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Practice and Preservation of Material Culture Among the Koraga Tribe of South Canara

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Abstract: The Koraga are a tribal community found mainly in the Dakshina Kannada, Udupi, Uttara Kannada, Shimoga and Kodagu districts of Karnataka and the Kasaragod district of Kerala, South India. These Areas in Karnataka are altogether often referred to as Tulu Nadu. Material culture which is in practice among the Koragas and other tribe has been supporting them to lead self-sufficient life without any menace. However, as a result of industrialization, urbanization, market economy, governmental policies and rehabilitation etc. their material culture is fading. At this backdrop, the present paper analyzes the material culture of the Koraga tribe and also suggests the conservation of material culture.

Keywords: Artifacts, Bamboo, Koraga, Material Culture, Preservation

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