

## MORORI

**MORORI (MORAORI, MOARAERI, MORARI, MARORI)** ... 50 out of an ethnic population of 250 (1998 M. Donohue). South coast border area 20 km. east of Merauke, east of Marind, west of Kanum. Linguistic affiliation: Trans-New Guinea, Trans-Fly-Bulaka River, Trans-Fly, Moraori. Menge dialect remembered as the language of ceremony, though the last Menge speaker died in 1997. ... Many proficient in Marind. ...

- Grimes 2000.

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### [MORAORI]

[Montague, FUGERE in 1892: Sileraka]

[MAP; cf S&C]

MORAORI?

Biobonimka

- Tijdschrift van het Nederlandsch Aardrijkskundig Genootschap 1892.

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Die Moraori werden von den Marind-anim als Mangát-aním, "Zahnmenschen", bezeichnet, während der Name Moraori, den sie sich selbst beilegen, von dem Moraori-Worte morau, Kopf, abgeleitet ist. das Gebiet der Moraori nennen die Marind-anim Mangat-rík, und so benennen sie auch das einzige Dorf, das die Moraori heute noch bewohnen. Der wirkliche Name des Dorfes its jedoch Bud'. ...

- Nevermann 1939:34.

1917 schätzte Wirz die Zahl der Moraori in Bud' und Messe auf etwa 60 Personen. 1925 konnte Thierfelder in Buf' 58 Menschen ... / ... Am 6. Januar 1934 zählte A. balk ... 71 Personen. ...

- Nevermann 1939:34-35.

Bud' liegt von der Mündung des Maro aus gerechnet südlich vom Ostende der zweiten Flußschlinge. ...

- Nevermann 1939:35.

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There is a little village Mbur about ten miles to the east of Merauke; the inhabitants (forty souls) call themselves Mora<sup>o</sup>ri. They are given the name Manggat by the Marind-people.

- Boelaars 1950:44.

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Deze taal wordt gesproken in slechts een enkel dorpje met ongeveer 40 zielen; de bevolking noemt zichzelf Moraori, de plek waar ze wonen heet Mbur, en is gelegen ongeveer 15 k.m. ten Oosten van Merauke. ...

- Drabbe 1954:15.

Moraori ... is only spoken by the forty inhabitants of the little village of Mbur, situated about ten miles to the east of Merauke. The speakers of this language are all bilingual, their second language being Marind, which has influenced Moraori to some extent.

- Wurm 1954:302.

... Verder vinden we 15 K.M. ten Oosten van Merauke de Moraori-stam, nog slechts een veertig zielen, eveneens met een eigen taal. ...

- Drabbe 1955:13.

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Mbur (Manggat) (= 50 zielen).

- Galis 1955-56:176.

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Finally, mention should be made of the Manggat-rik or Moraori, a small tribe which in 1947 totalled 55 people, living at Mbur, a village near the eastern bank of the lower Maro at less than 10 miles' distance from Merauke. They have a separate language, supposed to / belong to the same group as the Kanum and Yéi languages. Culturally they are fully assimilated with the Marind, although I do not think they were accepted as equals. In spite of the easy accessibility of their village, nobody ever paid them more than passing attention.

- van Baal 1966:13-14.

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The Moraori Sub-Family [of the Morehead and Upper Maro Rivers Family] consists of the sub-family level isolate Moraori which in the early 1950's was spoken only by the 40 or so inhabitants of the village of Mbur, situated about ten miles east of Merauke.

- Wurm 1971a:158.

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+ 40 [speakers]

Village: Mbur

- Voorhoeve 1975f:21.

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... Moraori, a language formerly spoken by about 40 people in the village of Mbur in Irian Jaya (Drabbe 1954). According to Drabbe, the Moraori people were all bilingual in the surrounding (and very distantly related) language of Marind; Marind influence on Moraori was extensive. According to C.L. Voorhoeve (personal communication), it is now unlikely that Moraori is spoken at all.

- Laycock 1979:94.

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**Moraori** (Morari; Moaraeri)

POP: +/- 50

LOC: South coast border area east of Merauke, bordering southeast

...  
VILLAGE(S):

Mbur

- Silzer & Heikkinen 1984:75.

(Morari; Moaraeri)

50

LOC: South coast border area east of Merauke, bordering southeast Marind in the east

- Silzer & Clouse 1991:66.

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**Moraori**: 50 speakers reported in the south coast border area east of Merauke, Irian Jaya, Indonesia. Also called Morari or Moaraeri.

- Comrie 1992rr:172.

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South coast border area east of Merauke, bordering Marind in the east. ...

- Grimes 1992:578.

**MORAORI (MORARI, MOARAERI)** ... 50. South coast border area east of Merauke, bordering Marind in the east. ...

- Grimes 1996.

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... Moraori remains the first language of the people in the village of Wasur (the village site was moved in 1961), and is now spoken by about 150 people, three-quarters of that village. ...

- Donohue n.d. Ts.: [10].

The names used by these different peoples for each other are given in the table below ...

| Name for: | Marind | Moraori    | Kanum          | Yei |
|-----------|--------|------------|----------------|-----|
| Group:    |        |            |                |     |
| Marind    | Marind | Ma_gat-rik | Kanum; Sandawi | Yei |
| Moraori   | Porom  | Moraori    | Kanum          | Yei |
| Kanum     | Pârmâ  | Mâtâkâli   | Kënume         | Yei |
| Yei       | Marind | --         | Kanum          | Sit |

- Donohue n.d. Ts.: [6].

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**[MANGGAT-RIK]**

Mbur

- Simmons et al 1967.

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| MORORI   | 50 | ISOLATE (Grimes 2000)   |
| MARORI = MORORI                                  |    | Grimes 2000   |
| MOARAERI = MORAORI                               |    | Silzer & Heikkinen 1984; Silzer & Grimes 2000   |
| MOARAERI = MORORI                                |    |   |
| MORAORI (own name)                               | 40 | Boelaars 1950   |
| MORAORĪ  | 40 | Drabbe 1954; Wurm 1954  |
| MORAORI  |    | Galis 1960, Salzner 1960, Capell  |
| MORAORI  | 55 | (1947) van Baal 1966  |
| MORAORI  | 40 | ISO (Wurm & Hattori 1981, Wurm 1982)  |
| MORAORI  | 50 | ISO (Silzer & Heikkinen Wurm 1994)  |
| MORAORI  | 50 | Comrie 1992rr   |
| MORAORI = MORORI                                 |    | Grimes 2000   |
| MORAORI  |    | Donohue n.d. Ts.  |
| MORARI = MORAORI                                 |    | Wurm 1971fl; Silzer & Heikkinen   |
| MORARI = MORORI                                  |    | Grimes 2000   |
| MORAURI (own name)                               |    | Nevermann 1939  |
| MANGAT-ANIM -- GAWIR                             |    | Vertenten 1935  |
| MANGÁT-ANÍM = MORAURI (MARIND name)              |    | Nevermann 1939  |
| MANGAT-RÍK = MORAURI (MARIND name for territory) |    | Nevermann 1939  |
| MANGGAT-RIK                                      |    | Simmons et al 1967  |
| MANGGAT-RIK = MORAORI                            |    | van Baal 1966, Simmons et al 1967   |
| MA_GAT-RIK = MORAORI (MARIND name)               |    | Donohue n.d. Ts.  |
| MANGGAT = MORAORI (Marind term)                  |    | Boelaars 1950, Galis 1955-56  |
| MANGGAT = MORAORĪ                                |    | Salzner 1960  |
| MÂTÂKÂLI = MORAORI (KANUM name)                  |    | Donohue n.d. Ts.  |
| Biobonimka -- ? MORAORI                          |    | Tijdschrift van het Nederlandsch Aardrijkskundig Genootschap 1892 (Montague) [cf S&C] |
| Bud' -- MORAURI                                  |    | Nevermann 1939  |
| Mbur -- MORAORI                                  |    | Boelaars 1950, Drabbe 1954, Galis 1984  |
| Mbur -- MANGGAT-RIK                              |    | Simmons et al 1967  |
| MENGE -- d of MORORI                             |    | Grimes 2000   |
| Messe -- MORAURI                                 |    | Nevermann 1939  |
| Wasur -- MORAORI                                 |    | Donohue n.d. ts.  |

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