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The Various Aspects of the *Kurmi-Mahato* Traditional Marriage in Purulia District

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Abstract:The Kurmi-Mahato community, like other communities in Purulia, has its own marriage system. Meanwhile, their marriage system is diverse. Different types of marriages are common among them. The most common method is called *Dekha-Suna-Biha* or arranged marriage. *Am-Biha* and *Mohul-Biha* are the most significant in law because if those two mandatory rituals are not performed properly, the entire marriage is declared invalid. Side by side *Sindra -Dan* and *Sinor-Bodol* rituals are considered to be the most significant in terms of social and interpersonal relations. Above all the marriage system of *Kurmi-Mahatos* of Purulia is practical, consistent and balanced. Because there is a smooth process of remarriage as well as divorce and love marriage of boys and girls according to their own choice. Altogether, the marriage system of *Kurmi-Mahatos* of Purulia has become a glorious institution resplendent in its own characteristics.

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