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Aus Dhan - Summer Paddy

Aman Dhan - Winter Paddy

Awal - Low Land

Adhiar - Share Cropper (tenant) who cultivate leased in land on crop share

Anganwari Committee - A committee for the supervision of works of the centre of distribution run by ICDS.

Anchal Panchayat - Village Panchayat Office

Anchalik Parisad - Panchayat Office of the Block Level

Bachhar Kamla - Attached farm labour

Bida - A large wooden rake with teeth made of sharpened bamboo strips

Bigha - An Unit of Land measurement,
1 bigha = .33 acre

Brittee Dhan - Summer Paddy

Both Committee - A Committee formed by the CPIM party for selecting beneficiary

Bidhan Sabha - State Assembly

Bargadar - Share Cropper

Bodo - Summer Paddy

Bhag Chanshi - Share Cropper

B J P - Bharatiya Janata Party

Bhatia - Migrated People from the East Pakistan (Now Bangladesh)

Brahmottar land - Non-revenue Paying Land given to the Brahmins for their maintenance

Brahmin - High Caste (priest)

Baidya - A high caste just below the Brahmin

Barui - The name of a caste traditionally engaged in the cultivation of piper betel.

Baniya - A caste associated with trade

Chakuri Kamla - Attached farm labour

Chatam - High land

Chawkidar - Village watch man

Chari - An earthen vessel used for feeding animal.

CPI(M) - Communist Party of Indian (Marxist)

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Cong-I - Congress Party (Indira)

Chukanidar - An under tenant of Jotedar

Dara-dar-chukanidar - An under tenant of dar-chukanidar

Dar-chukani - An under tenant of chukanidar

Debattar - Non-revenue paying land given to priest of the maintains of deity

Dewan - Head of a princely state	HS - Higher Secondary
Dinhajira Kamla - An agricultural day labour	HH - Household
Dhani chansi - Rich peasant	Hatchini -A wooden rake with teeth made of sharpened bamboo strips.
Dayem - Medium land	ICDS - Integrated Child Development Scheme
Dhara - Mat made of bamboo	Ijaradari system - It is a system of land revenue; by this system the entire estate was divided in to small parts known as jote and these jotes were leased out to the highest bidder.
Dewania - An authorised person of the king	Mandir - Temple
Dhimal - A Non-aryan tribe	Masjid - Mosque
Dhopa - A washer man	Mouza - The Village as a revenue unit
Dom - A lower caste	Nashya - A sect of Muslims who are mainly converted from the lower caste Hindu
Foujdari Ahilkar - The district officer of the Cooch Behar Estate entrusted with the magisterial power	Napit - Barber
Forward Block - The name of a political party	Namasudra - A scheduled caste
Giri - Rich Peasant	Jotedari - Relating to revenue estate, jote.
Gram Panchayat - Village panchayat	Jote - An area of cultivable land
Girhasta - The middle peasant	Janata - A political party
Gowala - Milk man	Jaigir - Non-revenue paying estate given to the servants of the palace; it was not transferable .
Garo - A scheduled tribe	
Henti dhan - Autum Paddy	
Halua - Share Cropper	
Hnari - Earthen pot for storage of water	

Kumar - Earthen pot maker.	Lokshabha - Parliament
Kayastha - A high caste below the Brahmin	Km - Kilometre
Kshatriya - A warrior caste	Mali - Gardener
Kashyap - The name of a clan	Maund - 40 kilogram
Kshet Majoor Union - A Trade Union of agricultural labourer (a frontal organisation of CPIM).	MP - Member of Parliament
Khash - Vested land	Mai - Harrow
Koch - The name of tribe	Magha - Oil seed
Kalshi - Earthen pot for storage of water	Mazdur - Labour
Kaccha - Muddy	OBC - Other Backward Classes
Kursi - a mallet of wood with a bamboo handle usually of three feet long use for breaking the clods of earth.	Operation Barga - A programme launched by the Left Front Government of West Bengal for recording the names of bargadars.
Kamla - A day labour	Panchayat Samity - Panchayat office at the block level
Kumbhakar - Earthen pot maker	Panchayat - Village council
Khel - A system found among the Tibeto - Burmese people for paying services to the chief.	Para - A cluster of houses
Khurpi - Spade	Pirpal - Non-revenue land given to Pir (Muslim priest)
Kishan- Peasant	Petbhata - Non-revenue land given to the kinsmen of the king for their maintenance
Kaibarta - A scheduled caste	RSP - Rastriya Socialist Party
Lakhiraj - Rent free holding	SC - Scheduled Caste

ST - Scheduled Tribe

Sadar - Headquarters

Samity - Association

Tishi - Oil seed

Rabha - A Scheduled Tribe

Raiyat - Peasant

Raja - The King

Tulsi - *Ocimum sanctum*

Thela Gari - A wooden car made of two wheels for carrying goods by man

Tasia -chukanidar - An under tenant of dar-chukanidar.

Tanti - Weaver

Teli - Oil pressure

Zamindar - Landlord (During the British Period)

Zila Parishad - A District level Panchayat Office