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Some Terminologies and their Meanings

Achheta	Rice used by witchdoctor while treating patients
Aunshi	New moon
Baidhya	Ayurveda doctor
Bokshi	Witch
Bokshi Bidhya	Witches' knowledge
Dhami /Jhankri/Janne	Witchdoctor
Dhami Bidhya	Witchdoctor's knowledge
Dhyangro	A kind of instrument played by Dhami to treat patients
Jadibuti	Domestic medicines for treatment
Jokhana	Checking method of witchdoctor
Lago	Diseases identified by witchdoctor
Mahadev	Lord Shiva
Mantra	Magical power of Dhami and Bokshi
Najar Lagne	Evil Eye
Parbati	Lord Shiva's wife
Pipal	A tree which is referred as pure in Hinduism
Pooja	Worship
Purnima	Full moon
Ringata	Vertigo