

DAGBANI-ENGLISH DICTIONARY

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History of this Document

The first published dictionary of Dagbani¹ was prepared in 1941 by Blair and Tamakloe. The original source data for a 3000-word Dagbani Dictionary was compiled from 1948 through to the late 1950s by a Ghanaian government-appointed committee headed by Vo-Naa Andani, Chief of Voggo. The research for that draft was co-ordinated by the Bureau of Ghana Languages and the Assemblies of God New Testament Revision Committee. Because of continuing government-decreed revisions of orthographic practice during this period, neither a final nor a consistent text was ever prepared. The first Dagbani New Testament Committee had begun work in 1929-30, and the first rough translation was done on an incremental basis. From the late 1950s to the mid-1970s, the New Testament Revision was co-ordinated by Harold Lehmann, who had also worked on the dictionary committee. Rev. Lehmann sent John Miller Chernoff his own typescript of the draft dictionary at its most developed form (with Mr. D.A. Mahama written above the title on the front page), along with extensive notes and relevant correspondence.

Conversion History

1. Dagbani Dictionary draft from Harold Lehmann (NTRC-2.DIC)
2. entered onto electronic media and sent to GILLBT by John Chernoff
3. Converted to WINWORD6 tables by Tony Naden, March 1997
4. This version, Word for Windows 8.0, Roger Blench, December 25, 2004.

Tony Naden created a composite file incorporating the electronic Dagbani wordlist of Knut Olawski. NTN, AJN Naden comments either already in KO or added to Chernoff or amalgamation. Roger Blench has put all the existing file into systematic order (approximately!).

Major Problems (mid-1997):

Orthography: inconsistencies in sources particularly with short mid vowels: e/ɛ/iɛ are randomly used in both lists (often two or three spellings of the same word appear in KO), likewise o/ɔ, and to make things more difficult the two sources alphabetise the e/ɛ (resp. o/ɔ) in different orders, so duplication of entries and disorganised ordering will be found in those areas. Preliminary rules from the currently-sitting orthography committee suggest that their proposals, while linguistically unmotivated, will be largely such as will be possible to implement automatically

Consistency : I'm afraid that working hurriedly and in small gobbets of time has left a lot of inconsistency in format. Particularly I have tended to move things into Col.4 notes or not according to whether Col.3 was overloaded in relation to Col.4. Items which need to be consistently located are :

Dialect (E.D./W.D.) information

Cross.-refs – Chernoff's "*vide*", KO/TN "see", "*see*", "*see*", "cf." etc.

Sources of loans: form of abbreviation, type of bracket if any

¹ Excluding the Dagbani-German wordlist of Fisch (1913).

Entry structure: Chernoff puts all homographs of the same word-class as numbered sections of a single entry, along with idioms, combinations and examples. I have mostly transferred examples to Col.4 but left the rest. Olawsky/Naden attempts to separate homophones, numbering the entries (ka (1), ka(2) &c.) for cross-reference purposes. Polysemous senses within these entries are partially distinguished by semi-colons between glosses (comma-ed glosses being regarded as synonymous English correspondents). Idiomatic uses or characteristic combinations were entered in a separate \phr field in the original and are mostly in Col.4 in this version. Particularly with a view to reversal, I would consider it better to split up the Chernoff entries according to the numbered sections: this cannot be done automatically, as some separate numbers distinguish totally interchangeable English glosses, some homophonous senses, and some collocations which may be either idiomatic or combinatorial.

1. Introduction

The Dagomba are one of the most widespread and numerous peoples of Northern Ghana. They have two principal centres, Tamale and Yendi, centred in the Northern territories. Their language, Dagbani or Dagbanli, is widely known as a second language in north-eastern Ghana. Despite this, no dictionary of their language has ever been published. This draft is for circulation only.

2. Transcription

Dagbani is a member of the Oti-Volta language group, which in turn forms one major branch of the Gur family (Manessy 1975). Its closest relatives are likely to be the languages Talni and Nabti. Most of these languages show marked vowel harmony and thus have either seven or nine vowels in $\pm$ ATR pairs. Historically, in Ghana, the transcription of most languages has followed the pattern of Twi, with seven vowels, adding /ɛ/ and /ɔ/ to the five cardinal vowels. Despite this tradition, the phonology of Dagbani is exceptional. The open vowels /ɛ/ and /ɔ/ have merged with their closed counterparts and a central vowel /ə/ has developed. This was represented in some orthographies with /i/ but most recent publications eschew this. Academic publications on Dagbani are (Fisch 1913; Benzing 1969, 1971; Wilson 1963, 1970, 1972 & 1976; Wilson & Bendor-Samuel 1969).

Despite its importance, Dagbani has no standard writing system. The orthography used in the Bible is not the same as that recommended in academic publications such as Wilson (1972) nor that used by the current Dagbani literacy committee. Present writing systems do not accurately represent the sounds of the language. The intention is therefore to transcribe Dagbani in a phonemic orthography so that words can be pronounced correctly. Readers may then convert words to a writing system with which they feel comfortable (see Table 1).

Dagbani has two dialects, East and West, centred around Yendi and Tamale. In many cases, words are very similar or the same in both dialects. Where differences have been recorded, there are given with the abbreviations;

ED Eastern or Yendi Dialect
WD Western Dialect

The reference forms given here are based on the dialect of the Tamale area. The most common differences are vowel sounds, ways of forming the plural and the exchange of /r/ and /l/. Speakers seem to have little trouble adapting to these differences. The Nanumba people, speaking the Nani language, who live in scattered settlements in the south-east of the Dagomba area use very similar terms to those in Dagbani, often with small vowel changes.

Vowels

Dagbani has six vowels;

	Front	Central	Back
Close	i		u
Close-Mid	e	ɪ	o
Open		a	

These can all occur in any position except /i/ which is confined to stems. Vowels may be long or short, except for /i/. A long vowel is marked by doubling. Ghanaian orthographies traditionally mark seven vowels, i.e. the five symbols used in English together with ɛ and ɔ. These are actually unnecessary for Dagbani, although now that the tradition has been established, writing them will probably continue.

Table 1 shows how to convert these characters to those used here;

Table 1. Vowel conversion table

Commonly written		This document
ɛ	→	e
ɔ	→	o

The *i* sound can be written as ‘i’ if the reader wishes to transcribe some of the words into one of the other Dagbani orthographies.

Consonants

The consonants are as follows;

	Bilabia l	Labio- dental	Alveolar	Alveopa latal	Palata l	Velar	Labial -velar
Plosive	p b		t d	c j		k g	kp gb
Fricative		f v	s z	ʃ ʒ		h (ɣ)	
Nasal	m		n			ŋm	
Lateral			l				
Tap				r			
Approximant	w				y		

Most orthographies mark /ɣ/ the velar fricative as a separate consonant. This appears to be unnecessary as /ɣ/ is simply a positional allophone of /g/ between vowels. Nonetheless, it is marked in the present text as Dagbani speakers are familiar with it. The voiceless alveopalatal /tʃ/ is usually written ‘ch’ in Ghanaian languages following English orthographic practice and this is also retained. The palatal nasal /ɲ/ is written ‘ny’. /ʃ/ is written ‘sh’ by /ʒ/ uses the IPA symbol. Both alveopalatal fricatives are allophones of their alveolar counterparts but they will be written here following Dagbani orthographic practice.

The palatals /ʃ/ and /ʒ/ are in near-complementary distribution with their alveolar counterparts /s/ and /z/. In word initial and word-medial position, the palatals occur before front vowels, /i/ and /e/ and the alveolars before back and central vowels, /o/, /u/, /a/ and /ɪ/. The exception to this occurs with the –si suffix, which is quite common in the names of plants and animals and which does not appear to be shifting to the palatal form. However, it is in complementary distribution with initial and medial palatals. Since suffixes such as –fi never occur. There are, however, some words where –si- occurs in the penultimate syllable;

sapasini	captain of the Dagomba Army	<English ‘sergeant’ via Twi
suhuyiysili	hot-temperedness.	

The likely explanation for this is that Dagbani has gone through a process of multiple affixing. The –si- in **suhuyiysili** was once a suffix and has had another suffix placed beyond it. The word **sapasini**, a loanword, was then analysed as conforming to this type of morphology.

Dagbani has no zi- suffix and thus almost all cases of /z/ + front vowel are realised as /ʒ/. Dagbani lists frequently include numerous words that begin zi- but it seems that in all cases the vowel is actually /i/, i.e. a central vowel. A few words have been cited with /ʒ/ + central vowel. It seems these may be loanwords that are insufficiently phonologised.

gùnààzúá	gùnààzúé	<i>Hoslundia opposita</i> Vahl
kpáráchíâ	kpáráchíhì	Snuff- box tree
púmpónchiâ	púmpónchíh	shrub and edible <i>Strychnos</i> fruit
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Tones

Ghanaian convention does not mark tone in orthographies, regardless of its importance in individual languages. The Dagbani tone system is described by Wilson (1970, 1972) and there is no doubt that a secure command of the tones is required to become a competent speaker of Dagbani. However, individual words spoken in isolation can usually be understood by speakers even if the tones are incorrect. This should not deter researchers from learning the correct tonal pattern for each plant name.

There are two level tones and downstep, marked as follows;

High	´
Downstep	!
Low	`

Downstep is a type of high tone that lowers the pitch of the rest of the word.

Those who are not familiar with tones can simply ignore the tone marks and write the words without them.

DAGBANI DOES NOT HAVE A WRITING SYSTEM AGREED BY EVERYONE. IF SOME OF THE CONVENTIONS IN THIS GUIDE ARE DIFFERENT FROM THOSE YOU USE THEN SIMPLY CONVERT THEM. THE CORE OF THE GUIDE IS THE ACCURATE IDENTIFICATION OF PLANT NAMES.

Plurals and other forms

Like most Gur languages, Dagbani has an elaborate system of plurals for nouns that consist generally of alternating a CV suffix. However, in some cases these suffixes are irregular or have become reduced, and in some cases also the stem vowels undergo changes. Recording plurals is very important, as in many cases, the plural of a tree name is the name of its fruits or leaves.

Variability in Dagbani speech

mábágá máuwá bushbaby

Parts of Speech

Like all languages, Dagbani words can be classified according to the function they have in the sentence. These are known as 'parts of speech' -the most well-known types are nouns and verbs. The following table gives the abbreviations used in the dictionary with short explanations;

Abbreviation	Full form	Explanation
a.	Adjective	Describes a noun
adv.	Adverb	Qualifies a verb
aff.	Affix	A prefix or suffix
aux.	Auxiliary	Added to a verb to modify it, like a tense-marker
av.p.	Adverbial Phrase	Phrase used to qualify a verb
conj.	Conjunction	A word used to join two or more nouns, verbs or clauses
dem.	Demonstrative	Words used to point out something. 'this', 'that' etc.
excl.	Exclamation	Greetings or expressions that do not form part of an ordinary sentence
int.	Interrogative	Question words
n.	Noun	Refers to things, objects etc.
num.	Numeral	Number
part.	Particle	Short words added to complete the sentence
p.n.	Proper Name	A name of a person or object; always capitalised
prep.	Preposition	A word positioning nouns or verbs in time or space
pron.	Pronoun	A word that stands for a noun
v.	Verb	Expresses action
v.a.	Verbal auxiliary	A particle placed next to a verb to change its tense or application
v.e.	Verbal extension	An affix added to a verb to extend its meaning
v.i.	Intransitive Verb	A verb with no object
v.t.	Transitive verb	A verb with an object

Needless to say, these categories were developed to describe English grammar and not all Dagbani words fit neatly into them. For example, it is sometimes difficult to distinguish verbs from adjectives. Only a clear grammatical description will help the reader understand the function of a word in a sentence. At that point, the assignment to a particular part of speech is somewhat arbitrary; what counts is consistency throughout.

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a	architecture	dr	item of dress	mt	mat
ag	agriculture	e	emotions	p	person
		ep	epithet		
ai	agricultural implement	f	fish	pd	personal decoration
an	ant	fa	farming		
ap	animal part	fo	food	pl	plant
		fr	fruit	po	pot
b	bird	g	grass	r	reptile, amphibian
bf	bodily fluid	ga	game	s	snake
bm	body mark, sore etc.	go	gourd	sh	shrub

bp	body part	gr	grasshopper	so	song
bs	basket	h	herb	t	tree
c	crop	hu	hunting equipment	ti	title
cl	climatic	i	insect	tm	temporal (adverbs)
co	colour	j	jewellery	to	tool
cr	crustacean	k	kinship	tp	tree part
d	disease, sickness	la	landscape	tr	traditional religion
da	domestic animal	ma	mammal	tx	textile
dc	dance	me	medicine	v	vine
dk	drink	mi	musical instrument	w	weaving
		mo	money	w	weather
				y	yam

Singular	pl./imprf	p/o/s	cl.	Definition	Comment
A					
a		pron.		personal pronoun, second person singular, nom. or obj. case. you.	A zumi. You did steal. O nyaŋ a. He defeated you.
a		excl.		an exclamation of excitement or surprise.	A! a paaina! You have arrived.]
aa		excl.		an exclamation of disgust or censure.	Aa! bozuŋu ka a niŋ lala? Ah! Why have you done this?
aakai		n.		disapproval	KO
aayi		excl.		no, wrong, that is not so	KO
abaa		excl.		expression showing disapproval	KO see abba
abada		adv.		never. (Used word final in negative sentence)	Lala ku niŋ, hali abada. That will never happen.] {Blair: ever, used after a negative sentence. (A)}
abba		excl.		an exclamation of disgust.	Abba, Chel vuri. For goodness' sake.] see abaa
abe		n.		palm nuts	KO
abe tia		n.	t	oil palm	KO
abinfuura		n.		balloon	(Hausa) KO
abirima		n.		state of collapse brought on by fear.	{Blair: a'berema }
aboboi		n.		plantain	
abuya		n.		friend	(Hausa 'female friend') KO
adaka	adakani	n.		box.	<Twi {Blair: pl., adakanema }
adakabila	ma	n.		ballot box	'small box' KO
adashi	adashine	n.		1. pledged amount	{Blair: pledge; also def 3}
	ma			2. the collected sum of pledges from the members of a society, distributed in an accepted order until all have shared	[Man su adashi goli ŋo ni. I received the pledge amount this month.]
				3. a greeting in acknowledgement of kindness.	
adiini		n.		religion	(Arabic via Hausa) KO
adiko	adikone	n.		bag or cloth in which travellers carry their kit.	
	ma				

Singular	pl./imprf	p/o/s	cl.	Definition	Comment
adiku		n.		bag, luggage	KO
adua		n.		prayer. prayers of intercession formal prayer ceremony	[O niɲ adua . He offered a prayer (as a Muslim priest). O suhi adua . He offered a prayer (as an individual supplicating).] (Arabic via Hausa)
adua		n.		pigeon-pea	< Hausa
adua		n.		<i>Cajanus cajan</i>	
afa	afanima	n.		1. Muslim priest	(<i>vide alfa</i>) Arabic via Hausa <i>mu'allifa</i>
				2. moths which swarm on animals' eyes, at dawn and dusk	
				3. pig (epithet).	
afi		n.		comb	KO
afu		n.		a disease of the eyelid.	
afua		n.		1. recovering from sickness	[O doro maa niɲ afua . He is recovering from illness
				2. health	[O nya afua . He has health, or, he has recovered.]
				3. easy, not difficult.	[Tuma maa mali afua . The work is easy, or, the work is not difficult.]
				4. reasonable or moderate in price	[Guli daa mali afua . The price of kola nuts is reasonable. Di daa niɲ afua . It is a moderate price.] {Blair: recovery from illness; health. 2. leisure}
afulo		excl.		exclamation to ward off witchcraft.	[Afulo! n daɲ a . The curse be on you. (lit. I am before you; I am free from your curses.)]
afulo		excl.		exclamation rejecting accusation.	[Afulo gba, n ku zu . Impossible, I will not steal.] {Blair: only def 1}
àgázéli		n.	cl	1. period of 10-20 days of sunshine immediately after the rains cease	
àgázéli		n.	d	2. fever contracted during this season.	
agba	agbanima	n.		cannon.	< Yoruba
agbaa	a	n.		noon, twelve o'clock; zenith	KO
agbadudu		n.		leaves of an edible shrub having light pink flowers, used in broth.	[ED saapiriwa . n. .] {Blair: leaves of an edible shrub, with light pink flowers, used in broth. (Yendi dialect. Tamale equivalent, saapirewa)}
ago	agonima	n.		velvet cloth	(shiny local material KO)
agogo	agogoni	n.		watch; clock. bicycle bell	<Yoruba via Hausa
agufu	ma				
	agufuni	n.		interpreter.	<Hausa
	ma				
ai		excl.		no.	
akabiya	akabiya	n.		disease that causes rough patches in the skin of hands or	[O mali akabiya . He has 'akabiya.' - Akabiya sabilli
	nima				

Singular	pl./imprf	p/o/s	cl.	Definition	Comment
				feet.	bee akabiya pielli? Black patches or white patches?] {Blair: white patches in the skin accompanied by itching; not sores}
akarma		n.		drummer	(of talking drums)
aku		excl.		an exclamation of amusement, astonishment, or mocking.	[Aku! Gbonalana di o ba yili. The regent has succeeded his father.
akunta		n.		accountant	<English
akutaku		excl.			[vide aku]
akpaaku		n.		dock ??	KO
akpayila		a.		cold, shivering	KO
alaamiisi		p.n.		Thursday	days of week are Hausa fr. KO Arabic
ala		int.		1. how much? 2. how many?	
alaafee	alafenim	n.		pineapple.	alaafee
alakli	alakya	n.		the last Wednesday in the month.	[it is thought to be a bad day, that no journey should be made on that day, and that no business will prove profitable if begun on that day.]
alaamu		n.		omen. (calamity KO)	[Usually considered a bad omen unless designated al amu suŋ , a good omen.]
alaha		n.		cheap price.	
alahali	alahalini	n.	y	red yam.	<Hausa
alahari		p.n.		Sunday.	(alahiri KO)
alahachi		n.		sin; an offence against God.	[vide, taali].
alahachilan	alahachi	n.		sinner.	
a	nima				
alahaziba		n.		1. wonder, amazement	[vide, alebo] [Yalli maa niŋ ma alahaziba. The matter amazes me.] [Motuka yiyirgu mali alahaziba pam. The aeroplane is very wonderful.]
(alahazibu KO)				2. unnatural event.	[Alaha vielli, good omen. Alaha bieyu, bad omen.]
alaha		n.		omen.	[O nya alaka pam. He has had much trouble.]
alaka		n.		1. trouble	[Be niŋ o alaka. They punished him.]
				2. punishment	<Hausa
				3. persecution/s (KO)	
alala		int.		how much for each?	[when quantities are on display.]
alali		n.		cowardice.	[O niŋ alali. He is cowardly.]
alali		a.		1. pure; real	[Doliŋo nyela anzinfā alali. This is real silver.] [O bi alali. His legitimate child. <Arabic
Alamihi		p.n.		2. lawful; legitimate. Thursday.	[dialect, Alamsi] <Arabic

Singular	pl./imprf	p/o/s	cl.	Definition	Comment
alamyalam		excl.		an expression meaning ‘No one knows’.	[used by itself].
Alaraba		p.n.		Wednesday.	<Arabic(alaabu Alaarbu KO)
alacheyu	alacheri	n.	b	large bird which feeds principally on grasshoppers.	<Hausa
alC see also	aliC				
alcheba	alcheban ima	n.		cape with a hood.	
alchiidiri	alchiidiri nima	n.		bucket.	
Alchiyama		p.n.		the last day; the resurrection day; the judgement day	
alebo		n.		disgraceful act.	(something very little KO)
aleji		n.		palm kernel oil.	
aleefu		n.	c	‘spinach’ (a green vegetable)	KO
aleewa		n.		1. honey cooked until hard, cut in pieces and sold as a sweet football dribbling a trick.	< Hausa O niŋ ma aleewa. He played a trick on me.] < Hausa
alegeeta	algeetani ma	n.		shawm	
alehitama (?)		n.		doubtful.	[vide behug]
aleluyani		n.		Assemblies of God church	‘Halleluya!’ <i>ni</i> (at) KO
alfa	alfanima	n.		Muslim priest; one versed in the Koran.	[dialectal, see a’fa].
alfaani		n.		1. usefulness 2. grace; blessing.	[Di mali alfaani. It is useful.] [Naawuni ni niŋ alfaani niŋ a bihi ni. May God bless your children.] <Twi [anfon B.D.]
alfoni	alfonnim a	n.		picture.	
algaya		adv.		exceptionally.	Di viella algaya. It is exceptionally beautiful. <Hausa
alhaji	alhajini ma	n.		a pilgrim who has been to Mecca.	
aliC see also	aliC				
alibarika	alibarika nima	n.		1. blessing; grace 2. a word to mean ‘No thanks’ between buyer and seller 3. used in phrase ‘ Sha alibarika, ’ ‘thank you.’	Arabic via Hausa ‘Lower your price’/ ‘Raise your offer’ (T.N.)
aliba(sa)		n.		onion.	<Arabic via Hausa [vide: gabanyuli].
alicheba		n.		cloak; coat	Arabic via Hausa ; cf. KO zabba
aligaaya		adv.		really	KO
aligusu		n.		1. fraud 2. treachery 3. mischief (when used of	[O niŋ ma aligusu. He defrauded me. O mali aligusu. He is a fraud <Hausa

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				actions of children).	
aliguufu		a.		little	KO
Aligbe		p.n.		Ewe	KO
aliheeri		n.		1. gift 2. kindness 3. idiom: d-aliheeri , with good.	(Usually used as a response to a statement, wishing one well). Arabic via Hausa 'reed' KO
alikaalimi		n.		pencil, pen	
alkalmi		n.		covenant, promise, bond, contract	closer to Ar. <i>al qawli</i> 'word' than < Hausa <i>alkawari</i> KO [see alk...]
alikaule		n.			<English KO
alikota		n.		helicopter	KO
alikundon		n.		long cassock	[vide anga]
alingurma	alingur manima	n.		big horse.	
aliwalla		n.		ablution	(Hausa fr. Arabic) KO
aliwurti	aliwura	n.		joker; a comedian.	
alizama		n.		conversation.	[Di alizama . To converse.]
alizama		n.		conversation	Arabic via Hausa 'meeting, KO party'
alizanda		n.		heaven; paradise.	
alizimba		n.		Friday.	<Arabic (also alizimma KO)
alizini	alizinni ma	n.		1. spirit; genie 2. disposition or mood.	<Arabic[alizin'suɲ , good spirit; alizin'bieɲu , evil spirit.] [N chaɲmi tu o d-alizin'suɲ . I met him in a good disposition. O d-alizin'bieɲu n-yiysi . He is in a bad mood.]
alizimbieɲu	alizimbie ri	n.		evil spirit	aliziN- Arabic via Hausa 'Jinn' + DB <i>-bieɲu</i> 'bad' KO
alkalami	alkalami nima	n.		pen, pencil or anything used for writing.	
alkali		n.		1. judge 2. soothsayer 3. a literate 4. Muslim priest.	Arabic via Hausa idiom: [Pah alkali ni Nawuni , to give up the ghost.]
alkauli		n.		1. promise 2. pledge 3. Lo alkauli , to promise, to pledge 4. Pali alkauli , to fulfil a promise or pledge.	
alkudon	alkudon nima	n.	tx	grey baft	
Alkuraan	Alkuraan nima	n.		the Koran.	<Arabic
alleeyi		n.	tp	palm-oil	
almaziri	almaziri nima	n.		a student of the Koran.	<Arabic
alobu	alobuni ma	n.		1. plague 2. epidemic 3. calamity KO	[aloba , ED] Hausa <i>annoba</i> fr. Arabic <i>al waba</i>
alobu		n.		good luck.	[A d-alobu na be nyaɲa .

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					Your good luck is still to come.]
alobulana	alobuni ma	n.		a lucky person.	
alsahilana	alsahini ma	n.		joker; jester.	[dialectic, asa'hilana.]
aluura		n.		reddish dye.	<Hausa
aluura	aluurani ma	n.		teak tree.	<Hausa
alwalla		n.		ablution.	<Hausa
alziifu		n.		pocket	Arabic via Hausa <i>KO</i>
amaa		conj.		but	Arabic via Hausa
amaada		n.		the Sahara desert.	<Hausa <Arabic
amaana		n.		trusteeship; the holding or keeping or administering something for another.	[Niŋ amaana , to entrust; mali amaana , to break confidence, or to defraud.
amaana		n.		corruption (! - see above)	<i>KO</i>
amaŋka		n.		stretcher; type of carriage	Eng. 'hammock' <i>KO</i>
amashera		excl.		an expression of thanksgiving.	[N'a soha, amazara. Thank you for yesterday's favour (or hospitality).
ami		excl.		Amen.	
amii		part.		1. introductory particle meaning 'do you know?' used with double questions 2. introductory particle meaning 'no one knows,' or 'who knows whether?' [maybe; 'I wonder if ..' (tentative suggestion, request, proposal) <i>KO</i>]	[Amii a sa ni labna bieyu bee a ku labna? Do you know, will you return tomorrow, or will you not return?] [Amii n sa ni labna bee n ku labna? Who knows whether I will return or not?]
amiila	amiilani ma	n.		sword suspender made with wool yarn.	<Hausa
amiinsi		n.		1. a secret agreement, covenant, contract. 2. charity; good will	[M min' o mali amiinsi. He and I have a secret agreement [O mali amiinsi ni nirba. He is a charitable person (a man of good will). [Arabic via Hausa 'trust(worthiness)']
amiliya		n.		1. bride 2. marriage.	[Lo amiliya , to marry.] (Muslim or Christian)
amilia	amilia	n.		bridesmaid.	
zozonima		n.pl.		attendants at a wedding.	
amilianima		n.		children's game: played by young girls, kicking ball of leaves:	<Twi <i>KO</i>
ampe					
amsa		n.		answer	<Hausa <i>KO</i>
anabi	anabini ma	n.		prophet.	Arabic via Hausa
anabtali		a.		prophecy	- <i>tali</i> is abstract noun from noun derivation <i>KO</i>
anahi		num.		four	

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anashaara		n.		European	Arabic via Hausa <i>KO</i>
anchiti		n.		handkerchief	<i>KO</i>
anfaani		n.		benefit, dividend	Arabic via Hausa <i>KO</i>
aniini	aniinnim	n.		one tenth of a penny	West African English
	a				
aniwula	aniwuliy	excl.		a salutation as an evening greeting.	Gj.
	a				
ansarsi		n.		mockery; ridicule.	[mali ansarsi , to mock or ridicule (stronger term than ' ziem ').]
antire		n.		a salutation as a midday greeting.	
anu		num.		five.	
anuura		n.		1. worth; value 2. usefulness.	
anyangbana		n.		maize.	
anyibi		n.		1. unfaithfulness 2. untrustworthiness 3. mali anyibi , to be unfaithful or untrustworthy.	
anyoyti	anyoytin	n.		yam cultivar	[sangalnjo , WD]
	ima				
anzansi		n.		courage; persistence.	
anzinfa		n.		silver.	
angarma	angarma	n.		a big horse.	<Hausa [dialectic, alingarma .]
	nima				
ango	angonim	n.		bridegroom.	
	a				
ango zo	ango	n.		best man	
	zonima				
ankadi		n.		1. occult powers by which other powers may be bound 2. it may be used in binding the rain.	<Hausa [<i>vide</i> Kabre]
anko		n.		omen.	[anko vielli , good omen; anko bieyu , bad omen] [<i>vide</i> , alahe] [dialectic, hanko]
asaara		n.		loss; misfortune.	<Hausa [<i>vide</i> , ashaara]
asadachi		n.		dowry.	
asafi		n.		1. comical conduct 2. comical person.	
asafilana	asafinim	n.		comical person.	
	a				
asafihili		n.		comical conversation.	
asahi		n.		joke; jest.	[dialectic, alsahi]
asahilana	asahinim	n.		joker, jester.	[dialectic, alsahilana]
	a				
asama		n.		1. cheapness of price. 2. ease, i.e. without difficulty	[Di daa mali asama . The market price is cheap.] [Wor'wali mali asama n-gari bugbali . horse riding is easier than donkey riding.]
asanza	asanzani	n.		one with an exemplary character; a distinguished	
	ma				

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asiba		n.		person; a brave person.	
asibasi		n.		morning.	
asibirr		excl.		early morning.	
				imperative, introductory particle asking for attention.	[Asibirr! chel ka a wum di yelmanli. Silence! Wait until you hear the truth.]
asibiri		n.		Saturday.	<Arabic
asooma	asooman	n.		A plant with bulbous roots used in dying skins yellow, hence yellow colour.	
	ima				
ashaala		adv.		in reality, or not knowing (interchangeable with 'ashee')	[vide, inshaala] [N yeliya ni o zi ni ashaala o pun mi ni. I said that he did not know there, in reality, he already knew the place.
ashaara		n.		loss, misfortune.	<Hausa [dialectic, asa'ara]
ashee		excl.		equivalent to the English 'really,' 'in reality,' 'actually'	[Ashe'e! O kpiya? Really! Has he died? N yeliya ni a si ni ashee, o pun mi ni. I said that he did not know there, in reality, he already knew the place.
ashiloni		adv.		secretly.	
Ata		n.		name of an elder male twin; Ata'wa, a female.	
ata		num.		three.	
ataa		excl.		really; of a truth (in explaining facts).	[Ataadee, o daa ka n yiq' na, yuq. Of a truth, he came to my house at night.
atalata		n.		Tuesday.	
atam		n.		1. farm produce.	[O kohi i puu atam n-da nahu. He sold his farm produce and bought a cow
				2. rich soil	[Palo maa mali atam. The field has rich soil.
atani		n.		Monday.	<Arabic
achiika		excl.		meaning 'that is true.'	<Hausa
achiikatim		excl.		emphatic form of 'achiika', Verily, verily, in fact.	
atuzieyu	atuzieri	n.		shrub, the roots of which are used for medicine.	
awai		num.		nine.	
awuraba	awuraba	n.		educated woman.	
	nime				
ayaba		n.		plantain.	< Hausa
ayayoo		excl.		an expression used to arouse shame, (cried out with hands raised and fingers extended).	[Nyarimaṅa zuya, ayayoo! The self conceited one has stolen, oooooh!]
ayei		excl.		an expression of displeasure, regret or disappointment.	
ayi		num.		six.	
ayihali	ayigalini	n.		small seeds, imported from Nigeria, used for medicinal purposes. (seldom used in plural form).	
	ma				

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ayiinsi		n.		1. dishonesty	[O niɲ ma ayiinsi . He was dishonest with me.]
				2. unreliability.	
ayobu		num.		six.	
ayopoin		num.		seven.	
azaaba		n.		1. trouble	
				2. woe.	
azali		n.		1. fate	[O d-azali doro , his fated sickness.]
				2. beginning (when proceeded by 'tūm').	[Tūm azali, nayaɲa nye o . He was a thief from the beginning.]
azichi		n.		treasure; riches.	<Hausa
azichilana	azichini ma	n.		wealthy person.	
azua		n.		food.	[<i>vide, zuri</i>]
aɓi		n.		pilgrimage to Mecca	
aɓia	aɓianima	n.		1. female who goes on a pilgrimage to Mecca	
				2. belongings.	[O d-aɓia be n sani . His belongings are with me.]
B					
ba	banima	n.		1. father	
				2. title of respect.	
ba		pron.		personal pronoun, third person plural, objective case, them.	
ba	-ra	v.		1. to ride	[v.n babu or bali , riding.] be ba o bandi m' baya , I have taken my place on the seat of motor bike
				2. to mount a horse.	
				3. to shackle; to fetter.	[ba bandi , to shackle with leg irons]
				4. to peg put a skin for drying.	
				5. to perform a rite in the interest of another.	du ba 'dominate'
ba daaɲa		v.p.		to perform the rite to establish legitimacy	
ba ŋmani		v.p.		to perform a rite recognising a wife as a mother	
baa	bahi	n.		1. dog.	[male form: baaloɲu .]
				2. low, marshy ground, swamp.	
baachali		n.		1. tale-bearing	
				2. gossiping.	
baai	baara	v.		1. to put up shoots	grow <i>KO</i>
				to take root	
				to revive (of plants)	o che ka baai m puhi vari , take root and shoot leaves
baa jila				to take root	
				2. to cease to rain.	saa baaya , it stopped raining.
				3. to unlock, (fettters, etc.)	come off the handle (e.g. hoe blades) <i>KO</i>

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baai		v.		lay or put across gap; cross over (river);	baai du moyli , cross over the river
baai...kaṇa		v.p.		to wear s.t. out	o baai o cheche maa kaṇa zaa ka naai yi kohili . He wore out his bicycle before selling it.
baaji		n.		bag	<English
baalim		adv.		1. quietly 2. slowly 3. gently 4. carefully.	
baam		n.		smell of animals incl. human beings	<i>KO</i>
baamaya		n.		type of dance	<i>KO</i>
baaṇa	baansi	n.		singer	<i>KO</i>
baatiri		n.		battery	<i>KO</i> <English
baatoḥa	baatoḥa nima	n.		1. hunter's dog 2. dog trained to scent out game.	
baba	babanim a	n.		title of the second chief butcher.	
babila		adv.		not in the least; none.	
babielu		a.		entirely nil.	
babito	babitoni ma	n.		half brother or sister, born of the same father.	
babli	baba	n.		featherless fowl.	
bach		n.		alphabet, letter(s) of alphabet	<i>KO/JC</i> : from 'a-b-c' [TN]
bach bia	bach bihi	n.		letter of the alphabet.	
baya		n.		attention, concern, interest	<i>KO baya ka</i> 'negligence'
baya	baysi	n.		soothsayer	<i>KO</i>
bagalua		n.	t	acacia arabica tree	(used in tanning hides).
bayayuli	bayayuy a	n.		1. magical powers and practices 2. superstition in general.	traditional sacrifice <i>KO</i>
baybia	baybihi	n.		bead ??	<i>KO</i>
baygbee		n.		stick of a soothsayer	<i>KO</i>
bayi -ra		v.		1. to lurk 2. to skulk. 3. to eavesdrop. 4. to be pregnant, (of animals). 5. to be next to, to touch, to wear (leaves, skins) 6. to be tired (impersonal)	O mal bayli it is pregnant O bayila vari , he is weaving leaves O bin bayla naa difeli ?? O yen' bayla ti yiṇa A bia je mbag' o
bayi		prep.		by the side of	<i>KO</i> ; or ? V cf. MP m-ba'ali 'go along the side of'
bayimpion	bayimpi ma	n.	b	coucal	
bayisi		v.		grind (wet things, spices)	<i>KO bayisi kuyili</i> 'grinding stone'

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bayli -nda		v.		1. to recline to lean an object against anything 2. to eavesdrop 3. to mount another back of a rider of a horse or bicycle.	
bayli		n.		pregnancy in animals	KO
bayri		n.		mud.	
bayri		v.		soothsaying	KO
baysi -ra		v.		1. to grind (of groundnuts, shea nuts or beans) 2. to walk stealthily, with a purpose.	[vide bayisi] [Piringa baysiri gulinyaana . The policeman is walking cautiously behind the house. KO bahi (..) ‘provide a meal’; kpaai bahi ‘spill’ [Bia maa zaɲ saafi maa bahi . The child lost the key.]
bahi	-ra	v.		1. to dismiss 2. to finish 3. to let go (free) 4. to throw away 5. to miscarry 6. to expire, terminate; finish; die 7. to throw underhand, to toss 8. to cast a net 9. to keep animals for breeding 10. to lose 11. to stretch, as a rope or thread.	
bahi moni		v.p.		feed a household’ (give out a ration of grain for women to cook for household)	
bahi .. noli		v.p.		permit	
bahi yoli		v.p.		become useless’; be lost, come to ruin	
bahigu	bahisi	n.		puff adder	
bahigu		n.		1. ending 2. doom 3. bahigu sun , good fortune.	[bahi’sun , good ending; bahi’bieyu , bad ending.] KO saha din ka bahigu ‘forever’ ‘time which not.have ending’ [bohim , WD] [vide sheje]
bahim -nda		v.		to learn	
bahiri	bahirini ma	n.		illegitimate child; bastard.	
bahiyoli		n.		doom, perishing	KO [vide bahi]
bàhùgò	bàhìsì	n.	s	Puff adder	<i>Bitis arietans</i>
bakwoi		n.		a week.	<Hausa
bala		pron.		that	KO
bala		v.		1. to be soft 2. to be keen of hearing. 3. to be cheap.	[Gboɲ maa bala . The skin is soft.] [O tiba bala . He hears very well.] [Di daa bala .The market price is cheap.]

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				4. to be easier than.	[Bohigu dimboŋo bala gari di kpee. This question is easier than that other.]
				5. to be luxurious in living.	[O diri din bala. He is eating luxuriously. O bori dim bala. He likes an easy place.]
bala		v.		6. to be thin 7. to be flexible. be (sentence filler) Q/ 'it' relation	<i>KO m+bala</i> 'is that' deictic predication, but not verb
balan̄kon	balan̄ko na	n.	mi	hollowed-out piece of wood beaten to frighten pests from the fields.	
balbu	balbuni ma	n.		variety; kind; species.	[Note: to express many kinds of things the singular form is repeated, balbu balbu.] : <i>KO (yeltoya) balbu</i> 'dialect/s'
balee		adv.		1. how much less 2. how much more.	[N ka bua balee nahu. I haven't a goat, how much less a cow.]
balga	balsi	n.	m	mongoose	
balga	balsi	a		1. slender 2. thin.	
balgi -ra		v.		1. to be soft after having been hard, as leather 2. to slack off (as work) 3. to improve in character 4. to be tamed.	[Tuma maa balgiya. The work has slackened.]
balgu		n.		an assortment of small units of..	<i>KO [vide balbu]</i>
bali		v.n.		riding, used mainly in compounded words to differentiate the kind of riding:	worwali , horse riding; bugwali , donkey riding; chechewali , bicycle riding.
bali -ra		v.		1. to pass over, as rain clouds 2. to go away not to return.	'go straight from a point without coming back, run away without coming back' <i>KO</i>
bali balnda		v.		to remove stones or chaff	
bali loyu				to put poison on arrows	
bali loyu				to be downcast, dejected	
baligi		v.		become soft; slow down	<i>KO</i>
balim -nda		v.		1. to entreat 2. to soothe 3. to lull to sleep.	
balima		n.		shrub, the base of which are used as an aphrodisiac.	
balimbalim		adv.		slowly, quietly, carefully	<i>KO cf. baalim</i>
balimbieyu	balimbieri	n.		stink bug.	
balimgbini	balimgbina	n.		grass.	
balimkpieyu	balimkpiერი	n.		bed bug.	
balintee		adv.		how much more.	[Paya so kaa ta, o bia yela

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					balintee, Naawuni kaa tam a yeltoya maa. As a woman will not forget her child's affairs, how much more will God not forget your affairs.
balinchon	balincho na	n.	c	species of long pepper.	
balnayu	balnari	n.		a Dagbamba gown with large long sleeves.	
balsi -ra		v.		1. to stare at 2. to canter 3. to mount a person on a horse.	
baluli	balyya	n.		place where a litter of pups is born.	
bam	bama	n.		the natural odour of animals and people.	
bam		n.		palm wine.	
bam -da		v.		1. to act in such a manner as to invoke pity 2. to move to pity 3. to chant or sing to drum accompaniment. 4. to make a sham excuse.	[O bamda ka di mali namboyu. His actions are pitiful [Luŋ' maa bamda. The drummer chants [Di pala yel-maŋli, o bamdimi. It is not true, he is making a sham excuse.] [Bama m-bala. It is a sham excuse.]
bama		n.		sham excuse.	[Bama m-bala. It is a sham excuse.]
bambali	babaya	n.		tributary of a river.	[vide bimballi]
bambu		n.		person having least knowledge	KO
bambua	bambuhi	n.		red-flanked duiker.	[bambula'a, male form.]
ban		pron.		those who (relative, not Q); they, them, their (light emph.)	KO
bana		pron.		pronoun, 3rd. person plural, nom. case. those, these.	
banakansiln li	banakan sili or banakan silma	n.		[ED] skink [TN]	[vide baŋkalansil'nli, WD]{Blair: banaka'nsi'lnle, pl., banakansila or banakansi'lma }
banandoyu	banando ri	n.		large, black scorpion.	
banchi	banchini ma	n.		cassava root.	<Twi
bandacheen		n.		chains	KO <English but Bandacheena is a lunar month-name
abandi					
Bandacheen a		p.n.		fifth month of the Dagomba year.	
bandi	banda	n.		1. shackle 2. leg iron.	
bandoba		n.	v	a climbing plant, the leaves of which are used as a purgative.	
bandoyu	bandari	n.	r	male agama lizard.	see baŋa
banduyirgu	banduyi	n.		bushy plants usually grown on	

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	rsi			or near compounds, effective against fever.	
bani	bana	n.	mi	horn; bugle; musical instrument made from the horn of a water buck (gbeyu).	
banima		int.		plural form. who?	[Banima mbala? Who are they?] KO (Hausa)
banjida banla	banjirti	n. pron.		toilet plural form. the others; those others.	
bannyaŋ	bannya ma	n.	r	female agama lizard.	see baŋa
bantabga bantibo	bantabsi bantibon ima	n. n.	da	turban. large black malodorous cat.	
banyaŋ banyini baŋ	-da	n. n. v.	da	bitch, female dog dog teeth = bite by a dog 1. to know 2. to recognise 3. to understand.	KO KO KO ‘...find out, get to know; be knowledgeable, skilful’
bàŋ gbínní baŋa baŋa			r	understand agama lizard	see bandoyu
	bansi	n.		1. bangle 2. collective word for musicians and singers.	
baŋbu		n.		1. knowledge 2. doctrine.	‘discovery’ KO
banda baŋdari baŋgumaŋa	bandiba	n. n. n.	da	able, knowledgeable person dark bay horse triumph or victory dance	KO The title of Naa Siyili since the conquest of the Gonja people under Kumpatia.
baŋkalansil nli baŋkani baŋkani baŋkaŋa baŋkaŋfiŋa	baŋkala nsilma	n. n. n. n.	r c c i i	skink new cocoyam <i>Xanthosoma mafaffa</i> tick. a tick in its larva or half-developed state.	[vide banakansilnli , ED] < Hausa? < Hausa?
baŋkaŋa baŋkargu	bankansi baŋkarsi	n. n.	b	tick small bustard, commonly called ‘bush turkey.’	KO cf. baŋkaŋa
baŋki bàŋkôm	bàŋkôm à	n. n.	s	bank (for money) African sand snake	KO<English <i>Psammophis sibilans</i>
baŋkom	baŋkom a	n.		1. greenish-blue colour derived from the juice of the creeping pea plant, ‘ baŋli .’	KO : (? green mamba is a snake : ‘bean-water’ is green colour) [TN] [vide baŋkom]
baŋkoyu baŋlari baŋli baŋli		n. n. n. n.	d v r	measles grass. creeping pea plant. agama lizard	KO KO KO ‘leaves of bean’ also beŋ- ? [bandoyu , male form.] The name is applied by convention to crocodiles in certain places.

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baɲnarga		n.	v	creeping vine.	
baɲpali	baɲpaya	n.		sand crack between the toes.	(<i>vide gbaɲpalli</i> , ED)
baɲsim		n.		1. knowledge 2. craft 3. art.	<i>KO nuu baɲsim</i> ‘art, craft’ (cunning of hand)
baɲtoona	baɲtoons i	n.		sparrow hawk.	
baɲtoona		n.		too known fellow	<i>KO</i>
bapira	bapirani ma	n.		one’s father’s younger brother.	
bara	baranim a	n.		sick person, patient	
bara		n.		boasting, bragging.	nyu bara ‘to boast, brag’
bara		n.		begging (<i>KO</i>) alms (<i>JC</i>)	[mali bara, to beg] (JC)
bara		v.		to be big, large, fat	di bara, bi daa borimi
baralana	baranim a	n.		braggart.	
baramaana	baramaa nba	n.		beggar	[<i>vide baramaanda</i> , ED]
baramaand a	baramaa ndba	n.		beggar	[<i>vide baramaana</i> , WD]
barazim	barazim a	n.		cat-o-nine-tails. ‘leather whip’ <i>KO</i>	barazum KO
baraʒe	baraʒeni ma	n.		a wide kind of trousers.	
barba	barbani ma	n.	da	a small pony.	<Bariba, a people in Benin Republic who breed these ponies
barga		n.	d	syphilis.	
barga	barsi	n.		1. a plant of which the leaves are used for broth 2. the bark for making rope.	[<i>vide balga</i> , ED]
bargi	-ra	v.		1. to rot (of meat) 2. to over-boil until a thing loses its form.	
bargu		n.		sickness.	
bari -ta		v.		1. to set a trap 2. to rake together (as leaves or rubbish).	
barichi	barichini ma	n.		rest house	(E). ‘barracks’
barigi		v.		undo a trap	<i>KO</i>
bar(i)gu		n.		sickness, illness	<i>KO</i>
barika		n.		1. blessing 2. an expression used in bargaining.	[a contraction of alibarika]
barika		excl.		said after one sneezes.	
barimaanga	barimaa nsi	n.		beggar	<i>KO [vide baramaana]</i>
barmaasu	barmaas unima	n.		a divided gown worn when riding horses.	
barna		n.		1. danger 2. risk	<Hausa : ‘harm, ... accident; damage, destruction’ (<i>KO</i>) ti barina ‘hurt, give (cause)’

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					harm'
bariŋ		n.		fake, not so good	KO
barisi		v.		lose, get lost (?)	KO
barkoyu	barkori	n.		patient	KO
baroŋ	barima	n.		disease	'cf. barigu ' KO(bariŋ KO)
basaa		n.		disorder	KO
basali	basaya	n.		a curved Basari dagger.	
bàtándálí	bàtándá yá	n.		a field the first year after the yam crop has been harvested.	
batuuta	batuutan ima	n.		conjurer.	
baula	baulani ma	n.		anvil.	
bayaana		a.		plentiful.	'N: abundance' KO
bawahiriga		n.		barking dog	KO
bazinta		a.		1. indisputable	
				2. patent.	
be... bie...				all interchangeable	TN
bè		v..		1. to be present	'exist; be alive; live, dwell
				2. to exist	in/at; be in a place' (KO)
				3. to be at a certain place.	
be mii ni		v.p.		to be in trouble	what is the mii ?
be tooni		v.p.		'lead' (lit.: be in front)	tooni benibu 'leading'
bebo		aux.		put at end to mean not so	KO be + bo 'or what?'
bebu		n.		1. habit	
				2. the outward actions of a person's life, lifestyle	
bee	-ra	v.		1. to cut a straight line (through grass or leather)	beei KO
				2. to bridge a stream	
				3. to seal up.	
bee		conj.		or (always used between two parts of a double question).	
bee	behi	n.		lower leg	KO [<i>vide bie'e</i>]
behigu		n.		1. character	
				2. the inner character or disposition of the heart.	
behim	-nda	v.		to doubt.	
behuŋ		n.		doubt.	[<i>vide alehitama</i>].
belli		n.		mattress	KO
benibu		v.		dwelling	KO
bì		pron.		personal pronoun, third person plural, nom. case. they.	
bi	-ra	v.		1. to reach the age of puberty	
				2. to be grown	
				3. to be ripe (of cereals and fruit)	
				4. to be cooked completely	
				5. to be courageous.	
bi		part.		not (used with past and present tenses of verbs).	[<i>vide ku</i>].
bia	bihi	n.		child.	[bidib'ga , masculine form. bipuy'inga , feminine form.]
bibgi -ra		v.		1. to seize	
				2. to pounce upon.	

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bibiee	bibiehi	n.		1. a pilferer 2. a rascal.	
bibietali		n.		mischief.	
bibilim		n.		1. mischief 2. a rascal.	
biblitutuyu	biblitutu ri	n.		a shrub putting forth a new shoot each year.	
bibilli	bibila	n.		1. a grub 2. maggot.	
bibirli		adv.		backwards in direction.	
bidibga	bidibsi	n.		a boy.	
bidiblim		n.		bravery	KO
bidibbini		n.		weapon	KO boys' equipment
bidoyiriba		n.		parents	KO
bie	biera	v.		to seal by besmearing.	[O bie o pupuru . He seals his granary.]
bie	biera	v.		to be bad	
bie	biera	v.		to be ugly	
bie'sheli		a.p.		one day	
bieyasiba		n.		early morning just after dawn.	
bieyu	bieri	n.		1. day 2. morning.	'the morrow, next day; dawn, early morning; day, countable period' KO neei bieyu 'the next day' (lit.: 'when tomorrow brightens/ wakes up')
bieyu kam		adv.		daily, every day	
bieyu ni		adv.		tomorrow	
bieyuni		n.		tomorrow.	
bieyu	bieri	n.	mi	two-stringed spike-lute played by older people for the dance nindoyu	This instrument has almost fallen out of use
bieyu	bieri	a.		1. wicked 2. malicious 3. bad 4. mean 5. ugly.	
biee	biehi	n.		calf of leg	
biekaali	biekaaya	n.		dawn.	
biela		a.		1. small 2. little. 3. few KO	
bielabiela		adv.		gradually; carefully; quietly	KO
bielfu		a.		infinitesimal (emphasised by repetition).	
bieli	biena	v.		to accompany, show sb. the way	
bieli	bieya or bieyani ma	n.		elder brother or sister.	[same sex as <i>Ego</i> TN] see tuzo
Bielikulisi dali		p.n.		19 th and last day of Damba	KO
bielim	bielima	n.		seed	
biem		n.		1. cantankerous, malice	[O mali aziloni biem . He has

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				malicious designs.]	
				2. temper	[O biem bi viela. His temper is bad.]
				3. stinginess.	[Doo maa mali biem. The man is stingy.]
biemlana	biemnima	n.		person motivated by malice, stinginess or ill will.	
Bieṇmarga	bieṇmar si	p.n.		morning star.	(Venus as ... [TN])
bienoli	bienoya	n.		dawn.	
biepuyli	biepuṇya	n.		calf of the leg.	
biergu		n.		paining, hurting.	
bieri		n.		placenta (??)	KO
bieri		n.		pain	KO bieri boribu 'revenge': 'seeking of evil'
bierim		n.		illness, pain.	
bihi -ra		v.		1. to boil <i>pito</i> the second day	
				2. to complete a yam mound.	
bihibindiem	bihibind	n.		doll	'child's plaything'
di	ema				
bihigu		n.		1. sand	
				2. breast of animals.	
bihikpaam		n.		milk.	<'butter' [TN]
bihilibiha		n.		female breast	KO
bihim		n.		milk	KO
bihinoli	bihinoya	n.		nipple, teat	
bii	-ra	v.		1. to be hot, as of the sun or fire	
				2. to be feverish.	
biinga	biinsi	a.		famous, heroic	KO
biisim		n.		1. heat	
				2. illness, particularly fever.	
bikoba		n.		1. loss of a child by miscarriage or early death	
				2. conjugal separation period after a miscarriage or the death of an infant.	
bikobalana	bikobani	n.		woman who has been bereaved by the loss of an infant by miscarriage or early death.	
ma					
bikpayibu		n.		abortion	KO
bikpamdiga	bikpamd	n.		a pampered child.	
	isi				
bila		n.		a dance.	
bila	bihi	a.		little, small.	
		.			
bilaa	bilahi	n.		1. a domestic slave, a serf	
				2. child born by slaves in their master's house	
				3. naturalised captives or slaves	
				4. sons or daughters of witches, seized by a chief	
				5. suffix attached to names of months preceding Chimsi ,	

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				Damba, Kpini, Nolori.	
bilbili		n.		uprising	<i>KO</i> an ‘uprising’ is a riot :
bilga	bilsi	n.		well, spring ,cistern.	
bilgi		v.		turn over; roll and shift a little	<i>KO</i> or biligi
bili	biya	n.		portion of meat consisting of the shoulder and wing of any bird.	
bili	binda	v.		1. to grow. to sprout 3. to shell 4. to rape 5. bile tum , to launch a project or campaign.	
bilichini		n.		noble person, patriot	<i>KO</i>
bilieyu	bilieri	n.		an infant.	suckling [TN - etym.]
bilikpiina	bilikpiinsi	n.		water bird.	
bilim		n.		1. childishness, 2. childhood.	
bilim -inda		v.		1. to roll 2. to roll on the ground.	
bilimbiliŋ	bilimbilima	n.		roller.	
bilkoyuno	bilkoyun nima	n.		1. hypocrite 2. rascal 3. evil doer.	bilkoyindana (KO)
bilkoyinsi		n.		1. hypocrisy 2. rascality 3. villainy.	
bilinli	bilma	n.		1. seedling 2. sprout.	
bilsi -ra		v.		1. to spring (of water) 2. to make a despairing gesture 3. to challenge a soothsayer to divine correctly.	[Baya?n ni bils’a, baŋ n-ti ma. Soothsayer, I challenge you. Show me the truth.]
bilchina	bilchinni ma	n.		1. nobleman 2. a person of good deportment and free truth.	
bilchinsi		n.		1. uprightness 2. nobility.	
bim		n.		1. essence of meat 2. broth containing such essence 3. a shrub used to poison fish.	[<i>vide bambali</i>].
bimbali	bimbaya	n.		tributary of a river.	
bimbini	bimbina	n.		sleeping place.	
bimbirli	bimbira	n.		seed for planting.	
bimboyli	bimboya	n.		1. cesspit 2. latrine.	
bimboŋ ni		n.		darkness	<i>KO</i>
bimburginli		n.		piece	<i>KO</i> N+A (Adj. is verbal participle) - thing- burgi -able
bimoyirisi		n.		breast-feeding children	<i>KO</i> N+A (Adj. is verbal particle) child-suck-AGENT-

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bin nani		a.		deformed	PL ; sg. shd. be bimoyiriga
binajayirgu	binajayi	n.		dung beetle.	KO
	ra				
binbirli	binbira	n.		seed	KO
binboyili	binboya	n.		toilet	KO 'fæces pit'
binboriga	binbora	n.		need, want	KO
binbuysirig		n.		measuring, scale	KO thing-show-
u					
bincherli	binchera	n.		1. a rag 2. tattered clothing.	
bincherlana	binchera	n.		a raggedly attired person.	
	nima				
bindi	bina	n.		excrement, faeces, shit	
bindibga		n.		toilet paper (stick)	KO
bindili	binda	n.	mi	Mossi talking drum, made of calabash.	
bándírgù	bándírà	n.		food	
bindoo	bindohi	n.		bed, sleeping-mat	
binjua	binjuhi	n.	m	epithet for the elephant.	
binfam	binfama	n.		1. flatulence 2. wind.	[nye binfam , to break wind]. 'fascination' KO !!
bingoo	bingohi	v.	—	boil	KO key should be a noun ? 'bongo drums' : 'to boil' may be n-kori
bingarli	bingara	n.		button.	
bingban	bingban	n.		skin cooked for eating (usually cow)	KO
	a				
báni	bina	n.		thing.	pron [bəni] : Nouns may be formed by prefixing ' bin ' to the present progressive tense and suffixing ' gu '. (as in the usual formation of verbal nouns). e.g. yiýi-ra , v. to fly: bin , thing + yiýira , flying + gu , verbal noun ending -- binyiýirgu , flying thing. any creature with no legs, including fish, snakes and worms
bángbámdíg	bángbám	n.		creeping creature	
ù	dà				
bánkóbgú	bánkóbrí	n.		mammals (any creature with legs, hair and that goes upon the land)	KO :- moýu ni bánkobgu 'wild animal' (lit.: bush.in animal) moýu ni bánkobgu yili 'zoo' (lit.: bush.in animal house)
binkpiŋ	binkpim	n.		carcass	KO
	a				
bínnámdà	—	n.		all living things	a recently created term mostly in Christian usage
bínnàmdala		n.		creator	a recently created term mostly in Christian usage
na					
bínnééŋà	bínnééns	n.		insect	KO also binnioŋ q.v.
	ì				
bánniòŋ	bánnémà	n.		breathing creature	binnioŋ also binneega q.v. : pl.

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binnyaŋ		n.		female animal	should be KO
binnyori		n.		intestine	KO : large i. ('shit gut') [TN]
binnyiringa	binnyiri nsi	n.		a small thing.	
binnyurgu	binnyur a	n.		a drink, sth. drinkable.	binnyurili KO
biŋmaa	biŋmahi	n.		diarrhoea, watery stool.	
biŋmaa	biŋmah i	n.		smock [type]	KO
binpielli		n.		shroud : calico used for burial	KO 'something white', '(the) white thing'
binsaa		n.		diarrhoea	KO No! n-saai is 'to have diarrhoea' : 'fæces-flow' [TN]
binsabli	binsaba	n.		liver	KO
binsurigu	binsurti	n.		pocket; sheath	KO
binsheyu	binzeri	n.		anything, everything.	
binsheyuka m		pron.		everything ; all things; anything	KO
binsheli	binshenja or binshena	n..		something.	
binshelkam		pron.		everything	KO
binto	binja	n.p.		dog-shit	
binvili	binviya	n.		the womb of animals.	
báinvúhírgù	báinvúhír à	n.		breathing creature	
báinvurgu	báinvura	n.		creeping creature	????
bányárgá	bányársí	n.		wild animals brought up in the house	
binyarsi		n.		1. a number of things 2. a collection of things.	
binyerhayri		n.			[vide binŋmaa].
binyergu	binyera	n.		any garment covering the shoulders.	
bányíyírgù	bányíyírà	n.		flying creature	includes birds and insects
binyiringa	binyirins i	n.		a very small child.	
binzayi		n.		the first horse of the Ya-Naa;	Binzayi naa. the elder appointed to look after the welfare of the Ya Naa's horses.
binzi		n.		seeds??)	KO
binzim		n.		blood cooked	KO
biŋbima		a.		matured	KO
bio		n.		ginger and pepper	KO
bionj	biema	n.		pool, lake.	(bieŋ bieŋ KO)
biponj	bipoma	n.		a spoiled child.	
biporinga	biporinsi	n.		a little child.	
bipuyinga	bipuyins i	n.		female child, maiden.	
bira		n.		a plant, the leaves of which are used as spinach.	
birgi -ra		v.		1. to err	

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				2. to cause to err 3. to give way or to step aside 4. to take a short cut.	
birginsim		n.		1. erring 2. straying.	
birgu	birti	n.		1. a dumb person 2. a deaf mute 3. a stammerer or stutterer.	
biri -ta		v.		to sow seeds, to plant seeds.	
birigi		v.		turn aside from path; default	KO
birim	birinda	v.		to be confused, to be at a loss.	
birimia	birimhi	n.		shrub used for making rope (lat?).	
birisi		v.		to doubt, be undecided	KO
birisi		v.		mislead	KO
birli	bira	n.		1. any kind of seed saved for planting 2. a plant from which string is made.	
birlim		n.		stammering, stuttering	[to birlim . to stammer, to stutter.]
birni		n.		a high enclosing wall (H), walled town	
bisaringa	bisarinsi	n.		a youth who has not yet reached puberty.	
biskeeti		n.		biscuit	< E.
biyarga	biyarsi	n.		bad child, one ill-behaved.	
biyola	biyolba	n.		1. one who attends babies 2. maid servant.	
biyolim		n.		naughtiness, being a bad child	KO I would expect this meaning to be (bi)yaarlim ; biyolim should be 'baby-sitting' [TN]
biyurgu	biyursi	n.		1. a beloved child 2. a favourite child.	
biyurli	biyura	n.		a beloved child; a favourite child.	
bleedi		n.		razorblade	KO <English
blooku		n.		block	KO <English
bo		int.		1. what; usually followed by 'ka' when introducing a question unless 'bo' is itself the subject to the verb. 2. bo niq? why? 4. bo ni? For what purpose?	[Bo ka o niqda? What is he doing? Bo m-be nimaani? What is there?] KO : bo + ŋ 'which kind of?' bo(n) saha (tone L H H) 'when? (what time)' / bon dali 'when? (what day)' &c bo n niq (tone L L H) 'why (stress); what happened?' KO KO : bo shee 'search' ('look.for the.place (of..)')
bo		v.		be fine	
bo	-ra	v.		1. to look for 2. to want, to wish, to desire 3. to need 4. to request 5. to court.	

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bo taa		int.		what kind?	
bò zùyú		int.		why? when asking for an explanation of a blameworthy action.	
bo... bo...				interchangeable [TN]	N.T. spelling tends to use 'o' before 'l'
boyi	-ra	v.		to split; to divide anything lengthwise.	
boyili	boyibu	n.		third day funeral celebration	KO
boyilogu	boyilori	n.		gutter (big)	KO
boyisi		v.		guess	KO
boyli	boya	n.		1. hole in ground 2. any depression in the ground 3. ditch 4. pit.	also : pothole; (cf. /ct yoyu) KO
boypuuni	boypima	n.		armpit.	
boysapiug	boysapi	n.		shoulder blade.	
	ma				
boyu	bayri	n.		the arm, upper arm, shoulder	
bòyú	bòrí	n.		yam farm	
boyu sapim	boyu	n.		shoulder	KO see next
	sapima				
bobga	bobsi	n.		head-tie	
bobgu	boba	n.		1. herd 2. crowd 3. bundle 4. travel. (used with ɲme)	[ɲme la bobgu . I have travelled.)]
bobi -ra		v.		1. to get dressed 2. to attire gorgeously 3. to harass	[Bi' maa bobi o ma pam . The child harasses its mother very much.].
				4. to oppress.	
bobli		n.		oppression, harassment.	
bobliboba		n.		1. any continuous track, as of an animal or bicycle track 2. a bundle or mass of things 3. a herd or crowd.	
bobliboba		n.		area	KO
bobu		n.		finding (< seeking TN)	KO
bochaa	bochahi	n.		1. lye water 2. a plant destructive of guinea corn (striga).	
bochatoyu	bochator	n.		perforated vessel for making lye water.	
	i				
bodua	boduani	n.		towel.	
	ma				
boha		n.		soothsayer.	
bohi	bohira	v.		to ask a question	
bohi bieri		v.p.		to avenge	
bohi suhu		v.p.		to consider	
bohigu	bohisi	n.		question.	

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bohim nda		v.		to learn	(bahini, ED).
bokati		n.		bucket	KO (Eng.)
bolgu		n.		the marrow bone.	
boli	bona	v.		1. to call 2. to summon	
boli yuli		v.p.		to name	
Boliga		p.n.		Bolgatanga (abbrev.)	KO
boligu		n.		1. calling 2. summons.	
bolinga	bolinsi	n.		albino	KO
bolinga		n.		black earth used for plaster.	
bolli	bola	n.	da	capon.	
bolli		n.		ball, football	<English
bomma		n.		livelihood.	
boj		n.		1. a dense plantation of trees, forest 2. an area set aside for the rite of circumcision.	
bondiri		n.		bundle	KO <English
bondo		n.		food prepared with flour rolled into a ball.	
boŋo		v.		be, almost like mbala	KO mbongo ? - 'this/that/it is' predicative demonstrative
boo		excl.		What!	Used to comment on something that amazes, or in times of excitement.
boobu		n.		discount	KO v.n. of booi [TN]
boodiisi		n.		bodice	KO
booi		v.		scratch, mark a line; draw (line or picture)	KO
booi		v.		reduce price; devalue	KO booi darisa , jilima booi bu 'degradation'
booi		v.		pour	KO booi kom 'pour some water': a part see kpaai
booi	-ra	v.		1. to pour into a vessel 2. to reduce the price of 3. to reduce in rank, to disgrace 4. draw a line 5. to take a snuff from a pouch or a gourd vessel.	
booribila		n.		someone always at the village station	KO 'little beggar' ?
boosu		n.		bus <English	KO
bopielgu	bopiela	n.()		a tract of swamp having white soil.	'desert' KO
borade	boradeni ma	n.		plantain.	<Twi
borgi -ra		v.		1. to lose 2. to be lost 3. to make a mistake 4. to kill 5. to disappear, to vanish.	
bori	bòrà	v.		to want, need, like	KO IMPF of m-bo
bori -ra		v.		1. to muddy the water	

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boroboro		n.		2. to confuse the issue.	
botaa		excl.		bread	Eng. (?)via Hausa
bu	-ra	v.		What else! What more!	an exclamation of disgust.
				1. to beat	
				2. to flog	
				3. to thresh grain	
				4. to make a paste, as with flour	
bu paa		v.p.		to hire	
bu-		pref.		distributive	(Used with numerals to express the number of times. It is used only with numerals two to nine and with one hundred: buyi , twice; buwai , nine times; bukobga , one hundred times.) [bulaa, male form.]
bua	buhi	n.		goat	
bua		excl.		An expression meaning 'more!'. It is shouted out to musicians to carry on, play louder and better.??	
bubayli		n.		pregnant goat	KO
buchi		n.		1. value	
				2. usefulness	
				3. contribution towards festivities	
				4. ku buchi . to be of value	
				5. mali buchi . to be useful	
				6. niɲ buchi . to contribute toward festivities.	
buduni	buduna	n.		a shrub, the roots of which are used as chew sticks.	
buyi -ra		v.		1. to carry on the shoulders	
				2. to consult, as of a soothsayer	
				3. to mulch, as of yams	
				4. to be intoxicated.	
buyi		v.		to apply powder	KO
buyibuyi		n.		1. locally-made gunpowder	
				2. cheaper.	
buyim	buyima	n.		1. fire.	di buyim 'burn' (not deliberate) KO
Buyim		p.n.		2. the first month in the Dagomba year, introduced by the fire festival	
				3. Hell, the judgement place of suffering.	
buyimmola	buyimm	n.	b	??? (WD)	
nigu	olansi				
buyimmola	buyimm	n.	b	small black and white bird that catches grasshoppers in the smoke when bush grass is burned.?	(WD)
rgu	olarsi				
buyimtitia	buyimtit	n.	I	firefly.	
	ihi				

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buyinoonga	buyinoo nsi	n.	b	shrine bird whose cry in the night portends either good fortune or ill fortune.	
buyli	buya	n.		1. ancestral duty 2. shrine 3. area where the shrine is located.	
buyisi -ra		v.		1. to measure 2. to compare with 3. to test 4. to associate.	‘show, demonstrate, describe’ KO
buyisi		v.		to dare	KO ? = buyisi
buyisibu		n.		1. measurement 2. comparison 3. test 4. association.	‘description’ KO
buyu	buyri	n.		1. bark cloth 2. funeral head-dress made of bark cloth and worn by the eldest son or daughter of the deceased.	
buyu	huri	n.		a weed with a bulb beneath the ground.	
buyubaa	buyubah i	n.		witch hunter; one capable of detecting witches.	
buyubee	buyubeh i	n.		a jester, a buffoon.?	
buyuduɣu	buyuduɣ ri	n.		pot used for ancestral worship.	
buyulimbuy uliŋa	buyulim buyulins i	n.		bell; bicycle bell, horse bell, etc.	buyulingbuyuliŋ KO
buyuniem		n.		flame	KO
bugbaŋ		n.		goatskin	KO
bugboŋ					
buhili	busa	n..		boiled yams served with pepper sauce.	[vide jinjina.]
buhim -nda		v.		1. to beg food or anything 2. to be parasitical.	‘partake, take part in an activity with something which is not yours’ KO
buhimbu		n.		parasite	KO verbal noun of m-buhim
bukaata		n.		1. business 2. value 3. usefulness 4. ku buka’ata. to be useful.?	
bukalbila		n.		fulfil ones needs 1. hyena, epithet for the hyena.	
buku		n.		book	KO <English
bukpaha	bukpaha nima	n.		1. wizard 2. witch finder.	‘person using magic for destroying’ KO
bukpahigu		n.		sorcery.	
bukpuŋ or bukpuŋa	bukpuns i	n.		a tree used for rafters and poles, which is poisonous to	

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				animals.	
bula		int.		how many times?	KO
bulaa		n.		billy goat	KO
bulaa		n.		measles	KO prob. metaph. use of (MP 'measles' = 'goat')
buli	buya	n.		goat sacrificed after the death of a person.	
bulimbuyu	bulimbu ri	n.		a wild plant bearing edible fruit.	
bulli	bula	n.		1. depth 2. the deepest part of a river.	
buloosu		n.		blouse	KO <English
buluyu	buluyri	n.		bullfrog. ?? W.P. gbuluyu , gbulu'ri ??	
bumboni		n.		1. darkness 2. gloom 3. pitch darkness.	
bundana	bundann ima or bundam ba	n.		rich person.	
buni		n.		riches; abundant possessions.	
buni	buna	n.		bulbs which grow in the bush, used as a remedy for coughs.	
buntaaŋa	buntaan si	n.		mule.	
bunu?	buna	n..		a heavy black cloth, imported from Zugu in Togoland.	
bunzoŋ	bunzoŋa	n.		1. fold, stable 2. pen	[vide, naygorgu or napoyu?].
buŋa	bunsi	n.		donkey.	[bundoy'u . male form.]
buŋgu		n.		sesame seeds.	
buŋgula	buŋgulb a	n.		donkey-herder/ herdsman.??	
buŋtibli	buŋtiba	n.		a shrub.	'donkey's ear'
bupia		num.		ten times	KO
burbia	burbihi	n.		a mallet used for beating cloth.	
huri		n.		a wild bulb, grated and used for food.	
burili burli	bura	n.		seed; seed-..; fragment, bit, piece	KO
burinya		n.		Christmas	KO (Twi)
burli	bura	n.		the log on which clothes are placed for beating.	
bursa		n.		crumbs?.	
burisi		v.		fragment	KO
buusa		n.		steamed yam slices (market language)	KO
buyi		num.		double, dual, 2 times, twice	KO buyi zuyu 'in two groups', two-by-two
buzoŋ		n.		goats room	KO animal yard and stable-rooms just inside entrance to a big compound

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CH					
chaa		n.		1. improvement after sickness 2. niŋ chaa , to be improved after sickness.	
chaai -ra		v.		1. to improve after sickness 2. to exhaust the essence of herbs.	
chaai		v.		finish (e.g. in fruit bearing)	<i>KO</i>
chabachaba		a.		1. dusky 2. niŋ chachaba , to be dusky.	
chayila		n.		‘jingles’ - leg-rattles for dancing	<i>KO</i>
chayli -nda		v.		1. to feel faint as a result of having imbibed something 2. to be in a coma.	
chaysi -ra		v.		1. to shake (of a bottle) 2. to shake the arm in triumph 3. to lose strength (of decoctions).	
chaysi		v.		lose fertility (e.g. land)	<i>KO</i>
chayucheri		n.		(broken-off) part	<i>KO chieyu, chioyu</i> (see pl.)
chahi		v.		tear to pieces	<i>KO</i>
chahi		v.		make noise like a bird	<i>KO</i>
chahinchiey	chahinch	n.		birth water.	
u	ieri				
chamba	chamni	n.		a variety of yam.	
	ma				
chami	chamni	n.		1. a flying ant 2. termite.	
	ma				
Champonŋ	Champo	p.n.		an officer in the Dagomba army (as Lieutenant).	<i>Twi</i>
	ŋnima				
Champu		n.		the name given to the Yendi market.	
chana		n.		formation. (<i>vide chaŋ</i>).	
chandi		n.		1. walking; going; departing. (<i>vide chaŋ</i>) 2. journey.	
chaŋ		v.		1. to walk 2. to go 3. to depart 4. chandi , v.n. walking; going; departing 5. chama! , imperative, Go! 6. zaŋ chaŋ , to take away; to carry away 7. zaŋ chaŋ , about, concerning	di chaŋ wula ‘how come?’ <i>KO</i>
chanya					
chanimi					
chaŋmi					
chana					
chandi					
chaŋkpandi		n.		smallpox.	
charlana	cherlann	n.		an executioner.	
	ima				
che		v.		leave (sth.) alone; let, allow (sb. to do sth.), let ; cause/past	che bahi ‘leave (sth.) behind, <i>KO</i> omit; despise’

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					che (sheli) niɲbu ‘desist’ che paɲ ‘forgive’ (lit. ‘leave (and) lend’) che labi ‘leave (and) go.back; forsake’ di che ‘so that’ (‘it causes..’) dima n-ni che ‘that will let’ din che ‘for that reason’ (‘which causes (that..)’) defective verb c.f. next (KO version)
che cheya		v.		1. to leave alone 2. to allow 3. to let. (che’la , Imp. form).	
che -ra		v.		1. to peck 2. to cut with a cutlass or an axe 3. to harvest millet.	‘chop (cut with a chopping motion); shear, cut with scissors; harvest’ KO
cheballi	chebala	n.		a large pancake.	
chebli	cheba	n.		trigger	KO
chebli		n.		1. tinder 2. Idiom: O ka chebli , He has no means 3. Something that protrudes as a knob, such as nodules on a sheep.	? < ‘flint’ ? (TN)
chebsi -ra		v.		1. to bid farewell to 2. to dismiss.	
chebu		n.		verbal-noun of 1) che ‘leave’ : permission, separation, omission 2) che ‘chop’ : cutting, harvest	KO
cheche	checheni ma	n.		a bicycle.	< Hausa
chechebuyi m		n.		motorbike	KO
chechebuɲ	checheb unsi	n.		chariot	KO ‘donkey-bicycle’ !
chechito	chechito nima	n.		a variety of yam.	
chee	chehi	n.		1. green parrot 2. a roan horse 3. broken piece of earthen ware or calabash or piece of any material.	
chee -ra		v.		1. to tear 2. to cut a piece of material.	(cheei KO)
chefira	chefirni ma	n.		1. heathen 2. pagan.	[A.] cf. cha...
chefirsli		n.		1. heathenism 2. paganism.	
chefura		n.		pagan	KO (Arabic/Hausa)
chegbe-		v.		salute	KO ((? che + gbe- ‘leave and ??’ = ‘farewell’ ?)
chehi -ra		v.		1. to harvest yams 2. to tear up	

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				3. to caution 4. to cry in a shrill voice.	
chekparawa		n.		a thick porridge.	
chela	cheliya	excl.		1. Stop! Stop doing 2. Leave it alone!	
chemi		n.		a pair of spurs.	
chemi		n.		winged termites	KO
chempan		n.		forgiveness	KO che...m-pañ ; see che KO pañ under che , pañ KO (note)
chemsi		n.		‘zinc’ galvanized corrugated-iron or aluminium roofing-sheet/s, roof	KO
chendi		n.		going	KO
chenkpema		n.		fast walk	KO
cher(i)gach		n.		wooden ladle	KO should be cheriga/cherisi or cherigu/cheriti [TN]
eriti					
cherbo	cherboni ma	n.		a flint.	
cherchi		n.		church	KO
cherga	chersi	n.		1. a ladle 2. a small calabash with a long handle 3. a straight line to mark boundaries 4. bee cherga , to cut a line.	
cherisheeni		n.		sore in anus	KO
cherisi		v.		chop to minute pieces	KO
cherli	chera	a.		tattered; ragged.	
cherli	chera	n.		harmless ants	also guli
chi		n.		1. collective name for cereal grains 2. millet.	[pl. form of kaho]
chibi -ra		v.		1. to bore 2. to pierce 3. to inoculate.	
chibi		adv.		1. exactly 2. truthfully.	
chibmanli		n.		local soap	KO
chibli	chibo	n.		soap	KO
chibo	chibti	n.		soap.	
chibtargu	chibtarsi or chibtarti	n.		a vessel in which soap is kept.	
chichaya	chichays i	n.		fish trap made of grass or reeds.	
chichayli	chichaya	n.		1. white ants 2. termites.	
chicherigu		n.		fowl of mixed colours	KO
chichi		adv.		noiselessly and motionlessly.	
chieyu	chieri	n.		a broken piece.	
chihi -ra		v.		1. to deny 2. to refute 3. to dislike 4. to taboo	c.f. next 3 entries(KO version)

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				5. to break (of rope). 6 to tattoo 7to cut marks on the body 8. chihi suhu , to be heart-broken; to be conscious of guilt.	
chihi		v.		break (long thin object like rope, thread) - usually intransitive	KO
chihi		v.		deny; refuse; abstain from, taboo	KO
chihi chihibu chihili	chiha	v. n. n.		to mark denial; taboo 1. tattoo 2. tribal mark 3. a taboo.	KO = chihi ? KO
chilbi chilbi		n. adv.		sulphur. deep and straight down (as a well).	
chilin	chihi	n.		antimony, a blue, metallic, crystalline element. It is ground into a powder and used on the eyes as an eye shadow.	
chim chim -da		adv. v.		standing attentively. 1. to fry 2. to roast groundnuts.	
chima	chimani ma	n.		large beetle.	
chima chimsa Chimsi		n. n. n.		a tall grass. roofing sheet. a Dagomba festival (the Moslem Sala Leha).	[vide chemsi] (Id al Kabir)
Chimsi Bilaa Chimsi (Goli) chinchanga		n. n. n. n.		11th. month in the Dagomba year (before Chimsi). 12th. month in the Dagomba year. kebab, small pieces of meat sold on a skewer.	chinchenga KO
chinia	chiniani ma	n.		ramrod.	
chinceeja	chincee nsi	n.		another name for the tree called ' tarinmguli '.	
chinchilinch iq chinchini	chinchin a	a. n.		1. bewildered 2. dumb-founded. a cloth.	
chinchinpin digu Chirfo	Chirfoni ma	n. n.		cover cloth for sleeping a rank of officer of Dagomba gunmen.	KO
chirgi -ra		v.		1. to cross each other's path 2. to guess 3. to be by circumstance:	[Dahinsheli o daa chirgi n-kana . One day he happened to

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					come.]
chirigibu		v.		meeting (occasionally)	<i>KO</i>
chirigli		n.		1. luck 2. good fortune 3. pure chance 4. a lucky guess 5. pu chirigli , to guess; to try one's chance.	
chirigli		a.		1. tiny 2. very small.	
chirim -nda		v.		1. to make a mistake 2. to cause one to make a mistake 3. to interrupt 4. to confuse.	
chirimbu		n.		mistake	<i>KO</i>
chirisi		v.		meet	<i>KO</i>
chiriwaani		n.		1. cheek, cheekiness 2. gentle sarcasm 3. toysi chiriwaani , to be cheeky; to be sarcastic.	'snob' <i>KO</i>
chirli	chira	n.		a month. (countable period)	(Sometimes 'goli').
chiyaama		n.		place after death (judgement place)	<i>KO</i>
choo	chohi	n.		pointed end	<i>KO</i>
chom	chomba	n.		saboteur	<i>KO</i>
chore	chorti	n.		a blow when sb. is struck	<i>KO</i> or chori , shd. be choru or chorigu (?)
choriṃmera	choriṃmeriba	n.		boxer	<i>KO</i>
choyfu <i>KO</i>	choyima	a.		useless.	
choyim -nda		v.		1. to lose flesh 2. to lose strength.	
choyimata		adv.		1. disorderly 2. improperly.	
choyinsi		n.		1. weakness 2. degradation.	
choyṃgu	choyima	n.(16)		useless.	
chohi		v.		choke (vi/vt)	<i>KO</i>
Chomfo	Chomfo nima	n.		a rank of an officer of Dagomba gunmen.	
chonini		n.		eagle's eye	<i>KO</i>
chuyu	churi	n.		festival	<i>KO</i>
chuyu	churi	n.		a large calabash with a small opening, used for carrying liquids.	
chuyubia	chuyubhi	n.		a festival present.	
churichi		a.		exact	<i>KO</i>

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D					
da -ra		v.		1. to buy 2. to stray in the bush 3. to vaccinate; to inoculate.	
da		M:		aspect marker for imperfective	KO suffix -di/a is aspect marker for imperfective; particle da is time-depth particle for past time earlier today (in system with sa and daa)
da		v.		wander	KO da yoyu 'wander' ; yoyu dabu 'wandering'; yogu 'deep bush' : probably basic meaning is 'go on a hunting expedition' :
daa	dahi	n.		market.	KO '': ,
daa dali daa daabia	daabihi	part. n.		market day auxiliary indicating past tense. trader	tuui daa 'buy first' no place marker KO < dabia [TN] - ct. daa bia as in Daa bii lee? 'Where is (my) market offspring?' i.e. 'What have you brought me from market?'
daabiligu daadam	daadam nima	n. n.		business, trade human being; person.	KO dabiligu 'human beings (en masse), people, crowd, audience' KO
daai daara		v.		1. to push 2. to push away 3. daai luhi. to push down 4. to grind partially 5. daai yama. to regrind coarse flour.	
daalana	daalanni ma	n.		1. one in charge of a market 2. market collector.	
daam daamachia daamachial ana	daama	n. n. n.		native beer, made from millet sabotage saboteur	pito, KO KO
daanbaliya	daanbali si	n.		spokesman	KO
daani ?? da ania ??		n.		will, intention	KO ania (from < Hausa/Ar.) is 'effort, will intention'; when an a- initial word is preceded by something ending in a vowel an epenthetic d- is inserted before it. adaka 'a box' → o d'adaka 'his box'
daaṅa	daansi	n.		1. a cooking place 2. ba daaṅa. to perform the rite establishing the legitimacy of a woman's offspring.	
daakpelinga	daakpeli nsi	n.		a piece of stone used as a wedge between the pot and the	

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daantalinga	daantali nsi	n.		stone on which the pot rests. roof-supporter, 'middle-stick' - central pole supporting middle of conical thatch roof	<i>KO</i> (see dan-)
daanya		n.		copper; non-ferrous metal	<i>KO</i>
daaṅa	daansi	n.		hearth, fire stand	<i>KO palgi daaṅa</i> 'warm the home' ['whiten the hearth' : may be an idiomatic sense]
daaṅkaluṅ		n.		soot.	
daarisani	daarisan a	n.		metal pot	<i>KO</i>
dabara		n.		1. experiment: ('trial' <i>KO</i>) 2. trade: 3. niṅ dabara. to experiment 4. zo dabara. to beg for a cure. plunderer.	[Di nyala daba'ra. It is an experiment.] [Dabara dini ka a niṅda? What is your trade?]
dabarzaana	dabarza anba	n.			
dabga	dabsi	n.		horse grass.	
dabi -ra		v.		1. to be attached to 2. to cling to 3. to barely penetrate 4. to implicate 5. to insecurely refit broken pieces.	
dabiem		n.		1. fear 2. mali dabiem. to be frightening 3. gbaai dabiem. to be frightened 4. zo dabiem. to be afraid or to be frightened.	
dabiemplana	dabiemn ima	n.		coward.	
dabindi	dabina	n.		the sediment of pito (sometimes used as yeast or as a fermenting agent.)	[<i>vide dakpiri.</i>] <i>KO</i> literally 'beer shit'!
dabirga	dabirsi	n.		a person stunted in growth.	(dabrigu KO)
dabisa		v.		sticky	<i>KO</i>
dabisi		n.		pito mash	<i>KO</i>
dabli	daba	n.		slave.	
dabli		n.		1. attachment (actual or social) 2. very slight 3. very slight penetration 3. implication 4. insecure repair or restoration of something broken.	
dabodabo	dabodab onima	n.		1. imitation, a thing not genuine 2. a thing not properly constructed 3. magic.	('petty' <i>KO</i>)

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daboyu	dabari	n.		1. a compound in which the original owner is dead 2. deserted compound.	
daboyulana				one's late husband.	
daboli	daboya	n.		1. hillock 2. site of a deserted house 3. grave mound.	
dabsa		a.		strong	KO ; ? V:
dabsili (also daba KO)	dabsa	n.		day. ('(as a countable unit)' KO	KO daba ayi 'a couple of days' [(lit. '2 days') (shortish or longish time depending on context)] di dabsa maa 'those days' vuhim dabsili 'day of rest, sabbath' etc.
dabtim		n.		slavery.	
daburga	dabursi	n.		shaving; chip.	
dacheri		a.		very difficult, hopeless	KO
dachelija	dachelin si	n.		splinter.	[dach'? , WD]
dacheni (?)	dachena	n.		splinter.	
dachee	dachehi	n.		mother's brother's children; father's sister's children; wife's brothers.	[dachia , ED]
dacheedach ehi		n.		brother-in-law	KO
dachihili		n.		1. the relationship between cousins and in-laws 2. the pranks and jokes played within this relationship, without offense.	[dat?ihili, ED]
dachia	dachihi	n.		brother-in-law	[<i>vide. dachee</i> , ED]
dachihili		n.		relation of bro.-in-law	[<i>vide. dachili</i> , WD]
daduyu	daduyri	n.		a type of pot purposely for pito	
dajitonli	dajitonga	n.		a long crossed stick used in roofing a house. (dajitor'ga , ED)	[? dach... TN]
dajitorga	dajitorsi	n.			[<i>vide dajitonli</i> , WD] [? dach... TN]
dafara, dafara		excl.		salutation to a bereaved person.	
dafua		n.		light blue color < Hausa	
dafumaata	dafumaa tanima	n.		print cloth < Hausa	
dagalia	dagalian ima	n.		wooden arm ring.	
dagaŋa	dagansi	n.		a piece of stick; a stick of wood.	
dagonia		n.		help	(dawonia , WD).
dagorli	daguya	n.		an article for sale.	
dagorili	dagora	n.		promiscuous, adulterous man	KO
dáyí	-ra	v.		1. to be dirty 2. to make dirty.	
dayla		int.		and so --?	[Dayla , n yi chaŋ , n ni paag

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					o? And so, if I go, will I meet him?] Stem form: dáy'
dáyri		n.		1. filth 2. dirt 3. an infectious skin irritation.	
Dagbana	Dagbam ba	n.		native of Dagbaŋ.	
Dagbandoo	Dagband aba	n.		Dagomba man; follower of (old) Dagomba ways, traditionalist	<i>KO</i>
Dagbani		n.		Dagbamba language.	Eastern dialect (T.N.).
Dagbanli		n.		Dagbani	Western dialect (TN.): spoken with hidden meaning: A ni niŋ ma shem maa, di viela. What you have done to me is good. -- meaning, 'It really offends me.' (also Dagbaŋ KO)
Dagboŋ		n.		country of the Dagbamba.	<i>KO dahin sheli</i> 'one day'
dahinli	dahima	n.		moment; period; opportunity, chance (esp. pl.)	(<i>cf.</i> next)
dahama		n.		1. opportunity 2. spare time 3. means, riches.	(<i>cf.</i> prev.)
dahamalan a	dahama nima	n.		one having means.	
dahim	-nda	v.		1. level 2. to give the pitch of drums 3. to test the strength 4. to straighten.	
dahinsheli	dahimsh eŋa	n.		1. someday 2. sometime 3. certain day.	
dajia	dajihi	n.		shore stick	<i>KO</i> [short stick', I think (see jia / jihi) -TN]
dakabira	dakabir ba	n.		1. a wood gatherer 2. a child old enough to gather wood.	
dakahili		n.		unfermented pito	<i>KO</i> lit. 'unripe'
dàkàndá	dàkándá némà	n.	c	sugar cane.	
dakohigu		n.		wood market.	
dakoli	dakoya	n.		1. bachelor 2. widower.	
dakolim		n.		1. bachelorhood 2. widowhood.	
dakolsayab orli	dakolsay abora	n.	h	a wild plant bearing small edible brown berries.	[<i>vide.</i> soyilakabiga.]
dakolzini	dakozina	n.		pimple.	
dakotali		n.			[<i>vide.</i> dako'lim.]?
dakuyu	dakuyur i	n.		1. large heavy piece of firewood 2. a log.	
dakulo	dakula	n.		time between markets, i.e. six days; generally accepted as a week.	
dakumsili		n.		fermented pito	<i>KO</i>

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dakpera	dakperb a	n.		a person in the market.	(‘enterer’ kpe - TN)
dakpera	dakperb a	n.		wood-dresser, carpenter.	
dakpiri		n.		1. lees, the sediment of pito 2. to dakpiri . to divine the future from the sediment of pito	[<i>vide</i> . dabindi.]
dalbo	dalboni ma	n.		a foot bridge; log crossing over a creek.	
dalge		n.		uncooked meal paste.	
dalgu	dalsi or dala	n.	mi	long drum.	(see daliga)
dali		n.		a day, date, specific day	KO daa dali ‘market day’
dali		n.		1. the day after tomorrow 2. da’li la . the day before yesterday.	
dalia	dalianim a	n.		garment.	
daliga dalim -nda	dalisi	n. v.	mi	standing drum 1. to lean against 2. to mark; to brand 3. to retire 4. to slip away.	KO (see dal’gu)
dalim		v.		deform	KO : in MP dalim is ‘to mark (animals <i>etc.</i>) as one’s property; to seal’
dalimbundli	dalimbu nda	n.		a shrew.	
daliṅ	dalima	n.		defamation (deformation??), defect	KO
daliri		n.		1. reason 2. meaning 3. good fortune:	[N chandi ṅo doyi ma daliri pam . I had good fortune on this journey.]
dalirilana	dalirini ma	n.		1. benefactor 2. mentor.	
daliya		n.		shirt	KO
dalli	dala	n.		florin, 20 pesewa coin	
dalma	dalmani na	n.		1. solder 2. lead.	
dam -da		v.		1. to stir 2. to move.	(‘shake, wobble’ KO)
damdama dama		n. conj.		(alcoholic) drink; pito 1. for 2. because.	KO nyu dam buyi ‘get drunk’ (<i>vide domi</i>)
dàmàkòyú	dàmàkòr í	n.	s	green mamba	<i>Dendroaspis viridis</i>
Damba		p.n.		Festival held on the eleventh and on the seventeenth of Damba month, to celebrate the birth and the naming of the Holy Prophet Mohammed.	Corresponds to Muslim Mawled anNabi - TN] KO damba nahu ‘cow for Damba occasion ‘: chief gives a cow to reward drummers and dancers who have honoured :

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Damba (Goli)		p.n.		Third month in the Dagomba year, in which Damba Festival is held.	
damdi		v.		squat	KO
damli		n.		1. sound of sth 2. news	e.g. footsteps : ‘audible evidence of something’ KO [N wum o damli . ‘I heard (the sound of) him (moving about)/ his footsteps’ or ‘I heard news of him.’ (as spy or detective making enquiries)]
damli dana		n. part.		chaos suffix showing ownership [vide. la’na .]	KO (see next)
dana		n.		owner of ..; person with ..; earthly lord (i.e. human title in contrast to use of Duɣma for ‘Lord (God)’)	KO always with ‘possessed’ noun, like Hausa <i>mai</i> , Arabic <i>dhu-</i> ‘person characterised by, or in possession of, X’ : lana after N: (cf. di , li) : dabiem lana ‘coward’ dilana ‘that person (just mentioned)’
danda	dandani ma	n.		a horse with white legs and white forehead.	
dandieɣu	dandieri	n.		leech.	
dani		n.		secret language of youth	Dagbani so altered as to be incomprehensible except to those who have learned it.
dani	danda	v.		1. to grow thin 2. to lose weight 3. to collectively move an object or person 4. to balance.	
danli		n.			[vide. dani.]
dansarka	dansark anima	n.		prisoner.	(< Hausa ‘child of prison’)
dansiki	dansikin ima	n.		sleeveless smock worn under a big gown. < Hausa	
dantalga	dantalsi	n.		centre post used as a pillar of a round room.	(see daan-)
dantali		n.		1. in three days time:	[Dantali ka n ni chaɲ . In three days time I will go.] [Dantali la ka o daa chaɲ . Three days ago he went.]
dantonɔ		n.		2. dantali la . three days ago. 1. the act of buying for resale 2. buying wholesale.	
danya?		n.		copper; copper rod.	
danyonɔ	danyona	n.		a large sugar ant.	
danyura	danyuri ba	n.		drunkard	KO
daɲ		n.		clan.	
daɲ -da		v.		1. to do something early 2. to arrive early 3. to proceed 4. to do anything before	

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				anyone else.	
daɲa	dansi	n.		1. wound; bruise 2. heddle of loom 3. daɲa naba . weaver's treadle.	
daɲdaɲa		a.		very first. (a poetical form).	['Daɲdaɲe Abudu' , Abudulai, the first]
daɲgana		n.		confidence or trust in the goodness of God. Used with verb 'niɲ' in greeting one sustaining a heavy loss or bereavement.	< Hausa[Niɲm a suhu ni daɲgana . Have confidence in the goodness of God.]
daɲkali	daɲkaya	n.		1. ancestral custom 2. clan custom.	
daɲkani		n.		sample of food.	[<i>vide. lama.</i>]
daɲko	daɲkoni	n.		rubber.	? < 'elastic' as in MP ? (TN)
daɲkuɲa	daɲkuns i	n..		tree.	
dapaa	dapahi	n.		a pile of firewood.	
dapaya	dapaysi	n.		plank	
dapala	dapalba	n.		1. servant 2. son or daughter.	'own child' KO
dapua	dapuhi	n.		beam.	
dapuli	dapuya	n.		1. a cross 2. The Cross 3. tie beam in a building. 4. crossed sticks used to lift bundles of thatch into position	
dara		n.		draughts, checkers.	
dargi -ra		v.		1. to pull 2. dargi tibli . to punish 3. dargi fa . to snatch away.	
dargu	darti	n.		ladder.	dariga / darti KO
dari		v.		pull	KO
darisa		n.		value	KO
darmihi		n.		a painful disease of the muscles; rheumatism.	
dasayim	dasayim a	n.		a food prepared for sale.	
dasana	dasandi	n.		pod of the dawadawa.	
dasiba		greeting		good morning.	singular morning greeting. (KO (Arabic via Gonja) asiba q.v. with preposed d' (cf. o d'albasa 'his/her onions'))
dasibiya		greeting		good morning -- plural morning greeting.	used only to subordinates (<i>i.e.</i> you only greet unimportant people <i>en masse</i>).
datee	datehi	n.		burning stick removed from the fire.	
datoyira		n.		wine tapper	KO [I don't know this compound, but a 'wine tapper' is someone who knows how to get <i>palm</i> -wine from the palm tree TN]

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dawarli	dawara	n.			
dawule	dawuleni ma	n.		‘gong-gong’, double bell	two iron bells joined and giving different notes, used by Dagbamba gunmen.
dayayli	dayaya	n.		a forked stick.	
dayayu	dayuri	n.		giant rat	dayuyu KO
dazohigu		n.		the day before an event takes place.	
dazuli	dazuya	n.		a shrub bearing small apple-like fruit, and having sweet-smelling yellow or white blossoms.	
dede		adv.		rightly, equally, straightly, exactly.	
dee	dehi	n.		warthog.	
dee	-ra	v.		1. to receive 2. dee tal’ma. to receive security for money.	(KO deei subusun ‘be baptised’: [receive washing (V/N: of n-su) good] ta’yi deei ‘readily accept’ (? ta’yi or ?))
dee		part.		although. (placed between subject and verb, giving the sentence the sense of concessive clause.)	[nun dee kpaŋ omaŋa, amaa o bi di la nasara. Although he tried hard, he did not succeed.]
dee		excl.		um, er, (as used in English in a hesitating sentence.) (Some say, ‘ Jee ’.).	[A nya’o? Dee, dee,.. laabiri m bi nya’o. Did you see him? Um, er, of course, I did not see him.)
deeli	deena	v.		1. to dry in the sun 2. to bank 3. to spread.	deli KO
dehi	-ra	v.		to assist to walk	
di	-ra	v.		1. to eat 2. to consume or to be consumed 3. to be sharp, as of tools. 4. win; score (in a game) (KO) 5. marry (man ~+s woman) (KO) 6. an auxiliary verb used with nouns	
di alizama		v.p.		converse	
di buyim		v.p.		burn’ (not deliberate)	
di daa		v.p.		to bargain; to go shopping, enjoy the market	
di dari		v.p.		go gay	[what is the dari ?? TN]
di diendi		v.p.		to present a funeral donation for a member of a wife’s family.	
di fali		v.p.		to inherit	
di kom		v.p.		to drown	
di liyri		v.p.		either ‘spend money’ or ‘embezzle money’?	
di nam		v.p.		to reign, rule, become chief	

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di nyaysim		v.p.		enjoy	
di		pron.		pronoun, third person, neuter gender, nom. case, it.	
di		part.		negative particle of the imperative mood, used with the verb stem or the progressive tense, do not:	[Di chaŋ. Do not go.] <i>KO</i> (imperative negative meaning) + V-ya (2.pl)
di		part.		auxiliary particle to verbs indicating past time in the same day.	
di		aux.		marker for condition or hypoth.	<i>KO</i>
dibamdi		adv.		1. especially 2. chiefly 3. how much more so.	
dibga	dibsi	n.		1. a chew stick used to clean the teeth 2. small stick, twig (<i>KO</i>) 3. a disease developed through poisoning.	
dibu		V/n.		eating ('chopping'), spending; winning	<i>KO</i>
diem -da		v.		1. to play 2. to joke. 3. put on an entertainment (<i>KO</i>). 4. be in a joking relationship (<i>KO</i>)	
diema		n.		game; joke.	(see next)
dieeni deeni ?	diema	n.		entertainment	<i>KO</i> class II N: from n-diem 'to play' - ? diemli ? (MP deemni > deenni) (see prev.)
diemalana	diamani ma	n.		player; one who plays.	
diemba	diemnima	n.		1. in-law 2. any senior relative by marriage 3. polite form of address to an older woman. (WD) father-in-law.	
diemdoo	diemdab ba or diemdoba	n.			
diempaya	diempayaba	n.		mother-in-law.	
diendi		n.		1. a gift to a wife's parent 2. polite address to anyone respected.	
difeli	difeya	n.		pillow. (H)	<i>KO</i>
difemema		n.		type of pillow	
difu		n.		chaff.	
digangan		adv.		1. intentionally 2. deliberately 3. on purpose.	
dige	digenim	n.		yam.	

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diyi	a diysi	n.		1. mirror 2. glass.	
diyi		n.		yam cultivar	
diyidiyi		adv.		1. motionlessly.? 2. calmly.	
diyli	diya	n.		anthill.	
diyli	diya	n.		1. a dwarf 2. a short-legged person.	
diyli		n.		raised and hard land	KO
diyli		v.		raise part of land and make it hard	KO
diyri		n.		a gum that exudes from trees, resin	
dihi -ra		v.		1. to provide food 2. to support 3. to press down 4. to typewrite or print 5. to poison.	dihi vi ‘disgrace’ [vi ‘shame’, di vi ‘experience shame’ dihi vi ‘cause to exp. shame’] (KO)
dihi bindirigu		v.		poison through food	KO lit. ‘feed (with) food’ - can this really mean ‘poison’ by itself??
dihili		n.		1. portion 2. rightful share.	
dihinli		n.		nightmare:	[Dihinli n sa dihi ma yuŋ la. I had a nightmare last night. KO pins-and-needles
dihin̄dihi		n.		part of body going paralysed for a brief time-spell	
dii		adv.		1. really (used only with a negative -- ‘ shiri ’ is for positive usage). 2. immediately:	[N dii bi bori lala. I do not really wish it so.] [O dii yiysi n-chaŋ. He immediately arose and went.]
dii		adv.		not too much/many	KO
dikala		n.		a native dance performed at a funeral.	
dikil(i)jini	dikil(i)ji na	n.		debris, broken wall	KO
dikuraani		n.		Quran	KO
dikpuni	dikpuna	n.		wall of room	KO MP dukpinni ! (q.v.)
dikpunsabi nli		n.		blackboard	KO ‘black wall’
dilana		n.		that person (just mentioned)	KO
dilali	dilalinim a	n.		1. peddler 2. hawker who sells cloth or clothes.	
dilindihi		n.		1. numbness 2. ‘pins and needles’.	dihin̄dihi KO
dill		a.		1. thick as gruel 2. niŋ dill. to become thick. to thicken 3. be dill. to be thick.	
dim		int.		which	KO basically dini is Q: ; dim/din is relative ‘that which’

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dim -da		v.		1. to bite 2. to sting.	dim nyina ‘gnash the teeth’ dim suylo ‘be patient!, have patience!’ ; ‘please’ (not normally used as in Eur. lgs.) <i>KO</i>
dim dima	dimnima or dimba	v. n.		stink enemy.	<i>KO</i> (dimnima is preferable to dim’ba).
dimaja dimbala dimboŋo	dimboŋo nima	pron. dem. dem.		itself that. this.	<i>KO</i>
dimbu		n.		a circular dance of the Gusheyu people.	
dimbu dimdi		n. n.		bites (as insect bites). 1. enmity 2. hatred. (<i>vide dim’li</i>).	
dimgbaai	dimgbah i	n.		goat	<i>KO</i> :[looks like ‘what is caught’ / ‘things which are caught’] <i>KO dimli/dima?</i> but duni / duna q.v. is more usual [N diminima, Wumiya! My countrymen, Listen!]
dimi		n.		knee (see dini)	
diminima		n.		1. countrymen 2. friends.	
dimkabshee	dimkabs hehi	n.		bachelor bee - a kind of reddish wasp.	
dimli		n.		1. enmity 2. hatred. (<i>vide dim’di</i>).	
dimma		n.		banquet, dinner	<i>KO</i> ‘chew!’ or ‘chewers’ ??; or = Eng.; or ‘eat!’ <i>KO</i>
dimsi din dina dindaara dindali dindaluŋ	dindabsa dindalim a dindaam ba	v. dem. dem. n. adv. n.		carry on the head freely which. that. tug-of-war. that day a long-legged green grasshopper.	<i>KO</i>
dindana		n.		enemy, foe	<i>KO</i> see dima
dindina dini	dina	int. n.		when? knee (usually one hears ‘ duni ’).	<i>KO</i> (see dimi)
dini		n.		1. share, own thing 2. thing (<i>vide bini</i>).	(always possessed: so man dini ‘mine’, a dini ‘yours’ &c.) <i>KO</i>
dini		int.		which?	<i>KO</i> (noun dini ? ‘Which noun?’) <i>cf. ŋuni</i>
dinŋunŋuna dinsaha dintilga	dintilsi	conj. adv. n.		therefore, then at that time, then roadside market where foodstuffs are sold.	<i>KO</i> = digwuna q.v. <i>KO</i>
dintoli		a.		very own	<i>KO</i> o meri la o dintoli duu ‘he is building his own room’

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dinzuyu		part.		therefore.	introductory particle, emphatic form.
dir̥wuna		conj.		then (logical, not temporal)	KO
dirbarlim		n.		selfishness	KO
dirjaba	dirjaban	n.		fork (<i>vide dirnyina</i>).	
	ima				
dirgu	dir̥ti or dir̥si	n.		spoon.	
dirgu		n.		syphilitic sores in the nose.	(<i>vide dulugu</i> , ED)
dirgu		n.		fever/sickness [type]]; asthma	KO
dirli	dirba	n.		eater. (may be used with other nouns to express the devourer of some specific thing.)	
dirili		a.		sharp	KO
dirnyina	dirnyinn	n.		fork (<i>vide dirjad'a</i>).	'spoon with teeth' !
	ima				
diti		adv.		not easily changing	KO
diyoyo		adv.		for a considerable length of time.	[N ni tim o, dinyoyo hali ka o ti ka na . When I sent him it was a considerable length of time before he came.]
do		v.		to be lying down.	
do -ra		v.		to weed with a small hoe called ' kushia '.	
doyi -ra		v.		1. to give birth to, bear 2. to reproduce 3. to beget. 4. to be born	
doyim	doyirba	n.		1. relative 2. family.	(see following 2, better)
doyim		n.		birth	KO doyim dabsili 'birthday'
doyim		n.		family, relatives <i>en masse</i>	doyim yuuni 'year of birth'
doyinito	doyinito	n.		placenta.	KO (see doyira)
	nima				
doyinto	doyinton	n.		a relative on the mother's side of the family.	
	ima				
doyira	doyiriba	n.		relative	KO and 'parent' (agent n. of n-doyi)
doyiri yuma		n.		age	KO
doyirikpihu	doyirikp	n.		the first surviving child after several have died.	
η	ihima	n.		inbred characteristic.	
doylun		n.		clan elders	KO
doyrikpam		n.			
ba					
doysa	doysani	n.		one who nags.	
	ma				
doysi -ra		v.		to nag.	
doysigu		n.		nagging.	
doysira	doysirba	n.		a midwife.	
doyte		n.		doctor	KO <English
doyu		n.		convulsion.	

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doyu	dori	n.		dawadawa pods	
doyu	dari	n.		1. stick 2. a piece of wood 3. a log.	
dobiee	dobiehi	n.		restless movements in sleep.	
dobielana	dobieni	n.		one who tosses about in his sleep.	
	ma				
dobina		n.		dates	KO
dobino	dobinoni	n.		date palm.	
	ma				
dodoonikpe		n.		bed-fellow	KO
e					
dohi		v.		scoop last drops of water from hole	KO
dokuyu	dokuy(u)	n.		log	KO
	ri				
dokulziem	dokulzie	n.		the flower of the dawadawa tree.	
	ma				
dokur(i)gu	dokura	n.		old man	KO
dolbi	dolbinim	n.		chain.	
	a				
doli	doya	n.		cudgel with a crooked head.	
doli	dona	v.		1. to stretch one's self 2. to pull to tension 3. to straighten.	
doli		v.		1. to follow 2. to accompany.	
doli		v.		lay (sth.) down	KO causative of n-do which also yields n-doni , cf. n-zi/n-zili , n-za/n-zali
doli		v.		follow; accompany	KO doli X nyaaga 'follow X'; doli nyaaga 'come afterwards' doli noli 'obey' doli gbuni 'follow' (? gbinni)
dolisi		v.		trace	KO
domi		conj.		for, because	<Hausa (<i>vide dama</i>).
domi		conj.		because	KO (< Hausa)
domi paya		v.		sleep with a woman	KO probably mistake for doni , or do + mi particle
doni	dona	v.		1. to lie down 4. to lie with, to cohabit.	KO doni paya / doo 'have sex with woman/man'; 'lie.down (with)'
doni puli		v.p.		to lie on the stomach. to lie prone	
zuɣu					
doni yeliga		v.p.		to lie on the back	
doo	dabba	n.		1. man, the human male as distinguished from woman 2. a good man 3. a brave man.	(dobba . ED).
doo	dohi	n.		dawadawa tree.	
doo	daba	n.		man	KO
doogali	doogalin	n.		native authority police.	(Note: the nickname, which the police do not like, is 'Naanintibola'.) < Hausa
	ima				

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dooi		v.		extract water from sth. cooked, extract water from sth.	<i>KO</i>
dooi -ra		v.		1. to mould 2. to sculpture 3. to cast, as in a mould 4. to skim.	
dooshee		n.		lying place	<i>KO</i>
doro	dorti	n.		illness, sickness, disease.	
doro	dorli	n.		disease	<i>KO</i>
doshie	doshehi	n.		1. sleeping place 2. singular form used as morning greeting for children.	
dotali		n.		manhood	<i>KO</i>
dovihi		n.		twigs of the locust (dawadawa) tree.	
dozim	dozima	n.		1. yellow flour from the dawadawa pod 2. singular form, can serve as an adjective, preceding the noun qualified, - yellow.	
dozohigu		n.		eve	<i>KO</i>
dribi voli ??		v.		drill	<i>KO</i> Eng. 'drive' (+ voli)
droba ??		n.		driver	<i>KO</i> <English
du -ra		v.		1. to filter 2. to strain 3. to squeeze out or drop; as in medicine into eyes or nose, enema	
du -ra		v.		1. to climb 2. to cross a river 3. to set in (of the hot season)	
du 3ini		v.		depress	<i>KO</i> appears to mean 'go up and sit'
dubu		n.		height ; ascent	<i>KO</i> verbal noun of du 'go up'
dudonigu	dudona	n.		bedroom, sleeping room.	
duduhugu	duduhus i	n.		kitchen.	-hi- <i>KO</i>
dufesirigu		n.		pillow	<i>KO</i>
dufu		n.		chaff	<i>KO</i>
duyi -ra		v.		1. to cook 2. to boil 3. to swim.	
duyibu		v.n.		cooking, boiling.	
duyiduyi		n.		dust	<i>KO</i>
duyili		v.n.		swimming.	kom duyibu 'swimming' <i>KO</i>
duymebo		n.		pottery making	<i>KO</i>
duymera		n.		potter (usually female)	
dúyû	dúyrî	n.		pot	
duhi -ra		v.		1. to paddle a canoe 2. to convey on a river 3. to raise 4. to exalt 5. to drive a vehicle 6. to lay out meat for sale by a	

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				private person	
				7. to cover, mount, copulate (of breeding animals).	
dukpimbayi	dukpimb	n.		large grasshopper.	
nda	ayindisi				
dukpini	dukpina	n.		wall of a room.	see also dikpun-
dukpinbays	dukpinb	n.		epithet for a hyena.	
igu	aysiba				
dukuljini	dukuljin	n.		a unroofed room.	
	a				
dukunu	dukunun	n.		a ball of food made from dried maize, pounded, boiled and wrapped in leaves:	commonly called ' kenki '. Kenkey (Twi)
	ima				
dulaamihi		n.		epithet for a cat.	(<i>vide</i> naamam).
dulgu		n.		(ED) a disease affecting the nasal passages.	
dulgu	dulsi or	n.		ground hornbill (bird species)	
	dundi				
duli	duya	n.		shore or bank of a lake or river.	
dúŋm	dulima	n.		urine.	
dulinlaa	dulinlahi	n.		chamberpot, potty	KO
dulimsurgu	dulimsur	n.		bladder [anat.].	
	si or				
	dulimsur				
	a				
duliŋkua	duliŋkuh	n.		1. a wild bulb used in medicine	
	i			2. pain which children sometimes feel before urinating	
				3. bilharzia.	
dumbia	dumbihi	n.		knee cap.	
dumbilga	dumbilsi	n.		a sump for collecting urine in a sleeping room.	
dundobia		n.		doorstep	KO see dunobia
dundoli	dunoya	n.		door, gate	KO see dunoli
dundoŋ	dundoŋa	n.		courtyard, enclosure of a compound.	pl. dundoma KO
dùndùýú	dùndùrí	n.	s	spitting cobra	<i>Naja nigricollis</i>
dundum		n.		1. borer beetle, woodworm	
				2. wood dust that is caused by borer beetles.	
dundunkolo		n.		fried yam	KO
duni	duna	n.		knee (sometimes one hears 'dini').	
dúní	duna	v.		to pass water, to urinate.	
dunia		n.		the world, the universe.	(Arabic via Hausa) duniya tobu 'world war' KO
dunianima		n.		the people of the world.	
dunobia		n.		doorstep	KO (see also dund-)
dunogula		n.		gatekeeper	KO
dunokoli	dunokoy	n.		doorstep. (ED)	
	a				

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dunokora(o)	dunokor ti	n.		doorstep.	
dunokpalon	dunokpa lima	n.		peg for closing a mat door. (ED).	
dunokparg u	dunokpa rti	n.		peg for closing the door mat.	
dunokparta	dunokpa rtaba	n.		one who closes the doorway.	
dunoli	dunoya	n.		doorway, entrance.	
dunopayirli	dunopay irsi(a)	n.		large pegs in the ground at either side of door.	
duj		n.		1. enmity. 2. taai duj . to rebel. 3. strike (KO)	dugkalbu ?? ‘rioting’: cf. taai duj ‘to strike, to riot’ KO
dura		n.		1. trestle 2. scaffold.	
duu	duri	n.		a room, ‘hut’.	(no place marker): tuma duu ‘office’ ‘work room’ KO
duui -ra		v.		to arouse desire as passion or anger.	
duuma	duumani ma	n.		1. master 2. lord.	
duuŋa	duunsi	n.		mosquito.	
duziinigu	duziinisi	n.		sitting room	KO
F					
fa -ra		v.		1. to extort 2. to rob 3. fa bahi . to set free; to rescue.	‘confiscate’ [Gh.] yohim fa ‘dupe’ (KO)
faa		n.		1. extortion 2. robbery.	
faai -ra		v.		1. to escape from the hand of 2. to lose flesh.	
faako		n.		1. alleviation 2. mercy 3. niŋ faako . to show mercy.	(vide Zalla Naa,)
Faako Naa		n.		a title for God - ‘King of all mercy’.	
faaŋa		v.		be very nice	EXCL: Please!
fabla		n.		1. an expression of sorrow or regret 2. a complaint.	sg. prob. fabligu [TN]
fabli		v.		to complain	
fabu		n.		extortion.	
fadira	fadirba	n.		heirs (vide falidira).	
fayafaya		a.		light (weight).	
fayafayashi		n.		weak point.	
e					
fayri		n.		1. booty 2. anything given gratis, or at a greatly reduced price.	

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faysi -ra		v.		1. to sob 2. to lose air.	
fahi -ra		v.		1. to be constipated 2. to patch a well 3. to be quiet. (<i>vide fo</i>).	‘become bloated’ <i>KO</i>
fahim		n.		1. natural intelligence 2. ability to learn.	
fahiru		n.		1. defiance 2. boasting or boastfulness 3. nyu fahiru . to boast, to defy.	
fakari		n.		poverty	(H) (<i>vide fara</i>).
fali	faya	n.		1. inheritance 2. di fali . to inherit.	
falidira	falidirba	n.		heir (usually fadira).	
faliha		adv.		in the beginning (<i>vide faliŋko</i>).	
falim -nda		v.		1. to be light 2. to lose flesh.	
faliŋko		n.		1. beginning 2. first 3. of old.	
falira		a.		1. patient 2. basically essential.	
falun		a.		1. lightweighted; 2. unimportant;	[Naypielga nyela no’falun . The egret is a lightweighted bird.] [Di doli ninvuy’ falun yelchoya . Do not follow an unimportant person’s suggestions.]
fara		n.		poverty.	
faralana	faranim a	n.		pauper.	
fargu		n.		heavy flow of blood.	<i>see zim’</i>
fargu		n.		1. tax 2. customs duty.	
fari -ta		v.		1. to simmer 2. to cook to a thick consistency.	
farinwuta		n.		sulphur.	(H. ‘white flour’)
faringa		p.n.		French person	<i>KO</i>
faringu		p.n.		French-speaking territory	<i>KO</i>
farlieyu	farliera	n.		bog; quagmire.	
fasara		n.		1. lecture 2. address 3. yihi fasara . to lecture.	
fashee		adv.		1. unless 2. except.	Note: Often shortened to ‘ shee ’ - N ku chaj shee o kana . I will not go unless he comes(H. sai)
fawoli		n.		1. carelessness 2. procrastination.	(WD) (<i>vide fowoli</i>)
fe		v.		to finger	<i>KO</i>

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fee	-ra	v.		1. to be scarce 2. to make a remark which discourages another.	
feeqa	feensi	n.	mi	a spiked finger ring, used to create rhythm.	
feera		n.		factory	KO
fi	-ra	v.		1. to redistribute the stones in a game called, ' walli ' 2. to hide an object in one of a series of mounds, in playing a game 3. idiom: to carelessly plant yam seed.	
fi		v.		bury; cover	KO normally pi - you either have a strange dialect, a strange informant, or a hearing problem here [TN]
fibgi		v.		1. to surpass 2. to outrun 3. to chop off 4. to decapitate.	
fieraa	fierenim	n.		store.	
fiebga	a fiebsi	n.		1. a whip 2. a switch.	? 2 = electric switch, or single sense 'whip, switch' ? [TN]
fiebi -ra		v.		1. to whip 2. to beat with a switch.	
fiebra	fiebrba	n.		one who whips.	
fieyfieyu	fiefieri	n.		a cold.	(see next)
fieyufieyu	fierifieri	n.		a cold in the head; (Ghana Eng. 'catarrh')	KO (see prev.)
fieyu	fieri	n.		a crop of a bird.	
fiehi -ra		v		1. to wipe; fiehi nyee . to blow the nose.	
fielim -nda		v.		to be equal in doing something.	
fifali		n.		the hunger season.	
fifani	fifana	n.		the making of the first cut through the grass in a field. (i.e. one of the boundaries) before clearing the grass.	
fifia		a.		very small.	
fifingq		n.		minute, very little	KO this or a related form may be an ADV:
fiysi -ra		v.		to accuse secretly.	
fih -ra		v.		to emit an acid smell.	
fihiga		n.		1. personality 2. mali fihiga . to have personality 3. di fihiga . to belittle one.	
fiili		n.		hoop	KO from wheel <English, but only used for a hoop or rim, 'wheel' of a vehicle is usually its 'leg'

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filangao		defect. v.		an exclamation meaning 'I don't care!'. (<i>vide fino</i>).	
filasiko		n.		species of senna.	
filim -nda		v.		1. to disgrace 2. to be disgraced 3. to decrease in number 4. to lose flesh.	
filuŋ		n.		1. disgrace 2. abasement 3. decrease.	(<i>filiŋ KO</i>)
fim		v.		to sink	<i>KO</i> usually sum - see fi (note)
findi		excl.		an expression for picking a quarrel. The reply is ' gandi '.	
findim		n.		stark nakedness.	
fini		n.		1. importunity 2. disgrace.	
fini		n.		wretchedness	<i>KO</i>
fini		a.		bad (attached to nouns)	<i>KO</i>
fini		adv.		1. very much 2. extraordinarily.	
fino		excl.		a phrase meaning, 'I don't care'. (a contracted form of ' filangao ').	
finshee		n.		commission	<i>KO</i>
finyia		n.		1. importunity 2. disgrace. (<i>vide fi'ni</i>).	
Firawuna		n.		Pharaoh	<i>KO</i> (Qur'anic version of Biblical title of Kings of Egypt)
firi -ta		v.		to sink in mud.	
firigbeha		n.		commission	<i>KO</i>
firiiji		n.		fridge	<i>KO</i> <English
firjita		n.		grandeur; power.	
firginli	firgima	n.		aerial yam	
firkpi	firkpini	n.		1. rupture 2. hernia.	
firla	firlanim a	n.		lamp.	
fita		n.		mechanic, fitter	<i>KO</i> <English
fitiina		n.		1. trouble 2. ill treatment.	
fo	-ra	v.		to be quiet.	
fohi		v.		outwit	<i>KO</i>
fohi		v.		be quiet	<i>KO</i>
fohi		n.		brilliance	<i>KO</i>
fohi -ra		v.		1. to draw back 2. to dodge 3. to drink soup.	
fohim		n.		cleverness	<i>KO</i> [Ar.]
fohiri		n.		brag, brags	<i>KO</i> English noun is 'a boast'; 'brag' is only a verb (except as name of a card game) ;
folinga	folinsi	n.		a narrow passage way.	
folo		n.		1. scarcity 2. niŋ folo . to be scarce.	
fonbilim		n.		trickery	<i>KO</i>

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foŋ		n.		1. the town 2. a quarter of a town.	
fooi	-ra	v.		1. to be silent 2. to be quiet 3. to be scarce.	
fuyi	-ra	v.		to remove by force (as wind blowing or as someone snatching another's hat).	'undress' KO
fuyifuyi		n.		foam	KO
fuyiri	fuyinda	v.		to boil when foam is on top.	
fuyu	furi	a.		light (in weight).	
fuyurli	fuyura	n.		yam cultivar	
fuyisi -ra		v.		1. to slough the skin 2. to peel 3. to be rough (of human skin).	
fuyisili		n.		slough of skin (WD)	wahu fuyisili, snake's slough.
fuyisim		n.		slough of skin (ED).	wahu fuyisim, snake's slough
fuyuluŋ	fuyulima	n.		bubble	
fuhi		v.		boast	KO
fukayli		n.		lemon grass.	
fukumsi		n.		1. law 2. authority 3. responsibility 4. worries and cares.	(Note: This word is used for various purposes to express: poverty, illness, anything that impedes a man in the way of his health, wealth or happiness.).
fule		n.		the flower of the tobacco plant.	
fulli	fula	n.		a ball of food, basically prepared from millet.	
fuliŋ	fulima	a.		light	KO
fulo		excl.		God forbid	KO
fulsi -ra		v.		to ward off a curse.	(done by crying, 'A fulo fuu. N daŋ a!').
fuluŋfuyufu		n.		a plant used for food in extreme famine.	
luŋfuri					
G					
ga	-ra	v.		1. to eat food without broth 2. to button.	
ga		v.		to dig	KO
gaa	gahi	n.		monkey-guava <i>Diospyros mespiliformis</i>	home of the 'Kulkparsis'.]
gaaba		n.		a challenge to excel.	
gaafara		n.		1. pardon 2. forgiveness 3. 'Pardon me.' (an expression) 4. niŋ gaafara. to forgive or to pardon.	(---gaafaraya KO) <Hausa
gaai -ra		v.		1. to unbutton, (unhook, get off a hook - KO)	

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				2. to pamper 3. to be indulgent 4. gaai boyili . to dig a shallow trench 5. gaai zuli . to die.	
gaasa		n.		as an action with a desire to outdo, so meriting praise.	
gabga	gabsi	n.		1. native rope 2. a strawberry roan horse.	
gabi		v.		mix up (mixing up = ' gabbu ') <i>KO</i>	
gabla		n.		fruit of tree called ' gabliga '. <i>? sg. gabilli (TN)</i>	
gablee		n.		bean flour, prepared into balls and cooked.	
gabli	gaba	n.		1. breast bone 2. strength 3. pride.	
gabliga	gablisi	n.		a small thorny tree, bearing edible fruit called ' gabla '.	
Gab Naa		n.		the title of a certain (elder?) of the Ya Naa.	
gabnyuli	gabnyuya	n.		onion (<i>vide alibasa</i>).	
gabo		n.		onion leaves pounded, formed into balls and preserved.	
gabsi		v.		defile make unclean, taint	<i>KO</i>
gadama		n.		dispute; denial. v. niŋ gada'ma . to dispute, to deny	< Hausa
gafaka	gafakani	n.		a leather case for the Koran	< Hausa
gafugafu		n.		an abusive word:	[Nyama, o ni niŋ ka cheni gafugafu shem? See how he behaved, and walking so.]
gayli	gaya	n.		calabash bottle, may also be used for a plastic or rubber bottle (esp. for carrying drinking-water)	but not 'can' which is probably konkoŋ - KO
gahi -ra		v.		1. to beckon 2. to beat off (flies) 3. to swing the arms or tail.	+ 'fling, wave (to)' <i>KO</i>
gahim -nda		v.		1. to choose 2. to sort.	
gahindili	gahinda	a.		special	<i>KO</i>
gahingolgu	gahingol	n.		very soft tree of which the roots are used as an aphrodisiac	<i>Cussonia Nigeria</i>).
gala		n.		offence: tum gala . to do wrong.	
galagala		adv.		1. foolishly 2. meaninglessly.	
Galbana		p.n.		title of the fourth eldest wife of Ya Naa.	
galjeni	galjena	n.		reel of thread.	
galga	galsi	n.		1. medicine to revive 2. with pl. gal'si , bit for horse.	
gali	gaya	n.		1. a thread, yarn	

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gali -nda		v.		2. a saddle 3. pa gali , to saddle. 1. to revive 2. to return to life (always with the thought of an act of Supernatural power) 3. to unwind	+ 'survive' KO
gali gom				to be sleepless	'keep vigil, pass a sleepless night' KO
galim -nda		v.		1. to offend 2. to blame 3. to become wild.	
galimi		n.		1. offence 2. blame 3. indifferent.	
galinzieyu	galinzier i	n.		fig tree	
galinzielaa	galinziel ahi	n.		<i>Ficus kawuri</i> .	
galinzienya η	galinzien yansi or galinzien yama	n.		<i>Ficus platyphylla</i> .	
galkuli	galkuya	n.		a stirrup.	
galli	gala	n.		an egg.	gala nyebu laying eggs KO
galsi -ra		v.		1. to be big 2. to be plentiful 3. to reach out and give 4. to hand over.	
galsim		n.		bigness	KO
galuη	galima	a.		1. obstinate 2. stubborn.	
gam		v.		to be in excess.	
(gam chori		v.		be more than necessary	KO)
gam sariya					
gam -da		v.		1. to walk without a load 2. to swagger, (walk majestically - KO)	
Gambanda		p.n.		4th. month of the Dagomba year.	
gambee	gambehi	n.		the gate through which a deceased man's wives pass if they have been faithful.	
gambo	gamboni ma	n.		a shuttle. (ED)	(gombo, WD)
gambu		n.		disaster	KO see ga'mu
gamli	gama	n.		guinea corn stalk mat, generally used as a door shutter.	
gampilga	gampilsi or gampila	n.		crate used for fowls.	
gampilga	gampilsi	n.		a ficus tree, including: gampillaa and gampilnyaη .	'male' and

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gampillaa	gampilla	n.		the <i>Ficus thonningii</i> tree.	'female'
gampilnyaŋ	gampiln yama	n.		the <i>Ficus polita</i> tree.	
gamu		n.		1. mishap 2. tu gamu . to meet with a mishap.	see gambu
gamukatari		n.		a pleasant coincidence.	
gandim		a.		dotted	KO
gandim					
gandoŋu	gandari	n.		a distinguished person.	
gani		a.		1. single 2. solitary. (<i>vide gaja</i>).	
ganyina		n.		trouble, (always used with verbs: ' kpe ', to enter, or ' kpehi ', to put into).	
gaŋ		v.		discriminate; select, choose out	KO
gaŋa	gansi	a.		1. only 2. single 3. solitary.	[O bi' gaŋa . His only son. (<i>vide gani</i>).] [KO yino gaŋa 'one alone, unique one']
gaŋbu		n.		discrimination; selection	KO
gàŋdù	—	n.		tree whose crown protrudes from the woodland and can be seen from far away	
gara		n.		fence	KO
gargi	-ra	v.		1. to answer 2. to inform.	
gargibu		n.		answer.	
gargu		n.		verbal noun from the verb ' gari ' - always carrying the sense of distress and always occurring in compounded words:	suhugargu . sorrowful heart. dayugargu . one who spoils.
gari	-ta	v.		1. to surpass; to excel 2. to astonish; to surprise 3. to pass by. 4. to mix up 5. to mix together.	Yaygari Chuyu 'Passover festival/feast' - KO
garibu		n.		confusion, mixture	KO
gàrichè	~ nèmà	n.		small fenced plots between and next to houses	<English 'garden'
garigi		v.		'mind', concern self with; concern sb.	KO
ga(r)igi		v.		reply; respond	KO
gàrìngá	gàrìnsí	n.	s	carpet viper	<i>Echis carinatus</i>
garli		n.	d	sleeping sickness; trypanosomiasis (of animals).	
garli	gara	n.		1. a tapeworm 2. a creeper.	cf. kpárí wáhù
garo	garti	n.		bedstead, bed (modern)	<Hausa
garoyayli		n.		bedside	KO
garsa		v.		to be astringent.	

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garzieyu	garzieri	n.		grass, shrub.	
gali	gaya	n.		fruit of the monkey-guava tree	<i>Diospyros mespiliformis</i>
gihibu		v.		going round	KO would be N/V: from a verb gihi : this meaning is usually gili
gilga	gilsa	n.	mi	xylophone (ED)(<i>vide jilga</i>).	
gilgi -ra		v.		1. to over balance 2. to tumble. to upset 4. to give to the last price, in selling 5. to break with a person 6. yunni gilgi . the year comes around.	
gilli	ginda	v.		1. to go round 2. to surround something.	(gili KO)
gingayfeɛɛa	gingayfe	n.		chicken pox. (ED).	
gingayfiɛa	gingayfi	n.		chicken pox. (WD).	
gingayigoo	gingayig	n.	t	monkey-orange tree	<i>Strychos spinosa</i>
gingayli	ohi	n.		the tender leaves of gingayigoo which is boiled and served as food in time of famine. (ED).	
gingayri		n.		the tender leaves of gingayigoo which is boiled and served as food in time of famine. (WD).	
gingalayoyu	gingalay	n.		snail.	
gingalayoni	ori	n.		paralysis of the face.	
fu					
girim		v.		stunt in growth	KO
giti		a.		1. firm 2. solid.	
go -ra		v.		1. to roam 2. to travel.	go tohigu hunt KO
goyli	goya	n.		a small upper garment without sleeves.	
gobga	gobsi	n.		1. a left-handed person 2. an epithet for an elephant.	
gobga	gobsi	n.		1. a left-handed person 2. a title of respect used for the elephant, by hunters.	
gobga	gobsi	a		left-handed.	
gobi -ra		v.		to put on a cloth (of men).	
gobli	goba	n.		zebu, the humped species of cattle.	+ 'hunchback' KO
gobu		n.		journey, travel	KO
gogalga		n.		sleeplessness.	'staying up all night' KO
gohi -ra		v.		to catch something thrown in the air.	
golchayu		n.		half moon	KO

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golgi -ra		v.		1. to be relevant.	[A yeltoya maa dii bi golgi . Your remark is not relevant.]
				2. to disentangle, as from thorns	
				3. to unhook.	
goli	gonda	v.		1. to hang upon by the hands. (intrans)	
				2. to embrace	
				3. to have sexual intercourse with	
				4. to hook.	
goli	goya	n.		month, moon	<i>KO</i> cf. goli 'not countable'
goli wulana		n.		the evening star.	moon's 'linguist' (TN)
golim -nda		v.		1. to go crooked	
				2. to be crooked.	
				3. turn off (when driving, walking) <i>KO</i>	
golima		a.		1. tortuous	is this not pl.? TN
				2. crooked	
				3. sogolma . a crooked path	
				4. a difficult path.	
golimbu		n.		circulation	<i>KO</i>
golimgolim		a.		crooked.	
golinga		n.		handle	<i>KO</i>
golinma		n.		meanders (V:)	<i>KO</i> prob. V: = n-golim , a. -goliŋ/-golima
golkabli		T:		when moon appears on 29th day	<i>KO</i>
golmuni		n.		full whole moon	<i>KO</i>
golnli	golima	n.		long gourd used for play.	
golpali		?		when moon appears on 30th day	<i>KO</i>
golsi		v.		decorate	<i>KO</i>
golsi -ra		v.		1. to strut	
				2. to walk with pride.	
golsigu		n.		decoration	<i>KO</i>
gom (pl KO)	goma	n.		1. sleepiness	gom saha 'bed time - <i>KO</i>
				2. sleeping sickness.	
gombo	gomboni ma	n.		a shuttle. (WD).	(gambo . ED).
Gomli		n.		an elder of the Ya Naa.	
gomnanti		n.		government	<i>KO</i> <English
gomnanti		n.		civil servant	<i>KO</i>
tumtumda					
gompargu	gompara	n.		grass covering an outside wall.	
gomparli	gompara	n.		grass covering an outside wall.	
goŋ	gona	a		crooked.	
goŋ -da		v.		to go crooked.	
gonaate		excl.		an exclamation of approval for one performing expertly.	
goŋbu		n.		diversion	<i>KO</i>
gondli	gonda	n.		pawpaw.	pl. form < Hausa
goni	gona	n.		1. an expert	
				2. a champion	

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gonje	gonjeni ma	n.		3. used as an adjectival suffix, meaning 'expert'. 1. African one-stringed violin 2. the player of such an instrument.	
gonmaa		n.		short sleep	KO gom
goo	gohi	n.		1. a thorn 2. a quill, as of the hedgehog or porcupine. 3. thorn-tree, acacia KO	
gooi -ra		v.		1. to stop a quarrel 2. to appease.	'separate (e.g. in a fight); restrain; stop from doing sth. like running, walking/ fighting etc. KO (MP for a bra is bisigoaara 'breast-restrainer')
gooni	goma	n.		an outside wall.	
goonpariga	goonpari si	n.		small metal ornaments put on walls	KO
gopielga	gopielsi	n.		a thorn tree with white bark.	
gopohiga	gopohisi	n.		highly scented roots, effective to cure neuralgia.	
gora		n.		boiled leaves of beans	KO
gorgu	gorti	n		1. a sickle 2. a scythe 3. a suffix expressing the idea of an enclosed area: nay'gorgu , a cattle kraal; dundon-gorgu , an enclosed compound.	
gorim		n.		1. journey 2. travelling.	
gorimnima		n.		the people met on a journey.	
gosima		n.		sleepiness.	
gova	govanim a	n.		1. guava tree 2. the fruit of the guava tree.	guabe KO
goyuunsi		n.		drowsiness	KO
goyuunsilan a		n.		person just out of sleep, still half asleep	
gozee	gozehi	n.		thorn tree with red bark, a kind of acacia.	
gu -ra		v.		1. to block up the road 2. gu soli. to ambush; 3. maali shili gu. to prepare for or to prepare against.	
gubi -ra		v.		to unite to do something.	
guyu	guri	n.		baton	KO
guhi -ra		v.		1. to pluck a fowl 2. to wait for someone.	
guhigu		n.		1. fog 2. mist. (<i>vide payli</i>).	
guhim -nda		v.		1. to walk stoopingly 2. to steal away furtively 3. to nod the head affirmatively, in assent.	

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gula	gulba	n.		1. a keeper of anything 2. a suffix to other words, always giving the sense of ‘watching over’ or ‘keeping’:	[piegula, a shepherd.]
gùlí	gùyá	n.		1. kola nut 2. the black ant (<i>vide cherli</i>).	
guli	gula	v.		1. to look after 2. to keep guard over 3. to wait for.	
gulinyaaṇa	gulinyaa nsi	n.		back yard, back of house	KO
guliyiili	gulyiya	n.		hill made by the black ant commonly known as ‘cherli’.	
gulsigu		n.		1. steam 2. vapour. (<i>vide payli</i>).	
gululu		n.		tadpole	KO
gulunguu	gulungu hi	n.		ant.	
gulunguṇ	gulungu ma	n.		a shrub.	
gumachuṽu	gumach uri	n.		a chameleon.	
gumachuṽu zuli	gumach uṽuzuya	n.		a large grass used in weaving ‘gbala’ mats.	
gumboṽu		n.		1. kapok seeds 2. soup prepared from kapok seeds.	
gùmdí	gùmá	n.		cotton	
gumiika	gumiika nima	n.		martingale, a strap of harness used to keep a horse from rearing up.	
gum 3im		n.		cottonwool	KO ‘cotton of blood’ (in medical use)
guni -da		v.		to circumcise.	
gunibu		n.		circumcision.	
guntargu	guntarsi or guntarti)	n.		a receptacle for ginned cotton. calabash in which cotton is put while being spun	
guntobu	guntobri	n.		a bow used to card cotton.	
gunu	gununim a	n.		chief’s barber.	
gunu		n.		1. an agreement 2. consultation 3. che gunu. to consult 4. maali gunu. to agree.	
guṇa	gunsí	n.	t	kapok tree	Ceiba pentandra
guṇgoni	guṇgona	n.		raised place for sleeping.	
guṇṅon		n.		formation of gunners at funeral service.	
guṇṅon	guṇgona	n.		swish seat, in a sleeping place.	
gùṅṅòṅ	guṇgona	n.	mi	1. a large round drum 2. a large tin (such as the kerosene tin).	? ideophonic but see also Hausa gangaa for this drum
guṅguma	gundi	n.		kapok floss or lint	
guṅgumbo	guṅgum	n.		yam cultivar- same as	

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gungumli	bonima gungum a	n.		gungunkpilli. kapok pod.	
gunguni gùngùnléríg ú	gunguna	n. n.		elevated in a swamp. period when the wind begins to blow hard, immediately after the harmattan haze, usually early February. Lasts 15-30 days	lit. ‘wind that dries the kapok pods’
gungunkpill i	gungun k pila	n.		yam cultivar	- same as gungumbo .
gungunsalli	gunguns ala	n.		yam cultivar	
gunkpani	gunkpan a	n.		an iron rod used to gin cotton.	
gunpanyaa ŋa		n.		leaves of kapok	KO
gurga	gurti	n.		1. a hunchback 2. a hump.	(gurigu KO)
gurigu lana gurgurlo guri -ta		n. n. v.		hunchback, ‘hump owner’ an epithet for ‘cherli’. 1. to tie up in a bundle 2. to tighten a bow string 3. to fold the legs in a sitting position 4. to fix a stick between pronged wood and the hoe handle.	KO
gurim gurim -mda	gurima	n. v.		a talisman worn at the waist. 1. to crumple up 2. to wrinkle.	
gurimbu Guringa	Gurunsi	n. n.		wrinkle. person from Upper Region; esp. Frafra	KO
Gurunsi gurlo	gurloni ma	n. n.		Upper Region a plait of grass used for fastening the rafters of a round building.	KO see Gurug
guruma Gurug		n. n.		an ambling pace (of a horse). the land inhabited by the Grunsi people.	see Gurunsi
gusorgu gutulu	gusorsi gutuluni ma	n. n.		a grater for kola nuts. a person who gives no return for a present.	
gutulunsi guui -ra		n. v.		ingratitude. 1. to remain 2. to run fast.	run off and .. (usu. with other verb) KO
guuka	guukani ma	n.		a bucket rubber well-bucket	onomatopoeia ? [TN] < Hausa
guzuli	guzuya	n.		provisions for a journey.	

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GB					
gba		adv.		also; too (<i>vide mi</i>).	
gbaai	-ra	v.		1. to 'take hold of, catch, hold' (KO), grip 2. to clinch with the teeth 3. to clip together.	
gbaai maṇa		v.p.		to be careful	
gbaai		v.p.		'decide; take counsel'	
saawara					
gbaai tuuta		v.p.		'give up' lit. 'hold a flag' (of surrender?)	
gbaai yihi		v.p.		'except for' : 'grasp and remove only..'	
koṅko					
gbabi		v.		look after, care for	KO gbibi (AJN)
gbabo	gbaboni	n.		tongs.	
	ma				
gbaya	gbaysi	n.		long basket for carrying kola nuts.	
gbayiri	-ta	v.		1. to shake out 2. to dispose of under financial pressure 3. to shake the head expressing negation.	
gbaysi	-ra	v.		1. to nod 2. to shake the head expressing affirmation 3. to change tone (of voice or drum).	become loose, slacken (as in a drum) KO
gbayu		n.		sticks tied together to easily carry animals	
gbahi	-ra	v.		to catch (many)	frequentative, plural form of 'gbaai', to capture, to catch (as to catch fish - not a ball). KO
gbajaya		adv.		carelessly	
gbaka	gbakani	n.		large calabash. (<i>vide targu</i>).	
	ma				
gbálf	gbáyâ	n.		1. thigh 2. leg.	
gbaliṅ		adv.		too much	KO
gballi	gbala	n.		1. a mat of woven grass, a 'zana' mat 3. a grave.	
gbalpini	gbalpina	n.		the flesh of the thigh.	
gbaluṅ	gbalima	a.		plentiful.	
gbam -da		v.		1. to creep 2. to crawl.	
gbambieyu	gbambie	n.		a weir fixed across a stream to catch fish.	
	ri				
gbam/n/ṅ					see also gbom/n/ṅ..
gbampielli		n.		European person, 'white skin'	KO
gbani		v.		bend down, bend; kneel	KO
gbani	gbana	n.		1. a kind of eczema 2. a disease of yams and animals	

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gbanjaṇa	gbanjans i	n.		3. a leather belt. a yellow and black striped frog.	
gbanjoṇ	gbanjon a	n.		1. an auction 2. ḡme gbanjoṇ . to auction.	
gbanjua	gbanjuhi	n.		a tuft of hair left on the front of the head.	
gbansabinli	gbansabl a	n.		African person, 'black skin'	<i>KO</i>
gbansabla tinsi		n.		African countries	<i>KO</i>
gbansoyo	gbansari	n.		an abandoned farm.	? [TN]
gbanyaṇ	gbanya ma	n.		a type of frog.	? gbanyani [TN]
gbanzaba	gbanzab anima	n.		a leather worker, shoemaker	
gbanzabgoo	gbanzab goḡi	n.		a kind of acacia, of which the pods are used for tanning.	
gbanzabgu		n.		the art of leather working.	
gbanzaliṅga	gbanzali nsi	n.		a tree used for centre posts in buildings.	
Gbanzalunḡ		p.n.		a title of the oldest (senior? TN) wife of the Ya Naa.	gbanzaliṅ / gbanzalima <i>KO</i>
gbaṇ		n.		rubber tube	<i>KO</i>
gbaṇa	gbansi	n.		1. a crest of hair left on the head after shaving 2. a fowl's comb 3. a crest formed in the middle and sides of the head of women after local plaiting.	
gbaṇkoyu	gbaṇkori	n.		measles.	
gbaṇkurgu	gbaṇkur a	n.		dried leaves of guinea corn.	
gbaṇlana		n.		heir to an office (chieftaincy or headship of a house)	<i>KO</i> 'regent' until final funeral of deceased holder [TN]
gbaṇ mara	gbaṇ mariba	n.		secretary	<i>KO</i> This would be 'paper haver' : ? < gban-ḡmara 'paper-scratcher' [TN]
gbaṇpali		n.		cut or crack between or under the toes. (ED).	(baṇpali, WD)
gbara gbargi -ra		n. v.		trap of leather and wood. 1. to be very weary 2. to be weak.	
gbargibu	gbargins im	n.		1. weariness 2. weakness.	rather verbal noun and abstract derived from same root [TN]
gbargu	gbarti	n.		1. a cripple or a lame person from birth 2. a child who did not walk in time from birth but may walk after a long period.	
gbari -ta		v.		1. to hobble the front legs of an animal 2. to bubble and plop out when boiling gruel 3. to be tired	

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				4. to be fatigued by over exertion.	
gbaribu		V/n.		bending down	<i>KO</i> cf. gbani
gbarim -nda		v.		1. to besmear 2. to be soiled.	
gbarzam	gbarzam	n.		a large hawk.	
	a				
gbee	gbehi	n.		a small hoe having three prongs.	
gbee -ra		v.		1. to cease to observe a taboo 2. to chip off (as pottery).	see <i>neæt</i>
gbeei		v.		draw water; take part of a quantity; cut a very small piece	<i>KO</i> see prev.
gbeli	gbena	v.		to look askance at.	
gbeligu		n.		insulting look	<i>KO</i>
gbem	gbema	n.		mane of animals.	
Gbengbieyu		p.n.		Hausa person	<i>KO</i> see also Jen..
Gbengbiehil		p.n.		Hausa language	<i>KO</i> see also Jen..
i					
gbe -ra		v.		1. to spend the night somewhere 2. to lie with.	
gbeba		n.		a small shrub.	
gbieyu	gbieri	n.		water buck;	male form: gbiedibga.
gbieyu	gbieri	n.		forehead.	
gbehi -ra		v.		1. to treat sacrificial meat with medicine 2. to break charcoal from a log.	
gbem -da		v.		to nip off leaves.	
gbi -ra		v.		1. to dig 2. to butt.	
gbibi -ra		v.		1. to grasp in the hand 2. to control oneself 3. to care for.	
gbiyu	gbiri	a.		dull (as a knife).	
gbihi -ra		v.		1. to tip over 2. to tilt.	
gbihi		v.		to sleep	
gbihi noli		v.p.		to keep a secret	sleep + mouth
gbilgi -ra		v.		1. to tip over 2. to tilt.	
gbilim -nda		v.		to be blunt.	
gbilingbi	gbilingbi	n.		1. yam cultivar 2. a king.	
	nima				
gbilli	gbila	n.		1. a lump 2. a group or a company.	[Nirba maa pirimi zeya gbila gbila. The people are standing in groups.]
gbim		n.		1. congestion 2. compactness.	
gbim		n.		1. quietness 2. serenity 3. peacefulness.	

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gbimsi -ra		v.		1. to plot privately 2. to be impoverished.	
gbinafarina ko		n.		grasshopper.	
gbinakpaa	gbinaka hi	n.		millipede. (ED)	(binakpaa, WD).
gbinfini	gbinfina	n.		1. raggedness 2. without sufficient clothes.	see next
gbinfuni		n.		nakedness	KO see prev.
gbingbeli		n.		mud	KO
gbini	gbina	n.		1. rump 2. buttocks 3. <i>pruritis ani</i> , inflamm-ation of <i>pruritis ani</i> in children.	
gbingbamb a	gbingba mbanima	n.		membrane.	
gbini	gbina	v.		1. to join two pieces of rope 2. to tie a knot 3. a knob.	
gbinigi -ra		v.		to untie a knot.	
gbinlirga	gbinlirsi	n.		1. a means of profit 2. a trade secret.	
gbinni		n.		the meaning.	
gbinni		adv.		1. underneath 2. beneath 3. under.	(+ gbunni KO)most of these P(reposn):/adv. items :- basically a noun with the postposition ni used as compound locatives - gbini 'bottom, buttock', puli 'belly, inside', loṇni 'throat' &c. [TN] KO cf. vinyayili
gbinnyaacili		n.		laziness	
gbinvili		n.		the exposure of a secret.	
gbinyayli		n.		1. laziness 2. idleness.	(vide vinyayli and zinyayli).
gbinyayu	gbinyari	n.		1. a duck 2. teal 3. the spur-winged goose.	
gbinyeloyu		n.		drake	KO 'male-'
gbinzim		n.		1. means 2. wealth.	
gbingbaṇ	gbingba na	n.		1. a reed 2. reed grass.	'grass for zana mat' KO
gbirfo	gbirfoni ma	n.		male?	
gbirga	gbirsi	n.		1. tree 2. a kind of horse grass.	
gbiri -ta		v.		1. to drown 2. to hold under water (as a water pot, until full).	
gbirigbiri	gbirigbir inima	n.		a gourd with a long neck.	
gbirli	gbira	n.		a protrusion, as a lump or a stump.	

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gbiti		n.		darkness, dark.	
gbiuŋ	gbima	n.		a cave.	
gbo	-ro	v.		to be slightly ill.	
gboyono	gboyonn	n.		1. a war dress 2. armour.	
gboŋ	gbandi <i>or gbana</i>	n.		1. a hide or skin 2. the regency or the skins called ' nam gbandi ' 3. paper 4. takada gboŋ . writing paper.	(or gban KO)
gbon/ŋ					see also gban/ŋ ..
gboŋgu		n.		high or thick bush.	
gboŋkoŋu	gboŋkori	n.		old, dried and wrinkled skin.	
gboŋlana	gboŋlan nima	n..		1. the regent 2. a deceased man's oldest son.	Note: in default of children, a nephew.
gboŋmara	gboŋmar ba	n.		a clerk.	see gba ...
gbubi		v.		keep	KO prob. = gbibi
gbuyi -ra		v.		1. to vomit voluntarily 2. to push out a stone from the ground 3. to chew the cud.	
gbuyi		v.		be common	KO
gbuyinli	gbuyima	n.		a lion;	male form: gbuyindibga .
gbuhi -ra		v.		1. to remain unsold because of abundance of supply. not valued.	
gbuluŋu	gbukuri	n.		1. edible frog 2. a bull frog.	
gbum		adv.		very calm	KO
gbuni	gbuna	n.		buttock; under; meaning	KO = gbinni gbunni wuhibu 'showing the meaning'
gburimagb		a.		rough, hoarse	KO
urima					
gburo		excl.		an exclamation of warning to stop.	
H					
ha		adv.		there (used to express position at a distance, in contrast to ' na ', which means 'here'.)	
hada		n.		memory. always used with auxiliary verb ' niŋ ': niŋ hada , to commit to memory; to memorize.	
hada		v.		trust, believe <Arabic	KO
haiya		excl.		an exclamation (used in challenging someone, or as an emphasis in explaining	

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hal		intro.		something serious).	
hal wayo		part.		until.	
hali		adv.		phrase. until this very day.	
		adv.		1. very	'until, up as far as (at beginning of clause); very much, too much (put at end of clause)' KO < Hausa /Ar <i>har</i>
				2. very much.	
				3. until	
				4. even	
Haliya		n.		idiomatic expression meaning 'Na' Ya', the location of Ya Naa.	
haliya		adv.		to the farthest end; as an interrogative. how far?	
halli	hala	n.		1. disposition	(A) usu. 'wicked character (KO)'
				2. conduct.	
haɗ		excl.		a particle expressing discontent or dissatisfaction.	
haɗkali		n.		1. caution	(H)
				2. care.	
hayi		v.		hire, rent <English	KO
hee		int.		call on an unknown person)	KO
himma		n.		spiritual preparation. (<i>vide shimma</i>).	
I					
Ibils	Ibilsinima	n.		evil spirit	< Arabic via Hausa. <i>cf. yibils</i>
ii		excl.		yes	(Pronounced with a very strong nasal tone).
inshaala		excl.		1. Lo and behold (an expression of surprise)	(vide asha'ala).
				2. not knowing.	
isinia		n.		passages of the Koran adopted for recitation or chant.	(A).
J					
jaa	jahi	n.		1. twin	
				2. child who, by divination, is regarded as an incarnation.	
jaai		v.		become lazy	KO
jaashee	jaashehi	n.		glasses	KO
jabga	jabsi	n.		a calabash with hole with string through it.	
jabobgu	jabobri	n.		body louse.	
jadoyu	jadari	n..		carved sticks used to represent twins.	
jaduyu	jaduri	n.		the pot on which sacrifice is offered to departed twins.	
jayli	jaya	n.		yaws.	
jakabli	jakaba	n.		yaws of the feet.	
jaya		n.		sores all over the body	KO

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jaymelo	jahanjey a	n.		weaver bird.	
jahi		v.		deteriorate	KO
jahibua	jahibuhi	n.		a female scapegoat or sheep chosen by demand of twins through divination.	
jahima	jahimani ma	n.		a mother of twins.	
jahinapari		n.		the next child born after twins are born.	
jahinfo	jahinfo ma	n.		a title for Native Dagomba army officer.	
jahinjee	jalinjehi	n.		bird (sp.)	KO either -h- in pl. also, or -l- in sg.
jakpuṅkpu ṇa	jakpuṅk punsi	n.		puffer fish	
jalimam		adv.		easily	KO
jam -da		v.		to frisk.	
jamboṇ	jambona	n.		a piece of stick.	
jaṇa	jansi	n.		patas monkey	
jangbee	jangbehi	n.		a walking stick.	
japaa	japahi	n.		fake; counterfeit	KO
jari		v.		to plough	KO
jashee	jashehi or jasheeni ma	n.		1. tumbler 2. glasses for drinking 3. cup	(Twi).
je		v.		1. to dislike 2. to refuse 3. to be in vain, to no avail	
je -ra		v.		1. to be weary 2. to be tired.	
je suli		v.p.		to be angry, to hate	
jebli	jeba	n.		branch	KO
jedyu	jedyuri	n.		statue	KO
jee	jehi	n.		straw bangle.	
jeṇa	jeensi	n.		crab	(vide nansanjergu).
jefalgu	jefali	n.		gifts or services rendered by a son-in-law.	
jehi		n.		1. tassel of corn 2. raffia (vide kpari).	
jehi -ra		v.		to sift.	
jeli -nda		v.		1. to entrust to the care of 2. to lean upon 3. to lean against 4. to leave a thing to a person in an angry mood.	
jeliima		n.		the elder son, after the father's death.	
jelinsi		n.		1. weariness 2. exhaustion.	
jelinsi		n.		hatred.	
jem -da		v.		1. to serve 2. to worship 3. to greet with a present.	

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jembia	jembih	n.		servant	KO
jembu duu	jembu duri	n.		temple	KO [so NT but should only be the inner building, not the whole complex - TN]
jenda		n.		responsibility.	
jenda		a.		1. foremost 2. outstanding 3. exceptional.	
jendi		v.		concern oneself	KO
jendi		conj.		against/about something	KO
jengbarga	jengbars i	n.		mouse.	pl. jengbanr(i)si KO
Jengbeyu	Jenberi	p.n.		Hausa person.	see also Gbe..
Jengbehili		p.n.		Hausa language.	
jengbeyoyrl i	jengbeyo yra	n.		a flowering tree.	
jengbiringa	jengbirins i	n.		tree bearing edible berries.	
jengbuni	jengbun a	n.		leopard.	
jeni	jena	n.		1. spindle 2. epithet for whooping cough.	
jenjemi	jenjema	n.		trousers.	
jenkpibrga	jenkpibr si	n.		a house bat.	
jenkpibrgoo	jenkpibr gohi	n.		shrub, the roots of which are used for medicine.	
jenkpilga	jenkpilsi	n.		mole.	prob. musk-shrew (TN)
jenkunbiri m	jenkunbi rima	n.		feral cat (ED)	
jenkunbiru ŋ	jenkunbi rima	n.		feral cat. (WD)	
jenkuno	jenkundi	n.		ca	pl. jenkunti KO
jennookurg a	jennook ura	n.		a small species of monkey.	
jenu (?)	jema	n.		praise	KO [AJN entry based on:] tingban jema yilli 'national anthem' 'country-praises song'
jepaya	jepaysi	n.		catfish. (<i>vide</i> kpukpoŋu)	
jera		n.		1. the people called Kparba near the Gonja borders 2. a dance by these people.	
jergi -ra		v.		1. to be a fool 2. to do to excess.	
jergu	jera or jerti	n.		1. a fool 2. an idiot.	
jerlim		n.		1. foolishness 2. stupidity.	
ji		v.		become short	KO
jii	jihi	a.		short (in length or stature)	KO
jiba		v.		die naturally	KO
jifa	jifannim a	n.		1. a carcass of an animal 2. a carcass of an animal	

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				which has not had its throat cut by an accredited Moslem.	
jiyi -ra		v.		1. to shiver 2. to tremble 3. to be anxious about.	
jilga	jilsi	n.		xylophone (WD). (<i>vide</i> gilga).	
jilgu	jila	n.		1. sinew 2. tendon 3. root fibres.	
jilingban		n.		skin for praying	<i>KO</i>
jilli		adv.		1. wholly 2. entirely 3. completely.	
jilma		n.		1. honour 2. respect 3. glory.	<Hausa
jim -da		v.		1. to belch 2. to have more than enough: O jim liyiri. He has more than enough money.	
jina		n.		1. a kind of fetish (usually for women) 2. a leather bag containing flint and tinder, with sheaths containing knives 3. a strap slung with sheaths of knives.	
jina		n.		1. a kind of fetish dance 2. a consultation 3. to jina. to consult.	see jintora
jinjau	jinjari	n.		1. a beetle 2. a disease that destroys the toes.	
jinjala	jinjelani	n.		a musical stringed instrument box.	
jinjem	jinjema	n.		trousers	<i>KO</i>
jinjemɲmaa	jinjemɲ mahi	n.		shorts	<i>KO</i>
jinjini	jinjina	n.		boiled yam.	
jinjini	jinjina	a.		short and stocky.	
jin		v.		1. to be stiff 2. to be paralyzed with fear.	
jintora	jintoriba	n.		counsellor	<i>KO</i> AJN entry : see jina
jinlāa	jinlāhi	n.		a tea-kettle or small clay pot for carrying water for ablutions.	
jinli	jiŋa	n.		1. a mosque 2. a place of prayer for Muslims 3. prayer in the Muslim sense 3. puhi jinli. to offer prayer, at the times required by Muslim faith.	
jinwara	jinwarba	n.		a person who divines by	

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jiransablo		n.		dancing in the fire.	
jiri		n.		mosquito net	KO
jiriginchli	jiriginch ya	n.		excellence.	'glory' KO
				a lizard with a knobby tail, whose bite is said to cause leprosy.	
jirli	jira	n.		the jaw.	
johi -ra		v.		1. to limp on the toes 2. to make a start prematurely.	
joll		a.		1. sticky 2. slimy.	
joljol		adv.		slimy	
joŋ		n.		jubilation	KO
juyim -da		v.		1. to mess up 2. to spoil plans 3. to disrupt	(vide zayim).
juyu	juri	n.	b	the common vulture.	
juhi -ra		v.		1. to walk lamely 2. to limp.	
jukaŋgba	jukaŋgb anima	n.	b	large black and white vulture.	
juŋ		adv.		quietly.	
juui		v.		light (a fire)	KO
K					
ka -ra		v.		1. to pronounce a blessing or a curse 2. to bail water.	
ká		v.		to not have	(negative form of màli)
ká		v.		to not be, to not exist	(negative form of bè).
ka		part.		marker behind front-shifted items, (link between front- shifted word + subj.)	KO =
ka		v.		to come; Imperative: Kam na!	(always used with 'na', giving the sense of coming to the immediate place).
ka		conj.		1. and (connecting verbs or full sentences).	[O sa kana ka gari . Yesterday he came and passed.] [Ka bo ka a mi lee bora? And what is it that you want more?]
				2. but.	[M bori ni a niŋ ka be niŋdi shem . I want you to do as they have done.]
				3. as.	[N wumiya ka be sa chaŋ . I heard that they went yesterday.]
				4. that.	[O kana nti yeli ma ka dama n ni chaŋ . He came to tell me that perhaps I will go.]
				5. perhaps. ka dama .	[O gbe kpe ka na chaŋ . He slept here before going.]
				6. before. Ka na .	

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kaa	kahi	n.		car	KO <English
kaa	kahi	n.		edible shrub with white flowers.	
kaabu		n.		visiting, visitation	KO
kaafa	kaafanni ma	n.		1. cooked balls of porridge 2. kaafaŋ ganye . balls of porridge wrapped in leaves 3. Yidana Kaafa . a title amongst the Muslims of Sabere.	
kaai -ra		v.		1. to visit 2. to go round.	
kaai		v.		to dawn (next day)	KO kaai bieyu, biegu kaai
kaakaachi		n.		funnel	KO
kaakaaduro	kaakaad woti	n.		ginger	KO
kaalo	kaaloni ma	n.		whitewash.	
kaashi		excl.		expression of disapproval.	
kabaabo		n.		judge	KO
kabga	kabsi	n.		1. acha grass 2. a horse fly.	
kabi -ra		v.		1. to break (as a stick, not as glass or crockery) 2. to burn (as food in a pot) 3. to bleed at the nose 4. kabi noli . to eat before a fast is concluded 5. kabi tim . to burn roots to charcoal, for medicine.	
kabi		v.		rush	KO
kabirga	kablahi	n.		a middle-aged woman.	
kaboyli	kaboŋa	n.		place for winnowing sorghum	KO 'hole.in.the.ground for cereals
kabre	kabreni ma or kabiti	n.		word used by pagans for binding with juju power.	
kabri	kabrini ma	n.		a grave.	
kabsi -ra		v.		1. to break into small pieces 2. to be weary 3. to be weak.	
kafia		n.		the root or the source of a matter.	
kafini	kafina	n.		a fan.	
kafingbaŋ		n.		the treatment by blood extraction.	
kafu	kafunima	n.		one who treats by blood-letting.	
kafuŋla		n.		bluff; brags	KO boasting, boasts (your Eng. is Gh. Eng.) [sg. shd. be kafuŋilli]
kayi		v.		retreat	KO
kagili	kagiya	n.		a grave. (<i>vide gballi</i>).	

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kagize		n.		a medicine giving immunity from harm from bullets and witch-craft.	
kayalom		n.		short horse grass which grows in swamps.	
kayaluŋ	kayalima	a.		rough (not gentle).	
kayī -ra		v.		1. to shade the eyes 2. to avoid 3. baŋ kayī. to know perfectly.	
kayli	kaya	n.		1. guinea corn or millet stalk 2. a long swamp grass used for 'gbala' mats and door-way coverings.	
kayli -nda		v.		1. to worry someone 2. to tease.	
kayilgu		n.		1. pains in the womb 2. a sickness which sometimes prevents menstruation. (<i>vide</i> ŋmanchee).	
kaysi -ra		v.		1. to shell nuts 2. to remove bark from trees 3. kaysi loŋni. to clear the throat.	
kaysoyu	kaysori	n.		the name given to a farm the third year after yams. (<i>vide</i> sub 'puu').	
kahi -ra		v.		1. to pack 2. to travail 3. to tie up. (as yam vines, etc.).	
kahigi -ra		v.		1. to improve in health 2. to regain strength 3. to be refreshed 4. to reveal.	
kahigibu		n.		revelation, verbalizing	KO Kahigibu Book of Revelation in the Bible
kahikahi		adv.		1. completely 2. utterly.	
kahili	kaha	a.		1. raw 2. unripe 3. young (of leaves) 4. frisky (of children) 5. clumsy (of adults).	dakahili 'unfermented pito' <i>q.v.</i> [KO]
kahim -nda		v.		1. to wring out 2. to press under the arm (as an hourglassdrum) 3. to hug.	
kahinga	kahinŋko	n.		1. a crow with a white ruff 2. a raven.	
kahinpieyu	kahinpie	n.		butterfly	KO
kahinŋa	ri	n.		shroud, material for burial	KO

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kahĩṅkoṽu-nyuuli	kahĩṅkoṽu-nyuuya	n.		a weed eaten by cattle.	
kahu	chi	n.		guinea corn or millet (a general term).	
kaito		excl.		an expression of contempt.	
kakpiri		n.		grain improperly hulled in the process of preparation.	
kalaamu		n.		an omen (good or bad).	
kalahi	kalahini	n.		a native army officer (<i>vide sapaḓini</i>).	
kalamboo	kalambohi	n.		a flute.	
kalami ni kalami		excl.		an expression used when departing in full cordiality and agreement.	
kalee	kalehi	n.		a baby under two weeks old.	
kali	kaya	n.		1. custom 2. hereditary tendency 3. a tribal rite 4. a medicine.	
kali -nda		v.		1. to count 2. to reckon 3. to sweep (WD). (<i>koli</i> , ED).	
kalima		n.		moss	KO
kalinchang	kalincha	n.		yam cultivar	
kalinkoṽu	kalinkori	n.		crow	KO
kalinsi		n.		absence, non-existence	KO
kalinyayu	kalinyari	n.		an ulcer.	
kaliṅ		n.		ashes after smoking an animal	KO
kaliwa	kaliwani	n.		a thorny tree, the roots of which are used as medicinal herbs.	
kaliwa bihili	kaliwa biha	n.		the bark of the tree called ‘ kaliwa ’, used as a medicine for swellings, etc.	
kaliwali	kaliwaya	n.		a swelling in the glands of the groin.	
kalli		n.		the number of persons or things counted.	kalnli KO
kalli	kala	n.		segment	KO
kalnli	kalonima	n.		a grass mat used to close up door openings (ED). (<i>karo</i> , WD).	
kalnli		n.		small pot stand (?)	KO
kalo		n.		bone ashes used in spinning cotton.	
kalo	kalti	n.		enamel ware	KO
kaluyi	kaluyini	n.		the last child which a woman bears.	
kam		n.		1. suffering 2. nya kam. to suffer (stating	

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kam		a.		a fact).	
kamaata		n.		every; used to form compounded words:	sahakam , every time; dabsilkam , every day.
kamalga	kamalsi	n.		necessity; niŋ kamaata . to be necessary.	
kaman		conj.		a starling (ED). (malga , WD).	<i>KO</i> [<i>< Hausa</i>]
kamantoo	kamanto	n.		like, as	<i>KO</i> ? kama (see kam'bu) + Eng.
	osi			tomatoes	
kambaŋa	kambam	n.		tree	
	a				
kambonlun		n.		drummers of the warriors	<i>KO</i>
si					
Kambonna		p.n.		chief over all drummers and warriors	<i>KO</i> see Kamboŋ Naa
a					
Kambonsili		p.n.		Twi, Fante language	<i>KO</i>
kambontoh	kambont	n.		a hunter with a gun.	
	ohanima				
a					
kamboŋ	kambon	n.		1. a granary	
	a			2. a storage place.	
Kamboŋa	Kambon	p.n.		a native of Akan or of a Coast tribe.	
	si				
kamboŋa	kambons	p.n.		1. a Dagomba gunman	
	i			2. a soldier.	
kambongba		n.		1. a swelling in the joints	
ra				2. arthritis.	
Kamboŋ		p.n.		1. chief of the soldiers	see Kambonnaa
Naa				2. the war chief.	
Kamboŋ		p.n.		the Commander-in-Chief of the soldiers.	
Naa Kpema					
kambu	kama	n.		garden egg	called kamli under kanto'o
kanaafiri	kanaafir	n.		cloves.	Arabic via Hausa
	inima				
kananjuŋ	kananju	n.		condiment made of roselle seed, <i>Hibiscus sabdariffa</i> , birli .	
	na				
kandabli	kandaba	n.		pimple.	
kandi		n.		coming	<i>KO</i>
kani	kana	n.		an amulet for the arm or leg.	
kani		v..		1. to be absent	
				2. to not exist (the negative form of 'beni').	
kani		int.		1. what?	This is MP, DB is lini/dini
				2. which?	
				3. who? (placed after the word qualified).	
kania		n.		lantern	<i>KO</i>
kantoo	kantohi	n.		a small species of the vegetable kamli .	kambu above
kantonŋ		n.		a condiment of broth prepared from the baobab and kapok seeds.	
kanvaa	kanvahi	a		a dark red complexion.	
kangbariŋ	kangbari	n.		yam cultivar	
a	nsi				

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kaṅkpayla		n.		a fever accompanied by rigour (ED).	(akpayla , WD).
kaṅwa		n.		saltpetre	KO
kapinta		n.		carpenter	KO <English
kapirchi		n.		1. pride 2. insolence.	
karachi		n.		clerk, educated person	KO
karakoo	karakohi	n.	b	West African grey parrot.	
karante		n.		cutlass	KO <Twi
kare		excl.		1. steady! 2. careful! (an exclamation of warning).	
karfa		n.		1. trust 2. confidence 3. guardianship;	[O daa zaṅ o bia niṅ ma karfa . He brought his child and entrusted him to me.]
kargi -ra		v.		1. to grow large (of persons) 2. to cut open (of the stomach or belly) 3. to tear (of cloth) 4. to grow ??? the required size in fruit	[mani maa kargi . the okro has grown hard.]
kari		n.		1. a pronouncement 2. kari bieyu . a curse 3. kari suṅ . a blessing.	
kari	-ta	v.		1. to drive away 2. divorce, 'sack' (man ~s wife) 3. to gallop 4. kari naba . to go and summon 5. to follow and overtake 6. kari saria . to judge; to try a case 7. noise made by a hen.	
kari		v.		fence (garden)	KO (gariche)
karibu		n.		dismissal	KO
karim	-nda	v.		to read.	
karimba	karimba nima	n.		teacher.	kariṅ... KO <i>q.v.</i>
karimbaani		n.		1. impudence 2. pride 3. conceit.	
karinzon	karinzon di	n.		classroom	KO
karinyayu		n.		big sore	KO
kariṅbatali		n.		the profession of teaching; being a teacher	KO
kariṅbia	kariṅbih	n.		student (esp. in Qur'an school)	KO see also karim...
karoṅbia	i				
kariwani	kariwan	n.		maize, corn.	
kariwana	a kariwan	n.		maize stalk with leaves.	

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gboŋ	a gbana				
kariwannyi	kariwan	n.		dwarf maize.	
a	nyihi				
kariwatia	kariwati	n.		capsicum which grows with upright branches.	
hi					
karkpandig	karkpan	n.		1. a large wooden needle	
a	disi or			2. harpoon.	
	karkpan				
	diti				
karli		n.		maize pounded and boiled and wrapped in leaves.	
karli	kara	a.		1. big; large	
				2. important.	
karo	karti	n.		a grass mat used to close up door openings (WD). (kalo , ED).	
karoŋ		n.		reading (v.n. of karim).	
kasalli	kasala	n.		Euphorbia	
kasi		a.		1. clean	
				2. spotless	
				3. pure	
				4. holy	
				5. Shia Kasi . Holy Spirit,	the Third Person of the Trinity, in Christian doctrine. (Prot. usage, see vuhim)
kasiyira	kasiyirb	n.		one whose traditional duty is to place a body in the grave.	
	a				
kasitali		n.		holiness	KO
katayua	katayuhi	n.		1. an umbrella, sun-shade.	
				2political party symbolised by umbrella	
katiŋa	katinsi	a		1. distant	
				2. far.	
katiŋuŋa	katiŋun	n.		cassava (an old name used for this tuber).	
	si				
katu		adv.		Not at all!	
katurgu	katarsi	n.		a large wooden needle.	
kavini		excl.		Go away! Be off!	(said in disgust, underrating the person addressed.)
kawara		excl.		(vide ' kavini ').	
kayeeni		n.		winnowing-calabash	KO
ŋmani					
kazala	ketinima	n.	mi	a fife	?? (CHECK!) (T).
kazala		n.		colony	KO
keeji		n.		cage	KO <English
kerenzini		n.		kerosene, paraffin (Br.)	KO <English
kikàá	kikàhí	n.	cl	harmattan, cold season	
kikaa	kikahi	n.	mi	1. a bugle	? < Hausa <i>kakati</i> 'trumet'
				2. a horn.	
kikarli	kikara	n.		a temporary partition or enclosure made of gbala mats.	
kimsi		v.		be tight	KO
kiŋkamli	kiŋkama	n.		'fig' - fruit of the tree called ' kiŋkaŋa '.	

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kiṅkansi	kiṅkansi	n.		necessity or compulsion.	
kiṅkaṅa		n.		a wild fig tree.	
kiṅkiṅ		adv.		1. strongly 2. tightly. 3. hard	
kirisi kirise		adv.		appetising , appetite	<i>KO</i>
kirkir		adv.		1. well 2. strongly 3. fast 4. securely.	kirikiri <i>KO</i>
ko		a.		1. only 2. alone.	(abbrev. - see konko) <i>KO</i>
ko -ra		v.		1. to till the soil 2. to hoe 3. to cultivate.	
koyi		v.		brew (a beverage)	<i>KO</i> (esp. gruel - koko , kukog'li qq.v.)
koyibe		n.		ghost	<i>KO</i>
koyim		num.		100	<i>KO</i>
koyimpihin		num.		150	<i>KO</i>
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koyitalgu		n.		stone embedded in the ground so strongly you can't lever it out	
koyisi -ra		v.		1. to lose flesh 2. to be emaciated 3. noise made by brooding hen.	
koyu	kori	n.		roan antelope;	male form: kodibga .
kobga	kobsi	n.		1. hundred 2. 200 cedis (100 'pounds') 3. a fine of five pounds. 4. a fine of any amount 5. a penny, i.e. 100 cowries. (<i>vide</i> ' kobo ').	3) - 5) prob. obsolete (<i>TN</i>)
kobgaayika		num.		98	<i>KO</i> kobga ayi ka '100, two is.not.there'
kobgayinik		num.		99	<i>KO</i> kobga yini ka '100, one is.not.there'
a					
kobgu	kobri	n.		1. hair on animals or on the human body (not on the head) 2. feathers.	nookobri . 'hen feathers'
kobieyu	kobieri	n.		dirty water	<i>KO</i>
kobilga	kobilsi	n.		1. a well 2. a spring of water.	
kobilnini	kobilnin	n.		fountain	<i>KO</i> 'eye' of spring
a					
kobli		n.		strength	mali kobli , be strong
kobli	koba	n.		1. bone 2. Idiom: pali kobli . to be full of (to express qualities of character).	
kobli	koba	n.		tyre	<i>KO</i> (pl. from Eng. 'cover')

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kobo	kobonim a	n.		1. a pesewa, 'penny' 2. the repetitive form serves as: (a) pluralizer. (b) successive payment or value: a penny each, or each a penny.	old coin 1/100 of a cedi
kobtuɣli	kobtuɣa	n.		joint.	
kobu kobu		n.		agriculture, cultivating, farming, [no pl. - verbal noun]	KO
kodibo	kodiboni ma	n.		1. a pistol 2. a revolver.	
kodoliko	kodoliko nima	n.		a bridge (ED)	< Hausa
kodorko	kodorko nima	n.		a bridge (WD)	< Hausa
kodu	kodunim a	n.		banana.	<Twi
koduɣira	koduɣir ba	n.		a swimmer.	
kogbaɲ	kogbana	n.		wave on water	KO 'not waving but drowning'?
kogbaɲ		n.		float	KO 'a wave'
koha	kohanim a	n.		a trader.	
kohi -ra		v.		1. to sell 2. to trade.	
kohigora	kohigori ba	n.		merchant	KO
kohigu		n.		1. trading 2. selling.	
kohim -da		v.		to cough.	
kohim pielli		n.		a dry cough.	
kohindotont on		n.		whooping cough, tuberculosis	KO
kohingu		n.		1. a cough 2. consumption.	
kohira	kohirba	n.		a seller.	
kohirli	kohira	a.		for sale.	
kokali (kookali KO)		n.		1. endeavour 2. effort 3. sense	< Hausa niɲ kokali. to endeavour, to try. mali kokali. to be sensible. see koyi, kukog'li (kokpaɣu KO)
koko		n.		gruel.	
kokpoɣu		n.		drought.	
kolbila	kolbihi	n.		purse	KO
kolgu	kola or kolti	n.		1. a leather bag 2. baɣa kolgu. a soothsayer's bag.	or 'a soothsayer'
koli		n.		1. agriculture 2. farming.	
koli	koya	n.		a hoe	KO
koli -nda		v.		to sweep (ED) (kali , WD).	
koloba		n.		bottle; glass (substance)	< Hausa
kom duɣibu		n.p.		swimming	
kom subu		n.p.		baptism	

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kòm	koma	n.		water.	
komlana		n.		swimmer	
koŋ -da		v.		1. to lack, be without sth. 2. to need 3. to fail. 4. to forfeit (<i>KO</i>)	
koŋa		n.		1. leprosy 2. ŋmaai koŋa. to contract leprosy.	
koŋa	koŋsi	n.		a leper.	
konchuuŋa		n.		a clear soup	(Nanuni, not Dagbani).
koŋko		n.		1. aloneness 2. only. (a duplicated form of ko).	<i>KO</i> actually a noun 'aloneness, oneliness' - see also ko : gbaai yihi koŋko 'except for' : 'grasp and remove only..'
koŋkoba		a.		1. different 2. of different kinds.	<i>KO</i> actually pl. of noun koŋko 'different things'
konyuri		n.		thirst.	
Konyuri		p.n.		festival to mark the end of fasting	'water-drinking festival' Id al'Adha
Chuŋu					
Konyuri		p.n.		10th. month of the Dagomba year, (after Nolori).	
Goli				drinking-water.	
konyurim	konyuri ma	n.			
konyurli	konyura	n.		a kind of horse grass, found near water.	
kooi		excl.		exclamation for fear	<i>KO</i>
kooi -ra		v.		to put on the finishing touches.	
kooshe		n.		fried cake made from beans and bambara beans	< Hausa. <i>KO</i> should be koosi
kootu		n.		(law-)court	<i>KO</i> (Eng.)
kopayirim		n.		washing water (for hands)	<i>KO</i>
kopalga	kopalsi	n.		1. a rapid 2. a torrent 3. high waves.	
kopia		n.		1. the channel of a river 2. mid-stream.	
kopielim		n.		water mixed with millet flour (uncooked)	<i>KO</i>
kopu		n.		cup, (drinking-)glass	<i>KO</i> <English
kore		n.		covetousness.	
korga	korsi	n.		a small, curved knife used for scooping out a calabash.	
korgi -ra		v.		1. to slaughter 2. to cut the throat 3. to scratch off 4. to empty (as of a granary).	
kori		n.		blood (<i>vide</i> ' fargu ').	
kori -ta		v.		1. to scratch an itching place 2. to scratch a door (of animals).	
korigili		n.		slaughterhouse	<i>KO</i> korigi yili
korinchi		n.		grass.	

Singular	pl./imprf	p/o/s	cl.	Definition	Comment
koringa	korinsi	n.		francolin.	
korintali	korintay	n.	h	a prickly plant.	
	a				
korlangban	korlangb	n.		a tree resembling the ‘ korli ’	
di	ana			tree, but with larger leaves.	
korlikora		n.		the most common tree of the	
				‘ <i>terminalia</i> ’ genus.	
korsi		n.		1. longing for meat	
				2. lust; niŋ korsi . the lusts of	
				the human heart.	
korsi		a.		1. appealing	
				2. attractive.	
korsi -ra		v.		to scrape.	
kosalgu	kosala	n.		(<i>vide kosalli</i>).	
kosalli	kosaa	n.		a kind of charm said to confer	
				immunity against bullets.	
kosurim	kosurim	n.		bathing water.	
	a				
Kotachi		p.n.		Lebanese person	<i>KO</i>
kote		n.		small ulcers, induced by	
				scratching.	
kotomsi		n.		likeness; colour (<i>KO</i>)	
kotonsi	kotonsin	n.		a small, beautifully-woven	
	ima			basket.	
koyem		n.		shrub (<i>vide</i> ‘ lanjam ’).	
koyuli	koyuya	n.		gourd for fetching water	<i>KO</i> ‘pot’ rather than gourd, I
					think (<i>TN</i>)
kozina		n.		sediment in water (WD).	
kozuna		n.		sediment in dirty water (ED).	
kozilo		n.		lymph.	
Kristabia	Kristabi	n.		Christian	<i>KO</i> <English
	hi				
Kristatali		n.		Christianity	<i>KO</i> <English
ku -ra		v.		1. to kill	ku tim : to prepare medicine
				2. to murder	with a sacrifice
				3. to chop grass	ku mori
				4. to become black in the	
				distance, as a growing storm	
				5. to ‘serve’ (used as an	
				auxiliary verb in this sense)	ku buchi , to serve a useful
					purpose; to be profitable; ku
					bukaata , to serve a useful
					purpose.
					<i>KO</i> ku suli ‘annoy’
ku		part.		a negative particle of the	
				future tense, ‘will not’.	
kubi	kubinim	n.		coconut.	
	a				
kubielim		n.		hoe blade	<i>KO</i>
kubobga	kubobsi	n.		saddle girth (ED); (pubob’ga ,	
				WD).	
kubta	kubtani	n.		1. a slipper	
	ma			2. a shoe.	
kufo	kufonim	n.		wood dust caused by	

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	a			woodworm	
kufurgbiyu		n.		beans and maize pounded together.	
kuya	kuysi	n.		1. a stool 2. a seat 3. a chair 4. the mahogany tree.	
kuyłazieyu	kuyłazie ri	n.		1. laterite stone (ED) 2. laterite (ED) (kuyraziezu , WD).	
kuyli	kuya	n.		a stone.	<i>KO bayisi kuyili</i> ‘grinding stone’
kuyloŋ	kuyłona	n.		a sling for throwing stones.	
kuyrazieyu	kuyrazie ri	n.		1. laterite stone (WD) 2. laterite (WD). (kuyłazieyu , ED).	
kuyuwoyi ni	kuyuwo yila	n.		bench	<i>KO</i>
kuyziniga	kuyziinis i	n.		sitting chair	<i>KO</i>
kuhi -ra		v.		1. to cry out; to scream 2. to stab 3. to pierce 4. to cut down shrubs 5. to roughen a grindstone 6 to embroider.	
kuhigu	kuhisi	n.		a cry	<i>KO</i> sg. shd. be kuhiga
kujoŋijoŋi	kujoŋijo yinima	n.		a small bird identified by its whirling flight (ED). (yundakpani , WD).	
kukaaibara		n.		goatee beard	<i>KO</i>
kukogli	kukoŋa	n.		thin porridge, gruel, ‘kokoo’	see koyi, koko
kúkóyú	kúkórí	n.		dry area suitable for sowing pulses	
kukoŋinyin a		n.		‘ricewater’ - like porridge	<i>KO</i> thin rice-pudding [TN]
kukolga	kukola	n.		1. a weaver's bobbin 2. gun-powder horn.	
kukoli	kukoya	n.		1. voice 2. Adam's apple.	<i>KO noloŋu kukoli</i> ‘cock crow’
kukollaa	kukollah i	n.		1. the wind pipe, trachea 2. a treble voice.	
kukolmahig u	kukolma ha	n.		1. the gullet 2. the throat.	
kukolmahi m	kukolma nima	n.		lechery.	
kukolmahi ma	kukolma himnima	n.		a social parasite or leech.	
kuku		n.		cook, steward	<i>KO</i> <English
kukuli	kukuya	n.		a handle (of an axe).	
kukpalyoo	kukpaly ohi	n.		tree (ED). (kulkparyoo , WD).	
kul		adv.		1. only	

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				2. just 3. always (<i>vide kulla</i>).	
kulboŋ	kulbona	n.		1. a water place; pool 2. small stream.	
kulboŋjaŋa	kulboŋja nsi	n.		a dark grey monkey.	colobus?
kuldaa	kuldahi	n.		1. a small river 2. a tributary.	
kulga	kulsi	n.		stream, water place, water source which dries up in dry season	(see moyli)
kulgarli	kulgara	n.		a creeper containing thick sap.	
kulgbieyu	kulgbieri	n.		a broad-bladed hoe.	
kulgbiruŋ	kulgbiri ma	n.		the bank of a river or a pool.	
kuli	kuya	n.		1. a hoe 2. a funeral	maali kuli. to perform a 'funeral custom'.
kuli	kuna	v.		1. to go home. 2. to marry (woman ~s man) 3. to be proud of 4. to be intoxicated.	
kulikuli		n.		peanut paste biscuit (in shape of a hoop)	< Hausa
kulilia	kulilihi	n.		a flying, water insect, dragonfly	
kulim		n.		1. fertiliser 2. manure.	
kulinduli	kulinduy a	n.		a cudgel. (<i>vide mimarli</i>).	
kuliŋkua	kuliŋkuh i	n.		beetle-like insect.	
kulkarli	kulkara	n.		a grass used for plaiting hats and baskets.	
kulkorili	kulkora	n.		plough	KO
kulkparga	kulkpars i	n.		a 'fairy'.	
kulkparyoo	kulparyo hi	n.		tree (WD)(kukpalyoo , ED)	
kulkulga	kulkulsi	n.		yam cultivar	
kulkulo	kulkulon ima	n.		a door or shutter complete with frame.	
kulla		adv.		1. only 2. just 3. merely. (<i>vide 'kul'</i>).	
kulnoo	kulnohi	n.		a black cuckoo.	
kulnoologyu	kulnoolo ri	n.		Senegal coucal	
kulŋaŋ	kulŋama	n.		a crowned bird.	
kulpala	kulpalni ma	n.		a fisherman.	
kulpalgu		n.		fishing	KO
kulsi -ra		v.		1. to take home 2. to return a thing to its owner.	

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kulchi		n.		3. to give a woman in marriage white water lilies (a plant in pools, producing a small edible grain)	
kulingubulu	kulungb	n.		tree.	
η	ulima				
kulyalim	kulyalim	n.		a shrimp.	
	a				
kum		n.		1. death	KO kum ni neebu 'resurrection' - 'death from awakening'
				2. dead body	kum adaka coffin
				3. hunger, famine	
kum -nda		v.		1. to cry, weep	kum buyli. to call upon the fetish for retribution upon an offender.
				2. to make a noise	KO kum kuli 'mourn' 'weep a funeral'
					kuli kumbu 'mourning' 'funeral weeping'
				3. ? to gurgle (state of yeast in pito)	
kum		a.		dry	KO
kumbayitia	kumbayi	n.		a shrub usually grown near a large tree for support.	
	tihi				
kumkpango	kumkpa	n.		a wild acha grass.	
	ηgoŋa				
kumprini		n.		ulcer	KO
kunchuŋ	kunchun	n.		a large basket for storing grain.	
	a				
kundi	kundini	n.		1. a book	<Hausa
	ma			2. a complete book, i.e. a compilation. (<i>vide litaafi</i>).	
kunduŋ	kunduna	n.		a hyena.	
kundunpie	kundunp	n.		a grass with arrow-shaped heads.	
m	iema				
kundunyo	kundunyo	n.		a large toadstool.	
	oya				
kunkohibua		n.		sorghum [type?]	KO
kunkuni	kunkum	n.		hill	KO
	a				
kunta		n.		1. discussion of private topic	
				2. accounting	
				3. bu kunta. to discuss private topics.	
kunti		n.		knock on the back (fist)	KO
kuntu		n.		blanket	KO
kuntinji	kuntinji	n.	mi	one-stringed lute	< Hausa
	nima				
kuŋ	kuma	a		1. dry	
				2. empty.	
kuŋa	kunsi	n.		1. a complaint	ηme kuŋa, or che kuŋa. to complain; to announce.
				2. a sudden cry	
				3. ululation (of women)	

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				4. zo kuṇa. to relieve from distress.	
kuṇkoṇ	kuṇkona	n.		tin, tin can	KO
Kurani		p.n.		Qur'an	<Arabic
kurga	kursi	n.		baggy native trousers.	
kurgi -ra		v.		1. to dig out 2. to grow old.	
kurgu	kurti	n.		1. iron 2. flat gold pendant 3. the hour of the day	[kurgu anu , five o'clock.]
kuri -ta		v.		1. to pound grain 2. to smithy, forge metal	
kuriginsim		n.		old age	KO
kurim -nda		v.		1. to bend 2. to stoop.	
kurli	kura	n.		a heavy blow on the back with the clenched fist.	
kurli	kura	a.		old.	
kursa	kursa	n.		1. a skin rash 2. crawl-crawl (T).	
kuruchu	kuruchu nima	n.		pig	KO
kuruchuloy u	kuruchu lori	n.		boar, male pig	KO
kurumbuni		adv.		1. of olden time 2. old (in respect to time).	
kurupootu		n.		coal pot	KO (Engl. <i>via</i> ? Twi)
kurwa		n.		enamel bowl	KO
kuso		n.		dust.	
kusumbuli	kusumb uya	n.		1. tarantula 2. a large biting spider.	
kuṣia	kuchihi	n.		partly worn-out hoe.	
kutumo	kutumba	n.		a messenger sent to announce a death.	
kutunyoṇ		n.		a measurement, being a part of a span.	
kuui		v.		be/ become/ make dry	KO
kuuka		n.		dried leaves of baobab	<Hausa
kuuni	kuma	a		1. dry 2. empty.	
kuyili	kuyiya	n.		a place or house where a 'funeral custom' is being performed.	
kuyonyoṇ		n.		yams cooked and eaten with pepper, salt and shea butter.	

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KP					
kpa	-ra	v.		1. to nail, to drive a peg 2. to incur. 3. to turn in the same direction 4. to look directly upon 5. to find sth. (KO) 6. kpa kafu. to cup and bleed.	kpaai nina kpa ‘look at with most attention’ KO kpa taba ‘face-to-face’ (lit.: to face each other)
kpa	kpaahi	n.		1. a peg 2. a nail.	
kpaai	-ra	v.		1. to pour out (~ all - see booi) 2. to capsize 3. to upset 4. to fade (of cloth).	
kpaai kom		v.p.		downpour	et. pour out water
kpaakpa		n.		coconut	< Hausa
kpaakpaan yomni		n.		peak; pinnacle	KO - sounds like ‘eye’ of coconut’ (germinating point) to me! (TN)
kpaale		n.		bale of cloth	KO
kpaali	kpaaya	n.		a large vulture-like bird with a red tail.	
kpaalieu	kpaalieri	n.		a climbing plant bearing long pods.	
kpaagwund igu		n.		a bushy grass-like lemon grass, but with smaller leaves.	
kpabi	-ra	v.		1. to fold a cloth 2. to carry a child on the back.	
kpabsi	-ra	v.		to hem.	
kpachayu	kpachari	n.		granary	KO (MP is ‘field, piece of land’)
kpaya	kpaysi	n.		1. pain located in the loins 2. rheumatism 3. lumbago 4. a swelling of the knees, elbows, or wrists 5. luhi kpaya. to be pleasant to.	
kpayi	-ra	v.		1. to crowd 2. to throng 3. to remove 4. to be tied up; Be kpai' o gabga. They tied him with a rope 5. to jostle, while rushing in the same direction.	
kpaiŋ	kparima	n.		cheek	KO mistake for kpaiŋ ?
kpaiŋgu	kpaiŋlisi	n.		a tree bearing edible fruit. (ED)(kpaiŋriga , WD).	
kpaiŋpielga	kpaiŋpiel si	n.	d	gonorrhoea	cf. next
kpaiŋpielgu		n.	d	beriberi	KO cf. prev.

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kpayriga	kpayrisi	n.	t	a tree bearing edible fruit. (WD).(kpayliga, ED).	
kpaysi -ra		v.		1. to be thrifty 2. to put something aside as 'savings' 3. to search personal effects.	
kpayto		excl.		an expression used to provoke a match or a quarrel.	
kpayu	kpari	n.	t	raffia palm.	
kpayu		n.		interest	KO : what sort of interest?, financial (Zinsen) or psychological (Interesse) ? tu kpayu 'be desirable'
kpayu		n.		fever	KO : ? type of ~ ?
kpahi -ra		v.		1. to drive a peg or a nail 2. to knock, as at a door 3. to limp 4. to hop(, leap KO) 5. to clap.	(WD) KO kpahi yayi 'bypass'
kpahijo	kpahijon ima	n.		a kind of yam.	
kpahiga	kpahisi	n.		jalousie mat.	
kpahim - nda		v.		1. to observe closely 2. to examine.	
kpakohira	kpakohi riba	n.		oil-seller	KO
kpakpa	kpakpan ima	n.		1. oil-palm tree 2. palm kernels 3. a target.	cf. kpaakpa
kpakpakum a		n.		pieces of cowhide, singed and cooked.	
kpakpili	kpakpiy a	n.		a tortoise.	
kpakuto	kpakuto nima	n.		a valuable gown.	
kpalakpalaz unzoŋ		n.		the act of suspending oneself with the hands.	
kpalaŋa	kpala	n.		tree.	Afzelia Africana
kpalaŋa	kpalansi	n.		sack	KO
kpalaŋa	kpalansi	n.		200 cedis	KO kpalans'ayi 400 cedis
kpalgo	kpalti	n.		soup seasoning of fermented dawadawa seeds	
kpali	kpaya	n.		1. the back of the head 2. the occiput.	
kpalieyu	kpaliери	n.		a climbing plant bearing long pods.	
kpalam -nda		v.		to remain.	
kpalinga	kpalinsi	n.		ululating cry of praise/triumph, women's; woman making such a cry	
kpalsoru	kpalsori	n.		a tree of the <i>Afzeliae</i> , but with larger leaves.	
kpalu	kpaluhi	n.		a weaver.	
kpám	kpama	n.		1. oil (general term)	

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				2. grease 3. fat 4. lard 5. bihim kpam. butter; cream.	
kpam -da		v.		to whimper.	
kpambali	kpamba ya	n.		the rank of elder.	? < a senior elder, court elder ?
kpamdi		n.		1. senility 2. agedness 3. gbaai kpamdi. to be aged.	
kpamli		n.		authority; old age wisdom	KO eldership
kpamvoyu		n.		horse grass.	
Kpanalana	Kpanala nnima	n.		traditionally, the second elder in the council.	‘spear-owner’
kpandli	kpanda	n.		a wooden dish or bowl.	
kpanjoyu	kpanjori	n.		a woven straw basket with a cover.	
kpani	kpana	n.		1. a spear 2. a javelin.	
kpante		n.		1. haemorrhoids, piles . of chua????	
kpantemahi li	kpantem aha	n.		piles evidenced by causing a flabbiness.	
kpantekuun a	kpantek uunsi	n.		piles evidenced by causing anaemia.	
kpáŋ	kpínî	n.		guinea-fowl. (WD)	(kpoŋ. ED).
kpam -da		v.		1. to recover from illness 2. kpam - maŋa. to exert oneself; to try hard; to persevere 3. to stop bearing children.	lit. ‘strengthen .. self’
kpam		C?:		away from a place; off to the side (? a noun meaning ‘side, margin’?)	KO
kpam	kpana	n.		axe	KO
kpansi -ra		n.		1. to strengthen 2. to encourage.	
kpamkpiŋ	kpamkpi ma	n.		a prostitute. (ED) (jaymelo , WD).	
kpara	kparba	n.		1. a farmer 2. a labourer 3. puhi kparba. to request labourers to come and work gratis; to secure the services of a sorcerer.	
kparbu	kpari	n.		a large gown. (WD)(kpalbu , ED).	
kparbua	kparbuh i	n.		common duiker.	
kparchia	kparchih i	n.		small gourd	
kpargi	-ra	v.		1. to open 2. to unlock.	

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kpari		n.		1. tassel of corn 2. raffia. (<i>vide jehi</i>) 3. yi kpari. to tassel.	
kpari	-ta	v.		1. to shut 2. to lock.	KO kpari (X) sarika 'imprison' 'lock (in) prison'
kpári wáhù	kpári yúrí	n.	s	amphisbaenid often killed by farmers while hoeing. A name also applied to the tapeworm	<i>Amphisbaena</i> spp. et. 'farmer's snake'
kparigu	kpariti	n.		shirt, smock, gown, robe (garment, esp. man's, fitting shoulders/arms, of any length)	KO lo kpara 'prepare for a task' 'tie shirts' = 'gird up loins' - ? literal translation in Bible &c. ?
kparli	kpara	n.		baboon.	
kparpuhiga	kparpuh isi	n.		a small species of shrub with milky juice.	
kparon	kparima	n.		1. cheek 2. ɲwum kparima. to grumble.	? ɲum (T.N. - neither entered) imv. in NT ɲumdi Luke 7:49
kparonɓuli	kparonɓ uya	n.		tuberculosis of the cheek.	
kparwohu	kpanyuri	n.		1. a kind of round worm 2. a round, brown worm sometimes vomited up, sometimes found in the faeces.	tapeworm KO
kpasaŋa	kpasansi	n.		a child of a slave woman.	
kpatani	kpatana	n.		aggrey beads.	
kpatindariŋ ga		n.		small spider.	
kpatinarpil gu	kpatinar pila or kpatinar pilsa	n.		egg sheath.	
kpatinarzana		n.		spider's web.	
kpatinyan		n.	ai	small hoe	KO
kpatonɔa	kpatonsi	n.		1. a canoe man 2. a ferry man.	kpatoonɔa KO
kpaya		n.		catapult (Br.), slingshot (Am.)	KO
kpayuma	kpayum ba	n.		a lazy person.	
kpe		dem.		here, right here	KO kpe ha, kpe sa (tone H H) 'yonder, over there, ..'
kpe	-ra	v.		1. to enter 2. to go into 3. to dress stone 4. to hew 5. to fashion 6. to carve 7. to flood or over-flow 8. to meddle.	KO kpe moyu 'go astray' 'go into the bush' saha kpeya 'time is far spent'
kpe		adv.		here.	see kpe
kpee	taba	n.		1. an equal 2. one of the same age. rank or merit 3. a 'brother' or 'neighbour'	

Singular	pl./imprf	p/o/s	cl.	Definition	Comment
				in the New Testament sense.	
kpeei		v.		boil	KO
kpeeni		a.		important; stiff, hard	KO 2 words - kpem- 'hard' / kpem- 'elder'
kpeha		adv.		there. (a place within sight). (<i>vide</i> ' ni ha ').	ni ha not entered (T.N.) ? beni ha ?
kpehi -ra		v.		1. to take in 2. to put in. (used of inanimate objects). 3. to incarcerate.	KO kpehi duu 'marry' : prob. 'consummate marriage' kpehi duu 'put behind bars' (i.e. imprison)
kpekuntilga	kpekunti lsi	n.		fish trap. (WD).	
kpekuntirga	kpekunti rsi	n.		fish trap. (ED).	
kpeli	kpeya	n.		weaver's comb.	
kpeli -nda		v.		1. to joke 2. to make fun of.	
kpema	kpamba	n.		an elder (either by age or rank).	KO kpem'sani 'eldership' ('an elder's place')
kpema		v.		1. to be hard 2. to be strong 3. to be difficult 4. to be troublesome.	
kpergu		n.		1. boisterous play 2. disturbance.	
kperi	-ta	v.		to play boisterously.	
kperli	kperlini ma	n.		1. a playmate 2. a friend.	
kpeya		n.		malt, fermented grain ready for brewing pito.	
kpi -ra		v.		1. to die 2. to come to an end 3. to be extinguished 4. to rot 5. to be worn out.	
kpibga	kpibsi	n.		1. an orphan 2. vuya kpibsi . the children of paupers.	
kpibga	kpibi	n.		a head louse.	
kpibga		n.		headtie	KO
kpidoṅḍoṅ	kpidoṅḍoṅnima	n.		a distant relative.	
Kpieṅzaala na		n.		the Almighty	KO
kpihi -ra		v.		1. to quench fire 2. to extinguish.	
kpihiga	kpihisi	n.		ackee apple tree.	? pihiga (T.N.)
kpihili	kpiha	n.		an ackee apple fruit.	? pihili (T.N.)
kpihim -nda		v.		to erase.	
kpiinkpihi		n.		epilepsy	KO
kpiiṅa	kpihi	n.		a shea nut.	
kpikpalga	kpikpals i or	n.		fan palm.	borassus

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kpikpalgba η	kpikpala kpikpalg bana	n.		fan palm tree.	
kpilga	kpilsi	n.		short and stocky.	
kpilgu	kpila	n.		the pelvic region, hips.	
kpili -nda		v.		to tuck something in the cheek.	
kpilim -nda		v.		1. to roll up into balls 2. to roll up, as a scroll.	
kpiliṅkpia	kpiliṅkpi hi	n.		the hook-bill bird. (ED) (<i>vide</i> tuliṅkpia).	hornbill (T.N.)
kpiliṅkpihi		n.		1. spasms 2. fits.	
kpiliṅkpuy u	kpiliṅkp uri	n.		hiccough.	
kpili	kpila	n.		1. a piece 2. a lump 3. a seed or a stone of fruit.	
kpillikpila		a.		round	KO
kpima	kpimba	n.		1. the dead 2. a dead body.	
kpina	kpinnim a	n.		yam cultivar (ED) (kpinu , WD).	
kpini		v.		1. to concern 2. to be related to.	
Kpini-bilaa		p.n.		6th. month of the Dagomba year (before ' Kpini Goli ').	
Kpini Goli		p.n.		7th. month of the Dagomba year	
Kpini Chuyu		n.		feast day when guinea fowls are sacrificed.	? whipped ? given to in-laws ? (T.N.)
kpinu	kpininim a	n.		yam cultivar (WD)(kpina , ED).	
kpinyihuṅ	kpinyihi ma	n.		a person said to have died and come to live again.	
kpīṅṅoyu	kpīṅṅori	n.		tree used for rafters.	
kpionṅ		n.		1. strength 2. power 3. means.	
kpiri -ta		v.		to be deaf.	
kpiringa	kpirinsi	n.		yam cultivar	
kpionṅ	kpima	a.		1. dead 2. worn out 3. decayed. (a suffix)).	
kpoyu	kpari	n.		1. raffia 2. the tassel of maize.	
kpohi -ra		v.		(ED). (<i>vide</i> kpahi ,).	
kpōṅ	kpini	n.		a guinea-fowl. (ED)(kpāṅ , WD).	
kpuyi -ra		v.		1. to take up, pick up. 2. kpuyi paya . to marry; to take a wife 3. to lift.	KO kpuyi nuhi 'surrender' ('put up hands' - calque or trans. fr. Eng.) atam kpuyibu 'harvest-gathering'
kpuyli	kpuya	a.		1. shallow 2. small (of houses, etc.).	

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kpukpalga	kpukpal a	n.		fan palm.	
kpukpakpa am	kpukpak paama	n.		palm oil.	
kpukpalvar i		n.		palm leaves	KO
kpukpariga	kpukpar si	n.		‘fairy’, bush-sprite; jinn (Muslim spirits)	KO
kpukpoyu	kpukpar i	n.		a catfish.	(vide jepaya).
kpunja	kpunsi	n.		1. a keen-sighted, diving bird 2. a child prodigy.	
kpunja	kpunjan a	n.		the forearm. (vide kpunjanja).	
Kpunjana	Kpunjan aamba	p.n.		Konkomba person	
kpunjan	kpunjan na	n.		1. elbow joint 2. Idiom: strength.	
kpunjanja	kpunjan si	n.		a wing of a bird. (vide kpunjanja).	
kpunjan on	kpunjan ngona	n.		false acha grass.	
kpunjan ua	kpunjan nguhi	n.		the elbow.	
kpunjan unmeli	kpunjan ngume ya	n.		tree like the one called ‘ykayinga’.	ykayinga improbable (T.N.)
kpunjan pumi	kpunjan ma	n.		a tadpole.	
L					
la -ra		v.		1. to laugh 2. to laugh at 3. to break open (as a seed pod.).	KO la kparima ni ‘smile’
la		dem.		pron 1. that; referring to a word already mentioned or a word understood 2. this word may be used to qualify and co-ordinate a subordinate clause when that clause refers to past time.	KO def. article for ‘new’ information
la		part.		used to emphasise the verb (complement TN)	After the verb word when something follows (not clause final).
la		adv.		last- [following time expression]	AJN entry : ? = la : dali la ‘day before yesterday’; soha la ‘yesterday’; Atani la dali ‘last Monday’
laa	lahi	n.		a dish.	
laa	lahi	a		a suffix denoting the male sex of certain animals	(vide ‘loyu’).

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laabida		part.		the fact is.	<i>see next</i>
laabirata		adv.		really, truly	<i>KO see prev.</i>
laakali	laakaya	n.		one-eyed person (used with ‘yini’).	
laalaa		excl.		don’t want trouble	<i>KO see next</i>
laalaa		excl.		an expression of surprise.	(A). <i>see prev.</i>
laam		n.		Bengal bean plant.	
laanigu	laanisi	n.		guinea fowl	<i>KO bush-g.f. ?</i>
laara		n.		1. reward 2. tribute received 3. rental money received.	
laati		n.		torch, flashlight, torchlight	< English ‘light’
labalaba		a.		soft	<i>KO</i>
labi -ra		v.		1. to go back, return. (lobi , ED). 2. to retreat 3. to do .. again	(WD) <i>KO lab me</i> ‘rebuild’ ‘return build’
				4. to throw 5. to throw, cast away.	
labsi -ra		v.		1. to give back 2. to retaliate 3. labsi nayaana . to degrade.; to humiliate.	
layfu	liyri	n.		1. a cowry 2. a coin 3. money.	<i>esp. pl. liyri q.v.</i>
layi -ra		v.		1. to court, seduce 2. layi zori . to make friends with 3. to make a cross mark to ward off evil.	
layilayi		a.		white	<i>KO</i>
layim -nda		v.		1. to gather together 2. to call together 3. to assemble 4. to have intercourse 5. two or more to have intercourse with one woman.	
layimbu		n.		coming or bringing together	<i>KO</i>
layingu		n.		group, meeting, council,	<i>KO no pl. (N:V)</i>
layisi		v.		gather (many) at a place	<i>KO</i>
laykpahira	laykpahi rili	n.		cowrie	<i>KO</i>
laypielga		n.		1. ready cash 2. cowries.	
laysonɗa		n.		treasurer	<i>KO</i>
laywolinda		n.		(trading-) capital	<i>KO</i>
lahabali	lahabaya	n.		1. news, story, information, datum/data 2. Lahabali Suɗ . the Gospel.	< Hausa
lahibalitira	lahibali tiriba	n.		‘journalist’ ‘news-giver’	<i>KO</i>

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lahandi		n.		1. a blemish 2. a defect 3. a mark.	
lahanni		n.		1. a blemish 2. a defect 3. a mark.	
lahi		adv.		again (used with 'lan', it adds emphasis).	
lahisari		n.		Muslim prayer-time at 3 o'clock p.m.	KO
lakumi	lakumini ma	n.		a camel.	laakumi KO (< Berber via Hausa)
lala		adv.		1. so 2. thus 3. in that way.	
lali -nda		v.		1. to glide 2. to swing from 3. to dangle.	stagger KO
lam	-da	v.		1. to eat the first-fruits of a crop 2. to sample.	
lam		n.		cow-itch	
lamli	lama	n.		<i>Mucuna pruriens</i> 1. a wattle of a cock 2. the gum without the teeth.	
lampoo		n.		tax	<French <i>l'impôt</i>
lan		adv.		again; (no) longer	KO [following bu or other neg.]
lana	lannima	n.		owner. (rarely used by itself).	
lana	lannima	a.		a suffix denoting ownership: (compounding noun <i>TN</i>)	gboŋ . skin, plus 'lana', owner, becomes: gboŋlana , the owner or possessor of the skin, in this instance, the regent. (Other forms: dana and rana).
ladani	landanni ma	n.		muezzin	<Arabic
lani	lana	n.		testicle.	
lanjam		n.		shrub.	(<i>vide koyem.</i>).
lanjiŋa	lanjinsi	n.		a tree used to make charcoal.	(<i>vide nanɓili</i>).
lantabili	lantaba	n.		castrated animal	KO
laŋa	lansi	n.		1. a casting net 2. a net used to wrap about loads carried on the head.	
laŋgandili	laŋganda	n.		1. a disease with swellings 2. a large fruit of a certain tree; it is used for medicine.	
laŋgirndoo	laŋgirndohi	n.		a kind of grass.	
laŋgobli	laŋgoba	n.		a person, who by nature has only one testicle. i.e suffering from monorchitis	
larbako	larbakon ima	n.		yam cultivar	
Larbu	Larbuni ma	p.n.		an Arab.	(Laribawa KO)

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Laribu		p.n.		Arab land	<i>KO</i>
larga	larsi	n.		nook. (WD) (lorga , ED).	
lari		n.		1. laughter	
lari		a.		2. mali lari . to be laughable. suffix. the plural form of ' loyu ', the masculine indicator for certain animals.	
laringa	larinsi	n.		a small animal of the squirrel family.	Gambian sun-squirrel
lasabo		n.		1. a reckoning 2. an accounting 3. a type, kind 4. in the negative sense, it means: useless; not included. 6. O ka lasabo . He is senseless.	laasabu KO O ka lasabo ni . He is useless or He is not included.
Laundani		p.n.		London	<i>KO</i>
?	lelima	n.		the fruit of the ' lelinga ' tree.	? lelini ?
le	-ra	v.		1. to feed a baby 2. to pour a liquid into a vessel having a small opening.	
lebgí -ra		v.		1. to turn upside down 2. to turn inside out 3. to become 3. to change (sb./sth.) into... 4. to be smart or quick.	
lebginsim		n.		development	<i>KO</i>
lebi		v.		become	<i>KO</i>
lebila	lebihi	n.		cudgel	<i>KO lebbila ??</i>
lee		part.		1. used as the old English use of the word, 'pray', expressing a bit of contempt, impatience, or direct concern. 2. used in asking questions of a technical nature or requiring a thoughtful, sometimes detailed answer. The actual meaning, in this sense, is most difficult to express or translate. Its use can only be learned by practice.	[ɲuni lee nye nyini? Who, pray, are you?] 'Who/What on earth...?' [T.N.]
leefe	leefenim a	n.		1. a straw basket with a cover 2. a basket containing dowry clothes.	
leei -ra		v.		1. to install a chief; to crown a king; to inaugurate 2. to become 3. to turn (sth./sb.) into ... 4. to translate (<i>KO</i>)	
leemu		n.		orange; citrus fruit	< Huusa
leeqa	leensi	n.		'shade-porch' in front of house, stall (erected shed), small shelter.	
leha		a.		the feast of sacrifice (leha)	celebrated to commemorate the memory of Abraham's readiness

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					to offer his son Ismail as sacrifice to Allah, usually a grown sheep /goat is killed.
lehi -ra		v.		1. to cut the teeth 2. to fill in gaps where plants have failed to grow 3. to replace.	
lehu	leri	n.		an adze.	
lelgu	lele	n.		a cockroach.	leliga / lela KO
leli	leya	n.		1. a den 2. a lair.	
leli -nda		v.		1. to lick 2. to taste. to come near to something in quantity or quality. (generally used negatively).	
lelinga	lelinsi	n.		tree bearing edible berries.	
lem	lema	n.		a state umbrella.	
lemu	lemunim a	n.		an orange, or other citrus fruit	see leemu
li		pron.		third person sing., neuter, obj. case. it.	
libgi -ra		v.		1. to take by surprise 2. to surprise.	
lichihi		n.		1. deceit 2. fraud 3. false accusation 4. niŋ lichihi. to deceive; to defraud 5. lo lichihi. to falsely accuse.	
lieyu	lieri	n.		very young baby	KO being fed cf. le , KO bilieyu
liya		n.		darkness.	
liyi -ra		v.		1. to patch; to mend 2. to repair, as a wall 3. to hold the breath.	
ligi		v.		to faint	KO AJN entry :
liyibu		n.		coma; fainting; unconsciousness	KO
liyri		n.		money	KO sg. layfu q.v. di liyri ‘price’ (‘its money’): n-di liyri ‘to earn money’; ‘to embezzle money’ liyri awei ‘money from grandfather to grandchildren’
liysi -ra		v.		to spot; to stain.	
lihaliha		adv.		dusky.	
lihi -ra		v.		1. to look 2. to look at 3. to look after.	KO lihi zem ‘defy’ ‘look.at despise’
lii		n.		dim light	KO
liiga		n.		shirt	KO ? type of ~
lilga	lilsi	n.		a medicine to make one invisible.	
lili -nda		v.		to disappear from sight by	

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				supernatural power.	
lilia	lilihi	n.		yam cultivar	
lilisika	lilisikani	n.		a yellow-spotted head-	
	ma			kerchief.	
lilnli	lilima	n.		1. the African wild cherry tree	
				2. wild cherries.	
Limam	Limamn	n.		an Imam; a Muslim high	< Arabic via Hausa
	ima			priest.	
limsi -ra		v.		1. to be covered by	
				2. to becloud; to overshadow	
				3. to confuse an issue	
				4. to distract from another's	
				conversation	
				5. to get out of sight; to	
				disappear.	
linjima		n.		soldier	<English <i>engineer</i>
linliriŋ	linlirma	n.		a creeping plant.	
liŋa	linsi	n.		1. a lid	
				2. a cover.	
lirgi -ra		v.		1. to turn inside out	
				2. to throw out the chest.	
liri -ta		v.		1. to attack	
				2. to cover up	
				3. to obstruct vision	
				4. liri ashili. to conceal a	
				secret	
				5. liri gbini. to cover the	
				shame of.	
litaafi	litaafini	n.		1. a book	(<i>vide</i> 'kundi').
	ma			2. a section of a book.	
liti		n.		complete darkness	KO
lo -ra		v.		1. to tie	lo ania , to endeavor;
				2. to secure	lo noli , to fast;
				3. an auxiliary verb:	lo alkauli , to promise.
					lo amilia. have a wedding -
					with Muslim or Christian
					ceremony
loyi -ra		v.		1. to move stealthily	
				2. to evade	
				3. loyi boyli , to perform the	
				first stage of a Dagomba	
				funeral custom.	
loykpia	loykpihi	n.		cantankerousness.	
loyo	loyonim	n.		(<i>vide</i> loko).	
	a				
loyri		n.		the final observances of the	
				Dagomba funeral custom.	
loysi -ra		v.		1. to be rutted (as a road)	
				2. to be eroded.	
loyu		n.		poison.	pl. ? loyri or lori
loyu	loyunim	n.		(<i>vide</i> loko).	pl. ? < loyri or lori
	a				
loyu	loyri	n.		a quiver.	
loyu	lori	n.		a large water pot.	

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loyu	lari	n.		the masculine indicator for certain animals. (<i>vide laa</i>).	
lobi -ra		v.		1. to cast away 2. to throw 3. to throw away 4. to go back 5. to retreat 6. to return. (labi , WD).	(ED)
lobu	lobunima	n.		good luck.	(<i>vide alobu</i>).
loha		n.		fermenting agent in pito. (ED)	
lohi -ra		v.		(lo'hirli , WD). 1. to soak in water 2. to submerge 3. to cook whole 4. to move from place to place 5. to spring from tree to tree.	
lohirli	lohira	n.		the fermenting agent in pito. (W. D.) (lo'ha , ED).	
loko	lokonima	n.		1. a well in a town, not deeply dug 2. a water hole 3. a shallow well.	(sometimes 'loya' or 'loyu').
lom	loma	n.		the beard of a ram; 'silk' of corn (maize); twine for tying (e.g. for goats/sheep)	
lomli	loma	n.		a special dress for a dance.	
lomli	loma	a.		1. well-built 2. vivacious. (usually used to describe 'paysarli').	
loŋ	lona	n.		1. the throat, inner throat, gullet 2. frog.	
loŋ -da		v.		to gag.	? choke, or stop mouth? TN
loŋ shiluŋ		n.		a permanent inability to speak aloud; the loss of voice.	
loŋaloŋa		a.		brackish.	
loŋchi	lonchi	n.		ferry, 'pontoon'	KO Eng. 'a launch'
loŋgboyu	longboyri i or longbori	n.		a goitre.	
loŋni		N loc		under something enclosing e.g. bed or table 'in the throat of' beneath; at foot of (hill)	KO locative noun -+ -ni see gbinni note
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loo	lohi	n.		field mouse.	
looi -ra		v.		to change from a place; to transfer	(used with respect of 'yili' or 'tiŋa', sometimes 'dunia').
looko	lookonima	n.		1. the staff supporting a load 2. ŋme looko . to interrupt a journey.	
looloo		n.		bauxite	KO
looloochi		n.		method	KO

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loori		n.		lorry, car <English	KO
lorga	lorsi	n.		a nook. (ED) (larga , WD).	
lorgi -ra		v.		1. to untie 2. to be unsuccessful	
lorgi amilia		v.p.		to divorce	
lorgi noli		v.p.		to take a meal after a fast	
losbidi ??		adv.		truly	KO
lu -ra		v.		1. to fall down 2. to be judged guilty, lose law 'case' 3. to be settled. (as a matter in court) 4. f???led in case of creeping plants.	KO lu soli 'start going': noli na bi lu tiŋa 'no sooner had he finished talking' 'word (see noli note) had not yet fallen to the ground'; yiyirigu lubu shee 'airport' 'flying.thing falling place'
lua	luhi	n.		game played by girls.	
luu		n.		downfall	KO
luŋi	-ra	v.		1. to bore	
luŋi yem				to conceive an idea	
luŋilūŋi		a.		bad smelling	KO
luŋlaa		n.		a disease of the gums.	
luŋli		n.		the enlargement of the spleen as caused by malaria.	
luŋli	luŋa	n.		1. the side of anything 2. a person's side 3. cardinal direction (North, S,E,W) 4. a place.	
luŋlikam		adv.		everywhere	KO
luŋpinayi		a.		complete. (literally: all twelve sides).	
zaa					
luŋsi -ra		v.		1. to sow seed the second time 2. to withdraw a remark 3. to pick the teeth. to scoop out.	
luŋulūŋu	luŋulūŋr i	n.		a bottle.	
luhi -ra		v.		1. to make a fall 2. to be satisfied 3. to be right 4. to finish a project.	
lukpoŋu	lukpori	n.		weed.	
luli	luya	n.	b	green fruit-pigeon.	
lumfa	lumfani ma	n.		1. a veranda 2. a shed.	lunfa / lunfanima KO
luŋa	lunsi	n.	mi	the drum, shaped like an hour-glass, upon which the drummers beat when reciting Dagomba history 2. the drummer of such.	
luŋaluŋa		a.		pulpy, soft.	
luŋkuŋmaa	luŋkuŋm	n.		climbing plant having fruit much larger than that produced on the plant called ' firginli '.	
ŋa	aansi				

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luudoli		n.		path downwards	<i>KO lu n-doli</i> V + V 'fall and follow' ?
M					
m		pron.		1st pers. pron. sing. nom. case. 'I'	phonetically conditioned. The Dagbani pronoun is 'N', and becomes 'm' before 'b', 'gb', 'm', and 'p'.)
ma		pron.		1st pers. pron. sing. obj. case. 'me'.	
ma	manima	n.		mother.	
maa		dem.		1. the 2. that 3. a particle qualifying a subordinate clause when the clause refers to past time.	def. article, marker for 'old' information <i>KO</i> [O ni daa chaŋ maa, ka o daa wum di yelmaŋli. When he went, he learned the truth.]
maai -ra		v.		1. to be cool 2. to get cool 3. to be tame 4. maai suhu. to comfort; to appease 5. suhu maai. to be comforted; to be appeased 6. maai nii. to keep calm 7. nii maai. to want to vomit.	
maali -na		v.		1. to repair 2. to make 3. to settle 4. to perform a custom 5. to tend a diety 6. an auxiliary verb:	maali shili. to prepare; maali giuna, to agree, etc.,
maaligu		n.		1. a sacrifice or anything to do with sacrifice, ritual or social function. 2. work 3. business.	
maam	maama	n.		1. sweetheart 2. under certain conditions, a concubine 3. a polite form of address to close friends of the opposite sex.	
maana	maandib a	n.		1. a blacksmith 2. a maker 3. a repairer.	(in compounds) ----- ' -----
maana		n.		reason.	
maani	maana	n.		okra.	(answer <i>KO</i>)
maankuuni	maanku ma	n.		dried okra.	
maanshaasi		excl.		it serves you right.	
maanshaata		excl.		it serves you right.	

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maantoo	maantoh i	n.		dried okra, in soup form.	
maanvaa		n.		leaves of okra	KO pl. maanvari ?
maasim		n.		coolness, dampness (<i>cf./ct.</i> wari) ; chilly (weather).	KO MP pronunciation, see maham : ti maasim ‘good morning’ (second greeting) ‘our coolness’ KO
mabia	mabihi	n.		brother (lit.: (my) mother’s child), pl. used for ‘brethren’	KO
mabilgu		n.		fraternity	KO
macheli		n.		blacksmith	(Hausa)KO also mancheli see next
machele	macelini ma	n.		a blacksmith.	< Hausa see prev.
machelitali		n.		blacksmithing	KO
mayam		n.		lie; showing off ; boasting	KO
magazia	mazazia nima	n.		a leader of a group of women.	< Hausa
maysi	maysini ma	n.		scissors	< Hausa
maysi		v.		compare	KO
maha -ra		v.		1. to be fresh 2. to be damp 3. to be cool 4. to make cool 5. to be slow in one's actions; to be sluggish 6. to be well.	
maham		n.		coolness, dampness, shade	KO masim , mahim see also maasim , ma'him
mahigi -ra		v.		1. to moisten 2. to make cool by moistening.	
mahi		v.		cool down (e.g. liquid)	KO
mahigi		v.		wet	KO
mahigu		n.		a mild form of a venereal disease, more generally occurring with women.	
mahili		n.		1. cool weather 2. chilly weather.	
mahili	maha	n.		pancake, fried sour corn cake	
mahili	maha	a.		1. damp 2. cool 3. fresh 4. sluggish 5. slow of action.	
mahim		n.		1. shade 2. shadow 3. menstruation.	
makalee	makaleh i	n.		a small child	vide mayaaṅkalee
makolle		n.		big metal pot or bin ?	KO
makpema	makpem nima	n.		mother's elder sister.	

Singular	pl./imprf	p/o/s	cl.	Definition	Comment
malaika	malaika	n.		an angel.	<Arabic
	nima				
malaika	m guliba	n.		guardian angel	KO
gula					
malbu		n.		1. dependants 2. activities: 3. condition.	[Naawuni ni soŋ a malbu. May God assist your activities.] also marifa
malfa	malfani	n.		a gun.	
	ma				
malga	malsi	n.		starling (WD). (kamalga , ED).	
malgi -ra		v.		to moisten.	
malgim		n.		dew.	
malgu		n.		possession(s), household	KO (noun from mali)
malgu		n.		repairing	KO (noun from mali)
malgu		n.		dampness in a room.	
mali	màlà	v.		1. to have 2. to possess 3. to hold. 4. to use (sth. already in hand - see zaŋ) 'deride'	N.B. 'to not have' is ká. di mali vi 'it's shameful': (lit.: to have mockery ? = mali 'make mockery' ?
mali					
ansarisi					
mali conti		v.p.		?? 'uses to' prob.	
mali .. nti		v.p.		'has .. in.order. to'	
mali yiko				be able' 'have power' ()	see tooi
mali		v.		make; repair; (Am. 'fix (up)' is both these) ; to clean	KO
malieyu	malieri	n.		1. a toadstool 2. a mushroom.	
malsa		v.		1. to be sweet (as sugar) 2. to be delicious.	cf. nya'asa
malsim		n.		sweetness	KO
mamii		excl.		Is it not?	KO
manbubo	manbub	n.		a grudge.	
	a				
manchisi		n.		(box of) matches	<English
maneeka		n.		grinding mill	KO
mani		pron.		1st person sing. disjunctive form, nom. I.	
manshishiil		a.		not upright	KO
o					
matagkali	mantan̄k	n.		1. sieve 2. wire gauze, mosquito screen	(also matagkali).
	alinima				
maŋa		n.		1. a type of boils 2. the shrub used to cure boils.	
maŋa		pron.		1. self. (reflexive or emphatic in use.) 2. the person is indicated by prefixing the personal pronouns 3. when duplicated it gives the emphatic sense:	KO kpaŋ .. maŋa (tone H L H) 'try ; do your best to ..': lit. 'strengthen .. self' [Mmaŋmaŋa ni chaŋ. I myself will go.]

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Mangarba		p.n.		Sunset Prayer; it is performed immediately after sunset.	see toli
maṅgbibbu maṅkubia	maṅkubi hi	v. n.		comforting a key.	KO rather 'self-control'
maṅkubli maṅli	maṅa	n. a.		a lock. 1. true 2. real 3. good.	KO - maṅli means 'regular (Am.), ordinary, genuine' - thus kpamaṅli is 'shea-butter', the common, local kpam , and yeliṁaṅli is 'truth', genuine words
maṅsiyisibu		n.		humility; selflessness	KO
maṅsoṅsim		n.		self-help	KO
maṅsulinsi		n.		independence	KO
maṅzayisib u		n.		selflessness	KO
maṅmaṅ mapira	mapiran ima	n. n.		one's very self mother's younger sister.	KO
Maraba		excl.		said after seeing someone after a journey: - meaning, 'I am glad to see you.'; similarly ' marahabu '.	<Arabic via Hausa (The reply is N gooyia!).
Marahabu margi -ra		excl. v.		Welcome! 1. to crush 2. to press, with weight.	as Maraba
márá mari	-ra	n. v.		pus 1. to flatten out (as moulding clay) 2. to flatten out (as a tin can; always gives a sense of destruction.)	stem form: má' , már'
marifakuyil i	-kuya	n.		bullet	KO
Masia		n.		Christ, Messiah	KO (esp. used by Protestants - RC Kristo)
masifa mashiifa matankali	matanka linima	n. n. n.		war. disaster 1. a sieve 2. wire gauze. (also mantankali).	see next KO (< Hausa < Ar.) see prev.
matarka	matarka nima	n.		hammer. < Hausa	
matuuka mayaankale e	mayaankale kalehi	n. n.		motor car [old word] a small child.	KO <English (also makale'e).
mayambila	mayamb ih	n.		a small child.	
mazagali	mazagay a	n.		a file. (a tool).	< Hausa
Mba	Mbanima a	p.n.		1. courteous title of the eunuch elder of Ya Naa	

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				2. a courteous means of address to old and respected men is ' M Ba '. 'My father'.	
mbala		pron.		1. that	
mbaye		excl.		2. demons. phrase. that is. An expression of surprise or disappointment.	
mbongo		pron.		1. this	
mbusu		excl.		2. demons. phrase. this is.	
				1. woe	
mbusum		excl.		2. can be used as an interj. expressing distress.	
				1. woe	
mbusumlan a	mbusum nima	n.		2. can be used as an interj. expressing distress.	
me -ra		v.		a woeful person.	
mebinli	mebima	n.		build in mud (house, pot or nest of e.g. swallow, insect)	<i>KO labi me</i> 'rebuild' 'return build'
meblo	mebla	n.		roundworm, in the human system.	(ED)(mebla , WD).
mebu		n.		(WD)(<i>vide mebinli</i> , ED).	
meei		v.		building (action); moulding	<i>KO</i>
meei -ra		v.		to pass blame onto someone	<i>KO</i>
				to spread open.	For example: to open the eye; to open the anus; to open the vagina; to open a fruit.
meenja	meensi	n.		turtle.	
meesa		n.		mason	<English
mehi taba		v.		shift to each other (??)	<i>KO</i>
mergi -ra		v.		1. to pout in contempt	
				2. to be squashed.	
meri -ta		v.		1. to crush	
				2. to smash.	
meri kpiti		adv.		eyes open wide	
mfaa		excl.		1. bravo	
				2. well done!	
				3. fine! an exclamation of approval.	
mfaanja		excl.		1. bravo	
				2. well done!	
				3. fine! an exclamation of approval.	
mí		v.		to know	negative is 3í , to not know s.t.
mi		aux.		marker for 'new' information (on verb) / aspect marker for imperfective	<i>KO</i> ; verb focus (<i>cf./ct. la</i>) <i>TN</i>
mi		v.		ever, in the past	<i>KO i.e.</i> have experienced something : [M mi n-chaŋ NaaYa . I have gone to Yendi before.] :: translate :— 'have'[perf.] in positive, 'ever' in question, 'never' with negative (but see 3i)

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mi -ra		v.		1. to rain 2. to seep through (as water through an earthen pot.) 3. to spin cotton.	na mi n- ‘ever before’
mi		conj.		also; too	<i>KO N + mi</i> ‘N for his/her part’ - contrasts what one participant is/does with a parallel statement about another (ct. gba where they both do/are the same)
mia	mihi	n.		1. a string 2. a rope 3. a thread.	<i>KO</i> thinner ‘cord’, ‘twine’, ‘string’, ‘thread’ may be gabga or garga
miyu	miri	n.		1. a strand of fibre 2. a strand of elastic.	
miha		a.		sour (of fruit).	
mihi		v.		be sour; make sour	<i>KO</i> AJN entry : mihi nini ‘frown’: (this is not mihi ‘sprinkle’ but mihi ‘make sour’, miha ‘be sour’, mihli/miha ‘sour’)
mihi -ra		v.		1. to sprinkle liquids. (usually duplicated when so used) 2. to spray.	(esp. rain - saa mihi ‘there is a shower’)
mihigi -ra		v.		1. to flip off 2. to shake off.	
mii -ra		v.		1. to be sour (as of milk, not limes) 2. to go badly with;	[Di mii ti zuḡo . It has gone badly with us today.]
miili	miina	v.		3. ache, be in pain (<i>KO</i>) 1. to be familiar with 2. to be habitual 3. to become accustomed to.	
miilgu		n.		acquaintance.	
milgi -ra		v.		1. to dress into line 2. to be out of line 3. to change one's position.	
mili	minda	v.		to mop up water with a rag.	
milim -nda		v.		to disappear from sight.	
milinsi		n.		knowledge	<i>KO</i>
mim -da		v.		to dive into water.	
mimahango		adv.		just now.	
mimarli	mimarya	n.		a cudgel. (WD)(kulinduli , ED).	if pl. is not mimara , should be mimarili/mimariya
mimiini	mimia	n.		a fruit of the red hog plum tree.	pl. shd be mimiima (or mimiina)
mimiija	mimiinsi	n.		the red hog plum tree (also mumoyli).	
mini		conj.		and (used between nouns or pronouns.)	When used between pronouns, the pronouns occur in direct order in precedence, i.e. 1st, 2nd and 3rd persons).
mira	miriya	v.		1. Beware!	[imperative tense only.]

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				2. to avoid 3. be careful not to ... (always followed by 'ka').	
miri		n.		mushrooms.	
miri -ta		v.		1. to be near 2. to approach 3. to stare at 4. to squeeze out 5. to bulge out.	
mm		excl.		yes	KO
mm		excl.		no, wrong, that is not so	KO
mo -ra		v.		1. to wrestle 2. to contest, strive for 3. to try to attain to.	
moɣi -ra		v.		to suck.	
moɣli	moɣa	n.		a river.	river or lake which does not dry up in the dry season; GE 'dam' i.e. reservoir: large river (Volta and Oti) KO
moɣlim -nda		v.		to press out of shape;	[moɣlim zini , to show humility. the posture of the body.]
móɣní		n.		bush	form prefixed to wild plant names to show that they are contrasted with planted varieties
moɣolo	moɣolon ima	n.		lute with three strings 2. a harp.	and sanko piano? < Hausa <i>mooloo</i>
moɣsi -ra		v.		1. to nurse 2. to feed a child at the breast 3. to draw out by sucking.	
Moɣu		n.		Moore country	
moɣu	mori	n.		1. grass, weed. 2. bush 3. the wilderness (an uninhabited place).	(sg. the bush, pl. grass, weed). KO moɣu kpebu 'astray' 'going into the bush' '(lit.:)'
moɣu		n.		herbs for medicine.	herbal medicine in water form KO
moɣu ni		n.		wild animal	et. 'bush. in animal')
binkobgu					
moɣu ni		n		zoo	et. bush. in animal house
binkobgu					
yili					
moɣulinga		a.		narrow	KO prob. moɣli(ŋ)ga
moɣumoyu	moɣumo ri	n.		a rectangular building.	
moɣuni		n.		1. the toilet 2. W.C.	(Idiomatic, lit. moɣuni , in the bush).
mogora		n.		hunter for sport or pleasure	KO one who roams - n-go - in the bush - moɣu
mohi -ra		v.		1. to redden; to dye a red colour 2. mohi vielim , to turn up the soil; to plough.	

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Mohili		p.n.		the language of the Moose people.	
mokpalli	mokpala	n.		torch of fire	<i>KO</i>
molfu		n.		antelope	male form, moldibga .
moli	-nda	v.		1. to proclaim 2. to beat the drums in announcement 3. to broadcast 4. to put on rafters.	
moli	moya	n.		arrow shaft.	
molo		n.		a proclamation, usually with a drum.	
moma		a.		ripe	<i>KO</i>
momaha		n.		green pasture ('fresh grass')	<i>KO</i>
mon -da		v.		to refuse to give.	(cf./ct. zayisi)
mongu		n.		mango	<English
moni	mona	n.		1. the daily ration of grain 2. money for daily food.	given by householder to women to 'stir' TZ
moni -da		v.		to 'stir' - cook - TZ	
Moo	Mohi	p.n.		Mossi person	GE: Moshi
mooi -ra		v.		1. to ripen 2. to be ripe (of fruit) 3. to be red 4. mooi buyim. to fetch fire 5. mooi nini. to be serious.	<i>KO mooi nini</i> 'be 'serious', become serious' ('have red eyes')
moori		a.		ripe	<i>KO</i>
mopilinyua	mopiliny uhi	n.		tip of a roof	<i>KO</i>
mopilli	mopila	n.		1. a grass roof 2. a roof.	
morga		n.		resistance.	
mori		n.p.		weeding	et. 'bush' + ?
pahibu					
mori -ta		v.		1. to swell up 2. to be speechless with rage.	
moriga		n.		struggle	<i>KO</i>
motalo		n.		fabric, material from the Moore area	<i>KO</i>
mpaaya		n.		a game of tossing cowries into a distant hole.	
muyi	-ra	v.		1. to be narrow 2. to be tight.	
muyim		n.		1. zero 2. no count.	
muyimuyi		adv.		absolutely nil.	
muyri		n.		riding boots.	
muyisi -ra		v.		1. to oppress 2. to constrict 3. to trouble 4. to persecute.	
muysigu		n.		1. oppression 2. trouble 3. persecution.	
muhibba		n.		1. a charm	

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				2. a spell 3. a love potion 4. good personality 5. good bearing.	
muhili	muha	n.		medicine ground and rolled into balls.	
mukuru	mukurti	n.		1. (under-)skirt, a piece of clothing with strings attached at each end, and worn about the waist of women 2. a skirt.	
mulfu	mulfuni ma	n.		a red felt material.	
mulim -nda		v.		1. to purse 2. to form into cylindrical shape.	
mulitshi		n.		dependants.	
mulnli	mulima	a.		1. round (as a log of wood) 2. cylindrical 3. complete; absolute:	jera mulnli , absolute fool.
mumoyli	mumoya	n.		1. the white hog plum tree 2. the fruit of the white hog plum tree (<i>vide mimiiga</i>).	
munaali		adv.		undeservedly.	
munaalim		n.		an undeserved recompense.	
munafiysi		n.		1. slander 2. defamation 3. false accusation.	< Hausa
munafiysira	munafiy sirba	n.		a slanderer.	
munafiki	munafiki nima	n.		1. a slanderer 2. an informer 3. a secret accuser (always detrimental to the accused, even though true).	munafiichi 'hypocrisy' (< Hausa) munafiichilana 'hypocrite' (KO)
munifikilan a	muafikin ima	n.		1. a slanderer 2. an informer 3. a secret accuser (always detrimental to the accused, even though true).	< Arabic via Hausa
muni	muna	a.		whole.	
munli	mulima	a.		1. round. (as of a log of wood) 2. cylindrical 3. complete; absolute; jera munli , complete fool.	? mulnli/mulma
murjiḡa	murjinsi	n.		a short piece of reed.	
murga	mursi	n.		dried reed used as a torch instead of a lamp.	
Musulmi	Musulmi nima	p.n.		Moslem.	
Musulunsi		p.n.		the Moslem faith; Mohammedanism.	
mushiiba		n.		suffering of affliction.	
muzaaba		n.		suffering of affliction (also	

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muzaalim		n.		mushiiba . suffering of affliction (also mushiiba).	
N					
n		pron.		1st pers. pron., sing., nom. case, I.	[Note: Phonetic assimilation changes this 'n' to 'm' before 'b', 'gb', 'm', and 'p' and occasionally 'kp'.]
n-		part.		a particle prefixed by a hyphen to verbs in citation and in serial constructions (which occur after a initial verb). It usually reflects the meaning 'and'	or 'will' and as such may be the contraction of 'ni', meaning 'and' or 'will' Some have thought this to be a euphonism, and as such, can only be learned by practice.
na	nanima	n.		placenta; afterbirth.	[vide doŋinito]
na or nan		adv.		1. still	
na or nan		adv.		2. (not) yet	
na or nan		adv.		3. then; afterward	Dim sayim k'a nan nyu kom. Eat food and then (afterward), drink water.
na mi n-				'ever before' (see mi note)	
na ɜi n-				KO	
na		adv.		'never before' (see ɜi)	
na				1. hither; here.	[Yim na! Come out here!]
na				2. ... and bring. (This is an understood meaning and in frequent usage.)	[Gbaama o na! Catch him and bring him here!] Cham n-da boroboro na! Go and buy bread and bring it here.]
na ?		aux.		The indicator of the subjunctive mood.	?? see naan
naa	nanima	n.		1. a chief	
naa				2. a king	
naa damba		p.n.		3. a headman.	
naa				18th day of Damba, day for homage	
naa		excl.		response to a call or to most greetings, unless the name of God is in some way invoked (when the response is 'Ami').	(Note: the response to a call is usually on a higher tone than to an ordinary greeting. Women speak more musically than men.)
naai	-ra	v.		1. to finish	
naai				2. to come to an end	
naai noli				3. to be exhausted (in supply).	sayim naaiya 'I have died' KO
naalog	naalona	n.	b	to agree, to compromise	
naam		excl.		blue-coloured birds which feed principally upon grasshoppers.	Abyssinian roller?
naam				an answer to a call (also 'naap').	
naamam		n.	m	epithet for the cat.	
naan		aux.		marker for condition or	KO see na

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naani		n.		hypoth., 'would' 1. trust 2. confidence 3. niŋ naani , to trust in; to have confidence in.	
naaninye	naaninye nima	n.		silent cricket.	
naanyi		adv.		then, subsequently; finally (see poi)	KO
naanzuli naap	naanzua	n. excl.		pepper an answer to a call (also, 'naam').	KO
naasanjerig u Naawuni	naasanje ra	n. p.n.		crab 1. God, the First Person of the Trinity in Christian doctrine 2. the Almighty, High God of Pagans: Note: an ancestral deity is called 'wuni', therefore, Naawuni is the 'king of all gods' and is regarded as Creator and Life-giver 3. Allah of Muslims.	KO in MP this means a centipede Several words perhaps have their derivation from these: wuntia , righteousness; wuntaja , sun; etc., etc. (<i>vide wunni</i>). Naawuni suhibu 'praying' KO
naawuni daa nààwúńí dábli	naawuni dahi nààwúńí dábà	n. n.		a dark circle around either the sun or the moon. 1. a godly man 2. the title of the termite ant called 'cherli'.	'God's market' 'God's servant/slave'
naawunni nubila Naawuni Shia Kasi	naawuni nubihi	n. p.n.		the fore-finger. God's Holy Spirit; the Holy Spirit, the Third Person of the Trinity, in Christian doctrine.	
naba dali nabi -ra		n. v.		8 th day; a week after 1. to grow stout (usually said of a child) 2. to increase in weight or quantity.	KO
nabia	nabihi	n.		1. a son of a chief 2. a descendant of a chief.	
nabikoyu nabilgu	nabikori	n. n.		ringworm. pride of race, in either a good or a bad sense.	
nabilim		n.		pride of race, in either a good or a bad sense.	
nabinbieml ana nabiyonja		n.		despot	KO nabibiemlana 'prince.evil.owner'
nabli	nabiyons i	n.		a prince <i>sine cura</i> .	
nabli	naba	n.		a kind of shrub, used as an herb to bathe thin children. 1. leg 2. foot 3. foot-print	

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				4. kari naba , to go and summon; to go and overtake.	chase after, follow sb. (out of sight), try and find them [TN]
nachima	nachimba	n.		1. a servant	
nachimbila	nachimba	n.		2. a lad.	
				1. a lad	
				2. a young man. (also naychima q.v.).	
nay		adv.		only or except; (a short form of ' nayla ', used between the subject and verb.)	[So bi chaŋ puu ni, Abu nay chaŋ. No one went to the farm, only (except) Abu.]
naya		adv.		to sit down heavily or loosely (always with reference to a large person); used with ' zini '.	? semantically-auxiliary verb
naybarga	naybarsi	n.		a black tick bird.	Black magpie? (see naypiel'ga)
naychima	naychimba	n.		a lad, a young man, teenage boy (also nachimbila).	[<i>chim</i> occurs in Kuasaal as 'to herd (animals)' - TN]
naychinsi		n.		the wearing of fine cloths. (also nachinsi).	! 'teenage boys' fashions'!
naygorgu	naygorti	n.		a cattle kraal.	(also naylua).
naygula		n.		cowherd	KO
nayi -ra		v.		1. to miss	
				2. to miss out	
				3. to fail to	
				4. to be absent	
				5. nayi taba , to not see each other;	[Ti nayi taba yum' ayi mboon. For two years, we have not seen each other.]
				6. to bend concavely; to be sway-backed;	[O nayi o nyaana. He bent his back.]
nayinayi		n.		a wind-fall; something unexpectedly received for gratis.	
nayiyem		n.		grass.	
naykorili	naykora	n.		bullock ('ploughing-cow')	KO
naykpaa	naykpahi	n.		1. pegs driven in the ground to secure cattle	
				2. a place where cattle pegs are driven.	
naykpara	naykparba	n.		a cowherd; (usually a small boy; often a Fulani man.).	
naykum		n.		cattle-plague.	Rinderpest ?
nayla		adv.		1. unless	see also nay
				2. except	
				3. only	
				4. until.	
naylaa	naylahi	n.		bull	KO
naylaatabli	naylaataba	n.		bullock.	
naylaatoli	naylaatoya	n.		stud bull.	
naylinga	naylinsi	n.		1. a small depression in the ground	

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naylua	nayluhi	n.		2. a low valley. a cattle kraal	also naygorgu
naynimdi		n.		beef	KO
nayninpobr	nayninp	n.		a moth.	
gu	obra				
naynyaŋ	naynya	n.		cow (female)	KO
	ma				
naynyili	naynyiya	n.	m	hyena.	
náynyóóntí	náynyóó	n.	t	tree with long slender pods.	náynyóóŋá ‘insect sp. that lands on its flowers’. <i>Entada africana</i> Guill. & Perr.
à	ntíhì				
náynyóóŋá	náynyóó	n.	i	an edible beetle.	
	nsí				
naypielga	naypielsi	n.		1. a white tick bird 2. the lesser (cattle) egret.	
naypuri		n.		grass.	
nayruŋ	nayrima	n.		a small valley.	
nayyihim	nayyihi	n.		horse grass.	
	ma				
nahi		v.		cancel; make level	KO
nahim -nda		v.		1. to worry someone 2. to vex or trouble someone 3. to try hard.	
nahingbaŋ	nahingb	n.		description; colour	KO
	ana				
nahingu		n.		distress, suffering	KO
náhù	níyî	n.		cow, bovine (’)	in compounds it becomes ‘ nay-
nakoha	nakohan	n.		a butcher.	
	ima				
nakpaa	nakpahi	n.		a division in a yam farm.	
nakpayindi		n.		1. deliberate negligence (criminal negligence) 2. mali nakpayindi , to be deliberately negligent.	
nakpoŋu	nakpari	n.		a musical instrument (flute) made from a guinea corn stalk.	nakpaŋu KO
nam	nama	n.		1. chieftaincy 2. sovereignty 3. regency.	nam zupilgu / nam zupilsì ‘crown’ (royal hat) KO
nam -da		v.		1. to create 2. to cause 3. to beget 4. to bear a child 5. to invent.	
namboŋu		n.		1. mercy 2. pity 3. zo namboŋu , to have mercy on 4. niŋ namboŋu , to cause pity.	
nambosili		n.		sympathy	KO
namdakuŋa	namdak	n.		a wooden sandal.	

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	uysi				
namdli	namda	n.		1. a sandal 2. a shoe.	
namioŋ	namima	n.		a bush turkey (the Greater Bustard).	
namo		n.		1. poverty 2. non-plentiful supply.	(usually used with a negative, [Mana ka namo shieyu ni. Ocra is in plentiful supply in the rainy season.])
namoyla	namoylb a	n.		eunuch.	namoyli KO
nan		adv.		1. still	(vide na
nandaanga				2. yet then.	
nandahama		n.		sorrow.	
nandahama lana	nandaha mnima	n.		a person who is sorrowful; one who is experiencing adverse circumstances.	
nandana	nandam ba	n.		1. a poor person 2. a pauper.	
nani		n.		1. kind	
				2. species.	
nani		v.		1. to be possible 2. to be done 3. to thrive 4. to materialise.	
nani -nda		v.		to scrub.	
nanima		n.		placenta.	[vide na]
nansayli	nansaya	n.		tiger-nut.	
nansaytikpi	nansayti	n.		wild or false tiger-nut.	
rli	kpira				
nansanjerg u	nansanje ra	n.		crab.	[I suspect this meaning of being a lexicographical 'ghost': in MP it is certainly a red stinging centipede - TN]
nansara		n.		snuff, tobacco.	
nansarchia	nansarc hihi	n.		a snuff box.	
nansarzim	nansarzi ma	n.		powdered tobacco; ground tobacco.	
nantarga	natarsi	n.	m	musk shrew	
nantoo	nantohi	n.		small spiritual bird for evil	KO
nantoo	nantohi	n.		anthrax.	
nanuyla	nanuyla	n.		yam cultivar	
	nima				
nanviykpuk pilli	nanviyk pukpila	n.		a big sand fly.	
nanviyu	nanviri	n.		a sand fly.	
nanzili	nanziya	n.		tree used for making charcoal.	Prosopis africana
nanzua	nanzuhi	n.		1. a pepper (fruit) 2. pepper as a condiment.	
nanzutoyu	nanzutor i	n.		a large, mild pepper.	

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nanzuchirga	nanzuchirsi	n.		a small, very hot pepper.	
nangbanma		n.		sweet words	KO
lsim		n.		blabbermouth	KO
nangbanma		n.			
liq		n.			
nangbani	nangbana	n.		external mouth (lips etc.), mouth as part of face (vs. noli , inner mouth, mouth as hole, cavity)	AJN entry : used in idioms for a person's opinion, view in a (potential) dispute; noli is firm 'word' as a settled promise or command
nangbanpib	nangban	n.		lip.	
li	piba	n.	ep	epithet for the hyena.	
nangbanpo		n.			
qlana		n.		breakfast.	lit. 'washing of the mouth'
nangbansuu	nangban	n.			
li	suuya	n.		the failure to have eaten.	cf./ct. nolo'ri ,
nangbantoy		n.			
u		n.		1. sorrow	
nangbantom		n.		2. a casualty, a mishap.	
nangbantoma		n.		tribal marks cut near the mouth.	
nangbantuh		n.		1. a long moustache	
i		n.		2. the whiskers of an animal.	
nangbanqko		n.		moustache.	
bri		n.			
nangbanqkp		n.		1. a dispute	
eeni		n.		2. an argument	
		n.		3. ɲme nangbanqkpeeni , to dispute.	
nangbanzul	nangban	n.		the point of the hip.	
i	zuya	n.			
nangbanzus		n.		edges	KO nangbanzugsaa 'upper lip' or sg. nangbanzuhili or -zuhigu
a		n.			disease of grain, producing black powder
nangom	nangoma	n.		1. smut	
napaysuli	napaysu	n.		grasshopper.	
	ya	n.			
napayzuli	napayzu	n.		a sister or a niece of a chief's wife, given to her as a domestic servant.	
	ya	n.			
napoyu	napori	n.		1. a sheep pen inside the compound	
		n.		2. house	
		n.		3. sambani napoyu , a pen outside the compound.	
naponchehi		n.		foot level	KO
naponchinc		n.		footsteps sound	KO
hiba		n.			
napontamdi		n.		footstool	KO
gu		n.			
napontimti		n.		elephantiasis	KO

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mli					
napoŋ	napona or napoma	n.		leg, foot, wheel of vehicle	ŋme napoŋ ‘pace out’ (measure a distance) <i>KO</i>
napoŋbila	napoŋbi hi	n.		a toe.	
napoŋbilloy u	napoŋbil lori	n.		the great toe.	
napoŋkpaa	napoŋkp ahi	n.		the heel.	
napoŋkpuyi gu	napoŋkp uyla	n.		the ankle.	
napoŋkpuli	napoŋkp uya	n.		painful swelling and tender soles of the feet.	
napoŋpuuni	napoŋpu ma	n.		the sole of the foot.	
napoŋvoŋyu	naponva ri	n.		sole	<i>KO</i> foot’ : ‘sole, palm’ is - tali/-tala <i>KO</i>
napoŋzaŋa nara		a. n.		barefooted 1. early millet 2. a nasal disease in horses.	
nara		excl.		phrase of execration, May God curse you!	
nargbungba ŋ	nargbuŋ gbama	n.		grass used in weaving gballa mats.	
narigu		n.		cheating	<i>KO</i>
narim -nda		v.		1. to curse (of persons) 2. to belittle.	
naringa	narinsi	n.		mudfish.	
nasara	nasaara nima	n.		white man; a man of the Caucasian race.	<Hausa Non-African (applies to Koreans, Japanese, Indians) <i>cf. silimiŋ’a</i> <Arabic
nasara		n.		1. victory 2. success (as in winning a court case) 3. di nasara , to gain victory, to win, to be successful in contest.	
natitamlana		n		almighty	<i>KO</i> na (chief) + titali (big) + lana (owner) ?
nayiŋa	nayiŋsi	n.		a thief (also tayiŋa).	
nayiŋim		n.		a theft (also tayiŋim).	
nayiŋsigu		n.		a theft. (also tayiŋim).	
nayilga	nayilsi	n.		aborigine	(<i>vide timbuli</i>).
nayili	naya	n.		palace (irr. pl.)	<i>KO</i>
ndam		num.		Number one; (ordinal number used only in counting	
ndanna		excl.		1. a response to a greeting 2. equivalent to: ‘My lord’.	
n-gooiya		excl.		acknowledgement of a greeting of welcome.	
ne	ne	v.		be awake, alive, capable	<i>KO</i>
ne		v.		to see.	
nec	nehi	n.		the tree (<i>vide segbe</i>).	<i>pterocarpus</i>

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neei	-ra	v.		1. to wake up 2. to resurrect, to come to life again 3. to wake sb. up 4. to dawn; 5. to be clear to the senses 6. to be clear in understanding 7. to be wise 8. to make clear (transitive).	[Bieyu neeya , Day has dawned. ; neei bieyu ‘the next day’ (lit.: ‘when tomorrow brightens/wakes up’)]
neenahaba		n.		a tree like the one called ‘ nee ’.	
neeni	nema	n.		possession, tool, piece of luggage.	usu. pl.
neesim		n.		1. light 2. brightness. 3. intelligence.	
nekanja	nekansi	n.		the upper millstone.	
neli	neya	n.		the lower millstone.	
nem		v.		grind	KO
ni		adv.		there, in that place:	[O be ni . He is there.]
ni		prep.		in; into; to; from (according to accompanying verb and context.)	[Kom be duyu ni . There is water in the pot.] [N yiya wo ya ni a yiya . My house is far from your house.]
ni		conj.		1. and (used between words but not between sentences). 2. with (accompaniment); 3. with (instrument)	comitative particle before NP [gun ni u paya chan . He and his wife went] [O chan ni o paya . He went with his wife.] [O gmaai li ni sua . He cut it with a knife.]
ni		part.		that: (introducing indirect speech).	ni is the quotative particle (‘(you/they say) that how?’) n’a wula (tone H H ! L) ‘what do you mean (by it)? what’s up?’
ni		part.		so as to; in order to (introducing a clause).	
ni		part.		1. when (introducing a subordinate clause:) 2. (introducing a relative)	[A ni daa chan .. When you went ..] [M bori la su sheli o ni daa da la . I want the knife he bought. - WAAW]
ni		aux.		a particle indicating future time.	
nia		n.		determination	KO see niya, ania, aniya (!)
nifu	nina	n.		eye (a form of nini).	
niyilim		n.		electricity	KO
buyim					
niylili	niylima	n.		electric fish.	
nii		n.		body	contraction of ‘ ningbu ’)
niima		n.		riches; wealth	< Hausa
nikayu	nikayti	n.		fibre	KO
nim -da		v.		to do everything possible to avoid (always used with ‘go’,	

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				always used as a warning).	
nimaa		adv.		there	<i>KO nimaani q.v.</i>
nimaali		n.		comfort	<i>KO ni mali</i> ‘will repair’ ?
nimaani		adv.		there	<i>KO</i>
nimbaṅda	nimbaṅd iba	n.		an acquaintance.	
nimbila	nimbihi	n.		the pupil of the eye (also ninbia).	
nimbobalga	nimboba lsi	n.		1. fruit of the dazuli tree 2. any product of it.	
nimdi		n.		1. meat 2. (dead) flesh.	
nimmaha		n.		fresh meat	<i>KO</i>
nimmoo		n.		seriousness	<i>KO</i>
nimpobrigu	nimpobr isi	n.		blinkers (Br.)/ blinders (Am.) [on the bridle of a horse.]	
nimpoyu	nimpari	n.		an eyelid.	
nimpuri		n.		the secretion from eyes that dries as a dust.	
nimzie		n.		fresh meat with fat ‘red + meat’	<i>KO</i>
nimbia	nimbihi	n.		pupil of the eye. (also nimbila).	
nimbiera		n.		1. general eye complaint 2. conjunctivitis.	
nimbilpiem		n.		a sty on the eye.	
nimpuri		n.		white stuff from the eye	<i>KO</i>
nin-		n.c.		-person, human- (in fixed compounds)	<i>KO</i> <i>KO</i> AJN entry : see ninsala , nira , ninvuy
ninchini		a.		disrespectful.	
ninchinsi		n.		disrespect.	
ninchintali		n.		disrespect.	
nindoo		n.		expression, facial features	<i>KO</i>
ningurima		n.		face not yet washed after sleep	<i>KO</i>
níní	nínâ	n.		eye	<i>KO di ka nini</i> ‘it is disgusting’ <i>kpaai nina kpa</i> ‘look at with most attention’ <i>mooi nini</i> ‘be ‘serious’, become serious’ (‘have red eyes’) <i>o nini ni</i> ‘in his presence’ ‘eyes do not rest down’ (‘eyes are sated’)
nini bi do				‘very anxious’ - ‘keep glancing up’	
tiṅa				be pleased with; rely on; trust’	
nini tiyi					
ninkayu(?)	ninkari	n.		eyebrow	<i>KO</i>
ninkahimbo		n.		twinkling of eye	<i>KO</i>
ninkpara		n.		spectacles	<i>KO</i>
ninkpeental i		n.		bravery	<i>KO</i>
ninkurgu	ninkura	n.		old, middle aged person	<i>KO</i>
ninkuunsi		n.		awkwardness of character; ‘much courage’	<i>KO</i>
ninkuunsila na		n.		difficult person	<i>KO</i>

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ninliha		n.		1. a public performance 2. an exhibition.	
ninmihigun		n.		frown	KO
ninmoo		n.		1. seriousness 2. anxiety 3. eagerness.	see nimmoo
ninneeli		n.		partiality.	
ninneesim		n.		civilisation ('human enlightenment')	KO
ninni	ninna	n.		face.	
nisabga	nisabsi	n.		1. dizziness 2. dismay 3. unrest of mind.	
ninsala	ninsalni ma	n.		a human being.	see nira , ninvuy' , nin-
nintam		n.		a tear-drop, tears.	mass noun like kom
nitarima	nintarim ba	n.		a blind person.	
nintofuyifu yi		n.		foam from mouth	KO
nintochirga	nintochi rsi	n.		a squirt of saliva.	
nintogbali	nintogba ya	n.		slobber; saliva drooling down.	
nintokom	nintoko ma	n.		saliva from the corners of the mouth.	
nintori		n.		1. saliva 2. tuhi nintori. to spit.	
nintuanintu hi		n.		ring	KO
ninvuy		n.		-person (used in <i>ad hoc</i> compounds - see nin-)	AJN entry : see ninsala , nira
ninvuyfabo		n.		robbing people; dishonesty	KO
ninvuykura	ninvuyk urba	n.		a murderer.	
ninvuysun	ninvuysu ma	n.		good person; saint	KO
ninvuyu		n.		person (used only with qualifying adjectives, sometimes forming compound words)	[ninvuykura , a murderer; ninvuyzee , a light-coloured person.]
ninvuyzee	ninvuyze hi	n.		light-coloured person.	
ninzeensi		n.		disrespect. (<i>vide</i> zeensi).	
niŋ		v.		1. to do 2. to perform 3. to make 4. zaŋ niŋ , to put into 5. an auxiliary verb used with certain abstract nouns to form verbal phrases:	bo n niŋ 'why (stress); what happened?' (bo) imperfective niŋdi,niŋda niŋ alibarika niŋ 'to bless' tuuba niŋbu 'conversion'(see tuuba) KO
niŋgboyu	niŋgbori	n.		1. eyebrow 2. neuralgia of the eyebrows.	
niŋgboykuy	niŋgboy	n.		bone under the eyebrow.	

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li	kuya				
ningbuɲ	ningbina	n.		body.	
ningbuɲ		n.		fever; sickness ‘body hotness’	KO
biisim					
niɲkayu	niɲkari	n.		eyelash.	
niɲkatirsi		n.		a disease of the eye-lashes; Trichiasis.	
niɲkunsi		n.		1. heartlessness 2. cruelty 3. murder.	
niɲkurgu	niɲkura	n.		an aged person.	
niɲkurlim	ninkurli	n.		old age	KO
	m				
niɲkpeensi		n.		1. insolence 2. forwardness 3. mali niɲkpeensi , to be insolent.	
niɲsim		n.		ability, activity	KO
nira	nirba	n.		1. a person (pl. = people) 2. o nyela nira , He is a good person.	see ninsala , ninvuy’ , nin-
nirlim		n.		kindness.	
niya		n.		effort; purpose; intention	KO AJN entry : also aniya , nia <Hausa
no -ra		v.		1. to tread upon 2. to trample.	
nobila	nobihi	n.		chick	KO
nobilinini	noblinin	n.		a shrub bearing edible berries.	see no'onini ?
	a				
nobiltuɲ	nobiltun	n.	da	a newly-hatched chicken.	
	a				
nobindi	nobina	n.		guano, chicken manure	KO
nóchérgà	nóchérsi	n.	s	small snake which bites chickens. ? Blanding’s tree snake	
		n.	i	fowl tick	
nóchérgà	nóchérsi	n.	da	a speckled fowl.	
nochicherga	nochiche				
	rsi				
nodeebu		n.		obedience	KO ‘accepting the command’ noli (q.v.) + deci
nogalli		n.		hen’s (‘fowl’s’ Gh.) egg	KO
nokobga		n.		chicken-feather	KO
noli		adv.		completely	KO
nólí	nóyâ	n.		1. mouth 2. muzzle (of animal) 3. beak (of bird). 4. yeli noli , to curse	used in idioms for a person’s firm ‘word’ as a settled promise or command, curse, etc.; opinion, view in a (potential) dispute is nangbani q.v teeku noli ‘edge, brink of the sea; coast’ KO KO noloyu kukoli ‘cock crow’ cf./ct. nangbantoy’u , = Ramadan
noloyu	nolori	n.		cock	
nolori		n.		fasting.	
Nolori Goli		p.n.		9th. month of the Dagomba year, the fasting month.	

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Nolori-bilaa		p.n.		8th. month of the Dagomba year, (before Nolori).	
nom		n.		sticky excrement of a newly-born child.	
noga	nonsi	n.		scorpion.	
noni		v.		to be possible; to be done, (ED).	
noni		v.		to thrive; to ????. ().	nani , WD
nonyan	nonyam	n.		hen	KO
noo	nohi	n.		fowl;	noloyu , masc. form.
noombilnini					see no'blinini , no'onini ?
nooga	noonsi	n.		bird (generic)	
noonini	noonina	n.		a shrub bearing edible berries.	= no'blinini ?
nooyuni		n.		lice on fowls.	
norli	nora	n.		1. a boil, sore, carbuncle 2. anthrax, a very serious boil, usually in animals.	
norpielli	norpiela	n.		a boil.	
nosaa	nosahi	n.		pullet.	
nosali	nosaya	n.		an earthen pot used to water chickens, or, to hatch chickens.	
nosuyu	nosuyri	n.		hen coop.	
nosuyudachee	nosuyudachehi	n.		the smallest chick of a hatching.	
notili	notiya	n.		(WD). a black and white fowl. (notuli , ED).	
notuli	notuya	n.		(ED). a black and white fowl. (notili , WD).	
noyelli	noyela	n.		(WD). a maggot. (noyolli , ED).	
noyoli	noyoya	n.		two-or-more-coloured fowl.	
noyolli	noyola	n.		(ED). a maggot. (noyelli , WD).	
nozaysibu		n.		disobedience	KO noli (see note) + zaysi + nom.sx.
nti		conj.		and	KO fulfilled intention 'in order to .. (and did)'
nubila	nubihi	n.		finger.	
nubilkpaliga	nubilkpalinsi	n.		the little finger.	
nubilloyu	nubillori	n.		the thumb.	
nuchee	nuchehi	n.		the wrist.	
nudirgu	nudirti	n.		the right hand.	
nuyso	nuysoni	n.		a blue dye made from a small, cultivated indigo plant.	
nuyso	nuysoni	a.		blue colour.	
numaha	numaha	n.		1. a pilferer 2. Idiom: one with 'itchy palms.	
numahalan	ba	n.		thief	KO

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numbo	numboni	n.		a monstrosity. (also zinani).	see next
numbu	numbuni	n.		a monstrosity. (also zinani).	see prev.
nuntua	nuntuhi	n.		a finger ring.	
nupuyu	nupuri	n.		1. acclamation of men, by clapping the hands 2. the intermittent clapping when addressing a fetish.	
nupuni		n.		the palm of the hand.	
nusurigu	nusuriti	n.		glove	KO
nutali	nutaya	n.		the palm of the hand.	
nuu	nuhi	n.		1. hand 2. upper limb; arm; 3. forelimb 4. (elephant's) trunk 5. Naawuni nubila , the forefinger.	names of other fingers, etc. appear in alphabetical order. nuu bangsim 'art, craft' (cunning of hand)
nuyelli		n.		back of hand	KO
nuzaa	nuzahi	n.		left hand.	
nuzaja		n.		empty hand(edness), nothing	KO
NY					
nya	-ra	v.		1. to see 2. to look 3. to earn; to obtain 4. concern;	used idiomatically and impersonally: [Di bi nya ma . It does not concern me.]
nya		v.		be	KO = nye q.v. note
nya		v.		see; 'behold', here/there it is, 'voilà' ; earn, get; find; beget	KO I think the 'behold' sense has a nasal prefix - nnya : tuui nya 'discover' 'be.first to.find' vihi nya 'detect' 'investigate and discover'
nyaadua		n.		garden eggs	KO
nyaandola	nyaando	n.		1. a follower 2. a disciple.	
nyaanzaana	liba	n.		supporter	KO 'back-stander'
nyaanzum		n.		back-biting.	
nyaanga	nyaansi	n.		1. back; 2. zu nyaanga , to speak behind a person's back. (also 'yaanga'). 3. followers (en masse), descendants (KO)	noun used in relational senses: labsi nyaanga 'demote', retard nyaanga labsibu 'retardation' 'returning back' KO
nyaanga		adv .		1. at the back 2. behind 3. after, positionally 4. after (actually, 'in the future' in relation to time) 5 hereafter 6. afterwards 7. backward	(sometimes one hears 'nyaanga').

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nyayi -ra		v.		8. in the absence of. 1. to hang on the shoulder 2. to put forth the cob on growing corn.	
nyayim -nda		v.		1. to be besmeared 2. to jabber.	
nyayli	nyaya	n.		root.	
nyayli -nda		v.		to tickle.	
nyayligu		n.		tickling.	
nyaysa		a.		1. to be palatable 2. to be pleasant (of anything).	[Gh.E 'sweet'] may be sweet, sugary (but see malisa , mal'sa), but much wider; 'nice', esp. taste (<i>cf.</i> viela); interesting, fun, desirable in whatever sense is appropriate <i>KO</i>
nyaysi -ra		v.		1. to flash 2. to glitter 3. to dazzle.	
nyaysim		n.		1. pleasure 2. pleasant taste 3. wum nyaysim , to be pleased 4. niŋ nyaysim , to give pleasure.	di nyaysim 'enjoy' :
nyaysili	nyaysa	a.		sweet.	
nyahi -ra		v.		to taste and try.	
nyahi		v.		tell a parable	<i>KO</i>
nyalfu	nyili	n.		a guinea worm.	<i>see also nyerifu</i>
nyam -da		v.		to set the teeth on edge (the reaction to things sour or to certain sounds).	
nyam		n.		clean, cleanliness	<i>KO</i>
nyamm		adv.		1. quietly 2. softly.	
nyamma		n.		1. easy gain 2. easily acquired wealth.	
nyamnyam		adv.		quickly	<i>KO</i>
nyaŋ -da		v.		1. to defeat, overcome 2. be too much for (<i>e.g.</i> be too expensive for..) 3. to be able (<i>esp.</i> in past - see tooi) 4. to be fit to do 5. to earn 6. to be worthy of 7. to be (in the sense of possessing the character of);	O nyaŋ doo. He is a good man. Naawuni Yuli nyaŋ kasi. God's name is hallowed (holy).]
nyaŋ		a.		female (animal)	<i>KO</i>
nyaŋbu		v.		overcoming; victory	<i>KO</i>
nyarbindi		n.		1. the symptoms of guinea worm 2. the rash that comes before the worm appears.	

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nyè	nyela	v.		to be. ' nye la ' is the form used except when the subject and the verb are inverted (<i>see la</i>):	(a copulative verb, not meaning, 'to exist' - <i>see be</i>). [O nyela bia. Bia nye o. He is a child.]
nye -ra		v.		1. to lay eggs 2. to defecate. 3. to make tubers (yams &c.)	gala nyebu laying eggs <i>KO</i>
nyebga	nyebisi	n.		crocodile.	
nyebi -ra		v.		to have sexual intercourse with.	
nyebila		n.		small child whose mother has given birth	<i>KO</i>
nyebli		n.		sexual intercourse.	
nyebli	nyeba	n.		foundation.	
nyee	nyehi	n.		nose.	nyee n nyoni 'be fed up': ? what is nyoni ?? (not entered) <i>KO</i>
nyee	nyehi	n.		children born closely together, by the same mother.	(Because of this custom, this was not considered an honourable practice among the Dagomba people).
nyeei -ra		v.		1. to brush past 2. scrape clear; wipe 3. to pull down from above, remove sth. from roof 4. to come out 5. to shine (of the sun only).	nyeei woligu 'wipe sweat' <i>KO</i>
nyefiti		n.		a thick haze, during the harmattan.	
nyehi		v.		delete; wipe out	<i>KO</i>
nyel(i)si		v.		melt	<i>KO</i>
nyelgi -ra		v.		1. to melt 2. to become liquid.	
nyeli	nyeya	n.		a full brother, next in order of age.	sibling of same sex
nyeli -nda		v.		to push something up into something.	
nyelimoyu		n.		a steam bath.	
nyelsi -ra		v.		1. to shine; (of brass, etc.) 2. to reflect 3. to dazzle.	
nyem	nyema	n.		semen; sperm.	
nyemannye		n.		groceries, assorted stuff	<i>KO</i>
ma					
nyemanyem		n.		grocer; general store keeper	<i>KO</i>
alana					
nyemari		n.		nasal mucus.	
nyenkpeiling	nyenkpa	n.		yam cultivar	
a	linsi				
nyenyonigu		n.		1. worrisome 2. troublesome 3. cumbersome.	
nyergi -ra		v.		1. to be on bad terms with 2. to be at variance with.	
nyeri		v.		crawl	<i>KO</i>

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nyerifunyii a		n.		guinea-worm	KO see also
nyerkobga	nyerkob si	n.		a plant with many bulbs. It is used as an aphrodisiac.	
nyeshia	nyeshihi	n.		nasal septum	cartilage, the soft bone between the nostrils.
nyevili	nyeviya	n.		life.	
nyevilpohili	nyevilpo ha	n.		a plant with smaller leaves resembling the ?? whistle plant.	
nyevoli	nyevoya	n.		nostril.	
nyeyaba	nyeyabni ma	n.		water bird.	
nyi -ra		v.		1. to take a small amount of 2. to speak roughly to.	
nyihi -ra		v.		1. to inform 2. to reveal a secret 3. nyihi tekum , to inform against.	
nyii		v.		bite (off)	KO
nyili		v.		appear partially	KO
nyimsi		n.		the neem tree.	
nyimsi -ra		v.		1. to pick at 2. to pick tiny pieces off something 3. to warn of some mishap 4. to cut into small bits.	
nyimsigu	nyimsa	n.		a warning of a mishap.	
nyimsili	nyimsa	n.		lemon, lime	KO
nyina pihita		n.		horse's own mouth ?? 'thirty teeth'	KO
nyinbayu	nyinbayr i	n.		a molar tooth.	
nyindaa	nyindahi	n.		1. a tusk (of bush pig, hippopotamus, elephant) 2. the tooth of a horse, by which its age is determined.	
nyingobaa	nyingob ahi	n.		the nape of the neck.	
nyingokorg a	nyingok orsi	n.		1. an ornament of the neck 2. necklace.	
nyingoli	nyingok orsi	n.		1. an ornament of the neck 2. necklace.	
nyingoli	nyingoya	n.		1. neck 2. the nape of the neck.	
nyingosima		n.		rheumatism of the neck.	
nyini	nyina	n.		a tooth.	
nyini		pron.		2nd person, singular, emphatic form. 'you'.	
nyinnyima		n.		sickness that eats up the upper lip, leaving the teeth bare, so that the person seems to be always laughing	Proverb: Nyinnyimalan' nimmoo dali kom dir' o mi ka be yel' n' o yaa larmi. The person suffering from the sickness that eats away the upper lip is serious, he will

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					drown and people will say that he is laughing. [Gh.E 'rival']
nyintaa	nyintahi	n.		a co-wife, in the same house.	
nyintahili		n.		'rival'ry	KO (see nyintaa)
nyinvoɣu		n.		toothache 'tooth-hole'	KO
nyin yam		n.p.		gap between two main teeth	KO
nyinyieɣu	nyinyieri	n.		1. a fingernail 2. a claw.	also nyinyayɣu KO
nyinzua	nyinzuhi	n.		1. a front, milk-tooth 2. a tooth which replaces a milk-tooth.	
nyirga	nyirsi	n.		the vagina.	check! [TN] MP = 'arse hole': see also nyirvoɣu ; also used in abuse - A nyiriga! : euphemism gbinvoɣu 'bottom-hole' KO
nyiringa	nyirinsi	a.		1. tiny 2. very small.	
nyirvoɣu	nyirvari	n.		1. the rectum 2. anus.	pl. or nyirivori KO
nyo	-ra	v.		1. to burn with fire 2. to light a fire or lamp.	
nyo		v.		1. to stink 2. to smell offensively.	
nyoyi -ra		v.		1. to hit the mark (in shooting) 2. to carry in the arms (as a small child) 3. to contract disease 4. to seize hold of.	
nyoɣu	nyori	n.		the chest (part of the body).	ɲme nyoɣu 'boast'
nyoɣu		n.p.		boasting' 'pounding ones chest	
ɲmebu					
nyoɣu	nyori	n.		intestine.	
nyodali	nyodaya	n.		shrub.	
nyohi		n.		smoke.	
nyohim -nda		v.		1. to smell an odour 2. to hint.	
nyolinga	nyolinsi	n.		a pebble.	
nyom	nyoma	n.		1. scent 2. the scent of anything; stench.	
nyomsli	nyomsa	n.		lime fruit.	
nyomuɣli	nyomuɣ	n.		asthma.	
	a				
nyoni	-nda	v.		1. stink 2. to be enraged 3. nyee nyoni , to be weary of; to be fed up with.	
nyonjinli	nyonjilim	n.		bare chest	KO
	a				
nyonli	nyonma	n.		vole	KO
nyonni		n.		forest; Southern Ghana	KO
nyonyongu		n.		boredom	KO cf. nyee nyoni
nyoo	nyohi	n.	t	tree	<i>Daniellia Olivera.</i>

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nyori		n.		1. gain 2. profit 3. di nyori , to gain.	
nyu	-ra	v.		1. to drink 2. an auxiliary verb:	nyu dam buyi ‘get drunk’ ‘drink liquor get.drunk’
nyu bara		n.p.		to boast	
nyu fahiru		n.p.		to defy	
nyu kom		n.p.		to drink water	drink up (all the) water, dehydrate (or is this a mistake for nyuui q.v. ??); receive drink of water as a welcome; celebrate the end of Ramadhan
nyùbàrli	nyùbàrà	n.	y	seed yam, sett	
nyùbùÿri	—	n.	y	plaited ring of leaves placed around a yam-mound to ‘cool down’ the tuber	
nyuÿu	nyuri	n.		1. the umbilical cord 2. a large, protruding navel.	
nyugbuŋ	nyugbun a	n.		green yam vines (also ‘ nyukpuŋ ’).	
nyuhi -ra		v.		1. to aid to drink 2. to force someone to drink 3. to dish out heavy gruel rice from the cooking pot.	
nyujebierig u		n.		mashed yam	KO
nyukpaa	nyukpah i	n.		an ordinary navel.	
nyukpuŋ	nyukpun a	n.		green yam vines	(also nyugbuŋ).
Nyúlámá		p.n.		ceremony to mark the uprooting of the first yam of the new season	et. ‘yam + eat first fruits’
nyuli	nyuya	n.		jealousy, envy	zabi nyuli , to be jealous of; to envy.
nyuli	nyuya	n.		yam (general term)	
nyulinyua	nyulinyu hi	n.		1. a fragrant plant used to relieve headaches 2. when burned, it becomes a mosquito repellent.	wild mint [T.N.]
nyùsàÿù	nyùsàri	n.	y	yam stick.	
nyusoli	nyusoya	n.	y	yam cultivar	
nyutam	nyutama	n.	y	soil good for a yam farm.	et. ‘yam + land’
nyuui -ra		v.		1. to dry up 2. to lose flesh.	
nyuwoÿu	nyuwari	n.		water-yam	
nyuwoÿpiell i	nyuwoÿp iela	n.		water-yam cultivar	

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ŋ					
ŋa ŋani		pron.		1. subst. pron. 'that', (several things); those 2. relative pronoun, 'which'. N.B. Both are old forms fast becoming obsolete.	
ŋaysi -ra		v.		1. to elbow one's way 2. to wedge into (as into wood).	
ŋahaba	ŋahaban ima	n.		mother's brother.	
ŋahaba		n.		a natural mark on the skin.	
ŋahi -ra		v.		1. to utter a proverb 2. quarter a dead animal 3. to break branches of a tree 4. to harvest maize or tobacco 5. to interrupt, in anger 6. to erode; to wear away a channel; to make a rut.	
ŋahili	ŋaha	n.		1. a proverb 2. a parable.	
ŋahili	ŋaha	a.		proverbial; yeltoy' ŋahili , a proverbial saying.	
ŋahinga	ŋahinsi	n.		a sister's child.	
ŋam		n.		a hardening solution for floors and walls.	
ŋam -da		v.		to be covered with blood (as from an accident or a fight).	
ŋamli	ŋama	n.		1. hippopotamus 2. a temporary irritation of the skin.	
ŋampoo	ŋampohi	n.		a tree with a light bark.	
ŋamzim		n.		certain liquid	KO prob. red liquid from soaking tree-bark used for burnishing floors (<i>see</i> ŋam)
ŋarga	ŋarsi	n.		virgin land.	
ŋari -ta		v.		1. to fill up a hole 2. to plug 3. to close (as of roads) 4. to deceive 5. to groan.	
ŋariga		n.		exploitation	KO
ŋarinli	ŋarima	n.		the fruit of the tree called ' ŋaringa '.	
ŋaringa	ŋarinsi	n.	t	1. 'black-berry' tree 2. its berries.	<i>cf.</i> ŋa'rinli
ŋaringa	ŋarinsi	n.	t	<i>Vitex doniana</i>	
ŋaronɔ	ŋarima	n.		1. a canoe 2. a boat 3. a ship.	
ŋaronpee	ŋaronpe hi	n.		1. a paddle 2. an oar.	
ŋaronkpoy u	ŋaronkp ori	n.		1. a paddle 2. an oar.	? < -poyu [T.N.]

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ηηο		adv.		1. so 2. in this manner 3. by this time.	
ηηοιγα		excl.		an interjection used to secure attention, so as to say something;	Its meaning is , ‘Excuse me, I mean to say’.
ηο		dem.		1. this 2. ηονα , this place, hither, here.	
ηο ηα		dem.		this, that place	
ηο σα		dem.		this, that place	
ηο	-ra	v.		1. to cure meat 2. to smoke fish.	
ηογυ	ηορι	n.		mongoose	
ηογυ	ηορα	n.		bamboo (WD). (ηοργυ , ED).	ηογυ / ηορι KO
ηοηι		v.		remove from bunch/bundle	KO
ηοηιγι -ra		v,		1. to be tired 2. to be absent from 3. to come up (of phlegm). sterile (of animals).	
ηολι	ηογα	a		to be excessively fat (of sterile animals).	
ηολιμ -nda		v.		emphatic form of ‘ηο’.	
ηολιηο		pron.		to draw water.	
ηοη -da		v.		grass cutter, ‘cutting grass’, cane rat (large rodent)	<i>Thryonomus</i> sp. related to porcupine
ηοηλι	ηοηα	n.		a shrub; the leaves of which are used as medicine for diarrhoea.	
ηοηςυρι	ηοηςυρα	n.		sterile (of humans).	
ηοο	ηοηι	a		1. to pull out 2. to draw water from a hole 3. to unsheathe; to draw a sword 4. to extract (as a thorn or splinter).	
ηοοι -ra		v.		bamboo (ED). (ηογυ , WD).	
ηοργυ	ηορα	n.		to knead.	
ηορι -ta		v.		1. to chew, masticate 4. to eat things that require chewing or mastication (meat, bread, rice, yam .)	
ηυβι -ra		v.		4. to decompose 5. to destroy the soul of (said to be the work of witches).	
ηυβιρα	ηυβιρβα	n.		1. eater 2. devourer.	
ηυηι -ra		v.		to groan, sigh.	
ηυηυμ		v.		1. to rot 2. to undergo decay by putrefaction.	
ηυμ		v.		grumble	KO
ηυμαηυμα		n.		1. whispering 2. murmuring	

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ηun		pron.		3. grumbling 4. gossiping. he/she	short form of emphatic pronoun, 'ηuna'
ηun(i)		pron.		'he/she who...'	
ηuna		pron.		3rd pers. pron. sing. emphatic form, he/she	
ηuni		pron.		interrogative pronoun, 'who'?	
ηuni	-da	v.		1. to hide 2. to sit on eggs (as bird).	settle down, bend down <i>KO</i>
ηunkam		pron.		whoever; everyone who	<i>KO</i>
ηM					
ηma	-ra	v.		1. to break (of glass or crockery) 2. to burst 3. to cut a tree, hack	
ηma n ti		v.p.		dedicate	
ηma zuγu		v.p.		behead	? < ma'ai [T.N.]
ηma 3iri		v.p.		to lie; to tell a lie	
ηma 3iri pa,		v.p.		to tell lies against	
ηmaa	ηmahi	a.		short.	
ηmaa		a.		piece of	<i>KO</i> (compounding noun)
ηmaai -ra		v.		1. to fell a tree 2. to cut off 3. to saw off.	
ηmaana	ηmaansi	n.		red monkey	<i>Patas patas</i> also jaŋa
ηmaanchee	ηmaanc hehi	n.		small bird which follows monkeys.	
ηmaana	ηmaana	n.	t	edible berries like the 'sinsabga'.	
sinsabga	sinsabsi				
ηmabi	-ra	v.		1. to hold under the arm 2. to steal (idiomatic).	
ηmayi	-ra	v.		1. to make rope 2. to dodge 3. to trick;	[O ηmayi ma mi. He tricked me.]
ηmayu		n.		sore in vagina due to birth	<i>KO</i> see ηmoγ'u
ηmahi	-ra	v.		1. to cut into pieces 2. to slice.	
ηmahim	-nda	v.		to massage with the hands.	
ηmahindi		v.		likening sth. to another thing	<i>KO</i> prob. impf. of ηmahim
ηmalgi	-ra	v.		1. to turn 2. to return.	
ηmali	ηmaya	v.		1. a likeness, resemblance 2. sample <i>KO</i> 3. a type.	
ηmali		n.	d	skin rash	see ηmanzuyula'a
ηmampilli		p.n.		Mampruli language	<i>KO</i>
ηmampirgu		p.n.		Mamprusi land	<i>KO</i>
ηmampriga	ηmampr isi	p.n.		Mamprusi person	<i>KO</i>
ηmanamga	ηmanam	n.	j	coral bead.	

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	si				
ɣmanchee		n.	sh	small shrub.	
ɣmancheɣu	ɣmanche ri	n.	go	broken calabash, calabash shard	KO
ɣmani	ɣmana	n.	b	pigeon, dove (domestic, or general).	
ɣmani	ɣmana	n.		calabash bowl, calabash utensil (generic).	
ɣmani		v.		1. to resemble 2. to be like.	
ɣmanmabih ili	ɣmanma biha	n.	h	medicinal plant, containing a white fluid.	
ɣmansulga	ɣmansul si	n.	m	black monkey.	
ɣmanzuɣul aa	ɣmanzu ɣulahi	n.	h	a plant used as an herb to cure skin rash called 'ɣmali'.	I have inserted entry for ɣmali
ɣmaŋ	ɣmama	a.		broken	KO
ɣmaŋgbaa	ɣmaŋgb ahi	n.	go	calabash dipper.	
ɣmarga	ɣmaŋgb ahi	n.	go	calabash dipper.	??? see prev./next
ɣmarga	ɣmarsa	n.		1. moon 2. a month.	
ɣmeli	ɣmenda	v.		1. to twist. to strangle 3. to screw up.	
ɣmeliŋɣmee	ɣmeliŋm ehi	n.		small bird in the bush with very short legs	Proverb: ɣmeliŋɣmee nya bee ya n-nɔr' tandi? Where has the ɣmeliŋɣmee bird got the legs needed to pound building earth?
ɣmeliŋɣmee	ɣmeliŋm ehi	n.		flower.	
ɣme	-ra	v.		1. to hit; to strike 2. to beat 3. to ring (obj. bell, iron); play (drum, fiddle)	nyoɣu ɣmebu 'boasting' 'pounding ones chest' also ɣme the thing shot
ɣme anfonɪ		v.p.		to take a photograph	
ɣme fanfantua		v.p.		to beat the war alarm	
ɣme kari		v.p.		overthrow	
ɣme kuŋa		v.p.		complain	
ɣme malfa		v.p.		to shoot a gun	
ɣme naŋgbankp eeni		v.p.		to dispute, to argue	
ɣme naɔŋ		v.p.		pace out' (measure a distance)	
ɣme nyoɣu		v.p.		boast	
ɣme pohim		v.p.		relax	
ɣme wurim		v.p.		devastate	
ɣmelim	-nda	v.		1. to grow fat 2. to become powerful.	
ɣmem		v.		press against the palm	KO
ɣmenditoli		n.		mugger, robber	KO
ɣmoɣu	ɣmoɣri	n.		a tear of tissues due to childbirth.	see ɣmayu

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ηmon	ηmandi or ηmana	n.		a large calabash.	
ηmurigi		v.		fracture	KO
O					
o		pron.		3rd pers. sing. pron. com. gen., nom., obj. and poss. cases. he, she; him, her; his, her.	
o		pron.		3rd pers. sing. pron. neuter gen. nom. and obj. cases.	'it' (when referring to elements; nature, sun, moon, stars, etc., etc.).
oho		excl.		exclamation of surprise	
ohoo		excl.		exclamation meaning, 'I don't care!'.	
ohoronio		excl.		exclamation meaning, 'That's your look-out. I don't care!'.	
omanmaṇa		pron.		herself/himself	KO
P					
pa		v.		1. to put on top of 2. to be upon (said of things which lie flat) 3. to come next after	noya pa taba 'be united' 'mouths put next to each other' KO
pa talma		v.p.		5. 7. give extra name, nickname (see yupaa) to pawn	
pá`		v.		to not be	negative of bè for manner and nyè for things. di pa la amii 'without doubt'
pa		adv.		an adverbial particle expressing some form of negation or doubt: not (? special use of verb - next?)	pa lala , not so. pa ni , not for; had it not been: Pa ni a zuṣu be bi nan ku che o . Had it not been for you he would have been set free Di pa sheli , perhaps.
pa		adv.		just now (past) (from ' yipa ')	KO KO pa zuṣo pa soha 'for a long time' 'not today not tomorrow':
paa	pahi	n.		1. worker 2. bu paa , to hire someone.	
paabi		n.		vacation	KO
paai	-ra	v.		1. to arrive 2. to arrive at 3. to reach 4. to attain to (in size or equality) 5. to remove. (A bird from a	paabu shee 'destination'

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				///).	
paai tariga		v.p.		‘be very much; too much’ ‘reach extremity’ <i>KO</i>	
paalana	paanima	n.		employer; one who hires.	
paandochirigu	paandochiriti	n.		earwig	<i>KO</i> lit. ‘brother-in-law of cricket’ see pandachir’ga
paani	paannima	n.		the senior wife.	~ of chief?
paania	paansi	n.		big needle for sewing sacks	<i>KO</i>
paanu		n.		bread (loan)	<i>KO</i>
paanja	paansi	n.		a large cricket.	
pabigi		v.		faint	<i>KO</i>
padira	padiriba	n.		hired labourer	<i>KO</i> see paa
pagorli	pagora	n.		promiscuous, adulterous woman; prostitute, concubine	
pagorlim		n.		prostitution.	
pagorsigu		n.		prostitution.	
paya	payaba	n.		1. a woman 2. a wife 3. an epithet for grandmother.	
payborliqri		n.		bride price	<i>KO</i> paya boori liqri ‘wife-wanting-money’: gifts given during courtship (Dagomba don’t have bride-price)
payadoysa	payadoysanima	n.		a woman who has just given birth. (ED).	
payadoysso	payadoyssonima	n.		a woman who has just given birth. (WD).	
payadoysatoyinda	payadoysatoyindiba	n.		a midwife.	
payajoo	payajohi	n.		a barren woman.	
paypielga	paypielsi	n.		virgin	<i>KO</i> probably a Christian invention
paypuulana		n.		pregnant woman	<i>KO</i>
paysarbila	paysarbihi	n.		young woman	<i>KO</i>
paywardoyim		n.		birth of woman’s first child; woman’s firstborn	<i>KO</i>
payasarli	payasara	n.		1. a maiden, damsel 2. a nubile girl, unmarried or not yet having had a child	: root -saa- means ‘female not yet having given birth’ e.g. naysaa ‘heifer’
payariga					
paytali		n.		womanhood	<i>KO</i>
paya-vielli-ku-shihi-kom		n.p.		marsh lily	<i>KO</i> ‘pretty lady who won’t touch the water’
payawayini	payawayina	n.		a woman without any responsibility for a husband or a child.	
payyihij	payyihi	n.		divorced woman	<i>KO</i>
payazilni	payazili	n.		a woman without a husband; a	

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	ma			spinster or a divorced woman.	
payazortant	payazor	n.		a large harmless spider that	'running-spider', solifuge
ulim-	tantulim			runs with great speed,	
	a			searching for insects at night.	
payi -ra		v.		1. to wash anything 2. to praise 3. to thank 4. to be pleased with 5. to presume 6. to set a fowl 7. to shut up in a room. 8. Idiomatically, to die.	O payi Naawuni. He died.
paykohingu		n.		tuberculosis; consumption.	
paykpema		n.		elderly woman (polite)	KO
payli	paya	n.		1. fog 2. mist; (also 'gulsgu').	
paypuli	paypuya	n.		pregnancy	KO
payrga	payrsi	n.		a curved dagger used by the Konkomba people.	
payri		n.		1. bark of a tree 2. rind of fruit 3. shell of nut.	see poɣu
paypali	paypaya	n.		virgin.	'new woman' : probably a Christian invention (shd. be 'new(ly married) wife')
pahi -ra		v.		1. to add 2. to increase in number 3. be, do .. in addition 4. pahi zuɣu , to help; to assist.	
pahi	-ra (~mori)	v.		to clear weeds with a hoe.	
pahimpieɣu	pahimpi	n.		1. a butterfly	
	eri			2. a moth.	
pakoli	pakoya	n.		a widow.	
pakolzande	pakolzan	n.		yam cultivar	
e	dehi				
pakurgu	pakura	n.		old woman,	'like witch, hag' KO
pakponɔ	pakpond	n.		a first-born daughter.	
	i				
pakurgunyi	pakurgu	n.		a prickly shrub, bearing three-pronged thorns.	
ndaa	nyindahi				
palga	palsi	n.		a shrub used to make lineament.	
palga	palsi	n.		the under part of an animal.	
palgi	-ra	v.		1. to whiten 2. to whitewash 3. to have grey hair	KO palgi suhu 'make happy' KO
palgi daaŋa		v.p.		'warm the home' 'whiten the hearth' : may be an idiomatic sense	
palgi suhu		v.p.		to be delighted at something; to be pleased.	
pali	pana	v.		1. to fill up	

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				2. to be full 3. to fulfil 4. to be true.	niŋ pali ‘fulfil’ di paliya ‘it is true’ KO
palli	pala	n.		1. a big road 2. a street.	
palli	pala	a.		1. new 2. young.	
pallturo sheli		n.		petrol filling station	KO (Engl. ‘petrol’+’Shell’)
paldaa	paldahi	n.		major street, highway	KO
palo		a.		1. new 2. young (persons)	naa palo , the new chief.
palo		n.		1. space 2. way 3. open space 4. yi palo , to become public 5.,,	
palo ni		n.p.		in public	
pàlóli	pàlóya	n.		toad.	
pam -da		v.		1. to dress the hair 2. to weave mats 3. to plait rope.	
pam		adv.		abundantly; very; very much; exceedingly; many	
pandachirg a	pandach irsi	n.		a small cricket.	see paandochirigu
pani	pana	n.		vagina, vulva.	
paŋ	-da	v.		1. to lend 2. to borrow.	che paŋ ‘forgive’ (lit. ‘leave (and) lend’) KO
paŋ		v.		to decompose	KO
parante		n.		plate	KO (Eng. via ? Fanti) some English words have passed through some southern language which has no -l- and substitutes -r- cf. piringa
parapito		excl.		an expression of contempt.	
paratete		adv.		immaculate white	KO also fara...
parawa	parawan ima	n.		swelling in the groin.	
pargi	-ra	v.		1. to cause to fail 2. to fail to do. (<i>vide pihigi</i>).	
pari	-ta	v.		to scratch the ground (with nails or claws).	
pariga	parisi	a.		extraordinary	KO
pariŋga	parinsi	n.	mi	a kind of stringed instrument.	
parlani	parlana	a.		flat.	
parsi -ra		v.		to touch one with the fingers to call attention to something.	‘stab somebody’ KO
paruŋnutali	paruŋnu taya	n.		a medicinal grass used for horses.	
pasua		n.		three half-pence.	archaic
pateesa		n.		curtain	KO
paturu		n.		petrol, gasoline	<English
pati		a.		flat.	
paya		n.		avocado (-pear)	<English ‘pear’

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payapaya		adv.		describes many different objects	
pe		v.		line up	KO also pie and <i>see pie</i> – I suspect all these pe/pie/pie ‘contrasts’ are spurious
pe (sima)		v.		harvest (groundnuts)	KO
peefu	peefuni	n.		civet cat.	? sg. peefu and = ‘genet’ ? : <i>cf.</i> peenyu’a
peei	-ra	v.		1. to have in front of 2. to place someone in the lead.	peei bahi tooni let someone else lead KO
peei		v.		brighten like the moon	KO
peenyua	peenyuhi	n.		civet cat.	
peeto	peetoni	n.		shorts (under-shorts).	< English ‘pants’
	ma				
pehi	-ra	v.		1. to peel 2. to consult a soothsayer.	
pehili	peha	n.		Frafra potatoes.	
pehi		v.		hunt for sport or pleasure	KO
pensili		n.		pencil	<English
petepete		n.	fo	mashed yam	KO
pèni	pèni	n.	ag	yam mound	
pi	-ra	v.		1. to bury (an object -see soyi) 2. to hide in the ground 3. to bury animals.	
pia	pihi	n.		flat-top house.	
pia		num.		ten	
pibrgu	pibrsi	n.		a raffia work-basket of various colours.	
pie -ra		v.		1. to dig out (groundnuts, etc.) 2. to stand in line 3. to escort 4. pie bihim , to milk.	
pie		a.		other	KO
piebi -ra		v.		1. to blow a wind instrument 2. to ///.	
piebu		n.		1. an escort 2. the followers of a chief.	
pieyu	perri	n.		sheep;	masc. form: pielaa .
pieyu	perri	n.		a basket.	
piegula		n.		shepherd, sheep watcher	KO
piehi		v.		peel	KO
piekpara	piekpari	n.		shepherd boy	KO
	ba				
piela		v.		to be white.	
pielga	pielsi	a		white;	(Note: the adjective class should agree with the noun and therefore can change.).
pielgu	pielsi	a		white;	(Note: the adjective class should agree with the noun and therefore can change.).
pieli		n.		a community hunt.	
pielli	piela	n.		a white horse.	
pielli	piela	a.		white (<i>vide pielga</i>).	

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piem	piema	n.		an arrow.	
piemkpaa	piemkpa	n.		1. an awl.	tool for stripping corn
	hi			2. a screwdriver	
pihi -ra		v.		1. to select 2. to brush; to dust off 3. to pick up 4. to discover a lost article 5. pihi tibli , to have nothing to do with.	
pihigi -ra		v.		1. to cause to fail 2. to fail to do 3. to neglect 4. to postpone. (<i>vide pargi</i>).	
pihim		n.		matters of smell; decay in persons after death	KO I suspect this is a verb 'smell rotten'
pihinahi		n.		card. num. forty.	
pihinii		n.		card. num. eighty.	
pihinu		n.		card. num. fifty.	
pihita		n.		card. num. thirty.	
pihtaayika		num.		28 'thirty, two not.there'	KO
pihtayinika		num.		29 'thirty, one not.there'	KO
pihiyobu		n.		card. num. sixty.	
pihiyopoin		n.		card. num. seventy. (also pihopoin).	
pihiwai		n.		ard. num. ninety.	
pii -ra		v.		1. to choose (from several things) 2. to select 3. to choose someone.	
pii		adv.		better; improved; (used with niŋ):	O doro maa niŋ o pii. His sickness is a little better.
piibupiibu		n.		election	KO
piili piina		v.		to begin.	pili KO
pilgi -ra		v.		1. to begin 2. to uncover.	
pilgu		n.		the beginning.	
pili -nda		v.		1. to entirely cover oneself with a cloth 2. to cover with a lid 3. to roof a building 4. to put on a hat or a cap.	[ppli]
piliŋ		n.		sharp knife	KO see pil'uŋ
pilnli	pilima	n.		1. gizzard 2. pride 3. obstinacy.	
piluŋ	pillima	n.		a razor.	see piliŋ
pilsi -ra		v.		1. to make up quantity by adding something different (of liquids) 2. to dilute.	
pilsi		v.		begin	KO
pimpaga	pimpans	n.		a furrow between the ridges on a farm.	
	i				
pinaanahi		num.		14	KO
pinaanu		num.		15	KO

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pinaata		num.	13		KO
pinaayi		num.	12		KO
pinaayobu		num.	16		KO
pinaayopoin		num.	17		KO
pini	pina	n.	1. a present 2. a gift.		ti pini ‘donate’ ‘give gifts’ pini tibu ‘donation’ ‘gift giving’ KO
pini -da		v.	to shave.		
pini	pina	n.	mount, riding horses (?)		KO
pini	pina	n.	mould		KO (? misprint for (yam-) mound?)
piniyini		num.	11		KO
piṅgaasi		n.	pickaxe (Eng.)		KO
pipia	pipihi	n.	1. a drinking calabash with a lid 2. a cup. (<i>vide jashee</i>).		
pipiyu	pipiri	n.	a calabash with a lid, containing magic material said to produce a wraith of its possessor.		
pirba	pirnima	n..	a father’s sister.		
pirgi -ra		v.	1. to divide 2. to share 3. to take off (ring, glove, shoes, etc.) 4. pirgi nam , to depose a chief.		pirigi tarisi ‘demarcate’: see targa (converse of piri q.v.)
piri -ta		v.	1. to put on; to wear (something fitting extremities - ring, shoes, bangle, etc.) 2. to swell up 3. to pump up, blow up 4. to share; distribute		
pirigli		n.	half.		
pirimpieḷgu	pirimpie la	n.	a tall grass used for gballa mats.		
piringa	pirinsi	n.	a brother’s child		
piringa	pirinsi	n.	policeman		KO Eng. see parante
piringkpaṅ	piringkpa na	n.	spear grass (WD). (pulugkpaṅ , ED).		
pisopoin		num.	70		KO
pishaayika		num.	18 ‘twenty, two not.there’		KO
pishi		card.	twenty.		
pishiyinika		num.	19 (20, one not.there)		KO
piyoli	piyoya	n.	1. a pinnacle 2. a tower 3. a turret.		
piti		v.	be saltless		KO may be an a. bimpiti/bimpira
po -ra		v.	1. to swear 2. po pori , to swear an oath.		

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poyu	poyri	n.		bark (of tree); peel, skin	<i>KO</i> see pay'ri
poyu	pori	n.		1. biting fly 2. Tsetse fly 3. a point in a game, 'goal'	
pobi -ra		v.		<i>KO.</i> 1. to close (as the eyes) 2. to shut (as a book) 3. to wrap up.	
pobsi -ra		v.		to blow out through the mouth.	
pohi -ra		v.		1. to pick (of fruit or flowers) 2. to test; to prove; to try;	N ni pohi n zuyu suŋ. I will try my luck.
pohigi -ra		v.		to pick (fruit or vegetables).	
pohim		n.		1. air 2. breeze 3. wind 4. pohim zera , the wind is blowing.	ŋme pohim 'relax' pohim ŋmebu 'relaxation' <i>KO</i>
pohim		n.		bad deeds	<i>KO</i> mali pohim , to be mischievous.
pohimzepili	pohimze	n.		whirlwind	<i>KO</i>
ŋga	pilinsi	adv.		1. first 2. before 3. for the present.	placed at end of clause 'do .. before, and (finally - naanyi) do ..'
poi					
poli	-nda	v.		1. to saturate 2. to spoil 3. to addle (as eggs under a sitting hen).	
polipoli		a.		smooth	<i>KO</i>
polli	pola	a.		young	<i>KO</i> usu. bipolli is a boy just before puberty (bilee > bibila > bipolli > nachimbile > doo)
polo		prep.		1. toward 2. direction of 3. nudirgu polo , right side; nuzaa polo , left side; (also means, to the right hand; to the left hand) 4. zaawuni polo , toward evening.	
polo	polti	n.		area, field, place, plot; vacancy	<i>KO</i>
pololi	poloya	n.		toad	<i>KO</i>
pompi		n.		standpipe (loan); tap; any pipe	<i>KO</i>
poŋ	pona	n.		raffia dish or mat.	
poŋ	pona	a		malodorous.	
poŋ -da		v.		1. to stink 2. naŋgban poŋ , the mouth stinks (of bad breath).	
pogli	poŋ	n.		pound (£)	< English
poŋo		adv.		1. nowadays 2. now	

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pooi -ra		v.		3. hali ni poŋo , until today. 1. to be short of 2. to fall short of 3. to lack 4. to fail 5. to rot 6. to be completely decomposed (as of compost).	
poora		n.		powder (Eng.) - talcum powder, body~~	KO
popsi		v.		blow	KO
pora		v.		1. to be little 2. to be small (in size or amount).	
pori		n.		an oath.	pori pobu ‘oath-swearing’
pori		n.		tsetse-fly	KO
pori	-ta	v.		1. to bend 2. to swear an oath.	
porlim		n.		smallness	KO
porlim		n.		smallness	KO also porlim - there is really no o/o contrast!
porsi -ra		v.		1. to change colour (as the chameleon, called gumachuyu) 2. to colour.	
pu		v.		1. to lie in heaps 2. to be full to overflowing 3. to be plentiful 4. pu suhu , to guess.	
pua	puhi	n.		pregnancy of women.	
pubobga	pubobsi	n.		saddle girth (WD); (kubobga , ED).	
pufahili		n.		constipation.	
puyi -ra		v.		1. to form into a ball 2. to prepare a medicinal soup of herbs.	
puyisi -ra		v.		1. to watch closely; to keep a look-out for; to keep an eye on (as of police) 2. to spy out 3. to stalk 4. to peel (of fruit).	
puhi -ra		v.		1. to greet 2. to thank 3. to worship; to pray.	
puhi -ra		v.		1. to put forth buds and new leaves 2. to come up out of the ground 3. to rise (of the sun and the moon) 4. to break out (as perspiration) 5. to break surface; to rise to the surface (of water).	

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puhigu	puhisi	n.		greeting	KO I seriously doubt puhisi : these verbal nouns are usually indeclinable, and if there was a pl. it should be puha
puhuga	puhisi	n.		<i>Tamarindus Indica</i> tree;	the fruits are cured and made into balls for sale, used as a purgative and for cleaning brass utensils.
(puhuri)	puha	n.		fruit of the tamarind (pu'huga)	
pukpara	pukpari	n.		cultivator, farmer	KO
pukparga	ba pukpars	n.		the second stomach of ruminants.	
pukparim	pukpari	n.		1. malice 2. spite.	
pulandi	ma	n.		???	
pulaani	pila	n.		spider's nest; a nest for the eel called ' Zamasuyu '. (<i>vide</i> ' pilgu ').	
puli	puya	n.		1. belly 2. stomach (from the outside).	cf. pua
puli	puna	v.		1. to vow 2. to bet.	
pulimpun	pulimpu	n.		tree.	<i>Sterculia Tomentosa</i>
puluyli	na pulu	n.		swollen spleen.	
pulunkpan	pulunkp	n.		spear grass	<i>Imperata cylindrica</i> (<i>vide</i> pirinkpan).
pum	ana puma	n.		1. blossoms 2. flowers.	pum is a mass noun like kom meaning 'inflorescence', flowering of a tree <i>en masse</i> ; lit. 'belly-wetness'
pumahigu	pumahis	n.		dysentery, diarrhoea.	
pumahiziey	i pumahiz	n.		dysentery.	
u	ieri				
pumponchi	pumpon	n.		1. a shrub 2. the edible strychnos fruit.	<i>Strychnos Spinosa</i>
a	chihi				
pumpoŋo		adv.		immediately, now.	
pun		adv.		already, by now.	
puni	puna	n.		door	KO
puri		n.		1. fibre of guinea corn leaves 2. undigested food in animals.	
pupuri	pupurti	n.		barn	KO singular of this plural should be pupur(i)gu
putira	putiriba	n.		farmer	KO
putoyu	putori	n.		1. malice 2. spite (also: ' pukparim '). 3. brutality, wickedness	lit. 'belly-bitterness'
púû	púri	n		farm; the main area of fields and recent fallow	
puu pua	puhi	n.		belly; womb; pregnancy, conception	KO become pregnant' gbaai pua , niŋ pua (? your nipua) : see pua

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puuni	puuhini	n.		stomach.	
puuni		prep.		inside.	
puutarsalli	puutarsa	n.		shrub used as a hedge between farms.	
la					
S					
sa	-ra	v.		1. to plant , transplant 2. to fix a stick in the ground (e.g. flag pole or fence post) 3. to have frequent stool.	
sa		adv.		1. there 2. yonder.	3. ? also or rather n-saai q.v. kpé há, kpé sá ‘yonder, over there, ..’ sahinsheli sa ‘some time ago’ KO
sa		adv.		[one day away, time depth marker] 1. denoting an action performed yesterday: 2. with ‘ ni ’, denoting an action to be performed tomorrow:	N sa chanya. I went yesterday. N sa ni chaŋ. I will go tomorrow.
saa	sahi	n.		rain.	
saa		a.		1. watery; liquid (always used with contraction of ‘ bindi ’): binsaa tim , an aperient; a laxative 2. Binsaa ka o sara. He passes liquid stool.	fluid faeces < NOT (lit.: plant faecal rain)! : whether the ‘wet’ component of n-saai and saa/sahi is the same I don’t know, but the <i>verbal</i> ‘rain’ is m-mi - ‘ Saa mira. ’ > : ‘ O saari la binsaa. ’ He/she is ‘running’ diarrhoea. KO (Eng.) (T).strictly ‘a lock’ - ‘key’ is saafebia
saafa		n.		south	
saafi	saafinim	n.		a key	
	a				
saafirla		excl.		God forbid.	
saai -ra		v.		1. to bargain 2. to repent of either good or evil; to be of a different mind; (in this sense, no progressive tense) 3. to pull a stick from the ground.	3. cf. n-sa 2. learn a lesson from a danger/risk KO ? 4. to ‘run’ diarrhoea cf. n-sa
saakparigu	saakpari	n.		raincoat	KO literal calque from Eng.
	ti				
saaloo		n.		frock	KO
saambulelee	saambul	n.		piece of broken pot	KO : looks like ‘spider’s shade porch’
ŋa	eleensi				KO
saamokoro		n.		rubbish of rain erosion	something given to a visitor, especially water on arrival
saandi		n.		1. hospitality 2. a present of food for a stranger 3. niŋ saandi , to show hospitality.	KO saani (KO)
saapaya	saapaya	n.		dragonfly.	‘rain’s wife’

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	ba				
saapirwa		n.		leaves of edible shrub with light pink flowers, used in broth.	
saawara		n.		1. consultation 2. niŋ saawara , to consult.	also saawora (a/o contrast neutralised after w): ŋme saawara ‘decide; take counsel’ ; or ~ ŋmebu saawara malibu ‘conferring with somebody’ <i>KO</i>
saawaralan a	saawara nima	n.		consultant.	
saayaambul i	saayamb uya	n.		a small plant, sensitive to the touch.	
saazuŋu		n.		heavens, sky.	
saazuŋu		prep.		above; overhead.	
saazuŋugun gon		n.		praying mantis	<i>KO</i>
sababu		n.		1. risk 2. danger 3. jeopardy.	
sababulana	sababuni ma	n.		one who causes trouble, trouble-maker.	
sabbu		n.		writing.	
sabgi	-ra	v.		1. to darken 2. to blacken 3. to be blackened.	
sabi	-ra	v.		to write.	
sabi		excl.		expression revealing doubtful concern.	
sab(i)gi		v.		be or become black; blacken	<i>KO</i>
sabiila		n.		civilian	<i>KO</i> (? = Eng.)
sabilli	sabila	a.		black.	
sabinli		a.		black	<i>KO</i>
sabinsi		n.		taxi	<i>KO</i> (Engl. ‘service’)
sabirigu		n.		rain that doesn’t bring thunder	<i>KO</i>
sabli	saba	n.		1. Moslem writing 2. amulet 3. liver 4. a field mouse 5. that which is valued most. (sobli , ED).	
sablieyu	sablieri	n.		spleen.	
sabliga	sablisi	a		black.	
sablim		n.		blackness.	
sabnyuuna	sabnyuu nsi	n.		chronic gonorrhoea.	
sabsi	-ra	v.		1. to pooh-pooh 2. to show discontent.	
sabsi		v.		puff	<i>KO</i>
sabsiga	sabsa	n.		gecko	sabsigu <i>KO</i>
sabta		n.		cleanliness	<i>KO</i> Hausa - tsabta ; native DB ‘clean’ is one sense of vielli
sabtingbuŋ	sablingb	n.	m	field mouse with small eyes	

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	una			usually found in swampy places.	
sadibu		n.		lightning	(<i>vide sanyaysibu</i>).
sagali	sagaya	n.		TZ, staple food, without broth.	? sag-gali ?
sagani	sagana	n.		the rainbow.	
saydirilaa	saydirila	n.		eating bowl for TZ	KO (t. z.-eat-ing-bowl/s say.di.rlaa/lahi)
sayi -ra	hi	v.		1. to answer, to respond (to a call) 2. to agree. 3. to accept (a fact, opinion - not accept a gift); 4. to obey, submit to 5. to be enough 6. to fit, be the right/same size 7. to be good enough for 8. with ' taba ', to be equal with.	
sayidihili		n.		supper time	KO 'TZ-eat-cause-[sx.] time' say. di.-h.-li.saha
saha					KO
sayikurili	sayikura	n.		old TZ (eaten cold next morning)	
sayim	sayima	n.,		1. TZ; millet (or other grain) porridge - staple food 2. food in general	'TZ' is old schoolboy acronym for Hausa tuwon zafi 'hot porridge'
sayim -nda		v.		1. to spoil, break down, degenerate 2. to spoil, damage sth 3. to destroy.	KO sayim .. yuli 'defame' (lit.: spoil a name) sayim naaiya 'I have died' ('destroyed and finished' - or ? sayim 'TZ is finished' ?)
sayinda		n.		1. a destroyer 2. Satan (has come to mean 'Satan', perhaps by Christian usage).	
sayinga	sayinsi	n.		lower part of the abdomen.	
sayingu		n.		destruction	KO N/V of sayim q.v. : also sayimbu
sayla		n.		food taken at night during the month of fasting.	
sayri		n.		sweepings: rubbish, refuse (Br.); trash, garbage (Am.)	
saysi -ra		v.		1. to rebuke 2. to chastise 3. to straighten; to set in order: 4. to fit (as clothes) 5. to advise; to correct.	Saysima zini! Sit straight!
saysiga	sayisa	n.		extra wedge for a hoe.///	'thing which makes it fit'
sayisinli	sayisima	n.		medium, moderate	KO this Eng. is an adjective - either the DB is a. or the Eng. should be 'a medium, moderate amount'
sayvuyli	sayvuya	n.		stick used for stirring sayim ,	

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				TZ	
sagbani	sagbana	n.		cloud; blue sky.	
sagbe		n.		a tree (<i>vide nee</i>).	
(sagbe)					
sagboo	sagbohi	n.		small calabash bottle, like the 'gayili'.	
sagboŋ	sagbana	n.		rain cloud.	
saha		n.		time (<i>vide da'hama</i> , opportunity).	[no pl.] (Arabic via Hausa) di saha / dinsaha 'then' saha din ka bahigu 'forever' 'time which not.have ending' saha kpeya 'time is far spent' (kpe) sahakam 'always' saha(n)sheli 'sometimes, at a certain time' sahinsheli sa 'some time ago' gom saha 'bed time' KO
sahabe	sahabeni	n.		1. a confidant	
	ma			2. follower.	
sahi -ra		v.		1. to whet.; to sharpen 2. to comb the hair 3. to collect fees.	
sahinɛpiliŋ	sahinɛp	n.		small whirlwind, 'dust devil'.	
ga	ilinsi				
saka	sakanima	n.		edible frog with long legs.	'spotted' KO
sakarcheen	sakarche	n.		small edible beetle.	
a	ensi				
sakom	sakoma	n.		rain water.	
sakoro	sakorti	n.		pounded yam	(same as 'fufu' in Southern Ghana).
Sàkòrò-dibú		p.n.		a sacrifice carried out by extended kin-groups to give thanks to the ancestors for a good yam harvest	
sakoŋu	sakari	n.		grasshopper.	
sakuyli	sakuya	n.		hailstone.	
sakumsi		n.		thunder.	
sakurigu		n.		heavy rain (lit. 'old')	KO
sakpaleeŋa	sakpalee	n.		a swallow; a martin; swift.	
	nsi				
sakpuŋli	sakpuŋa	n.		the hip.	
sakpuŋu	sakpuri	n.		the hip.	
sala		n.		charcoal.	
sala	salanima	n.		1. human being (contraction of 'ninsala') 2. humanity.	
salaachi		n.		bride price	KO
sàlàŋá		n.	cl	beginning of the rainy season	
salbata	salbatani	n.		a sandal decorated with a tuft of wool.	
	ma				
salchee	salchehi	n.		a small piece of potsherd.	
salga	salganim	n.		private pit latrine for the chief;	

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	a			a private cesspit.	
salga	salisi	n.		weevils that destroy grain.	
salgi -ra		v.		1. to be acquainted with 2. to be slippery 3. to be worn out.	
sali	saya	n.		large potsherd.	
sali -nda		v.		1. to be acquainted with 2. to resemble another person or thing 3. to linger.	
salim -nda		v.		1. to flatter 2. to cajole 3. to tell fables 4. to tell tales 5. to stop	(ED) (silim , WD).
salinsaa	salinsahi	n.		a small non-biting ant.	
salinvoyu	salinvori	n.		herbs frequently used in broth.	
salli	sala	a.		1. flat, level 2. smooth.	
salnli	salma	n.		gold (sg. – a piece of gold).	
salnli	salma	n.		a fable.	
salo		n.		a crowd of persons.	
sam	sama	n.		a summons fee.	
sam	-da	v.		1. to mash in water 2. to issue a summons against, accuse at law, sue.	
samafuu		n.		aluminium	KO Hausa samfolo 'lightweight stuff, aluminium'
sambani	sambana	n.		outside of a compound.	area around outside of compound, especially the 'front yard' before the gateway samban'puu 'home farm' - farmed area around the house KO sambariga / sambarisi KO
sambargu	sambara	n.		earthworm.	
sambarsee	sambars	n.		glow-worm.	
	hehi				
sambu	sambuni	n.		1. a charm buried in the ground for harming persons 2. a summonsing.	
	ma				
samli	sama	n.		1. a debt 2. nanɗbaɗ samli ; a promise to a fetish 3. di samli , to incur a debt. 4. a charge, fee, fine	
sampaa	sampahi	n.		a gballa mat shelter attached to a house.	
sampani	sampana	n.		a piece of wood prepared for beating a floor.	
sampeena	sampeen	n.		hardy tree roots used as medicine.	(<i>vide yokayɛŋga</i>).
	si				
sampo	sampohi	n.		1. 'three-pence' 2. the repetitive form serves as: (a) pluralizers; (b) successive payment or value: a	'three-penny piece' (old coin worth 2.5 pesewas - ₵ 0.025) (seemingly in all Ghana languages).

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				three-pence each or each a three-pence.	
sana	samba	n.		a 'stranger': 1. a visitor, guest 3. a newcomer, foreigner.	saamba yilkperli 'guest house': yilkperli <i>q.v.</i> KO
sandaani		n.		1. intercession or apology on behalf of another 2. tim sandaani , to send to beg a pardon. 3. zo sandaani to act as intermediary	
sandaantim da	sandaant imdiba	n.		one who pleads or apologises for another, a go-between, intercessor.	
sandana	sandanni ma or sandamb a	n.		creditor.	
sandira	sandirba	n.		debtor	KO
sangali		n.		important task, pressing responsibility, pressing problem	KO
sani		prep.		1. with 2. in the presence of 3. to.	KO sani + ni 'the location of..': esp. with people - persons are not made the direct object of locationals (use sani) or many verbs (use yela)
saniya		n.		scale	KO
sankaŋ		n.		ear ache	KO
sanyaysibu		n.		lightning.	(<i>vide</i> sadibu).
sanyoo		n.		repayment	KO
sanzali		n.		drought	KO
sanzi		n.		beans, usually brown in colour.	dark red/purple beans (sg. might be sanzili or sanzilfu) KO
sanzieyu	sanzieri	n.		dust storm preceding a tornado.	
saŋgali	saŋgaya	n.		1. an accidental mishap 2. a circumstance.	
saŋgalinjo	saŋgalinj onima	n.		yam cultivar	
saŋgarli	saŋgara	n.		1. a worm in kola nuts 2. an intruder.	
saŋgunli	saŋgunda	n.		1. a bush buck 2. the harnessed antelope.(E D.).	(male form: saŋ'kpalonɔdib'ga)
sáŋgúnd`lí	sáŋgúndi má	n.	s	Royal python. Eastern name.	<i>Python regius</i>
saŋkpani	saŋkpan a	n.		craw-craw; the itch; scabies.	
saŋkpani		n.		anthrax boil or cow boil.	
saŋkpantiey u		n.		a tree, the roots of which are used as a remedy for crawl-crawl or scabies.	
saŋkpanyoy		n.		1. asthma in a mild form	

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u				2. bronchitis.	
saṅkpaṅa		n.		1. neuralgia	
				2. an abscess.	
sáṅkúrgìnlí	sáṅkúrgì	n.	s	Royal python. Western name.	<i>Python regius</i>
	má			c.f. sáṅgúnd`lí	
saṅli	saṅa	n.		1. a span.	Note: kutunyoo , half span; fee , ‘quarter span’, i.e., a measure of a joint of the finger
				2. a children’s game, played in a circle, with nuts from a certain tree, by set rules of spanning and engaging one’s opponent	
				3. the nuts from the tree (and the tree which bears the nuts) used in playing the game called ‘ saṅli ’.	
saṅmarga	saṅmarsì	n.		star.	
sàpàyú	sàpàrí	n.	s	Black cobra	<i>Naja melanoleuca</i>
sapasini	sapasina	n.		captain of the Dagomba Army	<English ‘sergeant’ via Twi
sapibo		n.		piles; haemorrhoids.	
sapili		n.	b	bird (lives in a hole in a thorn tree)	Proverb: Yoy’ ni sapili bay’ bɔ m-be zaṅgurun goo ni? The <i>sapili</i> bird is not concerned about the thorns of the <i>zaṅgurun</i> tree
sapili	sapiya	n.	m	hyena, an epithet.	
sapirgu	sapira	n.		the side of the body.	
sapirgu		n.		pneumonia.	
sapirkobli	sapirkob	n.		rib.	
	a				
sapuyú	sapuri	n.		1. the lungs	
				2. tuberculosis of cattle;	anthrax KO
				rinderpest.	
sara		n.		1. tobacco	
				2. snuff	
				3. sacrifice	
				4. alms given in the name of God, usually in Moslem worship.	
sarakuma		n.		money offering without meat.	‘dry offering’
saramaha		n.		meat offering, with TZ – ‘ sayim ’.	‘wet offering’
sarati		n.		1. an accident	
				2. a mishap.	
sarga	sarsi	n.		a veil for women.	
sargi -ra		v.		1. to slide	
				2. to slip.	
sarginli	sargima	n.		1. a sliding	
				2. a slipping.	
saria	sariya	n.		1. judgement	
				2. legal ‘case’	
				3. kari saria , to judge.	
sarika		n.		prison	KO kpari sarika ‘imprison’ ‘lock (in) prison’ : < Hausa sark’a ‘a chain’, dan sark’a

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sariyakar(i)ta	sariyaka r(i)tiba	n.		judge	'prisoner' (lit. 'son of a chain') <i>KO</i>
sashiriga		n.		squirrel	<i>KO</i>
satahigu	satahinsi	n.		a thunder clap.	(-tahiŋga KO)
satahiŋga	satahinsi	n.		a tree split by lightning.	prob. just 'thunder/lightning' (see prev.)
sataŋa	satansi	n.		stone anvil	(vide sataŋkuyli).
sataŋkuyli	sataŋkuy a	n.		stone anvil	(vide sataŋa).
saviyu	saviri	n.		a blacksmith's forge.	
sawalli	sawaa	n.		a light rain cloud.	
saweni	sawena	n.		species of shrub, the seeds of which are used for broth.	
sayali	sayaya	n.		rattle, instrument enclosing small stones shaken to create rhythm.	
sayeto	sayetoni ma	n.		yam cultivar	
seedi		a.		beneficial.	
selgu		n.		a likeness; a person or thing resembling another of the same kind.	
for all si... sáyáli	see (also)	shi... n.		Period when rains become established	
sibga	sibsi	n.		2. genealogy. a hartebeest;	male form: sibloy'u.
sibgi -ra		v.		1. to pull up a single plant 2. uproot.	
sibi -ra		v.		to weed with the hands.	
sichiri		n.		sugar	<i>KO</i> (Eng.)
siya		n.		1. caution 2. precaution 3. suspicion (<i>vide shiya</i>) 4. niŋ siya , to hesitate.	
siyi -ra		v.		1. to descend 2. to come from the top of 3. to wade in a river or stream.	<i>KO siyi na</i> 'come down, descend hither'
siyim -nda		v.		1. to sigh 2. to emit a deep breath, at the last of which the lips are closed and an audible sound is made in the throat.	(This is a practice when sitting with one experiencing sorrow or considering a great problem).
siyrli	siyra	n.		a cedar tree, the twigs of which are used as chewing sticks by men. It is also used for 'tom-tom' drums.	
siysi -ra		v.		1. to breathe one's last 2. to sob. 3. to send or take down <i>KO</i>	
sikuru	sikurti	n.		school <English [no place marker]	<i>KO</i>
shikuru		n.		enamel basin, metal basin	<i>KO</i> (Eng. 'silver')
siliba		n.			

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silga	silsi	n.		a vault for the burial of certain Dagomba priests in Toma, Western Dagomba.	tomb (in rock <i>cf./ct</i> gballi) KO
silim -nda		v.		to stoop (WD).	(salim , ED).
silimiŋa	siliminsi	n.		1. a European; a white man, non-African 2. a person of the Fulani tribe 3. the red, tree ant.	KO comes from Moore Filmi , Silmi ‘Peoples of Fulani origin assimilated to Mossi’ - ultimately from ‘Fulani’ (pale-skinned people) ! <i>cf.</i> nasa'ra KO ‘whiteman’s mouse’
silimiinjeng		n.		guinea pig	
bariga					
siliminsili		p.n.		English, ‘European language’	KO
silini	silima	n.		folk-story	KO cf. salnli (MP solimni is ‘story’; KL siilima is ‘proverbs’)
silinshia	silinshihi	n.		shadow.	
sim	-da	v.		to sink. (<i>vide</i> shim).	
sim		v.		be good, right, appropriate, fitting, worthy	KO AJN entry : <i>cf.</i> simda , simdi , simsi
sima	simnima	n.		1. a good friend 2. a lover of the opposite sex 3. a concubine.	
Simbaa				Nzima (southern ethnic group)	KO
simda		v.		be fitting, suitable	KO n-sim > impf. simdi , simda
simdi		n.		friendship.	
simdi		v.		1. to behoove to 2. to be well to 3. to please 4. to be worthy.	KO n-sim > impf. simdi , simda
siminti		n.		cement	KO (Eng.)
simkpilli	simkpila	n.		bambara bean.	sinkpulli / sinkpula KO ‘round groundnut’
simli	sima	n.		groundnut.	
simli		n.		friendship	KO
simpee	simpehi	n.		black bean.	
simsi		v.		be necessary	KO cf. sim
sinichi		n.		silk cloth.	
sinii		n.		cinema	KO (Eng.)
sinsabga	sinsabsi	n.		tree with edible berries.	<i>Lannea microcarpa</i> (<i>vide</i> sinsabga).
sinsabgbetil	sinsabgb	n.			
ga	etils				
sinsabli	sinsaba	n.		berry of the tree sinsabga	
sinsabpieyu	sinsabpi	n.		the tree, ‘ sinsabga ’.	
	eri				
sinsilga	sinsilsi	n.		squirrel (ED).	(sinsirga , WD).
sinsinŋoŋa		n.		leprosy of the face and ears.	
sinsirga	sinsirsi	n.		a squirrel (ED).	(sinsilga , WD).
sinsirkuya		n.		leprosy of the face and ears.	
Sintani		n.		Satan; the Devil.	< English
siŋ -da		v.		to look down upon someone as an inferior.	
siŋa	sinsi	n.		a big clay pot.	
siŋkafa		n.		rice.	siŋkaafa , sinkaafa , shinkaafa
siŋkaafa		p.n.		eve of Damba (‘day of	KO < Hausa KO

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gahimbu				sorting/picking out/over the rice')	
dali				rice husk	<i>KO</i>
shinkaafa		n.			
mori					
sirigi		v.		decline; descend	<i>KO</i>
sirigili		adv.		downhill	<i>KO</i>
sísáhi		n.		fallow land the year following	
				wòrgú	
sitima		n.		ship, submarine	<i>KO</i> (Eng. 'steamer' i.e. modern, powered ship)
sitimanim		n.		harbour (steamers' standing place')	<i>KO</i>
zaashee					
sitoɣu	sitori	n.		shop, store	<i>KO</i> (Eng.- see pl.)
situra		n.		clothing (all kinds)	<i>KO</i> cf. suturli
so	sheba	pron.		1. someone 2. a person.	someone, anyone [animate sg. indefinite], no one [with neg.] ; a certain ..; someone else, another person
so		a.		a certain.	
so		v.		to be better; to be preferable.	
so		v.		wear something round waist (underpants, trousers, skirt, cloth)	<i>KO</i> cf. piri , ye
so		v.		saw	<i>KO</i> or soyi (Eng.)
so mo		p.n.		first Damba dance - 11th of the month	<i>KO</i>
damba					
so -ra		v.		1. to rub 2. to grate, as nuts or yams 3. to put on trousers.	
so -ra		v.		1. to put on or wear around the waist, as trousers, underpants, women's cloth 2. to menstruate (monthly course) 3. to saw, as wood.	(originally so vari 'wear (sanitary) leaves')
soyi -ra		v.		1. to hide 2. to inter; to bury (of humans). 3. auxiliary 'do ... secretly'	<i>cf./ct. pi</i> soyi n- + V
soykamban	soykamb	n.		an iron ring for fastening blade-holder to the handle of a hoe.	
a	ansi				
soykpam	soykpam	n.		a small wooden wedge for a hoe.	
a	a				
soykpulga	soykpuls	n.		a small hoe.	
	i				
soylaa	soylahi	n.		a handle for a hoe.	
soylahirga	soylahirs	n.		a certain small tree.	
	i				
soylakabga	soylakab	n.		a wild plant bearing small edible brown berries.	(<i>vide dakolsayaborli</i>).
	si				
soyso		n.		a native sponge.	fibre, loofah , nylon fishing net used in bathing <i>KO</i>

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soyu	sori	n.		a broom.	<i>see somanli</i>
soyu	soyri	n.		a three-pronged blade-holder for a hoe; a hoe of this type (large).	
sobila	sobihi	n.		a path.	(ED).(sabli, WD).
sobli	soba	n.		1. a field mouse. 2. liver	
sobu	sobri	n.		thick yarn.	(vide yug'buyim).
sobuyim	sobuyim	n.		a fire believed to be caused by witchcraft.	
sochenda		n.		traveller	KO (walker.of.roads)
sochibga	sochibsi	n.		race course for horses.	
sochira		n.		a crossroads; an intersection.	Ni ti soha. A greeting to one who has experienced sorrow of some kind, the day before. (KO normal usage soha la 'yesterday' pa zuḡo pa soha 'for a long time' 'not today not yesterday')
soha		n.		yesterday	
soha la		adv.		yesterday.	
sohi	-ra	v.		1. to shiver with cold 2. to shake with fear.	
sokam		pron.		everyone.	
sokpaṇa	sokpansi	n.		a wayside; by the side of the road.	
solli	soya	n.		1. a road 2. a path 3. way of doing sth. 4. way of life 5. the right way, approved behaviour	(this refers to either a path or a roadway. vide palli).
solli		v.		put underwear (&c. - see n-so of which this is causative) on somebody	KO
solo		n.		1. a seesaw 2. a swing.	soomanji KO 'helper; saviour'
soloṃ	solari	n.		a main path.	
som	soma	n.		gall.	
somanji	somanji	n.		servant.	
somanli	sori	n.		broom (local)	KO soyu/sori is any kind of broom : -manli means 'regular (Am.), ordinary, genuine' - thus kpamanli is 'shea butter', the common, local kpam , and yelimanli is 'truth', genuine words
soyu					
sompuyli	sompuya	n.		1. painful menstruation 2. pains in the abdomen 3. a certain disease of women.	
soṇ	soṇdi	n.		mat.	
soṇ -da		v.		1. to help 2. zaṇ soṇ , to put on the	'lay, put down horizontal on

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				ground (said of anything which will not stand up.).	ground; deposit' KO
sonaa	sonanim a	n.		a chief of the blacksmiths in town.	
sonangbanyee	sonangbanyehi	n.		verge(s) just by the the way/path	KO
soṅbu		v.		deposit	KO cf. soṅ
soṅda	soṅdiba	n.		helper	KO
soṅsim		n.		help, helpfulness, no pl.	KO
sonya	sonima	n.		a witch. (<i>vide sonya</i>).	
soo	sohi	n.		edible frog.	.. 'spotted' KO
soobuli		n.		spade, shovel (Eng.)	KO
sooche		n.		trade in plenty food-stuffs.	
soochelana	soocheni ma	n.		a trader.	
soochi		n.		1. an improvement in anything, particularly in sickness; a recovery 2. a reasonable price, meaning, a lower price.	< Hausa sauk'i 'lightness' (also 'cheapness' &c. - root is 'go/put down') TN
sooje		n.		soldier (Eng.)	KO
soojebila		n.		cadet:	KO junior sooje 'soldier' (Eng.)
soonṅa	soonsi	n.		a rabbit; a hare.	(<i>Lepus Togolensis</i>)
sooti		n.		shirt (loan)	KO
sopihiga		n.		broom for mortars (small and short)	KO
sopihiga	sopihisi	n.		a small broom.	
sorba	sorbani ma	n.		a horse with white fetlocks and white forehead.	
sorgu	sorsi	n.		a grater.	
sorli	sora	n.		menstrual flow; menses.	
sowolgili	sowolgir a	n.		a branch road.	
su		v.		1. to possess 2. to own 3. to rule over, be responsible for; have authority over. 4. su paya , to marry a woman by Muslim custom.	
su -ra		v.		1. su kom , to bath, have/take a bath 2. to bathe (tr. <i>e.g.</i> baby) 4. su noli , to eat	3. 'bathe' mouth = take breakfast
su -ra		v.		1. to pocket 2. to put into a bag	
sua suu	suhi	n.		a knife, cutlass.	
subusuṅ		n.		baptism (subu {verbal noun from n-su } - suṅ 'good' {used by RCs for 'holy'})	KO deei subusuṅ 'be baptised': receive washing (V/N: of n-su) good
sucherga	suchersi	n.		a cutlass.	
suṅli	suṅa	n.		1. a temporary grass hut 2. a booth, even though roofed with metal or grass	

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				3. ti suya , to put up grass huts.	
suyli	-nda	v.		1. to gargle	
suylo		n.		2. to rinse out the mouth. 1. patience 2. di , or niŋ , suyulo , to have patience.	dim suylo ‘be patient!, have patience!’ ; ‘please’ (not normally used as in Eur. lgs.) <i>KO</i>
suhi -ra		v.		1. to beg 2. to ask for 3. to pray; to supplicate	<i>KO</i> suhi Naawuni ‘pray’ Naawuni suhibu ‘praying’ suhi soli ‘ask for permission to leave’
suhigu	suhisi	n.		4. to draw in breath through the teeth. prayer	<i>KO</i> I seriously doubt the pl. - rather suhigu is N/V of n-suhi
suhu	suhiri	n.		heart: seat of mind and emotions	
suhudoo		n.		peace	<i>KO</i>
suhu gari		v.p.		to be sorry	(<i>vide</i> suhugargu).
suhu vali		v.p.		to forget (<i>vide</i> vali).	
suhugargu		n.		1. sorrow 2. grief.	
suhukpeeni		n.		courage.	
suhumaabu		n.		consolation (‘heart-cooling’)	<i>KO</i>
suhumahili		n.		cool-temperedness.	
suhupielim		n.		joy; happiness.	
suhupielli		n.		joy; happiness.	
suhupuypu		n.		quick-temperedness.	
yu					
suhuru		n.		pus.	
suhutuŋ		n.		forgetfulness.	
suhuyiysili		n.		hot-temperedness.	
suhuzohigu		n.		inoffensiveness.	
suhuŋia		n.		1. absent-mindedness 2. mali suhuŋia , to be absent-minded.	‘calm’ <i>KO</i>
suiin		n.		horse grass.	
suje		n.		anger, annoyance	<i>KO</i>
sukpali		n.		handle of a knife	<i>KO</i>
sulgu	sula	n.		a hawk.	sulige (? suliga)/ sulisi <i>KO</i>
suli	suya	n.		1. anger 2. je suli , to be angry 3. je suli niŋ , to be angry with.	X suli/suhu yiŋisi ‘X loses his temper’ <i>cf.</i> suhiyiysili
sulinsi	sula	n.		a shilling (a transliteration of the English).	this sg. is from Eg. pl.: by 1973 sulli was used
sulpielli	sulpiela	n.		a wild cat marked like a leopard.	
sum	sunodaya	n.		solder (<i>vide</i> shinadali).	
sunna		n.		Muslim naming ceremony (< Hausa)	<i>KO</i> check spelling, see suuna

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sunsuuni		prep. and adv.		middle; amidst; among.	<i>KO</i> sunsuu is N: ‘middle’ <i>cf.</i> gbinni (note)
sunyina		n.		a saw.	
suŋ	suma	a		good.	
surgi -ra		v.		1. to be dark 2. to be night time 3. to become entangled, as a skein of thread 4. to slip out of place.	
surim		adv.		quietly.	
sutuli	sutiya	n.		the power making one impervious to knife cuts.	
sutitali		n.		cutlass (‘big knife’)	<i>KO</i>
sutoyu	sutori	n.		a sheath; scabbard.	
suturli	sutura	n.		clothing.	
suui -ra		v.		1. to unload 2. to lift down 3. to shed leaves 4. to rinse clothing, after soaping them 5. to bathe a dead body ??.	
suuna		n.		naming ceremony; outdoor (?? this is an Ashanti/southern custom)	<i>KO</i> check spelling, see sunna
suzura		n.		1. reverence	
suzuura				2. respect 3. niŋ suzura , to reverence; respect.	
SH					
shaara		n.		expensiveness	<i>KO</i> (< Hausa <i>tsada</i>)
she -ra		v.		1. to sew 2. to roast directly in the fire.	
sheba		pron.		any, some, other, none, animate pl.; some people	<i>KO</i> pl. of so <i>q.v.</i>
sheyu		pron.		something	<i>KO</i> AJN entry : rare (archaic) variant of sheli <i>q.v.</i>
shéyú		n.	cl	1. general term for rainy season 2. describes the peak period of rainfall when it is sometimes impossible to go to farm	<i>KO</i> also shayu : sheyu ni shee ‘when the rainy season comes’ (‘situation in the rainy season’ - nominal phrase)
shee	shahi	n.		place (for a purpose) [without place marker]	<i>KO</i> paabu shee ‘destination’ yiŋirigu lubu shee ‘airport’ ‘flying. thing falling place’
shee	shehi	n.		lower back, lumbar region, ‘waist’ (Gh.)	
shee		prep.		1. except 2. until 3. unless (<i>vide fashee</i>).	< Hausa
shee -ra		v.		1. to dismount 2. to set in (of the rainy	

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				season only) 3. to alight from a lorry 4. to fall away from (as meat from bones or as plaster from a wall).	
shehira		n.		1. evidence 2. a testimony 3. niŋ shehira , to testify, to give evidence.	witness, support in a court case (< Hausa < Ar.); shehira gbaŋ 'licence, affidavit'; shehira kpema 'false witness' 'senior' or 'hard' witness? <i>KO</i>
shehiralana	shehiran ima	n.		a witness.	
sheje		excl.		bastard.	< Hausa : (more often as exclamation than insult, rarely a factual description <i>KO</i>)
sheje	shejenima	n.		bastard.	< Hausa : (more often as exclamation than insult, rarely a factual description <i>KO</i>)
sheli	sheŋa	pron.		1. something; anything; some; any 2. some place hence.	<i>KO</i> inanimate sg. of so q.v.
shelikam		pron.		1. everything 2. everywhere.	
shelipolo		adv.		1. somewhere 2. anywhere.	
shelnli	shelma	n.	m	porcupine.	
shelorgu	sheelora	n.		1. belt 2. head-tie(two yards).	
shem		adv.		1. how; 2. as; 3. the manner in which;	A ni niŋ shem ŋo, a galimiya. How you have done, you have offended. Di ni nye shem, a ni chaŋ. As it is, you must go. Di ni nye shem mboŋo. The manner in which it happened, is this. (<i>KO</i> strictly 'anyhow, nohow' - adverb related to so (q.v.)/ sheba , sheli , &c.)
shén'-wáhù	shén'-yúrí	n.	s	harmless ground snake seen in the rainy season	
sherga	shersi	n.		needle, injection	
shermia	shermihi	n.		a stitch.	
shesheriga		n.		tailor	<i>KO</i>
shi... see (also) si...					
shi-ra		v.		1. to dye 2. to skin 3. to flay 4. to become weak (of the voice) 5. to fall away (as meat from the bones or plaster from a wall).	
shii	shihi	n.		1. the spirit of the human	

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				being 2. the soul 3. a bee 4. a honey bee 5. a tree like a silver birch, of which the branches have been used for rafters 6. a stand, made of clay, used to support large pots.	
Shia Kasi		n.		the Holy Spirit, the Third Person of the Trinity in Christian Doctrine.	<i>KO</i> (prot. usage, see vuhim)
shie	shehi	n.		1. place 2. used freely with other forms to make compounded words:	zishie , setting place; vuhimshie , resting place.
shie		prep.		near to.	
shieyu		n.		rainy season.	
shieyu	shieri	n.		a tree that grows in a swampy place.	
shigaari		n.		cigarette (loan)	<i>KO</i>
shigboŋ	shigbana	n.		bees' wax.	
shiya		n.		1. caution 2. precaution 3. suspicion (<i>vide siya</i>).	
shihi -ra		v.		1. to touch 2. to drive away fowls or birds.	
shihinshia		n.		shadow	<i>KO</i> cf. shilinshia
shihirli	shihira	n.		1. magic 2. a miracle 3. a vision. 4. a sign, symbol	
shika		n.		1. caution 2. niŋ shika , to be cautious (<i>vide siya</i>).	
shili		n.		1. preparation 2. readiness 3. maali shili , to prepare; to be ready.	
shim	shima	n.		indigo.	
shim		n.		miserliness	<i>KO</i>
shim -da		v.		1. to sink 2. to immerse.	
shimma		n.		1. spiritual preparation 2. niŋ shimma , to prepare (in a spiritual sense).	
shimmi		n.		1. stinginess 2. mali shimmi , to be stingy.	
shinadali	shinaday	n.		solder (<i>vide sunodali</i>).	
shindazuyu	shindazu yri	n.		false castor oil plant, used for hedges; leaves are used for	

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shini -ra		v.		dressing guinea worm swellings. 1. to keep silence 2. Imperative form: shina , be silent	Shina a noli! Hold your peace! Be still!
shinigu shinshieyu	shinshier i	n. n.		silence. 1. a washing place, bathroom. 2a urinal	shinshayu / shinshari KO one place in local house combines both functions KO
shinshenyee shinshimi	shinshim a	n. n.		drain, outlet of bathroom 1. a sand crack between the toes 2. athlete's foot 3. a tiny red caterpillar.	wood ibis.
shinshingoro	shinshingoronim a	n.		fiend (= sintani q.v.) honey.	KO
shintani shiri shiri		n. n. adv.		1. actually 2. truly (used between subject and verb).	a dyer.
shishira	shishirba	n.		beehive)	KO
shiyuyu	shiyuri	n.			
T					
ta taabo		v. n.		to plaster timber (Br.), lumber (Am.) - square-sawn wood for carpentry	KO KO(cf./ct doyu/dari) but also: taabo dari
taai		v.		light a fire; start burning; be ablaze	
taai buyim taai duɗ taanchili		v.p. v.p. n.		to light a fire to strike, to riot type of small piece of cloth used as a covering by women	KO 'torn cloth.strip' (? -chilli/-chila?) KO
taɗa taani	taansi tama	n. n.		sheanut tree sheanut fruit	KO KO nut has a different name - ? piiga/piinsi?
taara taataa taawaye	taatahi	n. n. n.		custom ostrich strike	KO Hausa tada KO KO Hausa tawaye 'rebellious, rebel'
taba		pron.		each other	KO actually a plural noun 'fellows, peers'
tabaduyu	tabaduyri	n.		pipe	KO
tabata		v.		necessary; sure	KO < Hausa tabbata 'be sure (that..)'
tabataba		n.		small-small kola nuts or those	

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tabataba		a.		with weevils. 1. gummy 2. sticky 3. untrue 4. uncertain.	
tabgi	-ra	v.		1. to kick	(kick backwards, like horse: kick forwards like soccer player is ɲme)
tabi -ra		v.		2. to fall off of, or away from, the wall (of something secured there). 1. to carry on the palm of the hand 2. to perch on a tree 3. to gather honey.	
tabibi	tabibini ma	n.	i	reddish wasp.	<i>see</i> tablankpia
tabibi		n.		science	<i>KO</i> Ar. tabiib ‘physician, doctor’ <i>KO</i> < Hausa root tak’i)
tabitabi		n.		stairs	
tablalaa	tablalahi	n.	i	sweat fly.	
tablankpia	tablankp ihi	n.	i	wasp	<i>KO</i> : <i>see</i> tabi’bi
tabli	taba	n.		tobacco.	
tabli -nda		v.		1. to stick to 2. to fasten to 3. to lean against 4. to be adjacent to.	
tabloyu	tablari	n.		small tick.	
tabo	tabonim a	n.		1. kind 2. sort 3. species.	
tabsi	-ra	v.		1. to touch with the hand.	(Idiom: O tabisira . He steals.).
tabzahim	tabzahi ma	n.		filth.	
tadabo	tadabti	n.		ink.	? <Hausa
tayi -ra		v.		1. to change, exchange 2. to stop a person 3. to protect; ward off; prevent 4. to herd (of animals) 5. to prop up 6. to catch water 7. to take the place of another.	tayi deei ‘readily accept’ tayi zani ‘stop; halt’ <i>KO</i>
tayibu		n.		barter	<i>KO</i>
tayim -nda		v.		to smack the lips. (ED).	
tayima		n.		grass used as bedding for animals.	
tayinti		v.		grind in basin	<i>KO</i> : ? tayim/tayindi (? = tayim above?)
tayitayi		n.		1. hay 2. provender for animals.	
tayitayi		v.		1. to be in worse circumstances than the other	

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				person mentioned	
tayi zieyu		v.		2. penniless. smell animal scent	KO : V (? not apparently tayi or) + N(Obj) zieyu q.v.
taysi		v.		arrange	KO
tahi -ra		v.		1. to lead 2. to take to 3. to bring 4. to shout, thunder 5. to burst 6. to crack 7. tahi... zuyu , to shout at ...in anger.	escort; take (sb.) to .. (GE 'send'): cf. tim , talim din tahi li 'which caused it; which brought it (about)'; 'which brought (that situation) here' din tahi na 'what is the mission' KO
tahiga	tahisi	n.		syphilitic sores in the mouth.	
tahili	taha	n.		1. tin 2. an enamel pan or plate 3. iron sheet 4. brass pan (this is usually called ' tahazieyu ').	? fr. Hausa <i>tasaa</i> ult. French <i>tasse</i>
tahima		n.		1. hope 2. niɲ tahima , to hope.	
tahipoɲ	tahipona	n.		tray	KO
tahizieyu	tahizieri	n.		a brass pan.	
takada	takadani	n.		1. a clerk 2. takada gboɲ , writing paper, any paper.	< Hausa
takahi		n.		1. disappointment 2. inconvenience 3. yihi takahi , to cause disappointment; to inconvenience (a remote meaning: to revenge).	
takarfeeni	takarfe ma	n.		a hoof.	
takobi	takobini ma	n.		a sword	(< Hausa). (takobu / takobri KO)
takofa	takofans i	n.		1. a six-pence coin 2. six-pence in value (WD: tokafa , ED).	₦0.05 ? from archaic English term 'tickey'
takoro	takorti	n.		1. a window 2. the title of an officer in the Dagomba army.	< Hausa takorobila 'window-shutter' KO
takubsi		n.		a small gift of appreciation to the messenger who brings a gift.	
takparikpa		n.		candy; sweets, confectionery	KO
ysi					
talahi		n.		1. compulsion 2. necessity 3. force 4. burden 5. niɲ talahi , to be necessary;	KO (< Hausa tilas) talahi tuuni 'duty' (see tuma)

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talgu	taya	n.		to be compulsory the spur of fowls and game birds.	
talim -nda		v.		1. to ask someone to carry a message, if it does not too seriously inconvenience him 2. to order something through another person. (WD: tolim , ED).	send to another through somebody; to 'message' (Gh.) somebody - <i>i.e.</i> send a message with him when he is going anyway <i>KO cf./ct. n-tim</i> which is to 'send' - make somebody go expressly in order to carry out your errand <i>KO</i>
talima		n.		1. a pledge given for a debt (usually a child) 2. pa talima , to pledge.	or ta'lma
tam		n.		good soil, fertiliser.	
tam		n.		time	<i>KO</i> Eng.
tam -da		v.		1. to forget 2. to perch (of birds) 3. to set upright on something.	tam .. zu'yu 'put/be on top of ..' <i>KO</i>
tamaha		n.		1. hope 2. expectation 3. thought 4. niŋ tamaha , to hope; to think.	(Note: There are two words used for 'hope': ' tahama ' and ' tamaha '. The latter carries the thought of expectation and assurance; the former reflects a doubt as to the fulfillment or realization.)
tamalchirga	tamalchirsi	n.		a small, biting ant.	
tambayinga	tambayinsi	n.		ant, small black type	<i>KO</i>
tambieykpa ni	tambieykpana	n.		anthill of the small termite	
tambieyu	tambieri	n.		tambieyu . white ant, the small termite.	
tambu		n.		perching of birds (v.n. of ' tam ').	
tamdigu		n.		a stand	<i>KO</i> (instrument derivative of tam)
tampilgim	tampilima	n.		1. ashes 2. lime wash.	
tàmpíní	tàmpíná	n.		small, unfenced plots within the village	
tampiun	tampima	n.		sandstone, a large rock, threshing-floor.	
tampuli	tampuya	n.		1. midden. 2. dunghill.	1. rubbish-(Am. garbage)-heap; refuse dump <i>KO</i>
tamsim		n.		forgetting	(v.n. from ' tam ' used in regard to the simple processes of memory).
tana shingu		n.		leaves of cassava	<i>KO</i>
tanachi	tanachinima	n.		a hobble – rope for tying feet of horse to prevent easy movement	<i>KO</i> : (< Hausa tange 'to tether')

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tanchili	tanchiya	n.		woman's loin cloth.	
tandayli	tandaya	n.		pieces of broken wall.	
tándí		n.		1. 'sand' (GE) earth, mud and similar substance especially for human use esp. building mud 'swish' (GE) 'adobe' (Am.), mortar; concrete quarry for swish or gravel.	stem form: tàn' pottery clay (but this is more correctly yayri); me tandi , to build with mud or swish.
tandoyu	tandori	n.			
tani	tana	n.		1. a strip of woven cloth 2. a bandage.	
tánjilé	tánjílá	n.	s	Royal python	<i>Python regius</i>
tankpayu	tankpari	n.		dust (thrown up); soil, 'sand' (Gh.)	KO : see taṅkpoy'u
tanmera	tanmeri ba	n.		mason (Steinmetz); builder	KO strictly not Steinmetz as it is a 'sand'-builder, user of stone is strictly kuymera
tanpielli		n.		calico	KO 'white fabric'
tantee	tantehi	n.		a short grass, particularly good for grazing. 'elephant grass'	
tanzaa		n.		foundation of a building	KO
tanyibga	tanyibsi	n.		a tree with a scarlet blossom, the roots of which are made into a sponge.	
taṅgim		a.		of equal value (as a case in which no decision is given between a plaintiff and defendant). (<i>vide muyim</i>).	
taṅkoro	taṅkorti	n.		false yam.	
taṅkpogbul	taṅkpog bula	n.		cloud of dust.	
taṅkpoyu	taṅkpari	n.		1. dust 2. soil.	taṅkpogri (ED) see tankpayu
tapaya	tapaysi	n.		1. the side of the face 2. the cheek.	also 'slap' KO
targa	tarsi	n.		1. a boundary 2. limit 3. an end 4. kpion targa , to the best of one's ability.	paai tariga 'be very much; too much' 'reach extremity': see targa pirigi tarisi 'demarcate' KO
targi -ra		v.		1. to be unable. (the failure to do ..., is always expressed by employing a verbal noun); 2. to collapse; to faint; to be helpless (physical condition).	O targi ma luhubu. He was unable to put me down. O targi duu maa naabu. He failed to complete the building.
tari -ta		v.		plaster.	
tari		v.		put everywhere; to extend, be/get/make wider, bigger	KO
tari	tarimba	n.		1. a commoner; a person not of royal blood 2. a meek person.	sg. tariṅ KO
tarifom		n.		telephone	KO <English
tarimguli	tarimgu ya	n.		a tree, the twigs of which are chewed.	

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tarli	tara	n.		1. a share 2. a portion.	
tariŋ	tarima	n.		disabled person	KO = ?
taruŋ		n.		1. the state of not being of royal blood 2. meekness.	
tatabo		n.		kind; variety species	(vide ‘tabo’). ‘A is B tatabo’ A is same kind as, is like B. KO
tawafi		n.		1. abuse 2. reproach in public 3. disgrace 4. di tawafi , to abuse publicly.	
tawaye		n.		1. revolt 2. strife 3. niŋ tawaye , to revolt; to strive.	
tawulli	tawula	n.		yam cultivar	
taya		n.		quills	KO if there is a sg. it would be ‘tali’
tayiya	taiysi	n.		a thief. (WD).	(nayıy’a, ED).
taiyim		n.		theft.	
taiyisigu		n.		theft.	
te	-ra	v.		1. to strain 2. to build a nest	arrange with grass or rags , esp. make a nest (see teyu) KO
teyu	teri	n.		3. a contracted form of ‘tehi’.	
tee		adv.		nest (made of sticks or grass) ‘for a long time in vain, uselessly’	KO KO
tee	tehi	n.		strainer.	
teebuli	teebuya	n.		table; cupboard	KO <English
teei -ra		v.		1. to remember 2. to call to mind 3. to stretch out (e.g. the arm) 4. to straighten 5. to stand in line.	
teeku		n.		sea	(< Hausa)KO teeku duli ‘seashore’ teeku noli ‘edge, brink of the sea; coast’ KO<English
teela		n.		tailor; sewing-machine	
teenja	teensi	n.		1. chin 2. beard.	
teenkobri		n.		beard (lit.: chin body-hairs)	KO
teenkobri					
teenkpini	teenkpin a	n.		a chin that has not developed a beard.	
teenku	teekuni ma	n.		trade in yams by lend bonds.	
teenluro	teenluro nima	n.		full beard.	? ‘sideboards’ / ‘sideburns’ as in MP/KO ?

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teenluro la	teenluro nima	n.		person with a full beard.	
teepu		n.		tape recorder	KO <English
teesa		n.		station	KO (Eng.)
teesi		n.		test, exam	KO <English
tehi -ra		v.		1. to think 2. to ponder 3. tehi suhu ni , to remember 4. to sharpen a tool by smithing.	
tehibu		n.		feeling, thinking	KO
tehigu	tehi	n.		thought.	
tehili	teha	n.		a thought / thoughts; conscience; idea	KO teha bi zilima 'lack of foresight' : 'thoughts not are deep'
tehiwoyila		n.		foresight (lit.: long thoughts)	KO
teku	tekunima a	n.		1. ocean 2. sea.	teeku q.v. < Hausa
temoko		n.		1. help 2. aid.	< Hausa
terli	tera	n.		yam cultivar	
terun	terinsi	n.		1. stony soil 2. laterite blocks.	
tete		n.		1. a gambling game; a kind of dicing game played with cowries 2. to tete , to gamble; to play the game of ' tete '.	
tete tobu		n.		betting; 'lot-shooting'	KO cf. tete
ti		pron.		1st pers. pron. nom. and obj. cases 1. we 2. us.	KO ti maasim 'good morning' (second greeting) 'our coolness'
ti		v.		to go (colloquial).	
ti		prep.		1. to 2. far.	???
ti		conj.		1. in order to 2. may or might. (when ' ni ' is used to introduce a clause the subject of which is the same as that of the principal verb, ' ti ' is inserted between the subject and verb of this clause to give the meaning: 'in order to', or 'may')	O chaŋ ni o ti nya. He went in order to see. He went that he might see.
ti		part.		future tense indicator	occurring between pronoun and verb or regular future tense particle, and giving an added sense of indefiniteness: O ti di. He may eat. O ni ti di. He may sometime eat
ti -ra		v.		1. to give 2. to do something for (in another's stead).	KO ɲama n ti 'dedicate' ti barina 'hurt, give (cause) harm' ti pini 'donate' 'give gifts'

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ti -ra		v.		to vomit.	
ti -ra		v.		to put up a shelter.	
tia		n.		race; speed	
tii	tihi	n.		1. tree (a general term) 2. a type of fetish shrine.	
tibbi	-ra	v.		to conjure for	
tibbia	tibbihi	n.		eardrum.	
tibbindi	tibbina	n.		ear wax.	
tibbu		n.		curing, healing; treatment	KO
tibbu		n.		1. conjuring trick 2. niq tibbu , to do a conjuring trick.	
tibbulana	tibbuni ma	n.		a conjurer, one who conjures.	
tibdarigibo		n.		punishment 'ear-pulling'	KO
tibga	tibsi	n.		a small squirrel.	? mongoose ?
tibginsim		n.		exaltation; giving respect, honour	KO MP : it is a metaphorical use of be/make heavy, but this is timsa in DB q.v., tibsa in MP
tibi -ra		v.		to heal; to cure.	
tibkparli	tibkpara	n.		earring.	
tibkpira		n.		deafness in both ears.	
tibkpiralan a	tibkpira nima	n.		a deaf person.	
tibkpirli		n.		deafness in one ear.	
tibkpirli	tibkpira	n.		a person deaf in one ear.	
tibli	tiba	n.		1. ear 2. dargi tibli , to punish 3. ti tibli , to inform.	
tibon		n.		woods; forest of trees (ti.bon)	KO
tibsa		a. v.		1. to be heavy 2. to be important(also timsa).	
tibu		n.		healing.	
tieyu	tieri	n.		a bird's nest.	
tiyi -ra		v.		1. to be satisfied 2. to satisfy one's hunger 3. to be poisoned 4. tiyi nini , to please; to be pleased with.	
tiyiti		n.		ticket <English	KO
tiysi -ra		v.		1. to gather together 2. to push into (of partially burnt sticks into a fire).	
tigburigu	tigbura	n.		stump	KO ? also dagbur- as in the other languages ?
tihigi -ra		v.		1. to recover; to improve in health 2. to prosper.	
tihim -nda		v.		to sneeze.	
tii		n.		tea <English	KO
tiila		n.		canary bird	KO misreading? - in most lgs. 'tiita' (and it may actually mean the cage, not the bird in

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tikuba	tikubani	n.		tale-bearer.	
tikuliṅkua	tikuliṅk	n.		ants, living in trees.	
tikum	tikuma	n.		1. talebearing 2. n-yihi tikum , to tell tales about.	hint, clue <i>KO</i>
tikparili	tikpara	n.		earring	<i>KO</i>
tikpilli	tikpila	n.		medicinal pill, tablet (‘round.medicine’)	<i>KO</i>
tikpura		n.		deaf-ears, deaf person	<i>KO</i>
tilga	tilsi	n.		pestle.	
tilgi -ra		v.		1. to save 2. to redeem 3. to spare 4. to cross-question 5. to be/turn sth.upside down. 6. to reverse procedure	tilgi taba ‘toss each other’ (and so: tiligi na ‘return’) <i>KO</i>
tilginsim		n.		1. protection 2. salvation 3. redemption.	
Tilgira		n.		Saviour.	
tili	tiya	n.		large wicker basket, used for catching fish.	
tili	tina	v.		to lean against.	tr./intr.
tilim -nda		v.		1. to interfere with 2. to provoke to anger. 3. to venture <i>KO</i>	
tiliṅga	tilinsi	n.		large black fish.	
tilo		n.		family cult	<i>KO</i>
tim	tima	n.		1. medicine (Western <i>or</i> herbal); remedy; drug 2. a charm, ‘medicine’, magic 3. magic power, magic practice. 4. chemical(s) (<i>TN</i>)	
tim -da		v.		1. to send a person 2. to dip. (tiṅ <i>KO</i>) 3. to be full to the brim. 4. to cut across	despatch; ‘send’ - make somebody go expressly in order to carry out your errand (see talim)
timba		n.		timber	<i>KO</i> (Eng.)
timbuli	timbuya	n.		flies that make honey in the ground (ED: nayilga , WD).	
timbuṅ	timbuna	n.		aardvark.	see next : ‘earth donkey’
timbuṅa	timbunsi	n.		aardvark	see prev.
timpani	timpana	n.		pair of large pegged drums	<i>KO</i> (Twi)
timponi		n.		something publicised.	
timsa		a. v.		1. to be heavy 2. to be important (also tibsa).	
timsili	timsa	a.		heavy, thick	<i>KO</i>

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timsim		n.		weight	KO
timtim		adv.		deep black	KO possible, but ? misreading of limlim (= MP) ?
tindana	tindamb a	n.		a earth-priest.	
tindania		n.		earth-priest's son/assistant, member of earth-priestly clan	KO
tinfu	tinfunim a	n.		1. a crier to the chief 2. a military title (Akan).	
tingbandam li		n.		earthquake 'land.shaking'	KO earth.skin+shake.Nsx
tingbání	tingbáná	n.		land-spirit sacred site	singular is applied to individual land-spirits inhabiting a particular site and the plural to the area of land itself
tinima		pron.		we, us, ours [emph.]	KO
tinshee	tinshehi	n.		1. some other town 2. some other country.	
tintani		n.		flat land; level ground; arid /bare land	KO or tiŋ tani
tintariga		n.		outskirts	KO cf. tingbantariga
tinzani		n.		dry season	KO
tinzuŋu	tinzuŋri	n.		capital city	KO
tinzuntiŋa	tinzuntin si	n.		foreign lands	KO
tinzuŋ-nira	tinzuŋ- nirba	n.		a foreigner.	
tinyayli	tinnyaya	n.		tree root, 'herbal' medicine.	
tiŋsoŋbu		n.		laying town ; ? founding a village	KO
tiŋa	tinsi	n.		1. ground, land 2. country, town.	in relation to human inhabitants - country/tribal-territory/town/village
tiŋa		adv.		1. down 2. on the ground.	
tiŋbantarisi		n.		boundaries	KO cf. tintariga, tar(i)ga
tiŋbia	tiŋbihi	n.		a native, local inhabitant, citizen.	
tiŋbuli	tiŋbuya	n.		an aborigine.	
tiŋgbani	tiŋgbana	n.		1. the earth 2. the land. 3. 'grove', earth-shrine	or tiŋgb.. (and so all cpds.): tiŋgbəŋ jema yilli 'national anthem' 'country-praises song'
tiŋgbəŋ	tiŋgbana	n.		land, country	KO
tiŋgbəŋ					KO or tiŋgb.. (and so all cpds.): tiŋgbəŋ jema yilli 'national anthem' 'country-praises song'
tiŋkasi		n.		holy land	KO
tiŋkpam	tiŋkpam a	n.		a small plant.	
tiŋkpannira	tiŋkpann ima	n.		villager	KO
tiŋkpaŋa	tiŋkpans i	n.		a village.	
tiŋli		adv.		bottom, lower side of ..	

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				(indicating a location); down, below	
tiŋmaŋ		n.		hypocrisy	<i>KO</i>
tiŋmara	tiŋmarba	n.		1. tale-bearer 2. hypocrite 3. liar.	
tiŋpuuni		n.		town, downtown	<i>KO</i>
tiŋsuŋ		n.		heaven	<i>KO</i> 'good (holy) country'
tiŋtariga		n.		border	<i>KO</i> see tintariga
tiŋvurigu	tiŋvura	n.		serpent, reptile 'ground-creeper'	<i>KO</i>
tiŋvurili	tiŋvura	n.		serpent	<i>KO</i> or tin- ; cf. tiŋvuriga
tipawuulli					<i>KO</i> = tipuwumli ?
??					'disobedience'? - or tree-something-branch
tipielga	tipielsi	n.		a flat race. ???	
tipielga	tipielsi	n.		a leguminous tree with a mass of mauve blossoms.	
tipoyu	tipori	n.		bark	<i>KO</i>
tipuwumlila		n.		disobedient person; dissident	<i>KO</i> tibli bu wum -li lana ear won't hear N.sx owner
na					
tiri		n.		vomit; the substance vomited.	
tiri -ta		v.		1. to point at 2. to hand over to 3. to bud 4. to be ill (of fowls) 5. to shrink 6. to shrivel up (as a sick person) 7. tiri gbini , to retreat; to draw back.	
tirsi -ra		v.		1. to move oneself 2. to shift oneself 3. to move aside 4. to push aside 5. to stand aside 6. to draw together; to huddle. 7. to ejaculate (semen)	tirisi (dabsili) zali 'put.off the.day stand.down' <i>KO</i>
tisuyu		n.		midnight	<i>KO</i>
tisum		n.		white juice from plants usually sticky	<i>KO</i> ti.sum tree-sap or -resin
titabli	titaba	n.		an herb used to cure boils, or anthrax.	
titali	titaya	a.		large; big (also titoyu).	
titoyu	tiŋaŋa	n.		big; large (also titali).	
tiwalli	tiwala	n.		fruit	<i>KO</i>
tiyawumia	tiyawum ianima	n.		a giant.	
Tiyawumia	Tiyawun ianima	n.		name to a child who is thought to have died and been reborn by the same mother.	
tizoo	tizohi	n.		a parasitic plant.	
tizuyu	tizuyri	n.		a head pad.	

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to		excl.		1. all right (an expression signifying affirmation or agreement) 2. ai to , well, alright (there is a manner of saying this that shows doubtful agreement.). 3new paragraph marker in extended discourse.	
to		a. v.		1. to be bitter. to be difficult 3. to be hard to do 4. to be hot (as a pepper).	(a pluralized form is made by the use of ' bintori ').
to -ra		v.		1. to butt 2. to punch.	prob. = to 'pound, shoot'
to -ra		v.		1. to shoot an arrow 2. to pound a mortar 3. to dance a woman's dance 4. to tete , to play a game called ' tete '. 5. to jina to take counsel	
toyi		v.		imitate	KO
toyi		adv.		towards.	
toyi -ra		v.		to fall in drops.	
toyima	toyimani ma	n.		1. a 'namesake' 2. persons or things with the same name.	
toysi		v.		drip (e.g. water)	KO
toysi -ra		v.		1. to speak 2. to tell 3. to imitate.	
toyu	tori	n.		basketwork fish trap.	
tobbia	tobbihi	n.		soldier, warrior (traditional)	KO
tobu	tobri	n.		1. a bow 2. a battle 3. guri tobu , to string a bow for shooting.	
toha	tohanim a	n.		1. a hunter 2. anthrax.	
tohabayingu	tohabayi ma or tohabayi nsi	n.		local <i>bauhinia</i> .	
tohi		v.		pluck (e.g. fruit)	KO : general or many
tohi -ra		v.		1. to subscribe 2. to give extra in a purchase 3. to catch in a trap 4. to tear repeatedly (of cloth).	
tohigi -ra		v.		to sever at once.	pluck single fruit
tohigu		n.		hunting	KO go tohigu (tone H L L H) 'to hunt'
tohili	toha	n.		the extra something given in a purchase 'dash'.	
tokofa	tokofani ma	n.		1. six-pence coin 2. six pence value. (ED).(takofa, WD).	.05 of a cedi

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tolana	tolanani	n.		1. Supreme leader or owner	
	ma			2. after-birth.	
tolga	toli	n.		a locust.	
toli	toya	n.		a mortar.	
toli		pron.		added to pronouns to make them reflexive/possessive; N toli , myself.	‘very.own’ = MP toori in u toori duu ‘his own room’, (do something) u toori ‘..by himself, on his own, from his own resources’. see maja
toli		a.		1. alone 2. independent 3. own 4. din toli , independent:	O din toli Naa n-nye o. He is an independent chief.
tolim -nda		v.		1. to ask someone to carry a message, if it does not too seriously inconvenience him 2. to order something through another person(ED).	(talim , WD <i>q.v.</i>).
tom		n.		bitterness, difficulty	
toŋ	toŋa (WD) or tondi (ED)	n.		1. a trap 2. a snare.	
toŋ -da		v.		1. to develop; ramify grow vines, creepers <i>KO</i> 2. to prosper, progress with business affairs 3. to aid 4. to help by advancing money or goods 5. toŋ taba , to be linked together.	
toŋbu		n.		betterment, development	<i>KO</i>
tooi		v.(no tenses)		1. to be able to 2. to take from a quantity 3. to tear a fibre from a fibrous plant.	[with future tense (<i>cf. nyan</i>)] di yi tooi biela ‘in a short while’ [? which sense?]
tooji		n.		church	<i>KO</i> < Hausa coci
toondaantal i		n.		leadership	<i>KO</i>
toondana	toondan nima	n.		leader	<i>KO</i>
tooni		n.		front; being first; as PREP ‘in front, ahead’ (see gbinni , note)	<i>KO</i> see next (N’a tooni . - greeting to someone who went ahead of you and got there first) be tooni ‘lead’ (lit.: be in front); <i>cf.</i> toondana tooni benibu ‘leading’ see prev
tooni		adv.		1. ahead; in front of 2. first 3. before (positionally) 4. past (in relation to time).	
tooni		n.		an epithet meaning sexual	euphemism - lit. ‘front’

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toozo	toozoni	n.		organ (either male or female). the hump on a cow or a camel.	< Hausa - <i>cf./ct.</i> gurigu
torli	tora	n.		an eagle; the largest of all the hawks.	
toro	toronima	n.		a sleeveless gown.	
torotoro	torotoro	n.		turkey.	< Hausa
toto	totonima	n.		1. a subscription 2. tohi toto , to pay a subscription.	
tu -ra		v.		1. to abuse 2. to suffer.	
tu		v.		put sth. in a hole (e.g. thread a needle); to string beads.	KO
tu		v.		be straight; be suitable, right	KO tu kpayu 'be desirable'
tu		v.		trip, stumble	KO rather or also tuui q.v. as MP ?
tua				see tuu	
tubaani		n.		a food prepared from bean- flour.	
tuyi -ra		v.		1. to join together (of rope, wood, etc.) 2. to carry a person on the shoulder 3. to go in single file. 4. to resume (activity) where one left off	
tuyli -nda		v.		1. to cause a quarrel 2. to make a smudge 3. to smoke (as a fire).	? 'put them head-to-head' - causative of tuyi ?
tuyligu		v.n.		1. quarreling., 2. smoking.	
tuyili	tuya	n.		a joint (anatomical, or any two long objects end-to-end)	KO
tuyu	turi	n.		1. a baobab pod 2. a wild animal of the cat family.	
tuha		n.		card. number. 10,000 and over.	'thousands' see tuhili
tuhi -ra		v.		1. to meet someone (as on the road) 2. to fight (of groups not of individuals) 3. tuhi nintori , to spit 4. to be straight 5. to be correct; to be right; to be true (always in one form: di tuhiya).	tuhi tobu 'war against'; tuhi taba 'make war on each other' KO
tuhili		n.		card. number, one thousand. ('tusi' is used up to 10,000	

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				and the 'i' is elided upon the addition of a qualifying number: tus'ata , three thousand.).	
tuhigmbamb uyu	tuhigma mbuyri	n.		a spittoon.	
tuhituhili tukari		num. n.		1.000.000 fresh leaves of the baobab tree used for broth.	KO '1000 1000s
tukarinom		n.		dried and pounded leaves of the baobab.	
tukpilli tula	tukpila	n. a. v.		the seeds of the baobab. 1. to be hot 2. to be warm (of the weather) 3. to be active 4. to be smart, to be intelligent.	
tulali	tulalinim a	n.		perfume.	(< Hausa turare)
tulga tuli tuulituya	tulsi	n. n.		pestle bean (white), cow-pea	KO also tiliga q.v. KO see also tuuli
tulim tulim tuliḡkpi	tuliḡkpi nima	n. a. n.		heat. hot (liquid). hornbill (bird). (WD: kpiliḡkpi , ED).	
tulli tum	tula	a. adv.		warm, hot since	KO KO (< Hausa tun)
tum -da		v.		1. to work 2. to forget how to do 3. to forget people, places or directions.	? 2/3 error for tam ?
tuma		n.		work.	rare sg. tumli , tumni , tunni , tuuni - 'one job, piece of work': talahi tuuni 'duty' : talahi 'necessity' (< Hausa tilas) + tumni (sg. of tuma) tuma duu 'office' 'work room' KO
tumo	tumba or tuumba KO	n.		a messenger, errand boy; delegate; apostle.	
tumpani	tumpana	n.		a state drum introduced from Ashanti.	
tumtumda	tumtum diba	n.		a workman; a labourer.	
tumtumdik pee tunatu tuntumsa tunḡ	tundi	n. n. n. n.		co-worker lines on the ground as game acts, works 1. ease, easiness 2. convenience.	KO 'work-working-neighbour' KO KO
tunḡkurguna yili-nima		n.		men of ancient times.	? <i>chiefs</i> of ancient times. ?

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tuṅkursli		n.		ancient times.	
tuṅkuruwu		n.		men of old.	
na					
turata		a.		disorderly.	
turi		n.		1. abuse 2. kpa turi , to incur abuse.	
turon kaa		n.		car	KO (< Hausa European ‘car’) ? obs.?
tutuyu	tuturi	n.		a shrub, a bush.	not ‘the ‘bush’’
tuturi		n.		insults	KO sg/pl? - prob. a mass noun (like sayiri) tu- ‘an insult’ -tu- ‘to insult’ -ri (sx.) like tuntumda ‘work-worker’
tuu	tuhi	n.		the baobab tree.	
tuuba		n.		1. repentance 2. niṅ tuuba , to repent.	(Arabic< Hausa). Change religious allegiance, not necessarily heart or behaviour
tuubaani		n.	f	fish sp.	Proverb: Zahim tuubaani, di yi bi nyaysa, amaa di lee be buyimata . If the <i>tuubaani</i> fish is not tasty, then it is very soft.
tuubara		n.		a spasm of hiccoughing, thought to precede death.	
tuui -ra		v.		1. to mash in water 2. to stumble, trip 3. to fail to meet (as a belt).	
tuui		v.		to do .. first	KO tuui nya ‘discover’ ‘be.first to.find’ tuui daa ‘buy first, preempt’ <i>see next</i>
tuui		adv.		first:	A ni tuui gbaai ziq sheli, yihim li n-ti ba . When you first catch a fish, remove it and give to them. [this is a <i>verb</i> - <i>see prev.</i>] KO tuli q.v.
tuuli	tuuya	n.		a bean (cow pea, black-eyed pea)	<i>see next</i>
tuuli		a.		first one.	KO <i>see prev</i>
tuunbanḡa	tuunbanḡa	n.		craftsman, artisan	KO tun- cf. tuntunda
tuunbieyu	tuunbier i	n.		crime , sin	KO tun- or tum- cf. tuma : tuumbieri kabu ‘confession of sins ‘ : tum- cf. tuma KO
tuunkua	tuunkuh i	n.		waste	
tuunkpieṅ	tuunkpe ma	n.		tedious job	KO tun- cf. tuma
Tuure		n.		Europe (< Hausa); London	KO
tuuta		n.		flag (< Hausa)	KO gbaai tuuta ‘give up’: lit. ‘hold a flag’ (of surrender?) e.g. a woman calls her younger sister ‘ tuzo ’ and her brother, ‘ tuzodoo ’; a boy calls his
tuzo	tuzonim a (sometim	n.		younger brother or sister of the same sex;	

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	es 'tuzohi'				younger brother tuzo and his sister tuzopay'a . see bie'li
tuzobia	tuzobihi	n.		nephew or niece ('sibling's child')	KO NB <i>ct.</i> tuzobila 'little sibling'
tuzodoo	tuzodab ba			girl's brother (any age)	see tuzopay'a
tuzopaya	tuzopaya ba			boy's sister (any age)	see tuzodoo
tuzuŋu	tuzuŋri	n.		pad of protection for head load	KO
V					
va		v.		to up and .. (semantically auxiliary verb)	KO va n-yi na 'debut' 'up.and exit hither' → 'come out': ? rather, or also, n-vaai
va -ra		v.		1. to wrestle 2. to struggle with.	
va		v:		collect from ground	KO va ʒi 'go beyond a limit' ('collect and carry'? (ʒi ?)) : see vaai
vaai -ra		v.		1. to gather (inanimate things) together 2. to gather a following 3. vaai n-zi , to think too much of oneself; to be conceited 4. vaai guui , to run quickly or suddenly.	(many objects) see va
vabga	vabsi	n.		the red, silkcotton tree; <i>Bombax buonopozense</i> .	
vabpum		n.		flowers of silkcotton	KO see vabga, pum
vagoŋu	vagori	n.		a wrestling ring.	
valga	valsi	n.		a game animal of the antelope family.	
vali	vala	n.		1. grass heaps ready for burning 2. grass hoed down but not yet put into heaps.	(grass and crop residues from previous year's farm/fallow)
vali		n.		wrestling.	
vali -nda		v.		1. to swallow 2. suhu vali , to forget.	
valima		a. v.		1. to be active 2. to be alert.	
valiŋ		n.		fastness, quickness	KO
valli	vala	n.		shrub bearing edible berries.	
valsi -ra		v.		to frighten (ED: varsi , WD).	
varsi -ra		v.		to frighten (WD: valsi , ED).	
varanda		n.		veranda	KO (Eng.)
varisa		n.		treachery	KO
varisigu		n.		treacherous thing	KO
ve		v.		smear	KO
vebga	vebsi	n.		tsetse fly.	

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veei -ra		v.		1. to scrape the hair off the skin 2. to bruise 3. to remove the outer skin by bruise.	
veeni -nda		v.		1. to be becoming or to be suitable (of clothes, etc.): 2. to be expedient:	Di veen' o. It suits him. Di di veeni ka o kana yom. It would have been expedient for him to come quickly.
vehi -ra		v.		to scrape or clean with the finger.	
velinga		a.		nice, pretty	<i>KO see vielli</i>
venyela		n.		decency; niceness	<i>KO</i>
venyelinga		adv.		1. well 2. thoroughly.	vihi venyelinga 'look into sth. carefully' <i>KO</i>
vi				1. shame 2. bashfulness 3. di vi , to be ashamed 4. mali vi , to be shameful 5. zo vi , to be modest; to be bashful 6. dihi vi , to shame 7. vi dirli (pl. dirba), a person who is not restrained by protocol; a person who is ashamed.	more what you feel than what people feel about you :
vi -ra		v.		1. to spread soup on food 2. to spread grass on roof.	
vibgi -ra		v.		1. to cave in (as floor or grave) 2. to have a hole in (as a pot) 3. to punch a hole in (as a mat or cloth).	
vibi -ra		v.		1. to fan 2. to shake the hands.	
viebi -ra		v.		to bruise the skin; to graze, skin (as to skin the shins).	<i>cf. fiebi</i>
viela		a. v.		1. to be beautiful 2. to be good.	all forms or visual (<i>cf. nyaysa</i>) desirability - pretty, beautiful, handsome, clean, also more generally good, OK
vielga	vielsi	a		1. beautiful 2. fine 3. good.	
vielim		n.		1. beauty 2. goodness 3. fineness.	
vielli	viela	a.		1. beautiful 2. fine 3. good.	
viykpilieyu	viykpilie ri	n.		small owl.	

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viyu	viri	n.		an owl.	
vihi -ra		v.		1. to look (with the idea of finding something) 2. to examine closely 3. to search a person or house 4. to consult a soothsayer.	vihi nya ‘detect’ ‘investigate and discover’ vihi venyelinga ‘look into sth. carefully’
vihigu	vihisi	n.		research, investigation	<i>KO</i> (pl. ?? <i>TN</i>)
vii -ra		v.		1. to open slightly in order to peep into 2. vii gbinni , to reveal a secret; to divulge.	
viili -nda		v.		1. to swing around. 2. to strut.	
vilgi -ra		v.		to unwind (as a bandage).	
vilgu	vila	n.		a bandage.	
vili -nda		v.		1. to wrap around 2. to tie around; to bandage 3. to entwine.	
vim		adv.		description of sweet smell	<i>KO</i>
vimsi -ra		v.		to tie tightly (as a bandage).	
vini	viniya	excl.		1. Be off. ! 2. Go away! (said to an inferior).	
vinyayli		n.		1. laziness 2. slothfulness	(also gbinyayli and zinyayli). [MP is gbin-nyag- or zin-nyag- , but in an expressive word like this there may be further variants : I recorded vinyoyili in Tamale and NT has gbinnyay- TN]
vinyaylana	vinyayni ma	n.		lazy person	
viri -ta		v.		1. to observe the rite of mashing a piece of liver or new yam on the place of sacrifice 2. to go on an adventure.	
virli		n.		1. a birth place 2. origin.	
virli		n.		a stream	
vo		v.		pull; pull along, as trolley, lead along; siphon	<i>KO</i>
voyi -ra		v.		1. to eat a hole (as a canker) 2. to make a chink; to erode (as rain).	
voyu	vari	n.		leaf	
vobsi -ra		v.		1. to peep 2. to glance.	
voli	voya	n.		a hole.	
vooi		v.		pull	<i>KO</i>
vooi -ra		v.		1. to wrinkle 2. vo n-vomi , to be wrinkled.	O ninni vo n-vomi. His face is wrinkled.
vu -ra		v.		1. to rumble (of a heavy storm	

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				or a moving lorry) 2. to threaten (of a storm) 3. vu vuri , to quarrel. 4. to drag	vu tiŋa drag on the ground, as beast KO
vua	vuhi	n.		1. a type of magic medicine 2. a charm to bring one luck.	
vuŋa	vuysi	n.		1. ridge, furrow 2. a row of yam mounds.	
vuŋi -ra		v.		1. to uproot 2. to pull (as teeth).	
vuylaa	vuylahi	n.		a guide row of first row made in a farm.	
vuŋli -nda		v.		1. to humbug 2. to disturb 3. to be importunate.	
vuŋu	vuri	n.		1. a quarrel 2. brawl. (<i>vide</i> ‘ vuri ’).	
vuŋu	vuysi	n.		bed	KO good-quality sleeping-mat? ?? sg. vuga ?
vuhi -ra		v.		1. to breathe 2. to rest 3. to expire 4. to urinate. (?? <i>TN</i>)	
vuhim		n.		1. breath 2. rest.	vuhim dabsili ‘day of rest, sabbath’ &c. (usually R.C. usage – Protestant Shia Kasi).
Vuhim Kasi		n.		Holy Spirit	<i>see next</i>
vuli -nda		v.		1. to whistle 2. vuli vulinga , to whistle (as a tune).	
vuli		v.		1. to roast 2. to cook over an open fire.	? also ‘burn oneself’ (injury) as in MP ?? <i>TN</i>
vulinvuga (ED) vulinvuga (WD)	vulinvun si	n.		mud wasp.	
vulinga	vulinsi	n.		a whistling.	
vulyu	vula	n.		reedbuck	(vuldibga , male form).
vullo	vullonim a	n.	s	1. track of snake 2. anything drawn on the ground.	
vum		a.		sweet-smelling	KO cf. vim
vuri		n.		noise.	
vurititi		a.		sweet-smelling	KO
vurli		n.		origin	KO : ? burli ?
vuui -ra		v.		1. to lessen; to reduce 2. to be withdrawn (as a rule or a law) 3. to draw near together.	(vuurimi is the tense most commonly used).
vuyakpibga	vuyakpi bsi	n.		a child of paupers.	? <i>orphan</i> of ... ?

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W					
wa	-ra	v.		to dance.	
wa		v.		be going (see wara)	KO AJN entry :
waa	wahi	n.		dance.	
waa	wahi	n.		field, plot of sth. (e.g. okro)	KO
waai	-ra	v.		1. decay (like in animals) decompose 2. to wither 3. to dry up (of dead bodies) 4. to slacken, loosen 5. Idiom: to die,	Dug bi waara. Enmity never dies.
waai	-ra	v.		to dye a cloth	
waai	-ra	v.		to cook partially	
waai		v.		slacken, loosen (? waai 'parboil' is a special use of this?)	KO AJN entry : cf. waysi , MP waai
waaka		n.		yoke	KO ((?? Eng. yoke > yooka > waaka (because 'w' has more affinity for 'o' than 'y' has)??)) (or > ook > ?)
waari		n.		cold weather.	
wasiman		n.		watchman	KO <English
waato		conj.		so, then	KO (< Hausa)
waawaayili		adv.		often	KO
waazu		n.		sermon; a discourse	
waazu	waazu	n.		preacher.	
yihira	yihirba				
waazibu		n.		1. certainty 2. truth 3. usefulness;	Bim bo waazibu mboŋo? What is the use of this? Di waazibu nye dini? What is the use of it? Di mali waazibu. It is wonderful.
waazibu		adv.		1. certainty 2. truly.	
waC... see also woC					
wabsa		n.		a shrub used for sweeping the floor. (<i>vide</i>).	
wabsi		v.		1. to become thin 2. to strip off leaves.	
wabu		n.		dancing	KO
wachi		n.		chill	< Hausa (or 'wochi').
waygabli	waygaba	n.		long snake.	
waygurga	waygursi	n.	d	a disease that causes one to stoop over.	
wayilim		n.		distance	KO
wayilinli	wayilima	n.		blister	KO

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wáymáhíli	wáymáh à	n.	s	African python.	<i>Python sebae</i>
waymoyu	waymori	n.	v	creeper which is used to cure convulsions.	et. 'snake-grass'
waysi		v.		slacken, let loose a little (like bolts or knots)	KO
wayvandiga	wayvand isi	n.	b	heron.	
wáy3éyù	wáy3éri	n.	s	red snake. moves rapidly, climbs trees	
wahala		n.		1. suffering 2. trouble 3. di wahala , to suffer 4. nya wahala , to experience suffering 5. niq wahala , to trouble; to torment.	
wahi -ra		v.		1. to bark (of a dog) 2. to bounce (as a baby) 3. to whirl a spindle 4. to prune; to trim.	
wahi		v.		make someone dance	KO
wahiika		n.		letter	<Hausa but see washiika
wáhù	yúrí	n.	s	snake.	(way-)cf. yuyu
wáhù	yúrí	n.	da	horse	horse is commonly spelt wóhu to distinguish it from snake. (wor-) cf. yuyu : wordibga , male form.
wahumabile	wahuma	n.	i	centipede	pl. should be ... ra 'baby python'?
rgu	bilela				
wai		excl.		expression of fear or surprise	KO
wakarti		n.		time (a period of time).	(Arabic via Hausa); (or wakatti)
wala see		conj.		or	
walla					
walachi		conj.		whether [used in alternative clauses, either at the beginning or between the clauses, but only used once]	(Ha). Walachi o ni kana zuño, a sa ni kana bieyoni, m bi bañ. Whether he will come today or tomorrow, I do not know. <English
walansi		n.		radio, wireless set	
walapuyy	walapuri	n.		tree of which the roots are used as medicine.	
walga	walsi	n.	m	oribi	waldibga , male form.
wali	wanda	v.		to bear fruit.	
waljira		n.	p	senior woman of house	KO or warjira (< Hausa uwar gida 'woman of the house')
walla		adv.		1. whether (when introducing a sentence) 2. of course (when used sentence final).	
walli	wala	n.	tp	fruit. (~ of a tree - see tiwalli)	
wangam ni changam		av.p.		in detail	

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wanzam	wanzam nima <i>or</i> wanzam a	n.		1. a barber, circumciser 2. epithet of a leopard.	< Hausa
wara wara	waraya	excl. v.		Go; Go away; Be off. be going (only used for present action in progress) - basic verb is wa , this is imperfect	? <i>see</i> next <i>KO</i> ? <i>see</i> prev.
wari		n.		coldness	<i>KO wari mali ma</i> 'I am/feel cold'; wari be-ni 'it/weather is cold' : <i>cf.</i> walgu (opposite)
wari		v.		to nurse seeds later for transplant	<i>KO</i>
washiika	washiika nima	n.		letter.	< Hausa
wawa wawara		n. n.		climbing plant. dancer	<i>KO</i>
wawarib a					
wawayili wawulun		adv. n.		often; frequently. 1. laziness 2. slothfulness.	
waya		n.		wire; wire-netting; bracelets, rings made from copper wire	<i>KO</i> <English
wayo		n.		1. conceit 2. mali wayo , to be conceited.	
wee wee	wehi wehi	n. a		fish old	(used in compounded words: kobwee , old bone)
wei		excl.		expression of surprise or sorrow or incredulity.	
weyo		excl.		an expression of pity and sorrow.	
we		v.		to go. Ya ka a we? Where are you going?	= wa
welgi wii woC... see also waC	wihi	v. n.	mi	to differ cruciform whistle	<i>KO</i> = wolgi <i>q.v.</i> (ED) yua , WD).
				perspiration heat of the weather.	nyeei woligu 'wipe sweat' walgu be-ni 'it/the weather is hot
woya		v.		1. to be far. 2. to be long 3. to be high.	
woyawoya woyi woyirli	-ra woyira	a. v. n.		soft to hatch. 1. powerful person 2. notable person 3. strong person 4. fat person.	
woyiwoyi		n.		1. general laughter 2. general talk.	
woyli	woyla	a.		1. long 2. tall 3. high.	

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woyli -nda		v.		to make a noise	Banima n-woyinda duu maa ni? Who are they making noise in the room?
woylim -nda		v.		to blister.	
woylnli	woylima	n.	bm	1. an eruption on the body 2. a blister.	
woysi -ra		v.		1. to escape, as air from a tire 2. to deflate 3. to be reduced in size 4. to recede, as a river.	
woyu	woyri	n.		shell of nut, egg; box (of matches)	<i>KO</i>
woyu	woya	a.		tall, high, far	
wobga	wobsi	n.		1. a cripple 2. a lame person 3. a person with a crooked leg or crooked foot.	
wobgu	wobri	n.		elephant	woblaa , male form.
wobi -ra		v.		1. to strip leaves off 2. to have the first sexual intercourse with a widow after the funeral rites 2. to rub the body, as in cases of pneumonia or when bitten by a snake or stung by a scorpion.	
wobnyini	wobnyina	n.		ivory; tusk	<i>KO</i> ‘elephant-tooth’!
wochi		n.		chill	< Hausa (also wachi).
wohi		v.		to trim, prune, cut to size	<i>KO</i> bark is wahi
wolga	wolsi	n.		a helmet; a hat; Moore hat	(<i>vide woliya</i>).
wolga	wolsi	n.		wooden slate.	
wolgi -ra		v.		1. to separate 2. to divide 3. to be different.	
wolgibu		n.		division ; difference	<i>KO</i>
woli		v.		separate	<i>KO woli noya</i> ‘cause division, dissension’ noya wolibu ‘disunity, division’ ‘mouths separation’
woli		n.		‘warri’ : a West African game.	It is played on the ground or on a board with two rows of six holes. The object is to capture the opponent’s stones or seeds. There are several ways of playing the game.
wólígú		n.		hot season. Usually lasts 3 months, February-April	walgu mali ma ‘I am/feel hot’; also waligu KO
wolim -nda		v.		1. to strive for 2. to persevere 3. to travail.	<i>KO wolim je</i> ‘make efforts in vain; be in vain’; ‘try and fail’

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wolliya	wolliysi	n.		helmet; hat; Moose hat	(vide 'wolga').
wolshieu	wolshieri	n.		a skin rash.	
wolsi -ra		v.		1. to travail 2. to attempt 3. to try.	
wooi		v.		cut apart	KO
wopuuni		n.		acute stomach-ache.	
worbanli		n.		wild beans, used for feeding horses.	
worbarsili		n.		a horse dance, performed in a ring.	
wòrgú	wòrá	n.		fallow ground that is cleared for planting cereals and pulses	
wori -ta		v.		1. to split wood with an axe 2. to hoe up the first side of a ridge.	
woribali		n.		horse-riding	KO
worikpaa		n.		picket, peg to tether horse	KO
worimochi	worimoc	n.		1. a horse boy	
ma	himba			2. a groom.	
workariwan		n.		horse grass.	
a					
worlani	worlana	n.		yam cultivar	et. 'horse-testicle'
worlimo	worlimo	n.		1. a horse bell	
	nima			2. a hand bell.	
wòri-móri	—	n.		any horse-grass	
wornimpoy	wornimp	n.		leather horse-'blinder' (Am.) -	
u	ari			blinker (Br.).	
wornyanpa	wornyan	n.		saddle cloth.	
rgu	para				
wua wuu	wuhi	n.	r	Nile monitor lizard	<i>Varanus niloticus</i>
wubga	wubsi	n.		1. the kite 2. a sparrow hawk.	
wublim		n.		striga.	
wubsi -ra		v.		1. to train up a child 2. to educate 3. to nurse a tree. (also 'wumsi').	
wuyi	-ra	v.		to weave.	
wuypilli	wuypila	n.		1. a canoe shaped basket 2. the roll of newly-woven cloth on the loom.	
wuyi -ra		v.		1. to pick cotton 2. to test the priming of a gun	
wuyi		v.p.		to warm oneself by the fire	
buyim					
wuhi	-ra	v.		1. to teach 2. to show 3. to reveal.	
wuhi		v.p.		to mean	lit.: show the meaning
gbuuni					
wuhira	wuhiriba	n.		teacher	KO
wuhiro		n.		Sabbath	KO

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wula		int.		how? : as an introductory 2. What ...? Wula mbala? How is that? Di chaŋ wula. 'How come?': Ni wula? (tone H H ! L) 'what do you mean? what's up?' (ni is the quotative particle ('(you/they say) that how?'))	Ni wula!?! 'What the ** are you up to/do you mean by it?' Di ni niŋ ti wula? What will it do to us? Wula ka o yeli ya? What did he say to you?
wulana	wulanni ma	n.		the first elder in the Council (the spokesman to and for the chief).	the wullana acts as intermediary between a chief or similar office-holder and the public, repeats speeches of each to the other, passes on gifts (<i>i.e.</i> when you are greeting the chief he gives the wullana kola to give to you; if you want to give the chief a gift or a message, you give it to the wullana who gives it to the chief) 'linguist' is GE particularly for Twi <i>Okyeame</i> which is a similar functionary in Ashanti courts. <i>TN KO</i>
wuleyu	wuleri	n.		scar	
wulfu	wulfuni ma	n.		1. a slave-born child 2. nam wulfu , a child from royalty on both sides.	
wulgi -ra		v.		1. to spread, as news 2. to dissolve.	
wuli -ra		v.		1. to spread, as news 2. to dissolve.	
wulijo	wulijoni ma	n.		sweet potato.	
wulimpuhili		n.		the east.	
wulinluhili		n.		the west.	
wuliŋa	wulinsi	n.		1. sun (usually ' wuntaŋa ') 2. Idiom: one's lucky star 3. ŋma wuliŋa , to shorten a journey before the appointed time.	
wuliwuli		adv.		1. entirely 2. altogether.	
wulli	wula	n.		1. branch of a tree 2. root of a tree.	
wulu		n.		a disease which destroys the sexual organ.	
wum		n.		1. relief 2. niŋ wum , to relieve.	

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wum	-da	v.		1. to hear 2. to understand 3. to listen 4. to obey 5. to sense: that is, to feel, to taste, to smell 6. to tire, impers. v.	
wum damli		v.p.		to hear news about	
wum noli		v.p.		to obey	
wumpayli		n.		God's blessing. (said to express gratitude).	
wumsi -ra		v.		to train; to execute; to nurse.	(vide 'wubsi').
wumsim		n.		1. tiresomeness 2. fatigue 3. weariness.	
wunbila		n.		demi-god	KO 'small.gods'
wundabli	wundab	n.		1. a righteous person 2. a servant of God.	
	a				
wuni	wuna	n.		1. a god 2. an ancestral deity in the form of a ball of 'swish' (&c.), usually placed on a wall or in a calabash or tortoise shell and kept in the woman's room.	cf. Naawuni . : personal shrine, 'fetish' (not a personal being) TN
wuni		n.	cl	general term for the hot season	
wuniyum		n.		euphemism for leprosy.	
wunluhili		n.		the west	
wunni		prep.		1. by the aid of 2. through the medium of 3. for the sake of.	also wulinluhili This is probably a contraction of either ' wuni ' or ' Naawuni ' meaning, 'God', suffixed with ' ni ', meaning 'with'. In other words, 'with God'. It is, however, always used with the idea of getting consideration from a person who has the means to help. For example: a person who owns a car says to one without transport, ' Di pasheli a ni sa paai Savelugu bieyoni. ' 'Perhaps you will reach Savelugu to morrow.' He answers, ' A zuyu ni wunni n sa ni paai. ' 'Because of you, through the medium of which, I shall arrive there.' Meaning, literally, 'With your help and with God, I will arrive there.'

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wuntaja	wuntansi	n.		1. the sun 2. day time 3. daylight 4. noon-tide.	also 'home' <i>KO</i> (??) wuntaj ni 'midday, afternoon'; 'in the sun, in the hot part of the day' wuntajni wuntajni 'in the afternoons, every afternoon' wuntaja bindirigu 'lunch' wuntaja be ni 'it is hot' (lit.: there is heat) - <i>cf. walgu KO</i> <i>KO</i> your (also) 'midnight' - must be some mistake!
wuntajni		n.		in the afternoon	
wuntajsoli	wuntajs oya	n.		morning or evening rays of the sun. (WD).	
wuntaggma lli		adv.		between 1 and 4 o'clock p.m.	<i>KO</i> ? w- mahili '-coolness' ?
wuntajsom	wuntajs oma	n.		morning or evening rays of the sun. (ED).	
wuntajzuys aa		n.		noonday, 'sun overhead'	<i>KO</i>
wuntia	wuntii	n.		righteousness.	Church word : wuntii tuma 'righteous actions'
wuntizora	wuntizor ba	n.		righteous person.	Church word :
wuntoyu	wuntori	n.		sun	archaic form of wuntaja
wunzuli	wunzuya	n.		1. bad character 2. bad habit.	
wunzuni	wunzuna	n.	mi	very small bell; a toy bell.	
wurgu		n.		1. chaff, powdery chaff- like Bengal bean dust 2. husks of grain.	
wurikoyu		n.	i	termites	<i>KO</i>
wurim -nda		v.		1. to disperse 2. to dismiss 3. to fall to pieces.	
wurimbu		n.		dispersal	<i>KO</i>
wuui -ra		v.		1. to become soft after soaking, dissolve 2. to reveal a secret 3. to grow fat again after a sickness 4. to fail to wash properly.	
wuuni		n.		dry season.	
Y					
ya		n.		1. home town 2. country 3. native land.	
ya		pron.		second pers. pron., plural, obj. case. 'you'.	
ya	-ra	v.		1. to pick 2. to select.	

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ya		int.		where?	ya ka a yi na ‘where do you come from?’ ya ka a chenna/wa/wara ‘where are you going to?’ <i>KO</i> <i>KO</i> (aux. v. or particle ‘gonna’)
ya	yahi	aux.		tense marker for near future	
yaa		n.		strength.	
yaa		v.		to scare away birds.	
yaa		adv.		once again, once more; as usual	<i>KO</i> (aux./ptc.)
yaai -ra		v.		1. to spread open (as the mouth) 2. to part (as fingers, hoofs, etc.) 3. to have pain (used only with ‘zuŋu’) 4. to take out or to pull out anything from liquids 5. to re-open a pit or well 6. to select 7. to take a photograph.	
yaakaza		a.		1. such and such 2. a certain amount.	locative equivalent of zayla <i>q.v.</i>
yaamini	yaamina	n.		kidney	<i>KO</i> : also yaanni’ni <i>q.v.</i>
yaan		aux.		polite imperative, after a verb	
yaanemo		n.		type of small piece of cloth used as a covering by men	<i>KO</i>
yaanima		n.		ancestors.	
yaankobli	yaankoba	n.		spine, backbone	<i>KO</i> nyaan- see nyaŋa
yaannini	yaannina	n.	bp	kidney.	also yaamini <i>q.v.</i>
yaŋa	yaansi	n.		1. the back 2. grandchild, descendant	(<i>vide</i> ‘ nyaŋa ’).
yaari	yaansi	n.	p	grandchild	<i>KO</i>
yaba	yabnima	n.	p	grandparent; grandfather; ancestor	
yabdoo	yaanima	n.	p	grandfather; male ancestor, forefather	<i>KO</i>
yaadaba					
yabga	yabsi	n.	h	<i>Strophanthus hispidus</i>	a plant from which poison for arrows is made.
yabga		n.		stuff (?)	<i>KO</i>
yablga	yabla	n.	f	minnow	
yabli	yaba	n.	i	termite	or yobli
yabpayā	yabpayāba	n.		1. grandmother 2. female ancestors.	
Yabyili		p.n.		the place of the principal fetish of Tongo.	
yaya		n.		fork (of a tree).	
yaygari		n.		Passover	<i>KO</i> yaygari chuyu ‘Passover festival/feast’: yayi ‘go over’ gari ‘pass’

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yayi -ra		v.		1. to step over 2. to pass over 3. to overflow 4. to be past 5. to exceed 6. to wash off (as plaster on a wall) 7. to cut a section of bark from a tree 8. to divide TZ, 'sayim', into portions 9. yayi bia zuyu , to have intercourse with married woman during the taboo period after the birth of a child.	
yayimi		v.		1. to be betwixt and between; to be similar to both; 2. to be temporarily engaged 3. to be undecided 4. to be suspended.	Zoŋ pa la nooŋa o mi pa la biŋkobga; o yayimi. A bat is neither a bird nor an animal; he is betwixt and between. Always used in this progressive form, generally used with 'mi' :
yayli	yaya	n.		1. side 2. place. 3. sub-district, part, section KO	
yayli -nda		v.		1. to tease 2. to worry 3. to scatter, sow broadcast.	
yaymera	yaymeri	n.		potter	KO
yayra	yayrani	n.		small daily market held on non-market days.	Kasem or Sisala word
yayri	ma	n.		1. fork 2. crotch.	
yayiri		n.		clay	KO
yaysani		n.		1. fork 2. crotch.	
yaysi -ra		v.		1. to work out cotton with the hand so that the seeds may be pressed out 2. bi (ku) yaysi , to be quick in doing. (This is always used with a negative):	Bia maa bi yaysi chandi. The child is quick in walking.
yayu		a.		1. open 2. without cover 3. out of place 4. which has lost its identity.	
yayu		n.		bead	KO
yaha		adv.		1. again 2. once more.	
yakpaŋa	yakpansi	n.		suburb ('houses at the side')	KO
yali		v.		open wide	KO

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yàlím	yalima	n.		salt	
yam		v.		be abundant, common	KO
yam -da		v.		to yawn.	
Ya Naa		p.n.		the Paramount Chief, King of all Dagboŋ. His capital has traditionally been Yendi, and for this reason he is referred to as the Chief of Yendi, though his authority and influence is over all Dagboŋ.	(vide Yani).
yani		n.		the title of the Chieftaincy of Yendi 2. the town itself.	(vide Ya Naa).
yantibchee	yantibch ehi	n.		great-grandchild.	
yaŋ	-da	v.		to pass the infant stage.	
yaŋa	yansi	n.		grandchild.	
yarga	yarsi	a		1. rascally 2. naughty.	
ye		v.		1. to intend to 2. to be about to. (also yen).	auxiliary
ye	-ra	v.		wear, put on (garment fitting arms and shoulders, any length - bra, vest, shirt, blouse / coat, jacket / cloth, dress, suit)	KO see so , piri
ye	-ra	v.		1. to hook, pull down (e.g. locust tree pods) 2. to hook, pull up (e.g. clean out a well.)	
yeyu	yeri	n.		bead (for ornament).	
yebbia	yebbihi	n.		an iron rolling pin used to gin cotton.	
yebi	-ra	v.		1. to gin cotton with an iron roller 2. to grind sprouting guinea corn to make native beer.	
yebkuŷli	yebkuŷa	n.		a flat smooth stone on which cotton is spread for ginning.	
yebŋoyu	yebnori	n.		bamboo roller used to gin cotton.	
yeda		n.		1. belief 2. trust 3. faith 4. niŋ yeda , to believe; to have faith; to trust; to agree.	< Hausa yedalana 'trustworthy person' (L L H H) KO
yee	yehi	n.		1. voice 2. the jawbone of a dead animal or person.	
yeei	-ra	v.		to take off (to undress); to doff.	inverse of ye q.v.
yehi		n.		jaws. with the flesh on it.	form of 'yeno'
yelbierili		n.		painful thing	KO
yeldoŷigu	yeldoŷa	n.		nagging.	

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yelga	yelsi	n.		1. lying on the back 2. doni yelga , to lie on the back.	
yelgi -ra		v.		1. to widen (as a road) 2. to spread (as religion); to propagate.	
yelgu	yela	n.		1. speech 2. saying 3. word 4. concern 5. business 6. trouble 7. mishap.	
yeli		v.		put outer garments on somebody	KO causative of n-ye q.v.
yeli	yera	v.		1. to speak 2. to say	
yeli -nda		v.		to winnow.	
yeli zilma		v.p.		to abuse	
yelibu		n.		telling, saying, declaration	KO zilima yelibu ‘insulting’
yelikam		pron.		everything	KO yelli + kam qq.v.
yelima		a.		1. to be broad 2. to be wide.	
yeliŋ		n.		breadth, width	KO
yeliŋ	yelima	a.		wide	KO
yeliŋahili	yeliŋha	n.		1. proverb 2. parable.	
yelivora	yelivorb a	n.		1. one who is quarrelsome 2. one who is talkative 3. one who draws troubles for himself.	
yelivorli	yelivora	a.		1. quarrelsome 2. talkative.	
yelkpania		n.		constitution	KO
yelkpeeni		n.		concern	KO
yelkurili	yelkura	n.		custom ‘old business’	KO
yelli	yela	n.		1. speech 2. saying 3. concern 4. business 5. trouble 6. mishap. 7. court-‘case’	‘palaver’
yelmahima ŋa		n.		democracy	KO
yelmaŋli	yelmaŋa	n.		1. truth 2. true statement.	‘palaver.regular/genuine’
yelmuŋisiril i	yelmuŋis ira	n.		problem ‘pressing matter’	KO
yelniŋda		n.		events ‘matters happening’	KO
yelnli	yelima	a.		wide.	
yeltoŋli	yeltoŋa	n.		1. talk 2. palaver 3. case in court.	see yetoyli / yetoŋa

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yeluŋ		n.		1. breadth 2. width.	
yelwumsa yelwunsa yelyura		n.		hearsay, rumour	KO
yem	yema	n.		1. one's desire 2. vain desire.	
yem binbieyu yema		n.		1. sense 2. knowledge 3. wit. evil way	sense bad.thing'
		n.		conscience:	Niŋma a yema ni. Do according to your conscience. A yema ni ka a ni baŋ din tuhi. By your conscience you will know what is right. yem goliŋga 'common sense
yemgolga yen	yemgolsi	n. aux.		intuition. 'gonna' : a form of the auxiliary verb 'ye'.	
yendana yeno	yehi	n.		sensible person	KO
yera yera yerga	yersi	n.		jaw, with the flesh on it. disarranged	KO
yergi -ra		n.		a long pole with a stick across the end like a barb, for pulling pods out of a tree.	
		v.		1. to spread out (as mats or grain) 2. to be abundant 3. to change yam mounds into ridges.	
yetoykaha yetoyli	yetoya	n.		vulgar language	KO
		n.		speech, word; conversation; sentence	KO : see yeltoy'li/yeltoy'a,
yi		pron.		second pers. personal pron., nom.case. 'you'.	
yi		conj.		1. if 2. particle of condition, of first order in verb constructions, if; should.	also 'when' in future
yi		aux.		used to [verb always imperfective]	KO
yi -ra		v.		1. to go out 2. to do with: 3. yi na , Come out here.	O yira li bo? What has he to do with it? [yi nyaaga 'betray' yi fini 'become wretched' yi zim 'bleed'; zim yibu 'bleeding' puyisi yi 'sneak' out KO]
yibala yibali	yibalani ma	n.		one who is a secret enemy because of envy.	
		n.		relative	KO

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yibils		n.		1. irresponsibility 2. madness caused by demon possession.	(vide 'Ibils).
yibilsilana	yibilsini ma	n.		1. an irresponsible person 2. a demon-possessed person.	
Yidanborgu		p.n.		the title of the Chief of the blacksmiths in Yendi.	
yidana	yidanni	n.		1. husband	also 'head of family;
yilana	ma			2. house owner.	householder (GE 'landlord');
yiee		excl.		exclamation of pleasant surprise	KO
yiŷi -ra		v.		1. to jump, dive 2. to fly 3. to vanish.	
yiŷirigu	yiŷirisi	n.		aeroplane; flying creature	KO yiŷirigu lubu shee 'airport' 'flying, thing falling place' : pl. shd. be yiŷra
yiŷsi -ra		v.		1. to rise up 2. to start on a journey 3. to recur 4. to fail to fulfil 5. to pass away 6. suhu yiŷsi , to become angry.	yiŷsi zani 'stand up' yiŷsi chaŋ 'set off'
yihi	-ra	v.		1. to take out of 2. to take away 3. to be sufficient for 4. yihi nam ni , to depose 5. yihi tuma ni , to dismiss 6. to disseminate; to tell forth:	yiŷsi suhu 'displease' ~, yihi nam ŷishee ni 'dethrone': yihi zaashee 'dislodge'
yihi waazu		v.p.		to preach	gbaai yihi koŋko 'except for'
yihibu		n.		removal	'grasp and remove only..' KO
yihim	yihima	n.		grass for horses.	KO
yihuŋ		a.		former; (corresponds to the English prefix 'ex-').	Naa-yihuŋ , former chief. '-removed' (yihi)
yiko		n.		1. power (positional) 2. authority 3. ability 4. might.	< Hausa mali yiko 'be able' 'have power' (see tooi) KO
yila		n.		handle	KO
yilbia		n.		servant	KO see yiŋbia
yilgi -ra		v.		to thin (of mortar or gruel).	
yilgu	yila	n.		horn of an animal.	
yilgula	yilguliba	n.		watchman	KO
yili	yiya ya	n.		1. house 2. compound.	see yiŋa

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yili -nda		v.		1. to hang up 2. to hang (that is, to kill by hanging) 3. to leak 4. to sing 5. to clean grain in water.	yili mia ‘hang’ (a person) <i>KO</i>
yilibu		n.		leakage	<i>KO</i>
yilim	yilima	n.		1. a deep valley 2. a chasm.	‘scarp’ <i>KO</i>
yilim -nda		v.		1. to lack initiative 2. to lack application in any business; to be slothful.	
yilkperli		n.		accommodation place ‘house for going into’; rest-house; hotel	<i>KO saamba yilkperli</i> ‘guest house’
yilli	yila	n.		horn of an animal.	
yilli	yila	n.		bunch	<i>KO</i>
yilli	yila	n.		song	<i>KO tingbaŋ jema yilli</i> ‘national anthem’ ‘country-praises song’
yilpayā		n.		wife, woman in household	<i>KO</i>
yilyidana		n.		landlord	<i>KO</i>
yilyiina	yilyiiniba	n.		singer	<i>KO</i>
yim		adv.		1. at once 2. once 3. quickly.	
yim yim		adv.		one at a time, one after the other	<i>KO</i>
yimba		adv.		one after the other	<i>KO</i>
yimba					
yin		pron.		2 pl.: yours, you who [rel.], you [weak emph.]	<i>KO yin mini ..</i> ‘you and ..’
yini		num.		1 (used for animate objects only)	<i>KO</i>
yinima		pron.		2 pl.: yours, you [emph.]	<i>KO</i>
yiniyini		adv.		one by one (things)	<i>KO</i>
yino		n.		cardinal number, one (used for inanimate objects only).	yino gaŋa ‘one alone, unique one’ <i>KO</i>
yinoyino		adv.		one after the other (people)	<i>KO</i>
yinyaa	yinyahi	n.		a lunatic.	baa yinyaa ‘rabid dog’
yinyahili	yinyaha	n.		1. the likeness of madness 2. madness caused by sleeping-sickness 3. lunacy.	rabies
yinyari		n.		lunacy.	
yīŋa	yinsi	n.		1. house 2. compound, consisting of several rooms or buildings. 3. at home [no place marker]	<i>see yili</i>
yīŋga		num.		<i>KO</i> one (ED).	(an emphatic form meaning ‘one only’). ‘same’ <i>KO</i>
yīŋbia	yīŋbihi	n.		servant; domestic worker	<i>KO see yilbia</i>

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yıngu		n.		card. number, one (WD).	(an emphatic form meaning 'one only').
yipa		adv.		just now (past); at long last	KO : aux./ptc.
yirgi -ra		v.		1. to be lost 2. to be startled 3. to suffer a shock 4. to be wary 5. to blossom 6. to spread 7. to fray.	
yirigilnli	yirrigili ma	n.		a bulbous plant, the roots of which are used for medicine. (ED).	
yiriginli	yirigima	n.		a bulbous plant, the roots of which are used for medicine. (WD).	
yirigi zuyu		v.		forestall	KO
yirun		a.		1. foolish 2. worthless 3. good-for-nothing 4. to no purpose.	
yirun		adv.		1. plentifully 2. very much 3. idly.	
Yisa Masia		p.n.		Jesus Christ	KO
yo		n.		forest, woodland	
yo -ra		v.		1. to shut 2. to pay 3. to trot (of a horse) 4. to rain steadily but not hard 5. 'bi yo' or 'ku yo', to not be expected now; (used only with the negative to give this sense) 6. yo vuri , to make a noise.	yo samli ku 'defray' 'pay debt/charge settle' KO O na bi yo kandina. His coming is not to be expected now.
yoɣbee	yoɣbehi	n.		unicorn. (??)	
yoɣi -ra		v.		1. to put rafters on a house 2. to swagger 3. to sprinkle liquids.	
yoɣli	yoɣa	n.		1. an edible pumpkin 2. melon used in tanning leather.	
yoɣo		int.		or not?	KO see yoɣu
yoɣo		int.		what?	KO see yoɣu
yoɣrli	yoɣra	n.		a rafter.	
yoɣsi	yoɣsinima	n.		1. invisible persons believed to inhabit certain places 2. ghosts.	
yoɣsi -ra		v.		to sprinkle a liquid.	
yoɣu		n.		hole, hollow opening	KO (in trees etc. - cf. /ct. boɣli, voli)

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yoyu	yori	n.		bush country; wilderness 'go to ~ ' idiom: 'go to W.C., latrine'; [deep bush, far away uninhabited area <i>cf.</i> da yoyu ; 'jungle'] <i>KO</i>	yoyu dabu 'wandering': ? (<i>see da</i>)
yoyu	yori	a		1. hollow 2. empty.	
yoyu		int.		a word used in conversation, sentence final, giving an interrogative sense.	
yobaa	yobahi	n.		jackal, 'fox' (Gh.)	<i>KO</i>
yobli	yoba	n.		large termite.	
yogboŋ	yogbana	n.		foreskin of the penis.	
yogundili	yogunda	n.		circumcised penis.	
yohi		v.		open many outlets (?)	<i>KO</i>
yohi -ra		v.		1. to hoot at 2. to shout at in derision.	
yohim		v.		bluff; deceive	<i>KO yohim fa</i> 'dupe'
yohim -nda		v.		1. to deceive 2. to tempt.	
yohinda	yohindiba	n.		a deceiver.	
Yohinda		n.		Satan, the arch Deceiver	(an adaptation of current Christian usage).
yohiŋgu		n.		1. deceit 2. temptation.	
yohiŋ		n.		hardy wood roots used for medicine	(<i>vide sampeɲa</i>).
yokayinga	yokayinsi	n.			
yokolgboŋy		n.		foreskin.	
okolgbana		n.			
yokolgu	yokola	n.		1. uncircumcised penis 2. sing. form, uncircumcision.	
yokpiŋlana		n.		impotent man	<i>KO</i> 'dead.penis.owner'
yolgtā	yolsi	n.		1. a tree, used as a remedy against snake bites 2. to separate foreign substance in pito for removal.	
yoli	yoya	n.		male sexual organ.	
yoli	yoya	a.		1. vain 2. useless.	
yoli		adv.		1. uselessly 2. in vain 3. without cause 4. late(ly):	bahi yoli 'become useless; be lost, come to ruin'
				5. free, gratis	O yoli chaŋmi. He has just gone.
yoli		n.		placenta; after-birth (of humans).	
yoli -nda		v.		to soothe to sleep.	
yolitem		v.		to regret something:	(contracted form of ' yoli tehimi ').
yoliya		v.		to be late.	

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yolsi -ra		v.		1. to promote 2. to accelerate 3. to help.	
yolsim		n.		1. help 2. subsidy 3. a gift of means.	
yom		adv.		quickly.	
yoma		prep.		near.	
yomayoma		a.		very near	KO v. fast ?
yomyom		adv.		quickly	KO
yon -da		v.		to yearn.	
yoŋa	yonsi	n.		an epithet for a daring Dagomba 2. Idiom: Naa bi' yoŋa , Prince, one, who has not received a chieftancy.	
yona		n.	m	epithet for the lion: literally, 'bush king'.	
yonahu	yoniyi	n.	m	bush cow; buffalo;	male form: yonaylaa .
yooi -ra		v.		to open.	
yor(i)gu	yorti	n.		lid, cover	KO
yori		n.		pay; wages; salary.	
yorli	yora	n.		a meteor; shooting star.	
yoroyoro		n.		cooked corn	KO
yotuŋ	yotundi	n.		a creeping plant, the leaves of which are used in curing hard swellings.	
yu -ra		v.		1. to love 2. to will 3. to wish.	
yubobo		n.		popularity.	
yubu		n.		desire; love; will; wish	KO
yudua		n.		big name; fame; reputation	KO
yuyimpi	yuyimpi	n.		hedgehog.	
na					
yuyi -ra		v.		1. to sprinkle a powdered material 2. to drizzle (of rain).	
yuyu	yuri	n.		Bosc's monitor lizard	
yuyu	yuri	n.		horse	KO cf. wahu
yuyu	yuri	n.	s	snake	KO cf. wahu
yukaynli	yukayim	n.		a scab over a sore.	
a					
yuli	yuya	n.		1. name 2. proverbial name 3. zali yuli , to be famous; to be renowned.	sayim .. yuli 'defame' (lit.: spoil a name) KO
yuli	yuya	n.		gourd [type]	KO
yuli -nda		v.		1. to look at 2. to see 3. to look for 4. to look after.	
yum	yuma	n.	bm	a sore; an ulcer.	

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yummaha		n.		1. a sore 2. a syphilitic sore or ulcer.	‘wet.sore’
yundokpani	yundokp ana	n.		bird [sp.] (WD)	(<i>vide</i> kujoɣijoyi).
yunsi		v.		use	KO (Eng.)
yuɣ		n.		1. night 2. Idiom: Ni ti yuɣ! A greeting to one during the night.	yuɣ bindirigu ‘supper’ yuɣ yuɣ ‘every night’; ‘in the nights’ KO
yuɣbuɣim	yuɣbuɣi ma	n.		a disease causing temporary blistering. It is believed to be caused by witch-craft fire.	(<i>vide</i> sobuɣim).
yuɣgorgu	yuɣgora	n.		epithet for the hyena.	(literally: ‘night roamer’)
yuɣtisua	yuɣtisuh i	n.		midnight.	also yuɣtisuyu , yuntisua , yuɣtusua KO
yupaa	yupahi	n.		nickname.	
yupiebra	yupiebri ba	n.		flute-blower	KO
yura	yuriba	n.		lover	KO
yuri		n.		horses <i>or</i> snakes	<i>see</i> wahu , yuyu
yuri		v.		to love	KO AJN entry :
yuriga	yurisi	n.		loved one	KO
yuringa	yurinsi	n.		tree.	
yurlim		n.		1. love 2. will 3. wish.	
yusayimbo		n.		defamation ‘name.spoiling’	KO
yu	yuhi	n.	mi	flute, whistle	<i>vide</i> ‘ wia ’.
yuui -ra		v.		1. to last long 2. to be long in one place 3. to be old 4. to be late in coming 5. to be long ago:	Gh. ‘keep long’
yuunbuyim		n.		head-lamp for miners, hunters	Di yuuya. It was long ago. KO
yuuni	yuma	n.		1. year 2. Saawoo yuuni , a year of below-average rainfall.	
yuusim		n.		duration	KO
Z					
za	-ra	v.		to crush.	
za		n.		millet; cereal staple	KO pl., sg. may be zali
zaa		a.		1. all 2. zaa zaa , (repetitive lends emphasis, giving sense of ‘absolutely all’).	zaa kahikahi ‘completely, absolutely’ KO
zaa		adv.		1. entirely 2. wholly 3. slowly.	
zaa		n.		position (standing)	
zaa shee		n.		position	
zaadali		n.		judgement day.	< Hausa

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zaadɜira		n.	d	mumps.	
zaali	za	n.	cr	late millet plant	(vide za).
zaani	zama	n.		cudgel with a crooked iron head;	hammer (local style).
zaaŋa	zaansi	n.		oyster shell.	
zaaŋkuna	zaaŋkun si	n.		fig tree, the wood of which is very brittle.	
zaawuni		n.		afternoon.	
zaawun polli		n.		3.30 - 5.30 p.m.	KO
zaawun		n.		evenings	KO
zaawun					
zaawunyun		n.		late afternoon.	
Zabaya	Zabaysi	p.n.		Gonja person.	
Zabaysili		p.n.		Gonja language	KO
zabba		n.		cassock	KO < Hausa, Ar. ? originally Berber (N. Afr. jabba) ; cf. alicheba
zabga	zabsi	n.		person with natural red hair.	
zabgu	zabri	n.		hair of the head (WD : zobgu , ED).	
zabi -ra		v.		1. to quarrel 2. to fight; to brawl 3. to be painful 4. zabi nyuli , to envy.	zabli zabbu ‘fighting’ zabi zabli ‘fight a fight’ zabi nangbankpeeni ‘to argue, quarrel’ KO
zabla		n.		henna.	
zabliga		n.		mustard	KO
zabsahirgu	zabsahir si	n.		comb. (WD)	zobsa’hirgu , ED)
zaya		n.		concern, interest, attention:	N zaya ka a yeltoya maa ni. I have no concern in your matter.(also ziya).
zaya		n.		... one:	an item: used in compound with number one or adjectives: zay’yini ‘one of them’ (cf. di bayi ‘two of them’), and entries below with zay’ + adjective zaya vielli , a good one; zaya viela , good ones.
zayala	zayalani ma	n.		1. so and so 2. a certain person.	so-and-so’, ‘ <i>Monsieur un tel</i> ’ (not knowing, or not needing to mention, the person’s name) somebody-or-other
zaybieyu	zaybieri	n.		an evil one, a bad one	KO
zayi	-ra	v.		1. to wither 2. to be in bad physical condition.	
zayim		n.		nakedness.	
zayim		adv.		nakedly	O chaŋ o zayim. He went nakedly.
zaypielli	zaypiela	n.		a ‘white’ one (white, grey and pale shades of all colours)	KO (pl. used for white people)

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zaỵsabinli	zaysabla	n.		a 'black' one (cold colours-blue, green - and all dark shades inc. brown, purple)	KO (pl. used for black people)
zaỵsi	-ra	v.		1. to refuse 2. to reject 3. to hate 4. to itch.	
zaysigu		n.		refusal	KO
zaysigu		n.		itching	KO
zaỵyoli		n.		bad fellow	KO 'a useless one - see yoli)
zaỵzie	zaỵziehi	n.		a 'red' one (red - all warm colours red/ orange/ yellow/ purple/brown)	KO
zaha	zahami	v.		to have a fishy smell.	
zahagiya					
zahim	zahima	n.		fish	collective: see also zịja
zahim	-nda	v.		1. to measure 2. to weigh 3. to dream 4. to examine 5. to test, tempt 6. to become rusty.	zahim zahimli 'to dream a dream'
zahimbu		n.		examination; temptation	KO
zahirama		n.		hell fire.	
zahindi	zahima	n.		dream (ED)	zahirli , WD).
zahindigu	zahindisi	n.		1. measures 2. scales (anything for measuring or weighing).	
zahirli	zahima	n.		dream (WD)	zahindi , ED).
zahira		adv.		1. publicly 2. to become known in the open. (always refers to revealing bad character).	
zahirgu	zahirsi <i>or zahira</i>	n.		large woven ring on which large water pots rest.	
zaka		n.		1. a tithe or tenth part given as a part of a religious observance 2. alms given to the poor, in the name of God.	<Arabic via Hausa
zakarịzeebu	zakarịze	n.		ginger root.	
li	ebuya				
zakpalẹyu		n.	b	coloured bird with big wings; it flies a short distance, stops, but flies off when you try to catch it	Proverb: Zakpalẹyu yoham bara ka kpɛ mọyu . The <i>zakpalẹyu</i> bird pretends to be sick and leads people to get lost in the bush
zalgi		n.		1. blame 2. fault 3. to zalgi , to blame 4. dee zalgi , to take the blame. (ED : zargi , WD).	

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zalgo		n.		1. law 2. commandment 3. order 4. abeyance 5. custom.	that which is zali 6)-ed)
zalgo	zalgo ma	n.		food prepared and placed aside for the spirits to partake of after a funeral observance.	
zali	zaya	n.		wedge-shaped iron tool used as a hammer by blacksmiths.	anvil in a blacksmith shop on which metals are beaten to shape KO
zali	-ra	v.		1. to make a law or rule 2. to postpone 3. to hold in abeyance 4. to command 5. to suspend 6. zaŋ zali , to put down something that stands upright.	
zali	zalima	n.		poison for arrows.	
zalim		n.		1. fraud	
zalinsi		n.		2. niŋ zalinsi; di zalinsi , to defraud.	
zalinzahi		n.		grass like ' balimbini '.	
zalkpieŋ		n.		decree 'strong.ordinance'	KO
Zallakadur		p.n.		Most High (and merciful)	
a Naa				God, (a title).	
Zalla Naa		p.n.		Merciful God (a title).	(<i>vide</i> Faako Naa).
zama		n.		1. oysters 2. a multitude 3. congregation 4. assembly.	
zama kuliga		n.	cr	shell fish	Proverb: Zama kuliga baŋmi siyibu gar' a baŋ loyibu . Knowing how to wade through an oyster river is better than trying to go round it. KO
zamaatu		n.		crowd	
zamasuyu	zamasur i	n.		eel.	
zamba		n.		1. secret injury 2. the undermining of character 3. niŋ zamba , to secretly injure; to undermine one's character. 4. sabotage KO	
zambalana		n.		saboteur	KO
zambaŋa	zambans i	n.		epithet for the cat	
zambu		n.		blame	KO ? cf. < Hausa zambo 'ridicule, satirise, accuse falsely'
zambu		n.		disaster, calamity	KO
zana		n.		web	KO : see zani

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zanaasa		n.		originally this was the name of food prepared for the grave-diggers; now, the custom of preparing food for the Muslim priest, when a death occurs.	see next
zanaza		n.		meal for orphans	KO : see prev.
zani	zana	n.		strong rope net used to catch wild animals.	see zana
zani -da		v.		1. to stand 2. to halt 3. to tilt or incline (as a heavy load).	KO zani soli 'stagnate' 'stop on the way' taɣi zani 'stop; halt'
zanuhi dihi buɣa tiɲa		v.p.		die	KO ? zaɲ nuhi .. 'take hands and touch the juju's country' - none of that is normal local imagery
zaɲ	-da	v.		1. to take. 2. to carry away. 3. to use (pick up and ~ - see mali) 4. in auxiliary verb constructions:—	used with other verbs to form new verb:
zaɲ chaɲ		v.		to take away.	
zaɲ chaɲ		v.p.		'about, concerning' ('take go')	
zàɲ cháɲ		?		'until'; 'as far as'	
zaɲbu na		n.		bringing	KO
zaɲguruɲ		n.		thorn tree	<i>Acacia hockii</i> De Wild.
zaɲkaloyu	zaɲkalori	n.		grass used for roofing.	
zaɲsim		n.		attention	KO zaɲsim ka ni 'be absent-minded' (attention not there')
zapalieɣu	zapalieri	n.	b	nightjar (a bird).	
zargi		n.		1. blame 2. fault 3. to zargi , to blame 4. dee zargi , to take the blame. (WD : zalgi , ED).	< Hausa zargi
zárli	—	n.	bp	penis (archaic term)	
zashee	zashehi	n.		a place of something or persons:	
zaza		adv.		1. half-cooked 2. half-way along in age.	
zeeba		n.		mercury	KO < Hausa zaiba
zerba?		n.		1. blame 2. fault 3. to zerge , to blame 4. dee zerge , to accept blame. (also zalgi; zarge).	
zibgi	-ra	v.		1. to get dark 2. to be thick (as the bush).	(e.g. in a storm) KO
zibi	-ra	v.		1. to be dark (as the night) 2. to mature:	(e.g. in the evening) KO Nyuuya maa zibiya. The yam vines are matured.
zibsi		v.		1. to be dark (as a room) 2. to be dense (as the shade of	(in a place) KO

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				a tree)	
				3. to be secretive or close-mouthed.	
zibsim		n.		darkness.	
ziya		n.		1. concern	
				2. interest (also zaya)	
				3. earth for beating the floor.?	
ziylangbo	ziylangbon	n.		yam cultivar	
	ima				
ziyta	ziytanima	n.		black bead imported from Kotokoli country.	
zil		a.		dull	KO
zilgi -ra		v.		1. to deepen	
				2. to bend (intrans.)	
				3. to tilt	
				4. to turn back	
				5. to bow.	
ziliji		n.		train	KO (< Hausa jirgi)
zilim		n.		driver ants	
zilimsáb 'lì		n.			
zilim zìèè		n.			
zilim	ziliq	a.		deep	KO
zilima		n.		abusive words	(literally 'tongues').
zilima		v.		1. to be deep	teha bi zilima 'lack of foresight': thoughts not are.deep KO
				2. to be stoic, not revealing feeling.	(also zilinsi).
zilinsi		n.		ignorance.	KO : see zilug
ziliq	zilima	a.		deep	KO
zilisigu		n.		suspicion	
zilinli	zilima	n.		1. tongue	zi zilni 'carry the message'
				2. yeli zilima , to abuse; to speak angrily to.	zilima yelibu 'insulting' (or is this 'deep things'?) KO
				3. a promise (see zilinli) KO	
zilsì	-ra	v.		1. to suspect	
				2. to doubt.	
zilug	zilima	n.		depth.	see ziliq
zìṁ	zima	n.		flour, powder.	
zimazima		a.		1. dull	Noun 'dimness' KO
				2. cloudy (said of weather).	
zimbila	zinsi	n.	f	fish	KO
zimbuli		n.		ginger grain.	
zimsa		v.		be dark	KO also zibsa q.v. (DB timsa 'be heavy' = MP tibsa)
zimsili	zimsa	n.		secretive; close mouthed.	
zimsim		n.		darkness	KO also zibsim
zina		n.		1. adultery	(Arabic< Hausa)
				2. fornication.	
zinchili		n.		1. delay	
				2. niq zinchili , to delay.	
zini	zina	n.		civet cat	?< Hausa jinkiri
zinibaam	zinibaam	n.		musk of the civet cat.	
	a				
zinniḡda	zinniḡdib	n.		adulterer	KO
	a				

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zinyaargu	zinyaara	n.		1. the kingfisher 2. the wood ibis.	
zinyayli	zinyaya	n.		laziness. (ED : gbinyayli , WD).	(also ‘vinyayli’).
zinzam		n.		sesame; beniseed.	
ziŋ	-da	v.		1. to miss 2. chaŋ ziŋ , to find one absent; to meet one’s absence.	
ziŋa	zinsi	n.		fish (general)	(vide zahim).
zingoo	zingohi	n.		fishing hook.	
ziri		n.		a lie	KO prob. mass noun like sayiri : see ziri
zo	zonima	n.		1. friend 2. zosuŋ/-suma , beloved friend.	
zo barigi		v.p.		‘disappear’	
zo che je li		v.p.		‘abandon it’	
zo dabiem		v.p.		to fear.	
zo namboyu		v.p.		to show mercy.	
zo -ra		v.		1. to feel (as to feel fear) 2. to express or to show:	see zo zo namboyu , to show mercy; to pity.
zo -ra		v.		1. to run 2. to escape, run away 3. to run, flow (liquid) 4. auxiliary verb used with certain abstracts, such as these:–	
zo vi		v.p.		to be bashful.	
zobaŋa	zobansi	n.		lizard.	considered poisonous by the Dagbamba
zobgu	zobrti	n.		hair of the head. (ED : zabgu , WD).	
zobsahirgu	zobsahirsi	n.		comb. (ED : zabsahirgu , WD).	
zobuŋa	zobunsi	n.	m	Senegal hartebeest.	
zoburgu	zobura	n.		1. slate 2. shale 3. mudstone (rarely ever used in plural);	(also ‘zomburgu’).
zogbee	zogbehi	n.		hillock.	
zokuŋa	zokuysi	n.		mahogany tree, the roots of which are used as a stomach- ache medicine.	
zolgo	zolgonim a	n.		heavy chain.	zolgu / zolsi KO : NT has zolgo / zolsi , zolgonima
zolgu	zolgunim a	n.		fool.	
zolgu		n.		placenta	KO see zoli : MP is naaba ‘chief’ !
zoli	zoya	n.		1. hill 2. mountain.	
zoli	zoya	n.		1. placenta 2. afterbirth (of lower	see zolgu

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zolinli	zolima	n.		animals). a shrub of the mulberry family	yielding a coarse fibre, used in dressing sores.
zolkurgu	zolkura	n.	t	a tree bearing long slender pods.	(<i>vide naynyootia</i>).
zoloŋ	zolona	n.		valley in mountains, ravine	KO
zom		n.		red pebbles used to grind up for colouring of local pot.	
zom -da		v.		to be blind.	
zoma	zomba	n.		blind person.	
zomburgu	zombura	n.		decayed laterite stone.	(<i>vide zoburgu</i>).
zomkpabso	NC	n.	s	poisonous snake	also báŋkpàrìmà
ŋ					
zoŋ	zona	n.	m	fruit bat.	
zoŋ	zondi or zona	n.		entrance hut.	‘hall’ - one door into yard, one to outside (beside gateway)
zoŋ	zoŋnima	n.	cr	yam cultivar	
zoo	zohi	n.		1. a fly, house fly	
zoo	zohi	n.		2. a hill; a ridge.	
zooi -ra		v.		1. to grow, be many or much 2. to grow up 3. to be enough 4. to exalt.; to raise to a high position 5. to be in excess.	
zoondoyirili		n.		person blind at birth	KO
zoonpieligi		n.	d	glaucoma	KO
zoosim		n.		1. growth 2. greatness 3. abundance.	
zori		n.		1. friendship 2. my friend (a polite form of address) 3. layi zori , to make friends with.	jovial form of address to someone who <i>isn't</i> your friend
zu	-ra	v.		1. to steal 2. as an auxiliary verb:–	
zu pua		v.p.		to be pregnant illegitimately.	
zu kpuyi (paya)		v.p.		‘abduct’	
zu nyaana		v.p.		to gossip, slander’ (<i>see nyaanzum</i>)	
zuŋa		adv.		lifelessly.	
zuygbilli	zuygbila	n.		epithet for the lion.	
zuyim -da		v.		1. to mess up 2. to disrupt 3. to spoil plans. (also juyim).	
zuyimbu		n.		disorder	KO
zuykoyli	zuykoya	n.		1. a knock on the head with knuckles 2. che zuykoyli , to knock on the head with the knuckles.	

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zuɣkoɣu	zuɣkori	n.		temporary baldness caused by ringworm.	
zuɣkpiini	kuykpiin	n.		a clean-shaven head.	
zuɣpalo	zuɣpalti	n.		a naturally bald head.	see zuɣu polo
zuɣpilgu	zuɣpila or zuɣpilsɪ	n.		cap.	see zupil-
zuɣpuri		n.		brain.	zuɣupuri KO
zuɣsaa		n.		sky, atmosphere; heavens (literally 'head of rain').	
zuɣsaa		adv.		1. up 2. above.	at the top, above, on (cf. gbinni - note) KO
zuɣsuŋ		n.		1. good luck 2. good fortune.	zuɣusuŋ KO
zuɣu	zuɣri	n.		head, cause (because of).	ɣma zuɣu 'behead' KO
zuɣu		prep.		1. for the sake of 2. on the account of 3. for 4. on; upon 5. on top of.	on top of (see gbinni - note)
zuɣubetia	zuɣubetih i	n.		a tree profusely producing mauve and pink blossoms in the dry season; the roots of this tree are used for medicine for gonorrhoea.	
zuɣubieɣu		n.		ill fortune; bad luck.	
zuɣulana	zuɣulanni ma	n.		head man; the person responsible.	
zuɣulebli		n.		madness	KO
zuɣulim	zuɣulima	n.		the custom of giving a child to the mother's parents.	zuɣulem 'foster-child' KO
zuɣulinli	zuɣulima	n.		ram without horns.	
zuɣuŋmoŋ	zuɣuŋma na	n.		skull.	
zuɣuri		n.		bellows	KO < Hausa zugazugi
zuɣu polo		n.		baldness	KO : see zuɣpal'o
zuɣutalgu	zuɣutalsi	n.		the soft spot in the middle of an infant's skull. (anterior fontanelle).	
zuɣuyaarli		n.		headache.	zuɣuyaali KO
zuhi		v.		invite	KO
zuhibu		n.		invitation	KO
zuli	zuya	n.		tail of an animal.	
zulima		n.		fraudulence	(vide zalibsi).
zulimboŋ	zulimbon a	n.		water in which dawadawa beans are boiled.	
zulimboŋda a	zulimboŋ dahi	n.		the water in which dawadawa beans are rinsed after they are boiled; this water is sometimes used as a medicine.	
zuliya		n.		1. posterity 2. descendants 3. generation	

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				4. race 5. tribe.	
zullana		n.		1. a title for the earth priest called ‘ Tindana ’ 2. an epithet of the leopard.	
zuliya		n.		clan, tribe, race	<i>KO</i> (Arabic < Hausa)
zum	zuma	n.		1. a hair from a horse tail 2. corn silk.	
zumbuli	zumbuya	n.		‘guinea grain’, imported aromatic seed used as perfume or spice, as medicine. (very hot)	
zuna		adv.			<i>KO</i> = zina <i>q.v.</i> , or MP for ‘today’ (see zuŋo)
zunubi		n.		1. transgression 2. sin.	
zunzoŋ		n.	m	small bat, but a little larger than the house bat.	
zunzuli	zunzuya	n.		1. a worm of any kind 2. caterpillar 3. maggot.	
zunyuyu		n.		selfishness	<i>KO</i> : see zuŋŋoy’u
zuŋguli	zuŋguya	n.	bp	clitoris.	
zuŋguliŋma	zuŋguliŋ	n.	i	water beetle.	
argu	maarsi				
zuŋkuŋ	zuŋkuma	n.		hard dawadawa seed, that has not softened in boiling.	
zuŋŋoyu		n.		greediness.	see zunyuyu
zuŋo		n.		today.	zuŋo dim ‘from today onward’ pa zuŋo pa soha ‘for a long time’ ‘not today not yesterday’ <i>KO</i> (<i>vide zuu</i>).
zupali	zupaya	n.		second son (used after the father has deceased)	
zupilgu	zupilsi ?zupilti?	n.		hat (general); cap	<i>KO</i> nam zupilgu / nam zupilsi ‘crown’ (royal hat)
zuri		n.		1. food 2. ŋmaai zuri 3. pihi zuri , to eat.	
zusa		n.		1. fringes of cloth and gowns 2. tassels.	
zuu	zuhi	n.		1. the title of the first-born son (not considered in good taste for this title to be used by the son while the father lives) 2. prince.	
zuuni	zuna	n.	tp	dry seeds of the dawadawa pods.	
zuya		n.		larvae.	

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3ahi		v.		stagger	<i>KO</i> ? 3ehi
3akarizēebu li	3akarizēe buya	n.		ginger root	(<i>vide</i> 3akarizeebuli).
3e -ra(3e ze za)		v.		1. to scramble 2. to struggle for something 3. to rub 4. to gore 5. to blow	
3e gom		v.p.		to doze	
3e kom		v.p.		to fish by entering into water	
3e ze za		v.		be standing; be loyal ;	<i>KO</i> 3e yim ‘be upright’; stand firm: AJN entry :
3ebahiga		n.		big pot (‘thing for putting soup in’)	<i>KO</i>
3ee	3ehi	a		red	(‘liquid and colour’ <i>KO</i>).
3eei -ra		v.		1. to go astray 2. to be too excessive in seasoning.	
3eensi		n.		1. disrespect 2. nij 3eensi , to show disrespect.	(<i>vide</i> nin3eensi).
3egbani	3egbana	n.		ingredient of soup (?)	<i>KO</i>
3egoli	3egoya	n.		tree, the roots of which are used as a medicine.	
3em	3ema	n.		1. victory dance 2. also performed following the fire festival.	see Susan Drucker Brown on ‘ zeim soa ’ in <i>Ritual Aspects of Mamprusi Kingship</i> 1975, Cambridge/Leiden p.63 : don’t believe her linguistics, but for what it is worth ‘see’ it. <i>KO</i> on 3iem
3em		v.		despise sb. demean; lower; put somebody down	<i>KO</i> lihi 3em ‘defy’ ‘look.at despise’
3emana		n.		1. a period of time 2. an age 3. a generation.	< Hausa : 3emani / 3emana <i>KO</i>
3embu		n.		despising	<i>KO</i>
3enim		n.		the time from dusk to about eight o’clock.	
3eri		n.		1. broth 2. soup 3. vegetable.	
3érígù	3érsi or 3érti	n.	s	water snake	<i>Grayia smithii</i>
3ertuyrgu	3ertuyrsi	n.		pronged stick used for stirring soup.	
3evoɔyɔ	3evari	n.		vegetable; leaf-vegetable; soup-ingredient	<i>KO</i>
3eya		v.		1. to stand. 2. to stand and wait; (always used of animals).	* but see 3e, ze, za
3i		n.		seed	<i>KO</i>

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3i		v.		1. to not know 2. to be ignorant. 3. to have never .., in the past (to not know, <i>i.e.</i> not have experienced something trans. 'haven't'[perf.] or 'have never' in statement, 'never' in question, (see mi) - normally with na (<i>q.v.</i>) 'yet, hitherto, up to this time'	(negative of mi , to know) na 3i n- 'never before' <i>KO</i>
3i -ra		v.		1. to carry (always on the head, when used of persons; on the back, of animals). 2. transport (in vehicle) 3. to carry away.	3i zilni 'carry the message' <i>KO</i>
3i		v.		be sitting	<i>KO</i> AJN entry :
3ia zii	3ihi	n.		place	<i>KO 3ii zaa</i> 'everywhere': AJN entry :
3ieyu		n.		1. storm 2. tornado.	
3ieyu	3ieri	a		red.	
3ieyu		n.		scent of sth. (animal)	<i>KO tayi 3ieyu</i> 'track animal scent' <i>q.v.</i>
3iem -da		v.		1. to show disrespect 2. to despise.	
3iem	3iema	a		red.	
3igorgu	3igora	n.		a very painful swelling, like a boil.	
3ii		n.		the feeling of an unseen presence, a vision, apparition (used for appearance of God) .	
3ii		a.		1. uncertain 2. yeltoya 3ii , an uncertain matter.	
3ili	3iya	n.		a load.	
3ili		v.		make one sit down (caus. of 3i)	<i>KO</i>
3ilinsi		n.		ignorance.	
3iltibslu	3iltibsa	n.		heavy load.	
3imè	3ima	n.		blood	<i>vide fargu</i>
3im yibu		n.p.		bleeding	
3imtim		n.		Guinness	et. 'blood-medicine'
3inahigu		n.		interjections; long sitting	<i>KO</i> laziness - see vinyayili
3inani	3inana	n.		1. abnormality 2. monstrosity.	(<i>vide numbu</i>).
3ini -da		v.		1. to sit down 2. to reside (in a place).	
3inyurigu		n.		blood sucker	<i>KO 3inyuriga (3inyurigu</i> should be 'blood for drinking' <i>cf. bindirigu</i>)
3inyee	3inyehi	n.		hard stone, like a granite, used for grindstones.	

Singular	pl./imprf	p/o/s	cl.	Definition	Comment
zinyurgu	zinyursi	n.		creeping weed used as a medicine.	
ziri		n.		1. a lie 2. untruth; ηma ziri , to tell lies wholesale.	
zirilana	zirinima	n.		a liar.	
zisoli	zisoya	n.		1. blood vessel 2. vein 3. artery.	'bloodstream' <i>KO</i>
zishie	zishehi <i>or</i>	n.		1. sitting place, seat	
zishee	zishahi			2. dwelling place. 3. place of authority <i>KO</i>	? nam zishie
zizirikpee	zizinitaba	n.		neighbour.	ziziinkpee <i>KO</i>
zizira	zizirba	n.		a carrier.	