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The Hajong people are spread out across northeast India and Bangladesh with the majority on the India side of the border. Hajong women can be easily identified by their brightly striped red dress called a Pathin, or "Phula Agon". Traditionally, and in many present day villages, women are accomplished weavers. They are predominantly rice farmers although some also find work as day laborers or by selling firewood. Floors in their homes are earthen and walls are made of split bamboo plastered with cow dung. In addition to common Hindu festivals of the region such as Durga Puja, Hajongs celebrate some festivals unique to their culture. One type of traditional festival in honor of the Bastu, Paabni, and group of deities is conducted by a village priest called a Deoshi or Nongtang. Tortoises and pigeons are sacrificed for Bastu.

Ministry Obstacles

The region where the Hajang people live is not readily accessible to outsiders.

Outreach Ideas

Please pray Indian Hajong believers will become mature enough in the faith to take the good news of Christ to the remainder of their community, both in India and Bangladesh.

Pray for the followers of Christ

There probably are no followers of Jesus today among the Hajang community in Bangladesh, but some are reported in India. Pray the Lord will prepare the Hajang of Bangladesh to be interested in this good news when it comes to them.

Pray for the entire people group

Pray for improved living conditions for the Hajang. Pray especially for those who are unable to care adequately for themselves, for the widow, the elderly, and children without parents.

Scripture Focus

"For from the rising of the sun, even to its setting, My name will be great among the nations ... says the Lord of hosts." Malachi 1:11