggēshi
shame (*n*) - liiya
share (*v*) - ngērtō
sharp (*adj*) - lēshi
sharpen (*v*) - ihōyo
shave (*v*) - yisō
she (*pro*) - nōng₂
sheep (*n*) - mēdēre
shell (beans, etc.) (*v*) -
 bhōllōytō
shelter (*n*) - gaha
shield (*n*) - gochu
shin bone (*n*) - kalay₂
shirt (*n*) - koti
shiver (*v*) - bharriytō
shoe (*n*) - chahi₂
shoot (*v*) - eytō₁
short (*adj*) - mōkōnyi
short pants (*n*) - surrey
shoulder (*n*) - gawl
shoulder blade (*n*) - chabbala
shoulder blade area (*n*) -
 kelmetey

shout (*v*) - artō
show off (*v*) - machiyō₁
shrink (*v*) - mudhugusō
shrub species (*n*) - chawuy;
 dhokkoli; hamogi; mozoy
shuffle dance (*v*) - duriyō
sick (to be) (*v*) - ilagasō
sickness (*n*) - mutan; nēray
side of the face (*n*) - gadhumoy
sieve (*n*) - kantay
silver earrings (*n*) - dumay₁
sing (*v*) - chuguldō
sing to a cow (*v*) - irōktō₂
singular (*det*) - inōng
six (*num*) - illey
skilled (*adj*) - ghurghuri
skin (*v*) - chiyigtō; eriy; kutu
slap nyugtō₂
sleep (*n*) - ungo
sleeping (*v*) - unguosō
sleeping place (*n*) - dir₁
slingshot (*n*) - loshan
slip something out (*v*) - hōrōyo
slippery (*adv*) - ghirghiri
slow (*adj*) - dōlmōchi; hale
slowly (*adv*) - hale hale
small (*adj*) - chinyi₁
small house (*n*) - alubtay
small of the back (person) (*n*)
 - kurō₁

smallpox (*n*) - gedhe
smear limestone (*v*) - tabhtə
smell (*v*) - sabhtə
smile (*v*) - shumundə₂
smoke (*n*) - bhurrey
smooth (*adj*) - ghilghili
snail shell (*n*) - kogoloy
snake (*n*) - kono
snatch (*v*) - saranayə
sneakily (*adv*) - dari
sneeze (*v*) - dhəchiyə
snore (*v*) - kurrutə₂
soap (*n*) - samuni
soft (*adj*) - mədhəsi
solidly, tightly (*adv*) - gik
some (*n*) - bhokon
something very small (*n*) -
 dun₁
song (*n*) - yelloy
sore (*n*) - ngədəri
sorghum (*n*) - liway; zanggay
sorghum stalk (*n*) - olli
sorry (to be) (*v*) - munyusə₁
soup (*n*) - kangiya
sour (*n*) - mirgari₂
source of the water (*n*) - ma
 kawari
spatula (*n*) - kalma
speak (*v*) - məziyə₁
spear (*n*) - bər; chol

spear of the komoru (*n*) - gina
species of paper wasp
 abdomen (*n*) - ringgay
speech (*n*) - məziyə₂
spend the day (*v*) - saniyə
spices (*n*) - ghimamu
spider (*n*) - maradhangey
spill (*v*) - udhuytə
spine (*n*) - kərgəray; rəga
spirit (*n*) - mənəngi
spirit type (*n*) - nyamani
spit (*v*) - tusə
spleen (*n*) - madhiny
split (*v*) - bhəldə
spoon or dipper (*n*) - kolochi
spot (*adj*) - bolo
spots in between stripes (*adj*) -
 bhəkəli₂
spots on back only (*adj*) -
 bhalayay
spotted (*adj*) - bolo
spread out (*v*) - elesə
spring (*n*) - bhinbhino; əla
spring of water (*n*) - bangey₂
sprout (*v*) - usə
sprouting sorghum grain (*n*) -
 bhogum
squat (*v*) - ligində₂
stab (*v*) - kəndə₁
stack (*v*) - ilonggə₂
stalk (*v*) - dambə; (*n*) - rəə₁

stalk (corn, grass, etc) (*n*) -
 gori₁
 stand (*v*) - banasɔ; (*v*) - childɔ
 star (*n*) - munyinyi
 starling bird species (*n*) - jalɔy
 steal (*v*) - ogortɔ
 steep downhill (*adj*) - gaga
 steep uphill (*adj*) - litye
 steer (*n*) - ari
 steer with no bell (*n*) - kologol
 stick (*n*) - bhire
 stick fight (*n*) - mɔana
 stick toothbrush (*n*) - rimboy₂
 stickfight (*n*) - sagine
 sticks (*n*) - marichogi
 sting (*v*) - eytɔ₂
 stingy person (*n*) - læsiyagi
 stink (*v*) - ɔnganayɔ
 stinky (*adj*) - mujusi
 stir (*v*) - tukurtɔ
 stomach (*n*) - gara; kengɔ₂
 stomp (*v*) - doktɔ₁
 stone (*n*) - bɛ
 stone terrace (*n*) - gadhi; gɔm₁
 stool, chair (*n*) - alley₁
 stop (*v*) - childɔ
 storage (*n*) - balangi
 straight (*adj*) - dib; murmuri
 stream (*n*) - kidho

stretch tightly (*v*) - iriytɔ₂
 strike (*v*) - bhadhtɔ
 string beads (*v*) - rirtɔ
 string of many beads (*n*) -
 dɛldɛlda
 striped (*adj*) - tula
 stripes (*n*) - miro
 strong (to be) (*v*) - ɔneyɔ
 strong taste (*adj*) - barari₂
 stubborn (*n*) - dɛmni₁
 stubborn (to be) (*v*) - dɛmneyɔ
 student (*n*) - tambari
 stuff (*n*) - ahi
 stump (*n*) - durrumey
 stupid (*n*) - dalle
 suck (breast) (*v*) - ahuyɔ
 suck (like candy) (*v*) - shɔbɔsɔ
 sufficient (*det*) - urda
 sugarcane (*n*) - olli
 sun (*n*) - su
 Sunday (*n*) - arku
 sunset (*n*) - yatɛni
 Surma language (*n*) - surichen
 Surma people (*n*) - suri
 surprised (to be) (*v*) - dɛɛsɔ
 swallow (*v*) - gɔytɔ
 swamp (*n*) - bangɛy₁
 Swayne's hartebeest (*n*) -
 shigin
 sweat (*v*) - dhergisɔ; dhɛri

sweat bee (*n*) - **nginingini**
 sweep (*v*) - **dirto**
 sweet (*adj*) - **luluy**
 sweet potatoe (*n*) - **loggi₂**

switch (*n*) - **kalli**
 swollen (*v*) - **kuuso**
 sycamore fig tree (*n*) -
chamochi

T t

table (*n*) - **alley₂**
 taboo (*n*) - **kulle**
 tail (*n*) - **kur₂**
 take (*v*) - **k₂eyo**
 take hold of (*v*) - **ibt₂**
 talk loudly (*v*) - **bhololdo**
 tall (*adj*) - **ramay**
 tamarind fruit (*n*) - **tubboy**
 tamarind tree (*n*) - **ragay**
 tap with a rock or banka (*v*) -
dhedheyo
 tapeworm (*n*) - **bara**
 taste (*v*) - **torto**
 tastes bad (*v*) - **chamamagi**
 tea (*n*) - **shay**
 teach (*v*) - **edhemisiyo;**
madht₂
 tear (*v*) - **ereyto**
 temple on forehead (*n*) -
honduy
 ten (*num*) - **t₂mon**
 tend a fire (*v*) - **utumbo**

tend livestock (*v*) - **iwoyo**
 termite (*n*) - **marchari**
 termite bite (*n*) - **kejhogi₂**
 termite mound (*n*) - **bangadhi**
 termites species (*n*) - **kongay**
 terrible (*adj*) - **gereng**
 testicles (*n*) - **bhuray**
 that (*pro*) - **ngandonu**
 thatch a roof (*v*) - **liyto**
 that's right (*interj*) - **e**
 their (*poss*) - **gagge; nanne**
 them (*pro*) - **ngagenu**
 these (*pro*) - **ngagiya**
 they (*pro*) - **yo**
 thick (*adj*) - **gotiri**
 thick (soup, geso, etc) (*adj*) -
dhundhuri
 thick semi-tubular clay ear
 plug (*n*) - **lunggurtay**
 thigh (*n*) - **san**
 thin (*n*) - **bhacha; (adj) - kana;**
rerehi

thing (*n*) - ahi
things that a 'sira' is made of
 (*n*) - murmura
think about (*v*) - εσэдhtо
this (*pro*) - nganda
thorn (*n*) - birni
those (*pro*) - ngagenu
thread (*n*) - kirrey
three (*num*) - sizi
three-pronged arrow (*n*) -
 murnay
throat (*n*) - korrang
throw (*v*) - ujuktо
thunder (*v*) - raktо
tiang (*n*) - dhorrong
tick (*n*) - sigiyay
tie (*v*) - shibtо
tighten (*v*) - churuyо₁
time of much food after the
first harvest (*n*) - lεbeng
tin can (*n*) - korokoroy
tired (to be) (*v*) - kargariyо;
 (*v*) - liisо₁
title for a groom (*n*) - rori₁
times or occurrences (*n*) -
 kεngо₁
to reject (*v*) - kεanayо
tobacco (*n*) - dambu
tobacco container (*n*) - holdoy

today (*n*) - mεya₂; (*adv*) -
 ngakalda
together with (*adv*) - kari
together with smb (to be) (*v*) -
 asanayо₂
tomatoe (*n*) - timitimi
tomorrow (*n*) - rogono
tongue (*n*) - kayо
tooth (*n*) - nigiyay
topi (*n*) - dhorrong
touch (*v*) - idirandо; kumbо₂
towardsfrom (after words
ending with a consonant) -о
towardsfrom (after words
ending with a vowel) ko....
traditional healer (*n*) - ngεrε
traditional wooden gold pan
 (*n*) - gawtey
translator (*n*) - εkоlay
trash (*n*) - zurgay₂
tree (*n*) - kεyо
tree sap (*n*) - bokoy
tree species (*n*) - achoy; ashuy;
 badhungay; barwari;
 bholisoy; bhорay;
 bolobogotoy; burakandi;
 chalagutumay; chalay;
 chawzey; chоргoni; dandil;
 dhεdhesiyay; dεkay;
 ebbelechi; gaysey; ghinyani;
 ghuley; girartoy; girgiri;

goldoshi; gombolloy;
gondoy; gumunyoy;
hərgəchani; hələngəsay₁; ili;
kallochi; kambay;
karamochi; kasi; keya bohe;
keya karamuny; keya
kəgəwa; keya kulgulony;
keya tumuny; keyay;
keyaya suny; kiriyay;
koliloy; kələləri; kəlyəngay;
kubhurki₂; labay; lalay;
leddey; liwaa yələny;
loggiya kanguny;
lommugoy; lottoy; loy;
ludduri; mannigoy;
mirgari₁; shawzey; talisoy;
talkay; tamboy; timay₂;
toho; toloy; zibua kono
tree trunk (n) - sugum₁
tree/plant (n) - bolobongguy

trim (tree branches) (v) - leytə
tripe (n) - gara
trouble or be troubled (v) -
chəllanəy₂
trunk (n) - rəɛ₁
truth (n) - dhəre
tsetse fly (n) - hələngəsay₂
turn (n) - sərə
turn over (v) - bhədhətə
turtle (n) - dolote
twelfth month in the Surma
calendar (n) - gamuy
twenty (num) - hirkon
twin (n) - shəay₂
twist (v) - mayiytə; takuy
twitch (n) - sisiwon
two (num) - raman
type (n) - heo

U u

umbrella (n) - dukuwa
Umm (interj) - inda
uncle (n) - malo
under, around, down (adv) -
bay
unripe (adj) - chagi
untie (v) - əktə

up hill (adv) - tunə
upper back (n) - bhuguy
urinate (v) - chərsə
urine (n) - chərra
using sticks to make fire (n) -
moshi

V v

vagina (*n*) - sugum₂
valley (*n*) - hunay
velvet leaf combretum tree (*n*)
 - chεrgεchani; shεgerani
verbal matter (*n*) - lεgɔ₁
vervet (*n*) - gharatey
victory markings (*n*) - bolisay

village (*n*) - ɔr
vine (*n*) - gindi
vine species (*n*) - bhallay;
 bhiy; chɔdhay; keruy;
 kudulang; kurmay; loshi
viper (*n*) - kurmusi₁
visitor (*n*) - kɔmɔni
vomit (*v*) - hartɔ

W w

wait for (*v*) - reyɔ
wait! (*interj*) - ga
walk in a switchback pattern
 (*v*) - ilisɔ
walking stick bug (*n*) -
 wayajɔnekεdhe
wall (*n*) - dori jagare
want (*v*) - hindɔ₁
war (*n*) - kɔdha
warn (*v*) - ibaytɔ
warrior, fighter (*n*) - kaman
warthog (*n*) - hoy
wash clothes etc. (*v*) - churtɔ
wash one's body (*v*) - onyɔɔ

watch (*v*) - bhεktɔ; (*n*) - sati
water (*n*) - ma
waterberry tree (*n*) - sabbaray
waterbuck (*n*) - dunu
watery or slimy (*n*) - dana
wax (*v*) - uhudhtɔ
we (*pro*) - age
weak (*adj*) - tɔlεgɔnyi
weak (to be) (*v*) - anyanεyɔ₂
wear (*v*) - malugtɔ
wedding (*n*) - wololo
weed (*n*) - shuroy
weed species (*n*) - dongdongi₂

- weevil** (*n*) - duu
well (*v*) - basɔ; (*adv*) - hung;
 (*adv*) - kɛr
well (good) (*adj*) - shɛɛ
wet (*adj*) - chargi
wet cattle dung (*n*) - shuldoy
wet cow dung (*n*) - sɔlɔl
what (*det*) - ɔng
wheat (*n*) - goso
when (*adv*) - minang
where (*adv*) - ori
which (*det*) - giyɔng; (*det*) -
 inɔng
which one (*det*) - ɛnɛnɛngi;
 (*det*) - inɔng
which ones (*det*) - giyɔng
whistle (*n*) - silding
white clean (*adj*) - hɔli
white legs and black body
 (*adj*) - buy
white type of clay (*n*) -
 durrum
white with greyish areas (*adj*)
 - sirahɔli
white with red spots (*adj*) -
 korriy
white-barked acacia tree (*n*) -
 erri
who (*pro*) - nɛng
whom (*pro*) - nɛng
whose (*poss*) - gagigi; (*det*) -
 nanini
- why** (*adv*) - kɛɔng
wide (*adj*) - bhɔɔ
wife of a wealthy man (*n*) -
 karbay
wife's brother-in-law (*n*) -
 galenɛn
wife's sister's husband (*n*) -
 kɔwa
wild animal (*n*) - kɛgɛ
wild custard apple tree (*n*) -
 ɛgɛrchogi₁
wild plum tree (*n*) - lɔmay
wind (*n*) - ngɔyɔ
window (*n*) - bhurbhur
wing (*n*) - tabay
wire spiral rings (*n*) - keryagi
witch (*n*) - chumaray
with (*conj*) - ko₁
wither (*v*) - mudhugusɔ
wood ant (*n*) - kɛdhɛdhi
wood borer (*n*) - duu
wood species (*n*) - takari
wooden lip-plate (*n*) - birgi
wooden spatula (*n*) -
 langgaray
word (*n*) - lɔgɔ₁
work (*n*) - zinggo
worm (*n*) - kuruyoy
woven leather (*n*) - mandeni;
 (*n*) - sab

woven palm-frond sleeping
mat (*n*) - salani
wrap (*v*) - utudhandə
wring out (*v*) - machiyə₂
wrist joint (*n*) - siyə ganggu

write (*v*) - kəndə₂
wrong (to do something) (*v*) -
ɛdɛyə₁
wrong someone (*v*) -
chəllanɛyə₁

Y y

yam (*n*) - bayoy
yard (*n*) - rata
yard area (*n*) - gɛba
yawn (*v*) - ngambə
yeah (*interj*) - na₁
year (*n*) - oyyo₁
yell (*v*) - artə; ichirtə; (*n*) - wiy
yellow (*adj*) - bhiley
yep (*interj*) - na₁
yes (*interj*) - e; na₁
yesterday (*adv*) - bare

yolk (*n*) - bhurray bhatoyne
belesho
you (**pl**) (*pro*) - ige₁
you (**sg, polite**) (*pro*) - ige₂
young (*adj*) - chinyi₂
young man (*n*) - tɛgay
your (*poss*) - gaggu; gagunyu
your brother (*n*) - goonu
your father (*n*) - chəgənu
your mother (*n*) - junu
your sister (*n*) - ngənu
yours (*poss*) - nannu; nanunu

Z z

zebra (*n*) - dowun

zero (*n*) - bahəɔng

Short Grammar of Suri Language

Numerals

dhóne	one	tòmòn kó dhóne	eleven
rámán	two	hírkòn	twenty
sízzì	three	hírkòn kó tòmòn	thirty
wùsh/wùy	four	zùgò rámán	forty
háýíná	five	zùgò rámán kó tòmòn	fifty
íllèy	six	zùgò sízzì	sixty
isàbbày	seven	zùgò sízzì kó tòmòn	seventy
issèy	eight	zùgò wùsh	eighty
sàkkàl	nine	zùgò wùsh kó tòmòn	ninety
tòmòn	ten	zùgò háýíná	hundred

Pronouns

Demonstrative Pronouns

	'this'	'that'
Sg	nganda	ngandonu
Pl	ngagiy a	ngagiyonu (Chay) ngagenu (Tirmaga)

Possessive Pronouns

Possessive pronouns	sg.possessed	pl.possessed
1 mine	nánànú	gágànyú
2 yours	nánùnú	gágùnyú
3 his/hers	nánaèné	gágènyé
1 pl ours incl	nánna	gága
1 pl ours excl	nánáyo	gágayò
2 yours	nánnu	gágu
3 theirs	nánne	gáge
Whose?	nánini	gágigi

Subject and Object pronouns

Sunject/Object Pronoun (before the verb)		
	sg.	pl.
1	ànyè	àgè
2	ìnyè	ìgè
3	nòng	yòk

Subject/Object Pronoun (after the verb)		
	sg.	pl.
1	ányó	ágéú
2	inyó	igéú
3	néá	yòkú

Direction/Goal Suffixes

	Motion Toward the Speaker	Motion Away From the Speaker
Imperfective	-an/-on -ana/-ono	-en
Perfective	-a	-ε

Person marking on the verb

		'sleep'	Imperfective Aspect		
1 st sg	k-	ungus	-i	-yɔ	'I sleep'
2 nd sg		ungus	-i	-yɔ	'You sleep'
3 rd sg		ungus		-ɔ	'He sleeps'
1 st pl.incl.	k-	ungus		-ɔ	'We (incl.) sleep'
1 st pl. excl.	k-	ungus	-o	-yɔ	'We (excl.) sleep'
2 nd pl.		ungus	-o	-yɔ	'You (pl.) sleep'
3 rd pl.		ungus	-ε	-yɔ	'They sleep'

		'sleep'	Imperfective Aspect		
1 st sg	ku-	tung	-u		'I slept'
2 nd sg		tung	-u		'You slept'
3 rd sg		tung	-u		'He slept'
1 st pl.incl.	ku-	tung	-gi	-yo	'We (incl.) slept'
1 st pl. excl.	ku-	tung	-go	-yɔ	'We (excl.) slept'
2 nd pl.		tung	-go		'You (pl.) slept'
3 rd pl.		tung	-gi	-yɔ	'They slept'

Question Words

nôy	'Who?' (Singular Subject)
gíyóng	'Who?' (Plural Subject)
ónóng	'What?' (Singular Subject)
nèng	'Whom?' (Singular Object)
giyóng	'Whom?' (Plural Object)
òng	'What?' (Singular Object)
ónónóngò	'With what?'
ènég	'How?'
ènènéngì	'What kind of?'
òrí	'Where?'
òrè	'Which part?'
mínáng	'When?'

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