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PREFACE

The Hrangkhol, one of the tribes of North Cachar Hills District of Assam, Occupy an important place from the numerical point of view. Most probably, they are from the Kuki - Lushai group of tribe, the origin may be descending from the same other tribes or because of their nomadic habits, perhaps moved across the plains of Cachar and settled in North Cachar Hills.

Though the Hrangkhol people are minority in population in North Cachar Hills District, is they their own distinct language, socio-culture and laws of Customary practices of their own. The Hrangkhol people has two their administrative organization. The village Council/Court and the Halam Council/court. The burah (GB) is the president of the village council/committee. And in next tier, the Kalim (Chief of the community) is president of Halam Council/Court.

The Customary laws and practices are known to a limited elderly personal/members. As a result, there may cause (Sions) many Confusion and conflicts between the parties. So, the Halam Council/Court had long left desire to have the practices in from of written book.

I am very glad, when it was given me by the Autonomous Council/ Court and Hrangkhol which are of extreme need to maintain the administration of justice.

Realising the need of such books, a meeting was held on 23rd Sept. 2004. The Kalim Bulthoiher was on the Chair and a drafting committee was formed with the following members:

- 1. Sri Lalphirthang Hrangkhol of Lungkhok.
- 2. Sri Vailienril Hrangkhol of Muolpong.
- 3. Sri Saivongjem Hrangkhol of Haflong.