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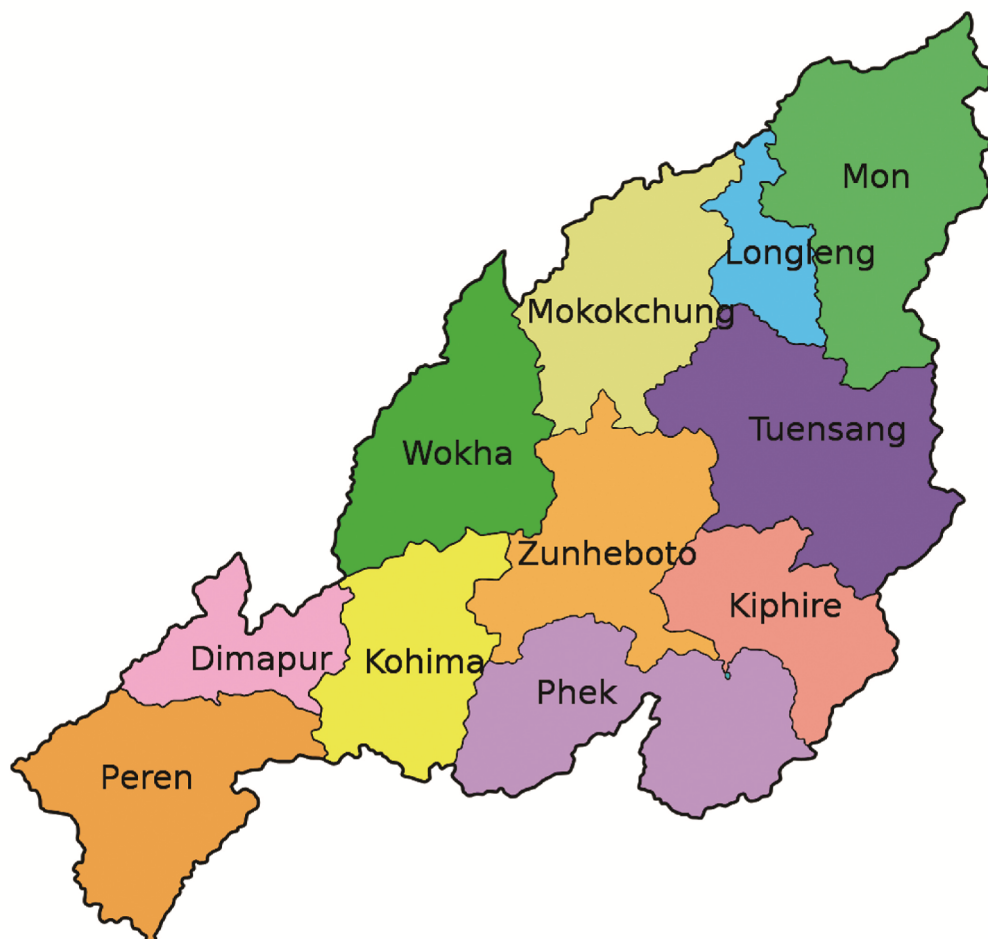
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List of Abbreviations

ACC - Accusative
ADR- Adjectivizer
ASP- Aspect
CLR- Classifier
COMP- Complementizer
DEF-Definite
DET- Determiner
ERG- Ergative
EXT - Existential
FEM- Feminine
FUT – Future
HAB- Habitual
IMP - Imperative
INT- Intensifier
LOC- Locative
NEG- Negative
NOM- Nominative
NOZ- Nominalizer
PL- Purposive Linker
PP- Postposition
PROG - Progressive
PRS - Present
PRSPRF - Present Perfect
PST- Past
QUOT- Quotative
SCM - Subject Case Marker
VC - Verbal Conjunct

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CHAPTER-1

INTRODUCTION

1.0 INTRODUCTION

Naga group of languages belongs to the Tibeto-Burman Language Family. According to Burling (1998), ‘the languages of the people called “Naga” are particularly confusing, and there may be no Tibeto-Burman region anywhere where the languages are so diverse.’ Linguistic study of the Naga languages is sparse. As such, research in this area is vast and enormous. This research study is an attempt to examine complementation in some languages belonging to the Naga group. Based on Burling’s Classification of the Naga Languages (1998) and Marrison’s Classification of the Naga Languages (1976), twelve (12) Naga languages have been selected for the study; Ao, Chokri, Khamniungan, Konyak, Lotha, Phom, Pochury, Rengma, Sangtam, Sümi, Yimchunger and Zeme .

This chapter gives a brief introduction to: i) The genetic classification of the Naga language family by various scholars, ii) The languages under study and iii) How the dissertation is being structured and documented.

1.1 GENETIC CLASSIFICATION OF THE NAGA LANGUAGES

Various scholars have tried to classify the Naga languages. Some of the classifications are discussed below.

Burlings (1998) classified the Naga Languages by naming each group by its most prominent language and then branching the languages under it into independent languages. The classification is given in Figure 1.1.0. The languages which are similar are indicated by solid lines at the bottom of the figure, dashed lines indicate languages which are probably similar and the dotted lines indicate speculations.

Grierson (1903) classified the Naga group of languages into three groups.

1. Western Group: Angami, Sema, Rengma and Kezhama
2. Central Group: Ao, Lotha, Thukumi, Yimchunger and some other languages.
3. Eastern Group: Konyak, Phom and Chang spoken in Nagaland and Banpana, Mohangai, Mutonia, Assiringia, Moshang and Tangsa spoken in Arunachal Pradesh. A schematic representation is given in figure 1.1.1

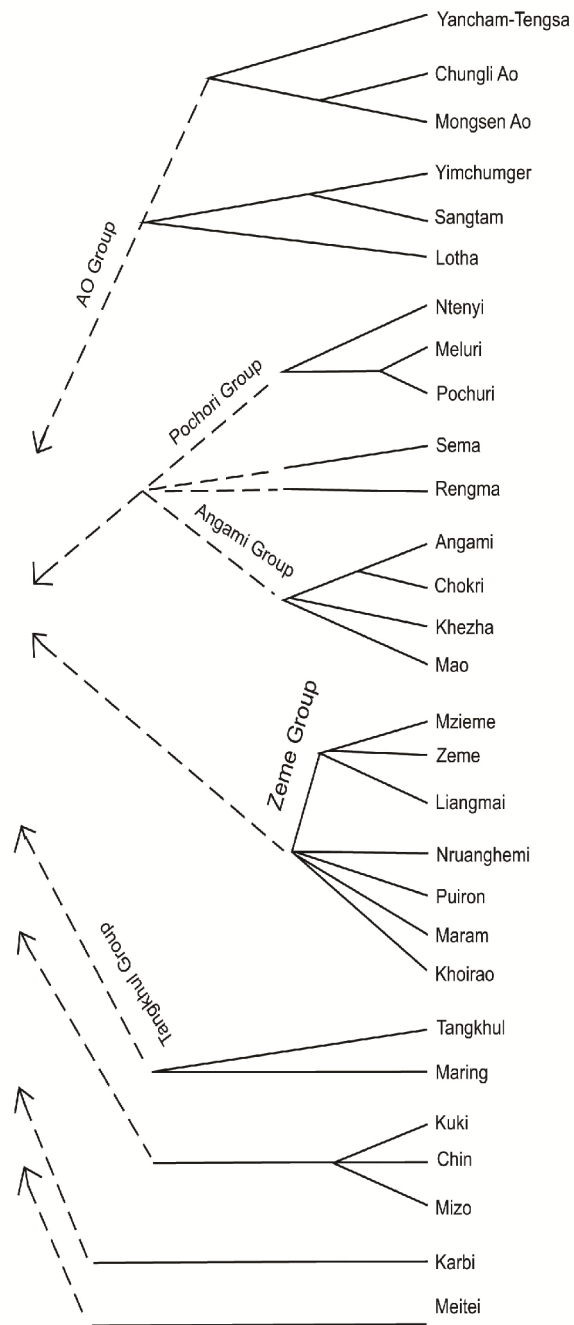


Figure 1.1.0: Classification of the Naga Languages (Burlings, 1998)

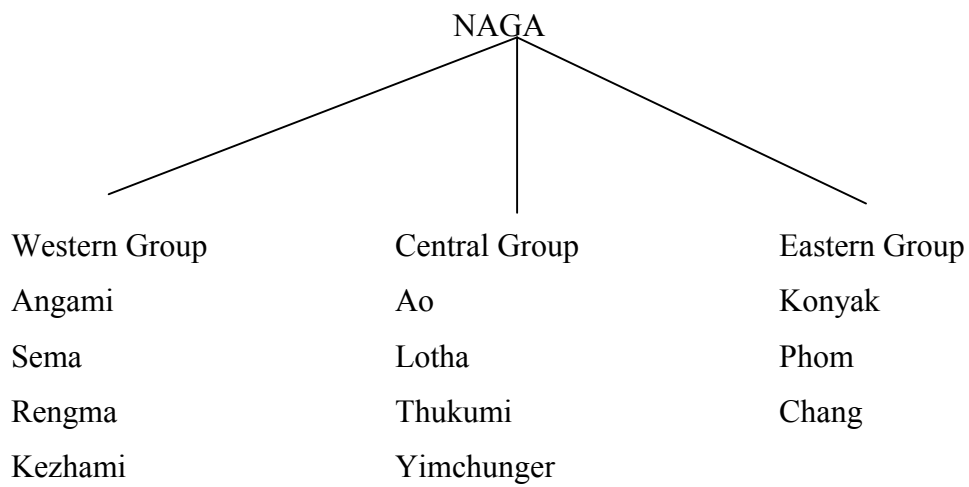


Figure 1.1.1: Schematic representation of Grierson's classification of Naga Languages (1903)

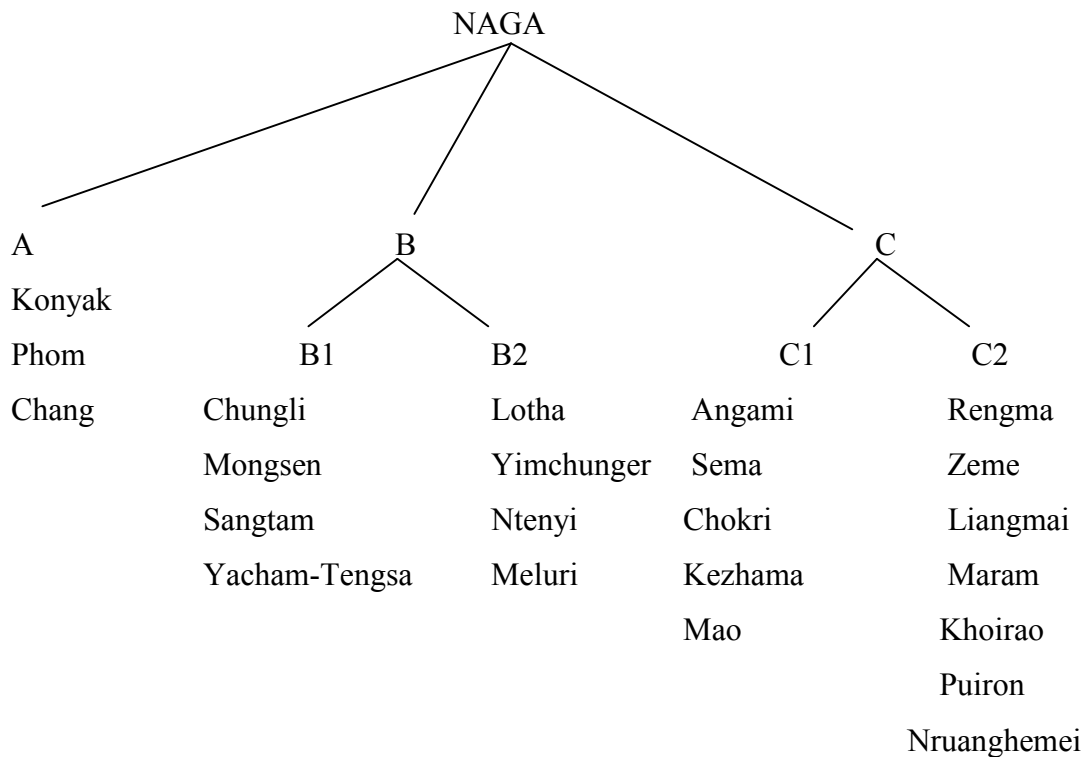


Figure 1.1.2: Schematic representation of Marrison's classification of Naga Languages (1967)

Ezung (2018) proposed the classification of the Naga Languages into the Tenyimia group and the non Tenyimia group on the basis of linguistics evidence. The proposal is mainly grounded among other features, on the distinction between the voiceless and the voiced phonemes of the Naga languages. The presence and absence of voiced plosives clearly distinguishes the Tenyimia group from the non Tenyimia group respectively. A schematic representation is given in figure 1.1.3 below.

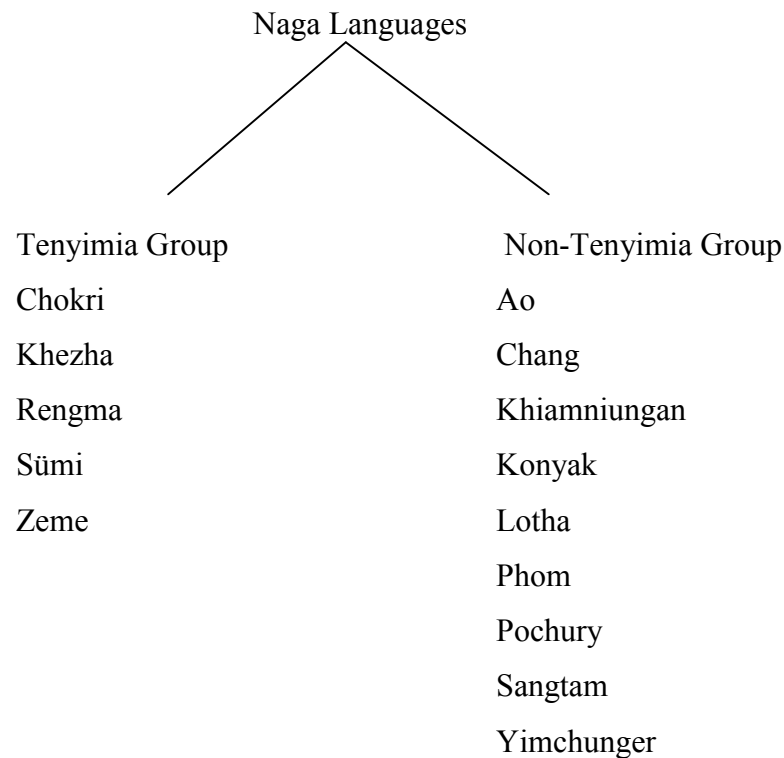


Figure 1.1.3: Classification of Naga Languages (Ezung, 2018)

Marrison (1967) classified Naga languages into three types.

1. Type A1: Yogli, Moshang, Nocte and Wanchoo spoken in Arunachal Pradesh.
2. Type A2: Konyak, Phom and Chang.
3. Type B1: Yacham-Tengsa, Ao (Chungli), Ao (Mongsen), and Sangtam.
4. Type B2: Lotha, Yimchunger, Ntenyi and Meluri.
5. Type B3: Thangkhul spoken in Manipur and Marring Spoken in Burma.
6. Type C1: Sema, Angami, Chokri, Kezhama and Mao.
7. Type C2: Rengma, Maram, Khoirao, Zeme, Liangmai, Puiron, Nruanghemei.

Except for Rengma and Zeme, the other languages in this Type are spoken in the Eastern part of Cachar and North-West Manipur.

A schematic representation is given in figure 1.1.2

LANGUAGES UNDER STUDY

Naga languages are very diverse and distinct. There are cases where the dialectal variations within a particular tribe are so diverse that they are mutually-unintelligible. Under such diversity, almost all Naga tribes have come to a consensus to adopt a particular dialect as their common language. Some of the languages have already been standardised while some are still in the process of standardisation. It is also worth mentioning here that all the languages under study are included in the UNESCO list of endangered languages in India. This section gives a brief view of the languages under study, the tribes, the geographical locations and the dialect they have adopted as their common language.

The Aos inhabit the Mokokchung district in Nagaland. The Aos are broadly divided into three clans and based on these divisions, they speak three distinct dialects; Chungli, Mongsen and Changki. Chungli is the standard variety and is used in sphere of education, mass media and religious activities. (T. Temsunungsang, 2003)

The Chakhesangs inhabit the Phek district in Nagaland. The languages spoken by its people are Chokri, Khezha/Kuzhale, Poula and Sümi. There are some villages under Chakhesang region which speaks Sangtam and Rengma. Chokri and Kuzhale are the two main languages used in schools as a mother tongue subject upto the elementary level. (Personal Interview: Vengota Nyekha, Language Assistant (Chokri) Directorate of School Education)

The Khamniungan is a Naga tribe located in Tuensang district. The language spoken by the tribe is known as Khamniungan. There are wide dialectal variations from village to village. The standard variety is based on the Noklak variety which is used in the local dialect textbooks for schools, and religious activities. (Personal Interview: Keen M, Research Scholar (Linguistics), Nagaland University)

Konyaks inhabit the eastern most part of Nagaland in Mon district. Konyak has a wide range of dialects varying from village to village. However, the dialect spoken in Wakching is used as the common language which is used in all spheres of education and formal communication. (Personal Interview: Nyeiang Konyak, Language Officer (Konyak) Directorate of School Education)

The Lothas inhabit the Wokha district. Based on geographical demarcation, they are broadly divided into three ranges: upper, middle and lower. Interestingly, the Lothas speaks only one common language known as *Lothayi* (meaning Lotha Language) which is used in the local language textbooks for school and in all sphere of social and religious

activities. (Personal Interview: Chonchibeni Lotha, Language Officer (Lotha), Directorate of School Education)

Longleng is the district headquarter of the Phom bounded by Konyak in North-East, Ao in the West and Chang in the South. They speak varieties of dialects. The common Phom dialect was first known as “*Yongnyah Shah*” which was later changed to “*Phom Shah*” meaning Phom Language. All literary and religious books use *Phom Shah*. (Personal Interview: Manken Nyam, Language Assistant (Phom), Directorate of School Education)

The native territory of the Pochury is located in the eastern part of Phek district. The Pochuries comprise of thirty (30) villages and they speak eight (8) language varieties namely, *Müluozhü*, *Thsüywü*, *Yisiyü*, *Akkeazü*, *Lürathüra*, *Mekuri*, *Sangphuyu* and *Mipfüzhü*. Some villages speak Khezha and Kuki languages. On 7th October 1989, the Pochury Literature Committee was formed. The Pochuries adopted *Müluozhü* as its common language and it is now used in school textbooks till class 8. The word *Müluozhü* is derived from Meluri, previously known as Müluori. Müluori refers to the inhabitants of Müluori (Meluri) and Khamaisü. Zhü means language. Thus, *Müluozhü* means the language spoken by the Müluori villages. (Personal Interview: Lingochu, Language Assistant (Pochury), Directorate of School Education)

Rengmas inhabit the Kohima district with its headquarter at Tseminyu. They are broadly divided into two, Northern and Southern Rengma. Based on this division, they speak two distinct language varieties: Nzonkhwe and Nthenyi. As of now, Nzonkhwe, which is spoken in Tseminyu area, is the standard variety, and is a medium of communication in all social activities. (Personal Interview: S.Joseph Thong, Language Officer (Rengma) Directorate of School Education)

The Sümis reside in the centre of Nagaland bordering all the other Naga tribes except Konyak, Phom, and Khiamniungan. Earlier, the Sümis spoke two language varieties – *Tuku* and *Swu*. The *Tuku* variety is no longer spoken by the Sumi but by other tribes namely: Sangtam, Mongsen (Ao), Yimchunger, Khiamniungan and Chang. As of now, their standard variety is based on the Swu variety and known as *Sümi Tsa* (meaning Sümi Language). *Sümi Tsa* is used in all official purposes such as Christian literature and school textbooks. (Personal Interview: L.Hokheto Yephthomi, Assistant Language Officer (Sumi) Directorate of School Education)

The Sangtams inhabit the districts of Tuensang and Kiphire. They speak three language variety: i) *Lihkyang yu* (yu means language) is spoken in Alipur, in Tuensang district; ii) *Phelongre yu* is spoken in Phelongre and Lihtsangwong in Kiphire district; iii) *Sanphure yu* is spoken in 11 villages under Kiphire district namely, Sanphure , Tüttheyo, Tütthezu, Azetso, Tsongphong, Pongren, Ngoro, Asote and Longmatra (old), Longmatra (new), Longmatra (town). *Sangtam yu* is a combination of all these three language variety. *Sangtam yu* is derived from the name of the tribe *Sangtam* and *yu* meaning language. Thus, *Sangtam yu* means Sangtam Language. (Personal Interview: T.Yangliba Sangtam, Assistant Language Officer (Sangtam), Directorate of School Education)

Yimchangers inhabit the Tuensang district of Nagaland. They are broadly divided into 10 ranges viz. Western range, Mangko range, Kewong range, Tsurongto range, Pungro range, Melomika range, Khong range, Hakumeti range, Shamator range and Chessore range. Language varieties in this area are Langa, Tikhir, Chirr, Makury, Longphur and Phunung. Langa is the common language and is used in social and religious activities. (Personal Interview: S. Chipong Yim, Language Assistant (Yimchunger), Directorate of School Education)

The Zemes inhabit Peren District. They are broadly divided into two areas: upper and lower- Peren and Nsong repectively. Based on these geographical demarcations, the Zemes speak two languages. However, they are mutually intelligible and both the dialects are used in written and spoken form. (Personal Interview: Pauleu Legesie, Language Officer (Zeme), Directorate of School Education)

The number of speakers of the languages under study as presented in the census of India (2001) is given in Table 1.1. It may be mentioned here that the Naga languages do not have a script of their own and use the Roman Script. This is a result of the influence of the American Missionaries

Name of the language	Number of speakers
Ao	2,57,404
Chokri	83,560
Khamnuingan	37,755
Konyak	2,48,109
Lotha	1,70,001
Phom	1,22,508
Pochury	16,744
Rengma	61,345
Sümi	103,529
Sangtam	84,273
Yimchunger	92,144
Zemi	34,110

Table 1.1 Alphabetical abstract of mother tongue speakers
(Census of India, 2001)

1.2 STRUCTURE AND DOCUMENTATION

The dissertation has been divided into six (6) chapters. The first chapter gives a brief introduction to the genetic classification of the Naga languages by various scholars. It also gives a brief overview of the languages under study. The second chapter presents the survey of literature relevant to the area under study. In chapter 3, the morphological analysis and distribution of the complementizers are discussed. The various complement types and complement strategies employed by the languages are examined in chapter 4. In chapter 5, the position of occurrence of the final complement clause is discussed. Chapter 6 gives an overall summary and findings of the study. All the chapters end with a summary in the form of a table.

For documentation, broad transcription is used using the IPA symbols. For referencing, the Harvard Working Papers in Linguistics Style Sheet by Harvard University, USA, is used. The languages have been analysed alphabetically. The data is presented in the following format:

Line 1: Orthographic representation of the languages.

Line 2: Phonetic transcription using the IPA symbol.

Line 3: Gloss following the Leipzig Glossing Rules.

Line 4: English Translation.

1.3 AIMS AND OBJECTIVES

The main aim of this study is to examine the process of complementation in some select Naga languages. The study aims:

- i) to identify the **different complementizers** and give a **morphological analysis** of the complementizers in the languages under study.
- i) to examine whether the languages permit both **initial complementizer (IC)** and **final complementizer (FC)**.
- ii) to examine the **distribution of the complementizers** in the complement clauses.
- iii) to examine and describe **the complement types** in the languages.
- iv) to examine the various **complementation strategies** each language employs.
- v) to examine the **position of occurrence of the final complement clause** in the languages under study.
- vi) Since this research is a comparative study, it aims to give a **typological analysis of the languages** under study based on complementation.

METHODOLOGY

The data were collected using questionnaires and through personal interview with the native speakers of the language. Keeping in mind that within a particular tribe, there are many spoken varieties of the language, the data were collected based on the standard variety of the language.

1.4 SIGNIFICANCE OF THE STUDY

It is hoped that this research will contribute significantly to the study and better understanding of the linguistic features and grammatical description of the Tibeto-Burman languages in general and the Naga languages in particular. All the languages proposed for this research is enlisted by UNESCO as endangered languages of India¹. Most of these languages are either undocumented or poorly documented. As such, this study hopes to contribute to the pressing need to document these languages.

¹ https://en.m.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_of_endangered_languages_in_India&sa

CHAPTER -2

LITERATURE REVIEW

2.0 INTRODUCTION

This chapter provides a brief review of literature relevant to the area under study. The following writings are reviewed in this chapter: Aspects of Tenyidie (Angami) Syntax- Mimi Kevichüsa (2007); Complementation – Micheal Noonan (1985); South Asain Languages: A Syntactic Typology- Karumuri V. Subbarao (2012); Complement Clauses and Complementation Strategies in Typological Perspective – R.M.W.Dixon (2008)

2.1 ASPECTS OF TENYIDIE (ANGAMI) SYNTAX- MIMI KEVICHÜSA (2007)

Kevichüsa (2007, 41-60) discusses complementations in Tenyidie. Her findings shows that Tenyidie has four complementizers viz. **ɜ:** , **kecə** , **ɜ:-kecə** and **ɜ:-di**. The morphological analysis is as follows:

- ɜ:** - Quotative form of the verb ‘say’ and strictly a final complementizer.
- kecə** - A combination of *ke*(nominalizer) and *cə* (deictic marker).
- ɜ:-kecə** - Quotative + *kecə*
- ɜ:-di** -Quotative + Conjunctive Participial Marker

Kevichüsa also discusses in the detail the distribution of the complementizers. The findings are as follows:

- i) **kecə** occurs by itself as an initial complementizer.

1. a si [kecə nɔ tekhu puo ŋu]
I nom heard comp you big-cat one saw
 ‘I heard that you saw a big cat.’/ ‘What I heard is that you saw a big cat’

- ii) **ɜ:-kecə** occurs as a final complementizer.

2. [nɔ tekhu puo ŋu ɜ:-kecə] a si
you nom big-cat one saw quot-comp I nom heard
 ‘I heard that you saw a big-cat.’

iii) **3:-di** occurs as a final complementizer with the verb *pu* ‘said’ and in purposive clauses.

3. *puo -e* [pro vor-tyo **3:-di**] *pu*
he/she -erg come-fut quot-cp said
 ‘He/She said that she would come.’

4. *puo-e* [pro mhacha-tyo **3:-di**] *vor*
he/she -erg cook-fut quot-cp come
 ‘He/She came to cook’

iv) The quotative **3:** occur alone as a final complementizer. In such cases, it has a dual function- one as the main verb ‘said’ and the other as the complementizer.

5. *tsibu-e* [pro dzəku nu vɔ-tyo **3:** -fə]
tsibu-erg Dzükou to go-fut quot/comp - asp
 ‘Tsibu said that she would go to Dzükou.’

v) The final complementizer **3:** and the initial complementizer **kecə** can co-occur in a sentence.

6. *abuno_i-e pu kecə puo_{i/j}-e tsali puo chə-fə-tyo 3:-si*
abuno-erg said comp she -erg song one do-asp-fut quot-dm
 ‘Abuno said that she would sing a song.’

vi) Tenyidie has a direct quotative marker **i** which is used in the direct speech. This is in contrast to the reported quotative **3:** which is used in the reported speech.

7. *tsibu-e “a dzəku nu vɔ-tyo” i-fə*
tsibu-erg I Dzükou to go-fut dir quot-asp
 ‘Tsibu said, “I will go to Dzükou.”

8. *tsibu-e a (3se) dzəku nu vɔ-tyo 3:-kecə pu-fə*
tsibu-erg I comp cl dzükou to go-fut quot-comp said-asp
 ‘Tsibu said that I (the speaker) would go to Dzükou.’

The findings also shows that all the four complement types are possible in Tenyidie. The following examples are illustrative:

i) Finite Embedded Clause

9. [pete-e sodu vər-tyo ʒ:-kecə] a si-ba
Pete-erg tomorrow come-fut quot-comp i know-asp
 ‘I know that Pete will come tomorrow’

ii) Non-finite Embedded clause

(ii.i) Infinitival Clause

10. Pete-e [PRO vər] nə-ba
Pete-erg come want-asp
 ‘Pete wants to come’

(ii.ii) Gerundival Clause

11. [dzəvə-kecə] ha vi
Swim-comp def good
 ‘Swimming is good’

(ii.iii) Participial Clause

12. [nyienuo-u thezu-u cə-ba-kecə] pete-e ŋǔ
Cat -def mouse-def eat-asp-comp pete-erg saw
 ‘Pete saw the cat eating the mouse’

Kevichüsa notes that ʒ: does not occur with *kecə* in the non-finite clauses. Sentence (11) and (12) is illustrative.

According to Kevichüsa, sentence (10) is an example of the ‘want’ class predicates, and the complementizer *kecə* does not occur. Instead, the structure is that of a ‘clausal union’ which gives it a non-finite reading.

The findings further show that the embedded verbs in purposive clauses in Tenyidie are finite since they occur with the future marker *tyo*, which warrants the use of the quotative ʒ:. She illustrates this point with the following examples:

- 13a. pete-e [pro phrə-tyo ʒ: -di] və-te
 Pete-erg read-fut quot-cp go-prs perf
 ‘Pete has gone to read.’
- b. pete-e [pro phrə-tyo ʒ: -kecə la] və-te
 Pete-erg read-fut quot-comp for go-prs perf
 ‘Pete has gone to read.’

In sentence (13) the complementizer can be dropped. The postposition *la* along with the complementizer can also be dropped in sentence (13b). This results in the obligatory dropping of the future marker *tyo* rendering the verb as non-finite which further leads to the replacement of *pro* by *PRO*. The following example is illustrative:

14. *pete-e vɔ [PRO phrə] -te*
 Pete-erg go read -prs prf
 ‘Pete has gone to read.’

Kevichüsa provides evidence to show that the present perfect marker *te* is attached to the matrix verb *vɔ*, though on the surface level it seems to be attached to the embedded verb *phrə*. The evidence she provides is as follows:

- 15a. *pete-e vɔ-te*
 b. **pete-e phrə-te*

Sentence (15b) is ungrammatical because there is a constraint on the occurrence of the present perfect *te* with the verb *phrə*. *te* by itself does not indicate that the action has been completed and needs the support of the completion marker *wa*. To generate a sentence such as ‘Pete has read’, the occurrence of the completion marker *wa* along with the present perfect *te* is obligatory and one would have to say, ‘Pete-e *phrə-wa-te*’.

Sentence (14) is again a case of clausal union. However, Kevichüsa states that the clausal union here differs from the one we find in sentence (10). In sentence (10), both the verbs remain *in-situ* – the embedded verb *vɔr* in the embedded clause and the matrix verb *nə* in the final position. Whereas, in sentence (14), the embedded verb *phrə* raises and adjoins to the matrix verb *vɔ*.

She also discusses the position of occurrence of the final complement clauses. Her findings shows that all the three position discussed in literature are possible in Tenyidie. The following examples are illustrative:

- i) *In-situ* position in the matrix clause

[..... [_{CP} S₂ COMP] V₁]
 S₁ S₁

13. *Khɔtɔ-e [sodu chute-tyo ɜ:-kecə] si-ba*
 khoto-erg tomorrow holiday-fut quot-comp know-asp
 ‘Khoto knows that tomorrow is a holiday’

- ii) To the right of the verb of the matrix clause

[..... V₁ [_{CP} S₂ COMP]]
 S₁ S₁

14. Khə́tə-e si-ba [sodu chute-tyo ʒ:-kecə]
Khoto-erg know-asp tomorrow holiday-fut quot-comp
 ‘Khoto knows that tomorrow is a holiday.’

iii) To the left of the subject of the matrix clause

[[_{CP} S₂ COMP]..... V₁]
 S₁ S₁

15. [sodu chute-tyo ʒ:-kecə] khə́tə-e si-ba
Tomorrow holiday-fut quot-comp khoto-erg know-asp
 ‘Khoto knows that tomorrow is a holiday.’

2.2 COMPLEMENTATION – MICHEAL NOONAN (1985)

Noonan discusses in detailed the types of complements, complements strategies and complement-taking predicates (CTPS) in English.

According to him, there are four main types of complements:

1. That-clause

Eg:- That Cartier defeated Dugue would be significant.

2. Infinitive clause

Eg:- For cartier to defeat Dugue would be significant.

3. Gerundal/Verbal noun clause

Eg:- Cartier’s defeating Dugue is significant.

4. Participial clause

Eg: - Nelson saw Cartier defeating dugue.

According to Noonan, all languages have some sort of sentence-like (S-like) complement type. He discusses three type of S-like complement type:

1. Indicative and subjunctive S-like complements.

Indicative: the form that most closely resembles declarative main clauses is referred to as indicative.

Subjunctive: Subjunctives have a special non-indicative stem or conjugation. It also differs from indicatives in occurring with modal particles or special complementizers.

Indicative and subjunctive verbal forms are said to differ in mood.

2. Serial verb construction

One in which two or more successive verbs are joined together with no connecting particles, clitic etc.

Eg:

We'll go see

3. Infinitive complements (IC)

Infinitive meaning not limited by person, number, tense.

IC types do not express inflectional distinctions.

IC subjects do not take:

- i. Nominative case marking
- ii. Condition verb agreement
- iii. Associative (genitival) case is not marked
- iv. The notional subjects of infinitives are typically equi-deleted, raised or made objects of adpositions.

2.3 SOUTH ASIAN LANGUAGES: A SYNTACTIC TYPOLOGY- KARUMURI V. SUBBARAO (2012)

Subbarao's study focuses on the nature of IC and FC, structural difference between IC and FC, the position of occurrence of an IC clause and an FC clause with regards to South Asian Languages (SALs).

2.3.1 FUNCTION OF IC

An FC can function as:

1. Disjunctive marker

The IC *ki* 'that' in Hindi-Urdu function as a disjunctive marker in alternative question.

Hindi-Urdu

16. vah bilī hai ki billā?
That female cat is or male cat
'Is it a female cat or a male cat?'

2. Subordinating linker

The IC functions as a subordinating linker linking the main clause and the embedded clause with the interpretation of *then* in English

17. ham štešan pahunc hī rahe the *ki* [s₂garī chūt gayī s₂]
 we station reach emph progr were IC train leave went
 ‘We were about to reach the station, then the train left’

3. Expletive IC

18. ašokā jo ki ek mahān rājā the bare dayālu the
 Ashoka who IC a great king was very kind was
 ‘Ashoka, who was a great king, was very kind’

4. Occurs in relative clauses

In Gujarati, the IC *ke* occurs in the relative clauses, but it precedes the relative pronoun.

Gujarati

19. mānas *ke je* letter lakhe che te ā story jāne che
 Man IC who letter is writing he that story knows pres
 ‘The man who is writing a letter knows the story.’

2.3.2 FUNCTION OF FC

An FC can function as:

1. Complementizer

In Mizo, the embedded clause with an FC may occur to the left of the matrix clause

20. [CP naktuk cu colhni a- ni- aŋ ti?CP] zova-n a-hria
 tomorrow def holiday 3s- be - fut comp Zova-erg 3s- know
 ‘Zova knows that tomorrow will be a holiday’

2. Reason marker

Sinhala

21. Tāttage upandinə *kiyāla* api kēk hæduwa
 Father’s birthday quot we cake made
 ‘We made a cake on father’s birthday’

(i.e., ‘since it was his birthday,’ or ‘realizing it was his birthday’)

(Gair 2003:807)

3. Purpose marker

The quotative FC is a conjunctive participial form of the verb *to say* in Kokborok

22. aŋ khumti nɔ nai- na hɪn-ii phai-kha
 i Khumti acc see- inf say-cpm(quot) come- pst
 ‘I came in order to see Khumti’

(Subbarao *et.al.*2010:29)

4. Identifier

Marathi

23. *tyā gāwāt widzay mhanūn/ asa ek mulgā malā bhetla*
that town.loc Vijay quot (identifier) that one boy I.dat meet.pst.3sm
'In that town I met a boy named Vijay'

(Pandharipande 1997:6)

2.3.3 POSITION OF OCCURRENCE OF IC AND FC –CLAUSE

The canonical position of FC (quotative) clause in SALs is the same as the position in which the DO occurs

[s₁..... [CP s₂ COMP] VP₁ s₁]

It can occur to the right of the verb of the matrix clause

[s₁..... VP₁ [CP s₂ COMP] Ss₁]

It can occur to the left of the verb of the matrix clause

[s₁ [cp s₂ COMP] VP₁ s₁]

An IC-clause cannot occur clause-internally in any of the SALs

An IC-clause cannot occur to the left of the matrix clause in any SALs

2.4 COMPLEMENT CLAUSES AND COMPLEMENTATION STRATEGIES IN TYPOLOGICAL PERSPECTIVE – R.M.W.DIXON (2008)

According to Dixon, in many languages, certain verbs can take a clause, instead of an NP, as core arguments. He called this true complement clause. He states that the set of verbs which may take a complement clause as an argument is severely restricted and labelled those verbs as R. The verbs in set R typically includes 'see', 'hear', 'know', 'believe', and 'like'. Though the composition may vary, complement taking verbs (set R) is found in all languages. Dixon claims that there are typologically three types of languages regarding complementation:

1. Languages employing only the true complement clauses.
2. Languages with a mix of complement clauses and complementation strategies.
3. Languages devoid of complement clauses and complementation strategies.

Dixon claims that languages which lack true complement clauses constructions will employ the following complementation strategies:

2.4.1 SERIAL VERB CONSTRUCTION STRATEGY

In serial verb construction (SVC), two (or sometimes more) verbs function together like a single predicate and are conceived of as describing a single action. The most common variety of SVC is asymmetrical, with a Major member (covering a wide range of verbs) and a Minor member (one of a small set of verbs). The general rule is that all the verbs in SVC should have the same subject.

2.4.2. RELATIVE CLAUSE STRATEGY

In relative clause strategy, verbs that are not from the set R is predicate within a relative clause which modifies the head noun of an NP, which in turn is an argument of the main clause, whose predicate is a verb of set R.

Eg: - language: Dryibal

24. η aja_A bura-n [gayu- η ga nyal η ga_S wanda - η u]_O
 1sg see-PST cradle-LOC child hang-REL
 'I saw the child hanging in a cradle.'

Note that a relative clause is marked by - η u(the verbal suffix) instead of a tense aspect mood ending in Dryibal.

2.4.3 NOMINALIZATION STRATEGY

According to Dixon, languages lacking a full range of complement clause constructions will often employ some kind of nominalization as a complement strategy. He discusses three types of Nominalization strategies:

1. Verbs, adjectives or complement clauses are nominalised to describe a process and the results. The result being optional.
2. Nominalization of verb-plus-object.
3. Nominalization of the whole clause.

2.4.4 COMPLEMENTATION STRATEGIES INVOLVING LINKED CLAUSES

In linked clause strategies, verbs in different clauses are linked together within a sentence, neither being embedded within the other. He explains three possibilities:

1. Apposition: the two clauses may be in apposition (parataxis) with an NP or pronoun or demonstrative- which is one argument of the clause that include complement-taking verb (from set R) - having reference to the entire apposed clause.
2. Clause chaining: in clause chaining strategy, a number of clauses referring to distinct but related events are placed in sequence. There is one main clause, marked for the full set of verbal categories. Other clauses may just mark whether they have the same or different arguments to a following clause.
3. Purposive linking: Languages which lack a Potential complement clause construction may use purposive clause linking as a complement strategy. Verbs which take a purposive complementation strategy are often intransitive. In English, purposive linking complementation clause is marked by 'to'.

CHAPTER - 3

MORPHOLOGICAL ANALYSIS AND DISTRIBUTION OF COMPLEMENTIZERS

In this chapter, the languages under study are analysed under two sub-headings. The first section is an attempt to give the morphological analysis of the complementizers. According to Subbarao (2012, 23), complementizer is a functional category like tense and aspect, and is normally a ‘grammaticalized form’ that is devoid of any semantic content. Based on this, the complementizers in the languages under study have been analysed on whether they function as:

1. Quotative
2. Verbal Conjunct (VC)
3. Nominalizer
4. Deictic marker
5. Tense and Aspect markers
6. Case Marker.
7. Verb ‘do’ grammaticalized to function as a complementizer.

The second section gives an analysis of the distributions of the complementizers in the different types of complement clauses viz;

1. Finite Embedded clauses
 - 1.1 Non-Purposive
 - 1.2 Purposive
2. Non –Finite Clauses
 - 2.1 Participial Clauses
 - 2.2 Gerundival Clauses
 - 2.3 Infinitival Clauses
 - 2.3.1 Want verb
 - 2.3.2 Purposive clauses

Note that only the distribution of the complementizers are analysed here in this chapter. Cases where the complementizers do not occur in certain complement types are not mentioned. Those cases are looked into and analysed in the next chapter.

3.1 LANGUAGE: AO

3.1.1 MORPHOLOGICAL ANALYSIS OF THE COMPLEMENTIZERS

There are three types of complementizers in Ao: *ta*, *pa* and *tsə*

3.1.1.1 *ta* : *ta* in Ao has many functions. It functions as an adjectiviser. Sentences (1) and (2) are illustrative. *Ta* has an allophone *te* which functions as negation and classifier in labelling body parts. Sentences (3) to (8) are illustrative. Another function is that of a complementizer in complement clauses.² Sentence (9) is illustrative.

(i) *ta* as adjectiviser:

1. *ta* *jung*
 ta *ʃuŋ*
 ADR *good*
 ‘Good.’

2. *ta* *sen*
 ta *sən*
 ADR *new*
 ‘New.’

(ii) *ta* as negation

3. *te* *-chi*
 ta *-ʃi*
 NEG *eat*
 ‘Don’t eat.’

4. *ta* *-ro*
 ta *rə*
 NEG *come*
 ‘Don’t come.’

(iii) *ta* as classifier in body parts naming

5. *te* *nuk*
 tə *nək*
 CLR *eye*
 ‘Eye.’

6. *te* *bang*
 tə *paŋ*
 CLR *mouth*
 ‘Mouth.’

7. *te* *ka*
 tə *ka*
 CLR *hand*
 ‘Hand.’

8. *te* *tsüŋ*
 tə *tsəŋ*
 CLR *foot*
 ‘Foot.’

(iv) *ta* as complementizer:

9. *Watiba* *-i* *guitar* *atümür* *ta* *ni* *angashi*
 [*watiba* *-i* *kitar* *atəmər* ***ta***] *ni* *aŋaʃi*
 Watiba *-SCM* *guitar* *play* *COMP* *I* *heard*
 ‘I heard that Watiba plays the guitar.’

² Through personal communication with Dr.Pangersenla. 14.06.2019@12:00noon.

3.1.1.2 **pa** is derived from the deictic marker *ipa*. The following example is illustrative:

10. *iba ki*
ipa ki
that house
 ‘That house.’

Pa also functions as the nominalizer. Sentence below is illustrative:

11. *Tsü awa tsü-ba tajung*
tsə awa tsə-pa tatfun
water swim COMP-NOZ good
 ‘Swimming is good.’

3.1.1.3 **tsə** is the future marker

12. *pa aru tsü*
pa aru tsə
He come FUT
 ‘He will come.’

3.1.2 DISTRIBUTION OF THE COMPLEMENTIZERS

3.1.2.1 Complementizer **ta** occurs in non-purposive clause.

13. *Naro -la -i Akhum -la arur ta meteta lir*
naɾo -la -i [akəm -la aɾuɿ ta] mətətə lir
Naro -FEM -SCM Akhum -FEM come COMP know ASP
 ‘Narola knows that Akhumla is coming.’

14. *Aren -la arutsü ta Asen -i ashi*
[aɾən -la aɾu-tsə ta] asən -i aʃi
Aren -FEM come-FUT COMP Asen -SCM said
 ‘Asen said that Aren will come.’

3.1.2.2 Complementizer **pa** occurs in participial clause.

15. *Mapang shitak nung chiyong -ba yimya süpaang*
mapaŋ ʃitak nuŋ tʃijun -pa jimja səpaŋ
time right PP eat COMP habit do
 ‘Make a habit of eating on time.’

16. *Shi talila aji -ba majung*
ʃi talila atʃi -pa matʃun
meat many eat COMP bad
 ‘Eating too much meat is bad.’

3.1.2.3 Complementizer *tsə* occurs in gerundival and purposive clauses.

(i) Gerundival clauses

17. Moko achi -tsüba nokdanger
 muko atfi -**tsə-pa** nokdaŋər
tobacco eat -COMP.FUT-NOZ prohibit
 ‘Smoking is prohibited.’

18. Shikari tsü nokdanger
 ʃikari **tsə** nokdaŋər
hunting COMP prohibit
 ‘Hunting is prohibited.’

(ii) Purposive clauses

19. Ni soruchiok tsü ao
 ni [su.utʃok **tsə**] ao
I cook COMP.FUT go
 ‘I went to cook.’

3.2 LANGUAGE: CHOKRI

3.2.1 MORPHOLOGICAL ANALYSIS OF THE COMPLEMENTIZERS

There are four types of complementizers in Chokri namely *ɔ*, *kəti*, *ɔ-kəti* and *ɔ-de*.

3.2.1.1 *ɔ*: This is the quotative form of the verb ‘say’. The orthographic representation of the complementizer *ɔ* is not overt. It bears a fall-rise contour tone. The *tə* bearing the fall tone represents the future tense and the rising tone in the vowel represents the complementizer. Orthographically, the future marker *tə* and the quotative *ɔ* are merged into one and the tone of the quotative is carried forward to the future marker. Thus, it can be written as,

tə + ɔ = tɔ

When it occurs in a complement clause, it functions as a quotative as well as a complementizer. The following examples are illustrative:

20. Pu voto
 pu vɔ-tə
he come-FUT
 ‘He will come.’

21. Pu voto sü
 pu vo - tɔ: sə
He come -FUT. QUOT/COMP ASP
 ‘He said that he will come.’

3.2.1.2 **kəti** : *kəti* was formerly written as *kətsə*, where *kə-* is the nominalizer and *-tsə* is the deictic marker *that*. It may be mentioned here that the language is undergoing change and they have adopted *kəti* instead of *kətsə*. However, they are yet to adopt that change in the deictic marker.

The following examples are illustrative:

22. Niepo -o n khürü -yo
 nepɔ -ɔ n khɾə -jɔ
God -DEF you love -HAB
 ‘God loves you.’

23. Niepo -o kü- khürü
 nepɔ -ɔ kə- khɾə
God -DEF NOZ love
 ‘God’s love.’

24. Lesida tsüo
 lesida tsəɔ
book that
 ‘That book.’

3.2.1.3 **ɔ-kəti**: This complementizer is a combination of the quotative *ɔ* and the complementizer **kəti**. It always occurs with the future marker.

3.2.1.4 **ɔ-de**: **ɔ-de** is a combination of the quotative *ɔ* and the Verbal Conjunct (VC) **de**.

The following example illustrates **de** as the conjunctive participial marker.

25. Azo vo de ta -te
 azo vɔ de ta -te
azo come VC go -PST
 ‘Azo came and left.’

3.2.2 DISTRIBUTION OF THE COMPLEMENTIZERS

3.2.2.1 **kəti**: *kəti* functions as an initial as well as a final complementizer. It occurs in non-purposive clauses without the future marker, the participial and gerundival clauses. The following examples are illustrative:

(i) Non-Purposive Clauses

Kəti as a final complementizer

26. Azu ce -lü ba küti I se -va
 [azu ce -lə ba **kəti**] i se -va
mother home -PP LOC COMP I know -PROG
 ‘I know that my mother is at home.’

27. I Atale Phek lü voto küti se
 i [atale phək lə vo- tʃ: **kəti**] se
I Atale Phek PP go-FUT. QUOT COMP heard
 ‘I heard that Atale is going to Phek.’

Kəti as an initial complementizer

28. I se küti Azu ce -lü ba
 i se [**kəti** azu ce -lə ba]
I heard COMP mother home -PP LOC
 ‘I heard that my mother is at home.’
29. I se küti Atale Phek lü voto va
 i se [**kəti** atale phək lə vo- tʃ: va
I heard COMP Atale Phek PP go-FUT. QUOT PROG
 ‘I heard that Atale is going to Phek.’

(ii) Participial clauses

30. I-e künalü thüzo ti küti ngo
 i-e [kənalə thəzo ti **kəti**] ŋɔ
I -SCM cat mouse eat COMP saw
 ‘I saw the cat eating the mouse.’
31. I natsio thüva kra küti se
 i [natsio thəva kra **kəti**] se
I baby night cry COMP hear
 ‘I heard the baby crying at night.’

(iii) Gerundival Clauses

32. Rühu küti unü
 rəhu **kəti** unə
hunt COMP like
 ‘Hunting is fun.’
33. Rühu küti unü
 rəhu **kəti** unə
hunt COMP like
 ‘Hunting is fun.’

3.2.2.2 *ɔ-kəti*: *ɔ-kəti* functions as a final complementizer in non-purposive clauses with the future marker. The following examples are illustrative:

34. Atale Phek lü voto küti i se
 [atale phək lə vo- tǃ: kəti] i se
Atale Phek PP come-FUT.COMP COMP I heard
 ‘I heard that Atale is going to Phek.’
35. Abi -e Anga voto küti se -va
 abi -e [aŋa vo- tǃ: kəti] se -va
Abi -SCM Anga come-FUT.COMP COMP know -PROG
 ‘Abi knows that Anga is coming.’

3.2.2.3 *ɔ:de* functions as a final complementizer in the non-purposive clauses with the verb *say* and the purposive clauses. The following examples are illustrative:

(i) Non- Purposive Clause

36. Pu vo -to de po sü
 pu [vo -tǃ: de] po sə
he go -FUT. COMP COMP say ASP
 ‘He said that he will come.’
37. Atalü tsüzi kühuçe lü voto ode po va
 atalə tsəzi kəhuçe lə vo--tǃ: de po va
Atale tonight church PP go.FUT.COMP COMP say ASP
 ‘Atalü said that she will go to church tonight.’

(ii) Purposive Clause

38. I mha cho to de vo
 i [mha cho -tǃ: de] vo
I food cook -FUT. COMP COMP go
 ‘I went to cook.’
39. I lesi phi to de vo
 i [lesi phi -tǃ: de] vo
I book read -FUT. COMP COMP go
 ‘I went to read.’

3.2.2.4 ɔ : The quotative functions as a final complementizer in non-purposive clause

40. Pu voto sü
 pu [vó - tǝ] sə
He go-FUT.QUOT/COMP ASP
 'He said that he will come.'

3.3 LANGUAGE: KHIAMNIUNGAN

3.3.1. MORPHOLOGICAL ANALYSIS OF THE COMPLEMENTIZERS

Khamniungan have five complementizers: *tə*, *ao*, *kə*, *tsən* and *nai*.

3.3.1.1 tə: tə is the accusative case. The following examples are illustrative:

41. Koi thsam -tü ve khu -wan
 koi tsham -tə we khu -wan
Koi book -ACC read go PST
 'Koi has gone to read the book.'

42. Mono üh yahpheng tü thik
 munu əʔ japhen tə thik
mono SCM football ACC kick
 'Mono kicked the ball.'

3.3.1.2 ao: ao is the purposive linker.

43. Apa shi -e
 ʌpʌ ʃi -e
he come -FUT
 'He will come.'

44. Apa ahe ao shi -e
 ʌpʌ ʌ-he ao ʃi -e
he NOZ-eat PRL come -FUT
 'He will come to eat.'

3.3.1.3 kə: kə is an intensifier.

45. Nekong nü tsokü shioko
 nekoŋ nə tsokə ʃioko
bag SCM INT clean
 'The bag is very clean.'

46. Pouhai nü tsokü laiuko
 pouhɿ nə tsokə laiuko
man SCM INT tall
 ‘The man is very tall.’

3.3.1.4 tsən: **tsən** is the progressive form of the verb.

47. Thsam nou ni apakou hakü ve -tsün thsokü sounɡ
 tshɿm nɔʔ ɲi ʌpɿkɔu hakə we -tsən thsokə su:ŋ
book DET you person with read PROG INT big
 ‘The book which you are reading with the person is very big.’

48. Koi yahpheng melothso nüko loum -tsün i-yan
 koi jɿpheŋ melothso nəko lu:m -tsən i-ɟan
Koi football boy with play PROG lost
 ‘The football which Koi is playing with the boy is lost.’

3.3.1.5 nai: **nai** is the postposition.

49. Apa thsam -ve -nai mein
 ʌpɿ tshɿm -we -nai mi:n
he book -read -PP good
 ‘He is good in studies.’

50. Ngo yam ahen -nai khun
 ŋɔ jɿm ehen -nɿ khun
I road narrow -PP went
 ‘I went on the narrow road.’

3.3.2 DISTRIBUTION OF THE COMPLEMENTIZERS

3.3.2.1 **tə**: Complementizer **tə** occurs with non-purposive clauses only. The following examples are illustrative:

(i) Non- Purposive Clause

51. Ngo jü nyiu tsam ai noin tü ngen
 ŋɔ [tsə ɲiu tsɿm ɿi noin **tə**] ŋen
I my mother house PP have COMP know
 ‘I know that my mother is at home.’

52. Ngo Tsuham Bangkok ai eiuanji tü loun
 ŋɔ [tsuhɿm bæŋkɔk ɿi iwɿnʈʂi **tə**] lun
I Tsuham Bangkok PP going COMP heard
 ‘I heard that Tsuham is going to Bangkok.’

3.3.2.2 **ao** : Complementizer **ao** occurs in non-finite clauses viz. participial clauses, the infinitives, and gerunds. The following examples are illustrative:

(i) Participial Clause

53. Atao nouko hesiu ao saisüle ashan
 ʌtʌo nukɔ heʃiu **ao** saisəle ʌʃʌn
Time on eating COMP habit make
 ‘Make a habit of eating on time.’

(ii) Infinitives

Want verb

54. Tongkhem tsam-ai shi ao aium
 tɔŋkhem tsʌm-ʌi ʃi **ao** a:um
Tongkhem house-LOC go COMP wants
 ‘Tongkhem wants to go home.’

(iv) Gerundival Clause

- Liuhoum ao tsüşhio-e
 liuhum **ao** tsəʃio-e
hunting COMP prohibited
 ‘Hunting is prohibited.’

3.3.2.3 **kə** : Complementizer **kə** occurs in participial clauses like the complementizer **ao**.

However, in the case of **kə**, the verb is always duplicated.

55. Atao nouko hesiu-hesiu kü saisüle ashan
 ʌtʌo nukɔ heʃiu-heʃiu **kə** saisəle ʌʃʌn
Time PP eating COMP habit make
 ‘Make a habit of eating on time.’

The complementizer **kə** can occur with an intransitive verb whereas the complementizer **ao** cannot, as illustrated below:

56. Ngo methso nou asou shap-shap kü loun
 ŋɔ [meʃhɔ nu ʌsɔ ʃʌp-ʃʌp **kə**] lun
I baby DEF night crying COMP heard
 ‘I heard the baby crying at night.’

57. * Ngo methso nou asou shap ao loun
 ŋɔ [meʃhɔ nu ʌsɔ ʃʌp **ao**] lun
I baby DEF night crying COMP heard
 ‘I heard the baby crying at night.’

3.3.2.4 **tsən** : Complementizer **tsən** occurs with gerunds. The following examples are illustrative:

58. Neh tsökü ahe-tsün tsü-mei
 neʔ tsəkə ʌ-he-**tsən** tsə-me
 meat too much NOZ-eat-COMP NEG-good
 ‘Eating too much meat is bad.’

59. Aliye - tsün tsü-mei
 ʌ-lije -**tsən** tsə-me
 NOZ -fight -COMP NEG-good
 ‘Fighting is bad.’

3.3.2.5 **nai and tsən** : There are two sets in the distribution of complementizers **nai** and **tsən**. In the first set, **nai** occurs in cleft sentences and **tsən** in gerundival constructions, with or without objects. This is illustrated in sentences (60) – (63). In the second set, **nai** occurs in infinitives when there is an overt occurrence of an object, as illustrated in sentence (64) and **tsən** occurs in infinitives in the absence of an overt object, as illustrated in sentence (65).

Set I

nai in cleft sentences with or without an overt object.

60. Ashio nai tsü-mei
 ʌʃio **nai** tsə-me
 drink COMP NEG -good
 ‘It is bad to drink.’

61. Theng-shio nai tsü-mei
 then-ʃio **nai** tsə-me
 alcohol-drink COMP NEG -good
 ‘It is bad to drink alcohol.’

tsən in gerundival constructions with or without an overt object.

62. Ashio tsün tsü-mei
 ʌʃio **tsən** tsə-me
 drink COMP NEG -good
 ‘Drinking is bad.’

63. Theng-shio tsün tsü-mei
 then-ʃio **tsən** tsə-me
 alcohol-drink COMP NEG -good
 ‘Drinking alcohol is bad.’

Set II

Nai in infinitival constructions with an overt object.

64. Theng-shio nai tsü-mei
 theŋ-ʃio **nai** tsə-me
 alcohol- drink COMP NEG -good
 ‘To drink alcohol is bad.’

tsən in infinitival constructions without an overt object.

65. Ashio tsün tsü-mei
 ʌʃio **tsən** tsə-me
 drink COMP NEG-good
 ‘To drink is bad.’

3.3.2.6 **tsən and tə** : Complementizers **tsən** and **tə** can co-occur in the embedded clause of a finite sentence. This phenomenon is also seen in Tenyidie (Kevichüsa, 2007, 43)

66. Haowon khokiang khong-tsün khiaunia ame tsak tü ngo ngen
 [hʌʊwɔn khəkiaŋ khɔŋ-**tsən** khɯɲia ʌme tʃʌk **tə**] ŋɔ nɛn
 Haowon guitar play- COMP person good one COMP I heard
 ‘I know that Haowon is a good guitarist.’

3.4 Language:Konyak

3.4.1 MORPHOLOGICAL ANALYSIS OF THE COMPLEMENTIZERS

Konyak have three complementizers: **pu**, **sə** and **pu-a**.

3.4.1.1 **pu** : This complementizer is the nominalizer as the following example illustrate:

67. Kahwang -a meinang
 kaʔwʌ -a mainʌŋ
 God SCM good
 ‘God is good.’
68. Kahwang mei -pu
 kaʔwʌ mai -pu
 God good NOZ
 ‘God’s goodness.’
69. Tüo kahtang lan shemaiyaoma nang
 tau kaʔtaŋ lan ʃəmaiʒaoma naŋ
 the mountain PLU beautiful ASP
 ‘The mountains are beautiful.’
70. Tüo kahtang shemeipu
 tau kaʔtaŋ ʃəmai-pu
 the mountain beautiful-NOZ
 ‘The beauty of the mountain.’

3.4.1.2 *sə*: A morphological analysis of *sə* shows that it does not fall under any of the 7 mentioned functional categories. Hence, it has been categorised as other functional category.

3.4.1.3 *pu-a* : This complementizer is a combination of the nominalizer *pu* and the subject case marker *a*. Sentences (67) and (68) above are illustrative.

3.4.2 DISTRIBUTION OF THE COMPLEMENTIZERS

3.4.2.1 *pu* function as a final complementizer in participial clause.

i) Participial Clause

71. Aton -e Shamong mei hah pu ngi
 aton -ə [ʃamɔŋ mai haʔ **pu**] ŋei
Aton SCM Shamong meat eat COMP saw
 ‘Aton saw Shamong eating the meat.’

72. Cinema te tai pu tao-e lengnang
 [sinima te tai **pu**] tao leŋ-nan
Cinema PP going COMP i -SCM like-ASP
 ‘I like going to the cinema.’

3.4.2.2 *sə* is a final complementizer which occurs in non-purposive and purposive clauses.

ii) Non-Purposive Clause

73. Tao -e Aton Mon te tai -lak she jai -nang
 tao -ə [aton mɔn te tai -lak **sə**] ʈʰai -nan
I SCM Aton Mon PP go -FUT COMP hear -ASP
 ‘I heard that Aton is going to Mon.’

74. Aton -e shanong pei -lak she i
 aton -ə [sanɔŋ pai -lak **sə**] i
Aton SCM Shanong come FUT COMP say
 ‘Aton said that Shanong will come.’

iii) Purposive Clause

75. Tao nük hah -lak she pei
 tao [nək haʔ lak **sə**] pai
I food eat -FUT COMP come
 ‘I came to eat.’

3.4.2.3 *pu-a* occurs in Gerundival clause.

iv) Gerundival Clause

76. Tela pu-a ye -mei
 tela **pu-a** je -mai
fight COMP NEG -good
 “Fighting is bad.”

77. Yeang yat pu-a mei -nang
 jəŋ jat **pu-a** mai -naŋ
water swim COMP good -TNS
 “Swimming is good.”

3.5 LANGUAGE: LOTHIA

3.5.1 MORPHOLOGICAL ANALYSIS OF THE COMPLEMENTIZERS

Lothia have two complementizers *to* and *ɖɛɖɔ*.

3.5.1.1. *to* : A morphological analysis of *to* shows that it does not fall under any of the 7 mentioned functional categories. Hence, it has been categorised as other functional category.

3.5.1.2 *ɖɛɖɔ* is a combination of the deictic marker *ɖɛi* (that) and *ɖɔ* is the definite determiner as is illustrated in sentences (79) and (80). It also function as a case marker as illustrated in sentences (81).

78. Kako
 kako
book
 ‘Book.’

79. Kako jo
 kako ɖɔ
book DET
 ‘The book.’

80. Oki ji jo teria
 Oki ɖɛi ɖɔ te.ɾia
house that DET small
 ‘That house is small’

81. Potsow jo mmhona
 potso ɖɔ m:ɱhona
God SCM good
 ‘God is good.’

3.5.2 DISTRIBUTION OF THE COMPLEMENTIZERS

3.5.2.1 *to* is a final complementizer and it occurs in non-purposive clause. Following examples are illustrative:

(i) Non-Purposive Clause

82. Therali jo Wokha -i yiala to ana zocho
[therali dʒɔ wokha i jiala to] ana zɔcho
Therali SCM Wokha PP go COMP I heard
'I heard that Therali is going to Wokha.'

83. Therali na tsata to Soren na ntsia
[therali na tsata to] soren na ntʃia
Therali SCM coming COMP Soren SCM know
'Soren knows that Therali is coming.'

3.5.2.2 *ɖidʒo* : *ɖidʒo* occurs in gerundival clauses. The following examples are illustrative:

ii) Gerundival Clause

84. Ojü hoo jijo mmhona
ocə ho *ɖidʒo* m:mhona
water swim COMP good
'Swimming is good.'

85. Rotao jijo nmhon
ɔtao *ɖidʒo* n- mhon
fighting COMP NEG- good
'Fighting is bad.'

3.6 LANGUAGE: PHOM

3.6.1 MORPHOLOGICAL ANALYSIS OF THE COMPLEMENTIZERS

There are two types of complementizers in Phom: *fei* and *pajə*. Both functions as final complementizers.

3.6.1.1 *fei* : A morphological analysis of *fei* shows that it does not fall under any of the 7 mentioned functional categories. Hence, it has been categorised as other functional category.

3.6.1.2 *pəyə*: *pə* is the nominalizer. *jə* could not be morphologically analysed.

86. Laai meei -pü hük
lai mi -pə hək
book good -NOZ one
'A good book.'

87. Hapa laai meei angke
hapa lai mi angke
this book good ?
'This book is good.'

3.6.2 DISTRIBUTION OF THE COMPLEMENTIZERS

3.6.2.1 *fei* is a final complementizer that occur in the non-purposive clause. (note: *fei* always occur with the locative)

88. Ngei ngelei onyiü shem mei nyüke shei nying nyeih
ŋəi [ŋəlai ʊnə ʃam məi nəkə **fei**] niŋ neiz
I my mother home PP LOC COMP know PROG
'I know that my mother is at home.'

3.6.2.2 *pəyə* functions as a final complementizer in non-purposive, participial and gerundival clauses. The following examples are illustrative:

(i) Non-Purposive Clause

89. Chaiba bangkok lei sha -püyü ngei -i tan -teke
[ʃaiba bæŋkɔk lai ʃa **pəjə**] ŋei -e tan -təke
chaiba bangkok SCM go COMP I SCM hear PST
'I heard that Chaiba is going to Bangkok.'

90. Alen heih -püyü chaiba -i nying -nyüke
[alen heʔ **pəjə**] ʃaiba -e niŋ nəkə
alen come COMP chaiba SCM know PROG
'Chaiba knows that Alen is coming.'

(ii) Participial Clause

91. Nyiak kü naü thaü -püyü nge -i tan -teke
[nɔk kə nəʔ thap **pəjə**] ŋei -e tan -təke
night PP baby cry COMP I -SCM hear -PST
'I heard the baby crying at night.'

(iii) Gerundival Clause

92. Awlak hup -püyü kham nyieh
olak həp pəjə] kham -pei?
tobacco inhale COMP prohibited PROG
“Smoking is prohibited.”

3.7 LANGUAGE: POCHURY

3.7.1 MORPHOLOGICAL ANALYSIS OF THE COMPLEMENTIZERS

Pochury have two complementizers *ta kəsa* and *n:ta*.

3.7.1.1 *nta*: *nta* is derived from the verbal conjunct (VC) *nə*, future marker *na* and *ta*. The initial sound of *nə* and *na* are merged into one which results into /n:/. Thus, /n:/ itself performs two functions; one as the verbal conjunct and the other as the future marker. To this is added /ta/. /ta/ does not function like a quotative but appears to be similar to the quotative *ʒ:* in Tenyidie³ and could not be morphologically analyzed. Structurally, it can be written as:

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} n(a) & + & n(\partial) & + & ta & = & n:ta \\ FUT & + & VC & + & ? & = & COMP \end{array}$$

The following examples are illustrative:

93. Ma ru na
ma ru na
he come FUT
‘He will come.’
94. Ma ru nü te -dhuo
ma ru nə te -thjo
he come VC go -PST
‘He came and left.’

3.7.1.2 *ta kəsa* is a combination of two morphemes, *ta* and *kəsa*.

3.7.1.3 *kəsa*: *kəsa* is a combination of the nominalizer *kə-* and the verb *sa* meaning ‘do’ which has been grammaticalised to function as a complementizer. The following examples are illustrative:

95. Avüwa nü mūhie -ve
avəwa nə məhje -ve
god SCM good -ASP
“God is good.”

³ Kevichüsa (2007,41-43)

96. Avüwa kü- mühie
avəwa kə- məhje
god NOZ good
“God’s goodness.”

97. Etho nüh küro sa na
itho nə kəro sa na
etho SCM work do FUT
‘Etho will do the work.’

3.7.2 DISTRIBUTION OF THE COMPLEMENTIZERS

3.7.2.1 *ta kəsa* functions as final complementizer in non-purposive clauses and the participial clauses. The following examples are illustrative:

(i) Non-Purposive Clause

98. Esie nü Evi tse dhuo ta küsa tshü ve
isi nə [ivi tse -thuo **ta kəsa**] tʃə ve
Esie SCM Evi come TNS COMP COMP know PROG
“Esie knows that Evi is coming.”

(ii) Participial Clause

99. Hi Etho asa tsatsa ta küsa ngu -dhuo
hi [itho asa tsatsa **ta kəsa**] ŋu -thuo
I Etho meat eat COMP COMP see TNS
“I saw Etho eating the meat.”

3.7.2.2 *n:ta* is a final complementizer which occur in the non-purposive clause with the verb say and the purposive clause. The following examples are illustrative:

(i) Non-Purposive Clause with verb *say*.

100. Ma ru nta küza
ma [ru **n:ta**] kəza
he come COMP say
‘He said that he will come.’

101. John nüh Mary ru nta küza
ɖʒon nə [meri ru **n:ta**] kəza
John SCM Mary come COMP say
‘John said that Mary will come.’

(iii) Purposive Clause

102. Lingo ze nta wa dhuo
liŋɔ ze n:ta wa thuɔ
lingo sleep COMP go TNS
'Lingo went to sleep.'

3.8 LANGUAGE: RENGMA

3.8.1 MORPHOLOGICAL ANALYSIS OF THE COMPLEMENTIZERS

There are three types of complementizers in Rengma; *kə...tsə*, *kəthjə* and *tse*.

3.8.1.1 *kə...tsə* is a Discontinuous Morph as an occurrence of an infix is obligatory. *Kə...* is the nominalizer and *tsə* is derived from the deictic marker *tsügü*. The following examples are illustrative:

- | | |
|---|--|
| 103. Gwa
wa
<i>good</i>
good | 104. Kegwa
kə- wa
<i>NOZ- good</i>
Goodness |
| 105. Ka tsügü
ka tsə-gə
house that-DEF
'That house.' | |

The infix may be an aspect marker or a main verb. Thus, the structure of *kə...tsə* can be written as:

kə-(ASP)-(MV)-*tsə*

Where; ASP is the aspect marker

MV is the Main Verb

The parenthesis indicates that the two elements are in complementary distribution.

3.8.1.2 *Kəthjə*: Complementizer *kəthjə* is a combination of the nominalizer *kə-* and the verb *thjə* meaning 'do' which has been grammaticalized to function as a complementizer.

106. Ale tha thyü bin nle
ale tha thjə bĩ n:ne
he thing do PROG -ASP
'He is working.'

3.8.1.3 *tse*: *tse* is the quotative form of the verb say as is shown in the given sentences.

107. Ale ryü -ti tse zo -shü
 ale [rə -ti **tse**] zə -ʃə
He come -FUT QUOT say -ASP
 ‘He said that he will come.’

108. Ale ryü -ti tse -shü
 ale [rə -ti **tse**] -ʃə
He come -FUT QUOT -ASP
 ‘He said that he will come.’

3.8.2 DISTRIBUTION OF THE COMPLEMENTIZER.

3.8.2.1 Complementizer *tse* functions as a final complementizer in non-purposive and purposive. The following examples are illustrative:

(i) Non-Purposive Clause

109. Julie le ryü -ti tse anga le zo -shü
 [dʒuli le rə -ti **tse**] aŋa le zə -ʃə
Julie SCM come -FUT COMP Anga SCM say -ASP
 ‘Anga said that Julie will come.’

(ii) Purposive Clause

110. Ale boni -ti tse gwü lale
 ale bəni -ti **tse** gə lale
i cook -FUT COMP go ASP
 ‘I went to cook.’

3.8.2.2 *kə...tsə* functions as an IC as well as an FC. In non-purposive Clauses, *kə...tsə* functions as an IC and in Participial Clauses, it functions as an FC. It also occurs with the gerundival clause.

(i) *kə...tsə* as an IC

111. Ale sha ke- bin - tsü Ajvü le kaki bin nle
 ale ʃa [kə bĩ -**tsə**] aʒu le kaki bĩ n:ne]
I know COMP ASP -COMP mother SCM house LOC -ASP
 ‘I know that my mother is at home.’

(ii) *kə...tsə* as an FC

112. Julie le cake tyü ke - bin - tsü ale hu -le
 [dʒuli le kek tjə **kə** bĩ -**tsə**] ale jhu -le
julie SCM cake eat COMP ASP -COMP I see -ASP
 ‘I saw Julie eating the cake.’

(iii) *ketsə* in Gerundival Clause.

113. Thyü chonri **ke** - tyü - **tsü** le gwa mvü
 thjə kənʒə kə- tjə -tsə le wa mvə
meat plenty COMP- eat -COMP ASP good NEG
 ‘Eating too much meat is bad.’

3.8.2.3 *kəthjə* functions as an Initial complementizer (IC) in non-purposive clauses and as an Final Complementizer (FC) in participial clause. It also occurs in the gerundival clauses. The following examples are illustrative:

(i) *kəthjə* as an IC

114. Ale shabin kethyü ajvü le kaki bin nle
 ale ʃabi [**kəthjə** aʒu le kaki bĩ n:ne]
I know COMP my mother SCM house PROG ASP
 ‘I know that my mother is at home.’

(ii) *kəthjə* as an FC

115. Julie le cake tyü kethyü ale hu le
 [dʒuli le kek tjə **kəthjə**] ale hu le
julie SCM cake eat COMP I see ASP
 ‘I saw Julie eating the cake.’

(iii) *kəthjə* in Gerundival Clause

116. Kega kethyü le gwa mvü
 kəga **kəthjə** le wa mvə
fighting COMP ASP good NEG
 ‘Fighting is bad.’

3.9 LANGUAGE: SANGTAM

3.9.1 MORPHOLOGICAL ANALYSIS OF THE COMPLEMENTIZERS

Sangtam have two types of complementizers: *pə* and *patsə*

3.9.1.1 *pə* is the Verbal Conjunct . The following example is illustrative:

117. Alipa ro -pü tsi -cho
 ʌlipʌ ro -pə tʃi -tʃo
he come -VC leave -PST
 ‘He came and left.’

3.9.1.2 *patsə* is a combination of the nominalizer *pa* and *tsə* is derived from the deictic marker ‘*hatsə*’. It also functions as a case marker. The following examples are illustrative:

118. Abüdongba atsa -ba
 ʌpədoŋpʌ ʌtsʌ -pa
God good -NOZ
 ‘God’s goodness.’

119. hatsü kyüti
 hatsə kjəti
that bag
 ‘That bag.’

120. Abüdongba tsü atsa
 ʌpədoŋpʌ tsə ʌtsʌ
God -SCM good
 ‘God is good.’

3.9.2 DISTRIBUTION OF THE COMPLEMENTIZERS

3.9.2.1 *pə* occurs in Non-Purposive clause.

121. Ihnü itpa kuhla lile pü müdhele
 i:nə [itpa kula lile **pə**] məthele
I mother home LOC COMP know
 ‘I know that my mother is at home.’

122. Ihnü Alipa Bangkok lang würe pü yuchikho
 i:nə [alipa Bangkok laŋ vüre **pə**] juchiko
I Alipa Bangkok PP go COMP hear
 ‘I heard that Alipa is goin to Bangkok.’

3.9.2.2 *patsə* occurs in gerundival and participial clauses

(i) Gerundival Clause

123. Shuh jüm batsü longnyüp -le
 fu tʃam **patsə** loŋnəp -le
meat hunt COMP fun PRS
 ‘Hunting is fun.’

(ii) Participial Clause

124. Akhunga amala tra batsü ihnü yuchiko
 akuŋa amala tra **patsə** inə juchiko
baby night crying COMP I heard
 ‘I heard the baby crying at night.’

3.10 LANGUAGE: SŪMI

3.10.1 MORPHOLOGICAL ANALYSIS OF THE COMPLEMENTIZERS

Sūmi have 3 complementizers: *ipi*, *akeu* and *keu*.

A morphological analysis shows that the complementizers do not fall under any of the 7 mentioned categories. Hence, it has been categorised as the other functional category.

3.10.2 DISTRIBUTION OF THE COMPLEMENTIZERS

3.10.2.1 *ipi* occurs in Non-Purposive Clause

125. Iza ye akilo ani ipi ino ithi ani
 [iza je akilo ani **ipi**] ino ithi ani
mother SCM home LOC COMP I know PROG
 ‘I know that my mother is at home.’

126. John ye Mary ighiniche ani ipi ithi ani
 [dʒən je meri iɣiniʃe ani **ipi**] ithi ani
John SCM Mary come FUT COMP know PROG
 ‘John knows that Mary is coming.’

3.10.2.2 *akeu* occurs in Participial Clause

127. Anga no qa akeu John no chilu
 [aŋa no qa **akeu**] dʒən no ʃilu
baby SCM cry COMP John SCM heard
 ‘John heard the baby crying.’

128. Mary no ashi chu akeu John no ithulu
 [meri nɔ aʃi cu **akeu**] dʒɔn nɔ ithulu
mary SCM meat eat COMP John SCM saw
 ‘John saw Mary eating the meat.’

3.10.2.3 *keu* occurs in Gerundival Clause

129. Azü gha keu ye aloe
 azə ɣa **keu** je alɔ-e
water swim COMP SCM good
 ‘Swimming is good.’
130. Kichighi keu ye alomoe
 kiʃiɣi **keu** je alɔ-mɔ-e
fight COMP SCM good-NEG-PST
 ‘Fighting is bad.’

3.11 LANGUAGE: YIMCHUNGER

3.11.1 MORPHOLOGICAL ANALYSIS OF THE COMPLEMENTIZERS

Yimchunger have three types of complementizers: *de*, *khi* and *bə*.

3.11.1.1 *khi* is the nominalizer. The following examples are illustrative:

131. Ari nü jaktsü
 ari nɔ ʃʌktsə
Ari SCM beautiful
 ‘Ari is beautiful.’
132. Alomi jaktsükhi
 ʌlɔmi ʃʌktsə-khi
world beautiful-NOZ
 ‘The beauty of the world.’

3.11.1.2 A morphological analysis of the complementizers *de* and *bə* shows that it does not fall under any of the 7 mentioned functional categories. Hence, it has been categorised as other functional category.

3.11.2 DISTRIBUTION OF THE COMPLEMENTIZERS

3.10.2.1 Complementizer **de** occurs in the non-purposive and the participial clauses.

the following examples are illustrative:

(i) Non-Purposive Clause

133. I- be thüyam ching lah -de I -nü mükheah -lah
 [i be thijam chin la **-de**] i nə məkheaʔ la
my mother house PP have COMP I SCM know ASP
 ‘I know that my mother is at home.’

134. Sorila Kuthur ching yüchoh de i -nü so -do
 [sɔɪla kuthur chin jəchəʔ **de**] i -nə sɔ -do
Sorila Kuthur PP going COMP I SCM hear PST
 ‘I heard that Sorila is going to Kuthur.’

(ii) Participial Clause

135. I nü khungarü alo ching yapde ngüdo
 i nə [khun̩aɾə alo ʃin̩ jʌp-**de**] -ŋudɔ
I SCM baby ground PP sleep-COMP -PST
 ‘I saw the baby sleeping on the ground.’

136. Ari nü Sorila choir lung khün thsüde sodo
 aɪ nə [sɔɪla khɔɔɪ lun̩ khən ʃə-**de**] sɔ-tɔ
Ari SCM Sorila choir PP song sing-COMP hear-PST
 ‘Ari heard Sorila singing in the choir.’

3.11.2.2 Complementizer **khi** occurs in the gerundival clauses. It also occurs in the non-purposive clause where complementizer **de** occurs. The following examples are illustrative:

(i) Non-Purposive Clause

137. I- be thüyam ching lah -khi i -nü mükheah -lah
 [i be thijam chin la **khi**] i -nə məkheaʔ la
my mother house PP have COMP I SCM know ASP
 ‘I know that my mother is at home.’

138. Sorila Kuthur ching yüchoh -khi i -nü so -do
 [sɔɪla kuthur chiŋ jəchəʔ **-khi**] i nə sɔ -dɔ
Sorila Kuthur PP going COMP I SCM hear PST
 ‘I heard that Sorila is going to Kuthur.’

(ii) Gerundival Clause

139. Ke- phung khi ju tsü lah
 ke- phun **khi** cu tsə la
water swim COMP DET good ASP
 ‘Swimming is good.’

140. Rukachi khi ju mü tsü
 rukachi **khi** cu mə tsə
fight COMP DET NEG good
 ‘Fighting is bad.’

3.11.2.3 Complementizer **bə** occurs in the non-purposive clauses. **bə** has the semantic feature of +FUTURE attached to it. Hence, **bə** occurs in clauses with future interpretation as is shown in sentences (141).

(i) Non-Purposive Clause

141. I- be thüyam ching lah -pü i -nü mükheah -lah
 [i be thijam chiŋ la **-bə**] i nə məkheəʔ la
my mother house PP have COMP I SCM know ASP
 ‘I know that my mother will be at home.’

Further, the future tense **baʔ** is dropped whenever **bə** occurs. The following examples are illustrative:

142. Anihbuh arubah de api nü thato
 [anibuʔ aɪə-baʔ **də**] api nə tha-dɔ
he come-FUT COMP he SCM say-ASP
 ‘He said that he will come.’

143. Anihbuh arü pü api nü thato
 [anibuʔ aɪə **bə**] api nə tha-dɔ
he come COMP he SCM say-ASP
 ‘He said that he will come.’

As is evident from examples above, *bə* has a dual function of complementizer and future marker. In sentence (142) the future marker *baʔ* and the complementizer *de* both occur. In (143), *baʔ* and *de* are dropped and replaced by *bə*. The readings of (142) and (143) are the same.

(iii) *bə* also occurs in purposive clause. The following examples are illustrative:

144. I tükithürapü wükheah
 i [təkiʔthəɪɬ-**bə**] i-khea
 I cook-COMP go-ASP
 ‘I went to cook.’

3.12 LANGUAGE: ZEME

3.12.1 MORPHOLOGICAL ANALYSIS OF THE COMPLEMENTIZERS

Zeme have three complementizers: *le*, *ketsu* and *le-ketsu*

3.12.1.1 *le* is the quotative form of the verb say

145. pa gwang zie lie gai
 pa [gwaŋ zie **le**] gai
 he come FUT QUOT/COMP ASP
 ‘He said that he will come.’

3.12.1.2 *ketsu* is a combination of the nominalizer *ke* and *tsu* could not be morphologically analysed.

146. Tinggwang au yi
 tingwaŋ au i
 God SCM good
 ‘God is good.’

147. Tinggwang keyi
 tingwaŋ ke-i
 God NOZ-good
 ‘God’s goodness.’

3.12.1.3 *le-ketsu* is the combination of the quotative and the complementizer *ketsu*

3.12.2 DISTRIBUTION OF THE COMPLEMENTIZERS

3.12.2.1 *le* occurs in non-purposive clauses with the verb ‘say’. It also occurs in purposive clause. *le* has a dual function, one as the quotative and the other as a complementizer.

(i) Non-Purposive Clause

148. Pa gwang zie lie gai
pa [gwan zie **le**] gai
he come FUT QUOT/COMP ASP
‘He said that he will come.’

(ii) Purposive

149. I laisiu pei zie lie gwang
i laisiu pe zie **le** gwan
I book read FUT QUOT go
‘I went to read.’

3.12.2.2. *ketsu* occurs in non-purposive, gerundival and participial clauses.

The following examples are illustrative

(i) Non-Purposive Clause

150. Apui kilung ga bam kecu i ci
[apui kilun ga bam **ketsu**] i tsi
mother house PP LOC COMP I know
‘I know that my mother is at home.’

(ii) Gerundival Clause

151. Hemaaleitei ga leitei kecu suiyige
hemaleitei ga leitei **ketsu** sujige
choir PP singing COMP fun
‘Singing in the choir is fun.’

(iii) Participial clause

152. I tingmui ngeina hap kecu koa siu
i [tinmui piana hap **ketsu** koa] siu
I night baby cry COMP sound heard
‘I heard the sound of the baby crying at night.’

3.12.2.3 **la-ketsu** occurs only in the non-purposive clause. Where **le- ketsu** occur **ketsu** can also occur. Sentences 153 and 154 are illustrative:

153. Ina gwang la lie kecu Peihau ci bam
 [ina gwaŋ la le **ketsu**] pehau tsi bam
 Ina come ASP QUOT COMP Peihau know ASP
 ‘Peihau knows that Ina is coming.’

154. Ina gwang la kecu Peihau ci bam
 [ina gwaŋ la **ketsu**] pehau tsi bam
 Ina come ASP COMP Peihau know ASP
 ‘Peihau knows that Ina is coming.’

Summary:

1. Rengma and Chokri have initial complementizer (IC). Sentence (28), (29), (111) and (114) are illustrative.
2. An overall summary of the chapter is presented in table 3.1 and table 3.2 respectively.

Languages	Quotative	Verb 'do'	Verbal Conjunct	Nominalizer	Deictic Marker	Tense and Aspect	Case	Other functional category
1. Ao	-	-	-	+ (pa)	+ (pa)	+ FUT(tsə)	-	ta-adjectiviser negation classifier
2. Chokri	+ (ɔ)	-	+ (ɔ:de)	+ (kə)	+ (ti)	-	-	-
3. Khamnuingan	-	-	-	-	-	-	+ (tə)	+ ao- infinitive mkr kə-Intensifier tsən- -ing verb nai- Post position
4. Konyak	-	-	-	+ (pu)	-	-	+ (a)	+ (sə)
5. Lotha	-	-	-	-	+ (dʒi)	-	+ (dʒo)	+ dʒo-definite tə
6. Phom	-	-	-	+ (pə)	-	-	-	+ ʃei jə
7. Pochury	-	+ (sa)	+ (n)	+ (kə)	-	+ FUT (n)	-	+ (ta)
8. Rengma	+ (tse)	+ (thjə)	-	+ (ke)	+ (tsə)	-	-	-
9. Sangtam	-	-	+ (pə)	+ (pa)	+ (tsə)	-	-	-
10. Sümi	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+ ipi akeu keu
11. Yimchunger	-	-	-	+ (khi)	-	-	-	+ de bə
12. Zeme	+ (le)	-	-	+ (ke)	-	-	-	+ tsu

Table3.1 Morphological Analysis of the Complementizers in the Naga Group of Languages

Complementizers in the languages under study are analysed under 7 functional categories viz. Quotative, Verb ‘do’, Verbal Conjunct, Nominalizer, Deictic Marker, Tense and Aspect, and Case. Complementizers in some languages do not fall under any of these categories. As such, those complementizers are labelled as other functional categories. Complementizers that function as a specific category is assigned a (+) feature with the complementizer in the language in parentheses and those that do not are assigned a (-) feature.

The analysis of table 3.1 is as follows:

1. Quotative functions as complementizers in Chokri, Rengma and Zeme.
2. The grammaticalised form of the verb ‘do’ functions as complementizers in Pochury and Rengma.
3. Verbal conjuncts functions as complementizers in Chokri, Pochury and Sangtam.
4. Nominalizers functions as complementizers in almost all the languages except Khamniungan and Sümi.
5. Deictic markers functions as complementizers in Ao, Chokri, Rengma and Sangtam.
6. Future tense functions as complementizers in Ao and Pochury.
7. Case functions as complementizers in Khamniungan, Konyak and Lotha.

Languages	Complementizers			Non-Purposive	Purposive	Participial	Gerunds	Infinitive <i>want</i> verb	Cleft	
1.Ao	ta			+	-	-	-	-	-	
	pa			-	-	+	-	-	-	
	tsə			-	+	-	+	-	-	
2. Chokri	ɔ			+	-	-	-	-	-	
	kəti			+	-	+	+	-	-	
	ɔ-kəti			+	-	-	-	-	-	
	ɔ-de			+	+	-	-	-	-	
3. Khamniungan	tə			+	-	-	-	-	-	
	aɔ			-	-	+	+	+	-	
	kə			-	-	+	-	-	-	
	tsən			-	-	-	-	+	-	
	tsən and tə			+	-	-	-	-	-	
	nai & tsən	I	nai	-	-	-	-	-	-	+
			tsən	-	-	-	-	+	-	-
		II	nai	-	-	-	-	-	+	-
			tsən	-	-	-	-	-	+	-
4. Konyak	pu			-	-	+	-	-	-	
	sə			+	+	-	-	-	-	
	pu-a			-	-	-	+	-	-	
5. Lotha	tə			+	-	-	-	-	-	
	dʒidʒə			-	-	-	+	-	-	
6. Phom	fei			+	-	-	-	-	-	
	pəjə			+	-	+	+	-	-	
7. Pochury	ta-kəsa			+	-	+	-	-	-	
	n:ta			+	+	-	-	-	-	
8. Rengma	tse			+	+	-	-	-	-	
	kə...tsə			+	-	+	+	-	-	
	kəthjə			+	-	+	-	-	-	
9. Sangtam	pə			+	-	-	-	-	-	
	patsə			-	-	+	+	-	-	
10.Sümi	ipi			+	-	-	-	-	-	
	akeu			-	-	+	-	-	-	
	keu			-	-	-	+	-	-	
11. Yimchunger	de			+	-	+	-	-	-	
	khi			+	-	-	+	-	-	
	bə			+	+	-	-	-	-	
12.Zeme	le			+	+	-	-	-	-	
	ketsə			+	-	+	+	-	-	
	le-ketsə			+	-	-	-	-	-	

3.2 Distribution of the Complementizers in the Naga group of languages

Languages vary in the number of complementizers and its distributions in the complement clauses. Table 3.2 shows the different complementizers in each language and its distributions in the complement clauses. Complementizer that occur in a particular complement clause is assigned a (+) feature and those that do not, is assigned a (-) feature.

The distributions of the complementizers in the languages are varied and distinct to the language. However, one common feature is that in all the languages, complementizers occur in the non- purposive clauses.

CHAPTER -4

COMPLEMENT TYPES AND COMPLEMENTATION STRATEGIES

4.0 INTRODUCTION

In this chapter, the languages are analysed under two sections consecutively. In the first section, the various complement types are discussed and analysed. The second section is an attempt to give an analysis of the complementation strategies each language employs in forming the complement clauses.

Complement types are analysed under the following sub-headings:

3. Finite Embedded clauses

3.1 Non-Purposive

3.2 Purposive

4. Non - Finite Clauses

4.1 Participial Clauses

4.2 Gerundival Clauses

4.3 Infinitival Clauses

4.3.1 Want verb

4.3.2 Purposive clauses

According to Dixon (2008, 33) in many languages, certain verbs can take a clause, instead of an NP, as core arguments. He called this true complement clause. He also claims that languages which lack true complement clauses constructions will employ the following complementation strategies:

1. Serial verb construction strategy
2. Relative clause strategy
3. Nominalization strategy
4. Complementation strategies involving linked clauses
 - 4.1 Apposition
 - 4.2 Clause Chaining
 - 4.3 Purposive linking

Out of the six strategies, only three strategies viz Serial Verb Construction Strategy, Nominalisation Strategy, Purposive Linking Strategy were used to analysed the languages. The area of study for the analysis of the other three strategies is vast and the present study does not cover those areas.

4.1 LANGUAGE : AO

4.1.1 COMPLEMENT TYPES

All the four complement types are found in Ao.

4.1.1.1 Finite Embedded Clause

(i) Non- Purposive Clause

1. Ni kü- tsü kidang lir ta meteta lir
ni [kə- tsə kitəŋ lir **ta**] mətəta lir
I my mother house LOC COMP know ASP
'I know that my mother is at home.'

(ii) Purposive Clause

2. Ni soruchiok tsü ao
ni [sʊrutʃok **tsə**] ao
I cook COMP.FUT go
'I went to cook.'
3. Narola tazüŋ tsü ogo
narola [tazəŋ **tsə**] uko
Narola read COMP FUT gone
'Narola has gone to study.'

4.1.1.2 Non-Finite Clauses

(i) Participial Clause

4. Amang nung tanur -i aje ba ni angashi
[aman nuŋ tanuɪ -i atʃə **pa**] ni aŋaʃi
night PP baby -CASE cry COMP.NOZ I heard
'I heard the baby crying at night.'

(ii) Gerundival Clause

5. Raratep -ba majung
ɹaɹatəp **-pa** matʃuŋ
fighting COMP.NOZ bad
'Fighting is bad.'

(iii) Infinitival Clause

Want verb

6. Akhum -la aru nür
akəm -la aɹu nəɹ
Akhum -FEM come want
'Akhum wants to come.'

From the above data, we can analyse that except for the infinitival clause, all other complement types have a complementizer. In sentence (6) we have the ‘want’ class predicate with the occurrence of a clausal union, giving it a non-finite reading. However, in the purposive clause in sentences (2) and (3) the verb carries a future marker and is thus finite.

In Tenyidie⁴, the movement of the verb in the embedded clause is permitted. In such cases, the verb of the embedded clause is raised and it adjoins with the verb of the matrix clause. However, this is not permitted in Ao as is evident from the ungrammatical sentences in (7) and (8).

7. *Narola ogo tazüng
 narola uko [tazəŋ]
 Narola gone read
 ‘Narola has gone to study.’

8. *Ni ao soruchiok
 ni ao su.rutʃok
 I go cook
 ‘I went to cook.’

4.1.2 COMPLEMENTATION STRATEGIES: The Complementation strategies employed by Ao language is given below:

1. Purposive, non-purposive and participial clauses are true complement clauses. This is evident in sentences 1-4.
2. *Want* class predicate in the infinitive employs the serial verb construction strategy. Sentence 6 is illustrative.
3. Gerundival clauses employ the nominalization strategy. Sentence 5 is illustrative.
pa in Ao has dual functions one as the complementizer and the other as a nominalizer. This is explained in section 3.1.1.2 in Chapter 3.

⁴ Kevichüsa (2007, 45)

4.2 LANGUAGE: CHOKRI

4.2.1 COMPLEMENT TYPES

All the four complement types are found in Chokri.

4.2.1.1 Finite Embedded Clause

(i) Non-Purposive Clause

9. Atale tsüzi kühuce lü voto küti po va
atale [tsəzi kəhuce lə vo- tʃ: kəti] pə va
Atale tonight church PP come-FUT.COMP COMP say PROG
'Atale said that she will go to church tonight.'

10. Azu ce -lü ba küti I se -va
[azu ce -lə ba kəti] i se -va
mother home -PP LOC COMP I know -PROG
'I know that my mother is at home.'

(ii) Purposive Clause

11. Atalü -e phi -to de vo -te
atalə -e [pro phi -tʃ: de] vo -te
Atalü -SCM read -FUT. COMP COMP go -PST
'Atalü has gone to read.'

4.2.1.2 Non-Finite Clauses

(i) Participial Clause

12. I-e künalü thüzo ti küti ngo
i-e [kənalə thəzo ti kəti] ŋə
I -SCM cat mouse eat COMP saw
'I saw the cat eating the mouse.'

(ii) Gerundival Clause

13. Rühu küti unü
rəhu kəti unə
hunt COMP.NOZ like
'Hunting is fun.'

(iii) Infinitival Clause

Want verb

14. Atalü vo nyi va
atalə və ni va
Atalü go want ASP
'Atalü wants to come.'

Except for the infinitival clause, all the other complement types have the complementizer *kəti*.

As mentioned in the literature review for Tenyidie, Chokri also exhibits the same phenomenon. The analysis given for Tenyidie⁵ holds for Chokri as well, as illustrated in sentences (14) and (15). In sentence (14) we have the ‘want’ class predicate with the occurrence of a clausal union, giving it a non-finite reading. The embedded verb in purposive clauses carries a future marker and is thus finite, and hence, the occurrence of the complementizer *ɔ-de*.

The complementizer in sentence (11) can be dropped. The dropping of the complementizer leads to the obligatory dropping of the future marker which occurs with the verb in the embedded clause. The dropping of the future marker makes the sentence non-finite which leads to the replacement of *pro* by *PRO*. The following example is illustrative:

15. Atalü -e vɔ phi -te
 atalə -e vɔ [PRO phi] -te
 Atalü -CASE go read -PST
 ‘Atalü has gone to read.’

Sentence (15) is again a clausal union. However, the clausal union here is different from the one in sentence (14). In sentence (14) both the verbs remain *in situ*, the embedded verb *vɔ* in the embedded clause and the matrix verb *ni* in the final position. Whereas, in sentence (15), the embedded verb *phi* raises and adjoins to the matrix verb *vɔ*.

4.2.2 COMPLEMENTATION STRATEGIES: The Complementation strategies employed by Chokri is given below:

1. Purposive, non-purposive and participial clauses are true complement clauses. Sentences 9, 10, 11 and 12 are illustrative.
2. Gerundival clauses employ the nominalization strategy. Sentence 13 is illustrative. Note that the *kə-* in complementizer *kəti* is a nominalizer. This is explained in section 3.2.1.2 in Chapter 3.
3. Infinitival clauses with the want predicates employ the serial verb construction strategy. Sentence (14) is illustrative.

⁵ Kevichüsa (2007, 45-46)

4.3 LANGUAGE: KHIAMNIUNGAN

4.3.1 COMPLEMENT TYPES

All the four complement types are possible in Khamniungan. The following examples are illustrative:

4.3.1.1 Finite Embedded Clause

(i) Non-Purposive Clause

16. Ngo jü nyiu tsam ai noin tü ngen
 ŋə [tsə jiu tsam ʌi noin tə] ŋen
 I my mother house LOC have COMP know
 ‘I know that my mother is at home.’

(ii) Purposive Clause

17. Haowon thsamve ao khun
 hauwən [tsham-we ʌə] khu-n
 Haowon book-read COMP go-ASP
 ‘Haowon has gone to study.’

4.3.1.2 Non-Finite Clauses

(i) Participial Clause

18. Ngo soutsom tsam nai kho ao aiu-ji
 ŋə [sətsəm tsam nai kho ʌə] a:u-tʃi
 I cinema house LOC go COMP like
 ‘I like going to the cinema.’

(ii) Infinitival Clause

Want verb

19. Tongkhem shi ao aium
 toŋkhem ʃi ʌə a:um
 Tongkhem come COMP wants
 ‘Tongkhem wants to come.’

(iii) Gerundival Clause

20. Ashio tsün tsü- mei
 ʌ-ʃio tsən tsə- me
 NOZ-drink COMP NEG good
 ‘Drinking is bad’

An interesting finding from the above given data is that Khamniungan does not exhibit clausal union with the ‘want’ class predicate in the infinitives as is shown in sentence (19).

Verb raising is not permitted in the purposive clause in Khamniungan. The following example is illustrative:

21. *Haowon khu ven
 hauwɔn khu we-n
 Haowon go read-PST
 ‘Haowon has gone to study.’

4.3.2 COMPLEMENTATION STRATEGIES: The Complementation strategies employed by Khamniungan is given below:

1. Purposive, non-purposive, participial are true complement clauses. Sentences 16, 17 and 18 are illustrative.
2. The gerundival clauses employ the nominalization strategy. Sentence 20 is illustrative.
3. The want predicate of the infinitival clauses does not fall under any of the mentioned strategies. Hence it is marked as other strategies. (complementizer ʌo occurs)

4.4 LANGUAGE : KONYAK

4.4.1 COMPLEMENT TYPES

All the four complement types are possible in Konyak.

4.4.1.1 Finite Embedded Clause

(i) Non- Purposive Clause

22. Aton -e Shanong pei -lak she i
 aton -ə [sanɔŋ pai -lak sə] i
 Aton SCM Shanong come FUT COMP say
 ‘Aton said that Shanong will come.’

(ii) Purposive Clause

23. Tao hah -lak she pei
 tao [haʔ lak sə] pai
 I eat -FUT COMP came
 ‘I came to eat.’

4.1.1.2 Non-Finite clauses

(i) Participial Clause

24. Aton -e Shamong choir me hem lok pu ngi
 aton -ə [ʃamɔŋ khoir me hem lok **pu**] ŋei
Aton -SCM Shamong choir PP song sing COMP saw
 ‘Aton saw Shamong singing in the choir.’

(ii) Infinitival Clause

Want verb

25. Aton nok te ye -hu -nang
 aton nok te je -hu -naŋ
aton home PP go -want -ASP
 ‘Aton wants to go home.’

(iii) Gerundival clause

26. Mei kep pu-a hongli -nang
 mai kep **pu-a** hoŋli -naŋ
meat hunt COMP fun -ASP
 ‘Hunting is fun.’

Except for the infinitival clause type, all the other complement types occur with a complementizer. The infinitives with the ‘want’ class predicate shows clausal union. In the purposive clause in sentence (23) the verb carries a future marker and the sentence becomes non-finite and thus the occurrence of the complementizer *sə*. The dropping of the complementizer and the future marker as well as verb raising in the purposive clause is not permitted in Konyak. The following example is illustrative:

27. * Tao pei hah
 tao pai haʔ
I came eat
 ‘I came to eat.’

4.4.2 COMPLEMENTATION STRATEGIES: The Complementation strategies employed by Konyak is given below:

1. Purposive, non-purposive, participial are true complement clauses. Sentences (22), (23) and (24) are illustrative.
2. The ‘want’ predicate of the infinitival clauses employs the serial verb construction strategy. Sentence (25) is illustrative.

3. The gerundival clauses employ the nominalization strategy. Sentence 26 is illustrative. Note that the *pu* in complementizer *pu-a* is a nominalizer. This is explained in section 3.4.1.2 in Chapter 3.

4.5 LANGUAGE: LOTHIA

4.5.1 COMPLEMENT TYPES

All the four complement types are possible in Lothia.

4.5.1.1 Finite embedded clause

(i) Non-Purposive Clause

34. Ayo jo oki vana to ana ntsia
 [ajo dʒə oki vana tɔ] ana ntʃia
Mother SCM house LOC COMP I know
 'I know that my mother is at home.'

4.5.1.2 Non-finite Clauses

(i) Participial Clause

35. Onyuru ji na zūro rūma ana hungcho
 [opuro dʒi na zəɾo ɾəm-a] ana huŋ-cho
cat DEF SCM mouse eat-ASP I see-ASP
 'I saw the cat eating the mouse.'

36. Abeni na choir lo okhen khüa Abemo na zo -cho
 [abeni na choir lo oken khə^v-a] abemo na zo cho
Abeni SCM choir PP song sing-ASP Abemo SCM hear ASP
 'Abemo heard Abeni singing in the choir.'

(ii) Gerundival Clause

37. Mi -khü eyuv jijo khanala
 mi -khə iju **dʒidʒo** khanala
fire smoke inhale COMP prohibited
 'Smoking is prohibited.'
38. Rotao jijo n- mhon
 ɾotao **dʒidʒo** n- mhon
fighting COMP NEG- good
 'Fighting is bad.'
39. Ojü hoo jijo mmhona
 otsə ho **dʒidʒo** m:mhona
water swim COMP good
 'Swimming is good.'

(iii) Infinitival Clause

(a) Want predicates

40. Therali na oki yi -hungala
therali na oki ji -hungala
Therali SCM house go want
'Therali wants to go home.'

(b) Purposive Clause

41. A -na kha -lo wo -cho
a na [kha lo] wo -cho
I SCM read PL go ASP
'I went to study/read.'

42. A -na tso lo wo -cho
a na [tsho lo] wo cho
I SCM cook PL go ASP
'I went to cook.'

The complementizers occurs with the finite embedded clause type and gerundival. In the participial clause, /a/ occurs with the embedded verb which needs more research. In the infinitival clause type, the 'want' class predicate shows clausal union. The purposive clauses occur with the purposive marker *lo*. Verb raising is not permitted in Lotha. The following sentences are illustrative:

- 43.* A -na wo kha -cho
a na wo [kha] -cho
I SCM go read ASP
'I went to read.'

- 44.* A -na wo tso -cho
a na wo tsho -cho
I SCM go cook PST
'I went to cook.'

4.5.2 COMPLEMENTATION STRATEGIES: The Complementation strategies employed by Lotha is given below:

1. Non-Purposive and participial are true complement. Sentence (34), (35) and (36) are illustrative.
2. Purposive employs the purposive linking strategy. Sentence (41) and (42) is illustrative.

3. Gerundival clauses occur with a complementizer. Sentence (37), (38), and (39) is illustrative.
4. The ‘want’ predicate of the infinitival clauses employs the serial verb construction strategy. Sentence (40) is illustrative.

4.6 LANGUAGE : PHOM

4.6.1 COMPLEMENT TYPES

All the four complement types discuss in literature is found in Phom.

4.6.1.1 Finite Embedded Clause

(i) Non-Purposive Clause

45. Ngei ngelei onyiü shem mei nyüke shei nying nyeih
 ɲəi [ɲəlai ʊnə ʃam məi nəkə **ʃei**] niŋ ɲeiʔ
I my mother home PP LOC COMP know PROG
 ‘I know that my mother is at home.’

4.6.1.2 Non-finite Clauses

(i) Participial Clause

46. Mashi i yiüphü hah püyü i ee teke
 [maʃi i jəphə haʔ **pəjə**] i e: təkə
cat CASE mouse eat COMP I see ASP
 ‘I saw the cat eating the mouse.’

(ii) Gerundival Clause

47. Te püyü ne- mei -nyeih
 te **pəjə** nə- mai -ɲeiʔ
fight COMP NEG bad ASP
 ‘Fighting is bad.’

(iii) Infinitival Clause

48. Ngei nük hah -hü angke
 ɲəi nək haʔ -hə aŋke
I food eat want ASP
 ‘I want to eat.’

(iv) Purposive Clause

49. Manken einüng lüdaiteke
 mankən ei-nəŋ lətai-təkə
Manken read-PL go-ASP
 ‘Manken has gone to study.’

50. Ngei jaü nüng heih -teke
 ɲəi caə nəŋ heʔ təke
I cook PL go ASP
 'I went to cook.'

The embedded clause, participial clause and gerundival clause occurs with complementizers. In the infinitival type, the 'want' class predicate shows clausal union. The purposive clause occurs with a purposive linker (PL). Verb raising is not permitted in Phom. The following sentences are illustrative:

51. *Manken lüdai ei teke
 mankən lətai ei təke
Manken go read ASP
 'Manken has gone to read.'

52. *Ngei heih jaü -teke
 ɲəi heʔ caə -təke
I go cook ASP
 'I went to cook.'

4.6.2 COMPLEMENTATION STRATEGIES: The Complementation strategies employed by Phom are given below:

1. Non -purposive, participial are true complement clause. Sentence (45) and (46) is illustrative.
2. The gerundival clauses employ the nominalization strategy. Sentence (47) is illustrative. Note that the *pə* in complementizer *pə-yə* is a nominalizer. This is explained in section 3.6.1.2 in Chapter 3.
3. The want predicate of the infinitival clauses employs the serial verb construction strategy. Sentence (48) is illustrative.
4. Purposive clauses employ the purposive linking strategy. Sentence (49) and (50) is illustrative.

4.7 LANGUAGE: POCHURY

4.7.1 COMPLEMENT TYPES

All the four complement types are possible in Pochury.

4.7.1.1 Finite Embedded Clause

(i) Non-Purposive Clause

53. hi Etho Bangkok vü wa -na sadhuo ta-küsa küna radhuo
hi [itho bæŋkok və wa -na sathuo **ta-kəsa**] kəna rathjə
I Etho bangkok PP go FUT ASP COMP hear TNS
“I heard that Etho is going to Bangkok.”

(ii) Purposive Clause

54. Lingo ze nta wa dhuo
liŋə [ze **n:ta**] wa thjə
lingo sleep COMP go TNS
‘Lingo went to sleep.’

55. Lingo chie nta wa dhuo
liŋə [tʃhe **n:ta**] wa thjə
lingo read COMP go ASP
‘Lingo went to read.’

4.7.1.2 Non-finite Clauses

(i) Participial Clause

There are two patterns of participial clause in Pochury. In the first pattern, the complementizer does not occur and the nominalizer ‘**kə**’ is prefixed to the verb. In the second pattern, the complementizer ‘**ta kəsa**’ occur with the reduplication of the verb.

Pattern I

56. Hi Etho asa kü- tsa ngu -dhuo
hi [ithə asa **kə-** tsa] ŋu - thjə
I Etho meat NOZ eat see ASP
“I saw Etho eating the meat.”

57. Hi sinema vü kü- wa lo -ve
hi [sinema və **kə** wa] lo ve
I cinema PP NOZ go like ASP
“I like going to the cinema.”

Pattern II

58. Hi Etho asa tsatsa ta-küsa ngu -dhuo
 hi [itho asa tsatsa **ta-kəsa**] ŋu - thjɔ
I Etho meat eat COMP see TNS
 “I saw Etho eating the meat.”

59. Hi sinema vü wawa ta-küsa lo -ve
 hi [sinema və wawa **ta-kəsa**] lɔ ve
I cinema PP go COMP like TNS
 “I like going to the cinema.”

(ii) Infinitival Clause

Want verb

60. Etho zeh ngü -ve
 itho zɛɛ ŋə -ve
Etho sleep want -PROG
 “Etho wants to sleep.”

(iii) Gerundival Clause

61. aku kü- mü thuoji khe -ve
 aku kə- mə thuotʃi khe -ve
tobacco NOZ inhale DET prohibited TNS
 “Smoking is prohibited.”

62. kü- feluo thuoji mü- mümhie
 kə feluo thuotʃi mə- məmhie
NOZ fight DET NEG good
 “Fighting is bad.”

In Pochury, the complementizers occurs in the Finite embedded clause type, the participial and the purposive clause type. The infinitives with the ‘want’ class predicate shows clausal union. The purposive occurs with the complementizer *n:ta*. Note that the /n:/ in the complementizer *n:ta* also carries the feature of a future tense. Thus, the purposive clause is actually a non-finite clause and hence the occurrence of the complementizer. The complementizer in sentence (54) and (55) can be dropped and verb raising is permitted. The explanation given for purposive clause in Chokri in section 4.2.1.2 for sentence (15) also holds for Pochury. The following sentences are illustrative:

63. Lingo wa ze dhuo
 liŋɔ wa ze thjɔ
lingo go sleep ASP
 ‘Lingo went to sleep.’

64. Lingo wa chie dhuo
 liŋə wa tʃhe thjə
lingo go read ASP
 ‘Lingo went to read.’

4.7.2 COMPLEMENTATION STRATEGIES: The Complementation strategies employed by Pochury is given below:

1. Non –purposive, purposive and participial clauses are true complement clause. Sentence (53), (54) and (56) are illustrative.
2. The want predicate of the infinitival clauses employs the serial verb construction strategy. Sentence (60) is illustrative.
3. The gerundival clauses employ the nominalization strategy. Sentence (61) and (62) are illustrative.

4.8 LANGUAGE : RENGMA

4.8.1 COMPLEMENT TYPES

All the four complement types discuss in literature is found in Rengma.

4.8.1.1 Finite Embedded Clause

(i) Non-Purposive Clause

65. Ale shabin kethyü Ajvu le kaki bin nle
 ale ʃabi [kethjə aʒə le kaki bĩ n:ne]
I know COMP My mother SCM house LOC ASP
 ‘I know that my mother is at home.’

(ii) Purposive Clause

66. ale lesü swü -ti le tse gü
 ale [lesə sə -ti le tse] gə
I book read -FUT ASP COMP go
 ‘I went to read/study.’

4.8.1.2. Non-finite Clauses

(i) Participial Clause

67. Ntsenyu güle khejengu chübin kethyü ale nyü lo
 [n:tseɲu gə-le khəɟeɲu cü bĩ kethjə] ale nə lo
baby DEF-SCM night crying COMP I hear ASP
 ‘I heard the baby crying at night.’

68. Kesinle -le athyü tyü ke- bin tsü Alo le hyu
 [kesinle le athjə tʃə kə- bĩ **tsə**] alo le hũ
Kesinle SCM meat eat COMP ASP COMP Alo SCM see
 ‘Alo saw Kesinle eating the meat.’

(ii) Gerundival Clause

69. Züvü kethyü le gwa
 zəvə **kethjə** le wa
swimming COMP ASP good
 ‘Swimming is good.’

(iii) Infinitival Clause

Want verb

70. Julie le ryü nyü bin
 ɖʒuli le rə nə bĩ
julie SCM come want PROG
 ‘Julie wants to come.’
71. Julie le gwü nyü bin
 ɖʒuli le gə nə bĩ
julie SCM go want PROG
 ‘Julie wants to go.’

From the above data analyses, we find that except for the ‘want’ class predicate in the infinitival clause type, the complementizers occur in all the other complement types in Rengma. The complementizer in (66) can be dropped and the verb raising is permitted. The explanation given for purposive clause in Chokri in section 4.2.1.2 for sentence (15) also holds for Rengma. The following sentence is illustrative:

73. Ale gü sü
 ale gə sə
I go read
 ‘I went to read.’

4.8.2 COMPLEMENTATION STRATEGIES: The Complementations strategies employed by Rengma is given below:

1. Non –purposive, purposive and participial clauses are true complement clause. Sentence (65), (66) and (67) are illustrative
2. The gerundival clauses employ the nominalization strategy. Sentence (69) is illustrative. Note that the *ke* in complementizer *kethja* is a nominalizer. This is explained in section 3.8.1.2 in Chapter 3.
3. The ‘want’ predicate of the infinitival clauses employs the serial verb construction strategy. Sentence (70) and (71) are illustrative.

4.9 LANGUAGE : SANGTAM

4.9.1 COMPLEMENT TYPES

All the four complement types are possible in Sangtam.

4.8.1.1 Finite Embedded Clause

(i) Non-Purposive Clause

74. Ihnü Alipa Bangkok lang würe pü yuchikho
 i:nə [alipa laŋ vərə pə] juchiko
I Alipa Bangkok PP go COMP hear
 ‘I heard that Alipa is goin to Bangkok.’

(ii) Purposive Clause

75. Ih khiih -nung wü -cho
 i khi -nuŋ və -cho
I read PL.FUT go -ASP
 ‘I went to read.’

4.9.1.2 Non-finite Clauses

(i) Participial Clause

76. Akhunga amala tra batsü Ihnü ngukho
 [akhuŋa amala tɾa **batsü**] i-nə ŋu-kə
baby night cry COMP I - SCM see-ASP
 ‘I saw the baby crying at night.’

(ii) Gerundival Clause

77. mükütsu müsü batsü mümülare
 məkətsu məsə **patsə** məmölare
tobacco inhale COMP prohibit
 ‘Smoking is prohibited.’

78. kihwe batsü tsa le
 kive **patsə** tsa le
swim COMP good ASP
 ‘Swimming is good.’

(iii) Infinitival Clause

Want verb

79. Alipa tsü kuhläng wü -nyü -cho
 alipa tsə kulɒŋ və -ɲə -tʃo
Alipa SCM home go -want -ASP
 ‘Alipa wants to go home.’

Complementizers occur in the finite embedded clauses and gerundival clauses. The want class predicate shows clausal union and the purposive clauses occur with the future marker and are thus finite. Verb raising is not permitted in Phom. The following sentence is illustrative:

- 80.* Ih wü khih -cho
 i və khi -cho
I go read -ASP
 ‘I went to read.’

4.9.2 COMPLEMENTATION STRATEGIES: The Complementation strategies employed by Sangtam is given below:

1. Non- Purposive, purposive and Participial are true complement clauses.
 Sentence (74), (75) and (76) is illustrative.
2. The gerundival clauses employ the nominalization strategy. Sentence (77) is illustrative. Note that the *pa* in complementizer **patsə** is a nominalizer .This is explained in section 3.9.1.2 in Chapter 3.
3. The want predicate of the infinitival clauses employs the serial verb construction strategy. Sentence (79) is illustrative.

4.10 LANGUAGE:SÜMI

4.10.1 COMPLEMENT TYPES

All the four complement types are possible in Yimchunger.

4.10.1.1 Finite Embedded Clauses

(i) Non-Purposive Clause

81. John ye Mary ighiniche ani ipi ithi ani
dʒɔn je [meri iʒiɲɪʒe ɲi **ipi**] ithi ɲi
John SCM Mary come FUT COMP know PROG
'John knows that Mary is coming.'

82. Atoli ye Zunheboto lo wuni cheni ipi ino chilue
[atoli je zənhbɔtɔ lɔ u-ɲi cheni **ipi**] inɔ ʃilu
Atoli SCM Zunheboto PP go-FUT ASP COMP I heard
'I heard that Atoli is going to Zunheboto.'

(ii) Purposive Clause

83. ni ye alikhuli shiniye wu
ni je ali-khuli ʃi-ɲi-je u
I SCM utensils-ECH do-FUT-SCM go
'I went to cook.'

4.10.1.2 Non-finite Clauses

(i) Participial Clause

84. Anga no qa akeu John no chilu
[aŋa nɔ qa **akeu**] dʒɔn nɔ ʃilu
baby SCM cry COMP John SCM heard
'John heard the baby crying.'

(ii) Gerundival Clause

85. Kichighi keu ye alomoe
kiʃiɲi **keu** je alɔ-mɔ-e
fight COMP SCM good-NEG-PST
'Fighting is bad'

(iii) Infinitival Clause

Want verb

86. John ye Ighi-nishi ani
dʒɔn je iɣi-niʃi ɲi
John SCM come-want PROG
'John wants to come.'

Complementizer occurs in the finite-embedded clauses, participial clauses and gerundival clauses. The want class predicate shows clausal union and the purposive clauses occur with the future marker and are thus finite. Verb raising is not permitted in Sümi. The following sentence is illustrative:

87. *ni ye wu alikhuli shiniye
 ni je u ali-khuli ji-pi-je
I SCM go utensils-ECH do-FUT-SCM
 ‘I went to cook.’

4.10.2 COMPLEMENTATION STRATEGIES: The Complementation strategies employed by Sümi is given below:

1. Non- Purposive, Participial and Purposive are true complement clauses. Sentences (81), (82,) and (84) are illustrative.
2. The gerundival clauses employ the relative clause strategies as illustrated in sentence (85). Given below is an example of a relative clause which exhibits the occurrence of *keu*.

88. no no kaku phikeuye alo
 nO nO kaku phi-ke-u-ye alO
you [+TR] book read-NOZ-DEF-[-TR] good
 ‘Your act of reading the book is good.’

3. The want predicate of the infinitival clauses employs the serial verb construction strategy. Sentence (86) is illustrative.

4.11 LANGUAGE: YIMCHUNGER

4.11.1 COMPLEMENT TYPES

All the four complement types are possible in Yimchunger.

4.11.1.1 Finite Embedded Clauses

(i) Non-Purposive Clause

89. Sorila Kuthur ching yüchoh de i -nü so -do
 [sɔːila kuthur chin̩ jəchɔʔ **de**] i nə sɔ -do
Sorila Kuthur PP going COMP I SCM hear PST
 ‘I heard that Sorila is going to Kuthur.’

90. Ari thsahkhitto de Sorila nü thato
 [ari tʃʌʔkhit-to **de**] sɔːila nə tha-to
Ari go out-PST COMP Sorila SCM say-ASP
 ‘Sorila said that Ari has gone out.’

(ii) Purposive Clause

91. Asang akhepü wüto
asaŋ [akhe- bə] i-tə
Asang read- COMP.FUT go-ASP
'Asang has gone to read'

4.11.1.2 Non-finite Clauses

(i) Participial Clause

92. I nü khungarü alo ching yapde ngüdo
i nə [khuŋaɾə alə ʃiŋ jʌp-de] ŋə- tə
I SCM baby ground PP sleep-COMP see-ASP
'I saw the baby sleeping on the ground.'
93. Ari nü Sorila choir lung khün thsüde sodo
aɾi nə [soɾila khəɔɾ luŋ khən ʃə-de] sɔ- tə
Ari SCM Sorila choir PP song sing-COMP hear-ASP
'Ari heard Sorila singing in the choir.'

(ii) Gerundival Clause

94. shih jü khi amünenebe
ʃiɾ cu **khi** amənepebe
meat hunt COMP fun
'Hunting is fun.'

(ii) Infinitival Clause

Want verb

95. Ari nü thüyam ching yü ne lah
aɾi nə thijam chiŋ i ne la
Ari CASE house PP go want ASP
'Ari wants to go home.'

In Yimchunger, the complementizers occur in the non-purposive, purposive, participial and gerundival clauses. The want class predicate in the infinitival clause type shows clausal union. Verb raising is not permitted in Yimchunger. The following sentence is illustrative:

- 96.* Asang wü akhe-to
asaŋ i akhe-tə
Asang go read- ASP
'Asang has gone to read'

4.11.2 COMPLEMENTATION STRATEGIES: The Complementation strategies employed by Yimchunger are given below:

1. Non-purposive, purposive and participial clauses are true complement clauses. Sentence (88), (90) and (91) are illustrative.
2. Gerundival clauses occur with complementizer *khi*. Sentence (93) is illustrative.
3. The want predicate of the infinitival clauses employs the serial verb construction strategy. Sentence (94) is illustrative.

4.12 LANGUAGE : ZEME

4.12.1 COMPLEMENT TYPES

All the four complement types are possible in Zeme.

4.12.1.1 Finite Embedded Clause

(i) Non- Purposive Clause

97. [Ina Peren ga mie lau kecu] i siu
 ina pe:en ga mje lau **ketfu** i siu
Ina Peren PP go FUT COMP I heard
 'I heard that Ina is going to Peren.'

(ii) Purposive Clause

98. I [laisiu pei zie lie] gwang
 i laisiu pe zie le gwan
I book read FUT QUOT/COMP go
 'I went to read/study.'

99. Ina [laisiu pe zie lie] gwang
 ina laisiu pe zie le gwan
Ina book read FUT QUOT/COMP go
 'Ina has gone to read.'

4.12.1.2 Non-finite Clauses

(i) Participial Clause

100. I nyione heza tyei bam kecu ngau
 i jione heza tje bam **ketfu** ngau
I cat mouse eat PROG COMP saw
 'I saw the cat eating the mouse.'

(ii) Gerundival Clause

101. Peting dau matyei kecu azai tei lu
petiŋ dau mateji **keŋfu** azai tei lu
time PP eat COMP habit do IMP
'Make a habit of eating on time.'

(iii) Infinitival Clause

Want verb

102. Ina kilung mie neu bam
ina kiluŋ mji neu bam
Ina house go want ASP
'Ina wants to go home.'

Except for the 'want' class predicate in the infinitival clause, all the other complement types occurs with complementizers. The 'want' class predicates shows clausal union. The complementizer in the purposive clause can be dropped and verb raising is permitted. The explanation given for purposive clause in Chokri in section 4.2.1.2 for sentence (15) also holds for Zeme. The following sentence is illustrative:

103. Ina gwang pei da
ina gwaŋ pe da
Ina go read ASP
'Ina has gone to read.'

4.12.2 COMPLEMENTATION STRATEGIES: The Complementation strategies employed by Zeme are given below:

1. Non-purposive, purposive and participial clauses are true complement clauses. Sentence (91), (92) and (93) is illustrative.
2. The gerundival clauses employ the nominalization strategy. Sentence (95) is illustrative. Note that the **ke** in complementizer **ketsu** is a nominalizer. This is explained in section 3.12.1 in Chapter 3.
3. The want predicate of the infinitival clauses employs the serial verb construction strategy. Sentence (96) is illustrative.

SUMMARY:

All the complement types occur in the languages under study.

Table 4.2 give an overview of the complementation strategies employed by the languages.

Complementation strategies employed by the languages are as follows:

1. Non-Purposive and Participial clauses are true complement clauses in all the languages under study.
2. Languages employ the serial verb construction strategy for the infinitive clauses with the ‘want’ verbs in all the languages under study.
3. Nominalization strategy is employed by all the languages for the gerundival clauses except Lotha, Phom and Sümi. Gerundivals are true complement clauses in these languages.
4. In the purposive clause, the languages can be grouped into two sets. In the first set, the purposive clauses are true complement clauses. Languages under this set are; Ao, Chokri, Khamniungan, Konyak, Pochury, Rengma, Sümi, Yimchunger and Zeme. The other set employs the purposive linking strategy. Languages in this sets includes Lotha, Phom and Sangtam. Table 4.1 gives an overview of Verb Raising and Complementizers under purposive clauses in the Naga Group of languages.

Languages	Verb Raising	Complementizer	Future	Purposive Linker
Chokri	+	+	+	-
Pochury	+	+	+	-
Rengma	+	+	+	-
Zeme	+	+	+	-
Yimchunger	-	+	+	-
Konyak	-	+	+	-
Ao	-	+	+	-
Khiamniungan	-	+	-	+
Sümi	-	-	+	-
Sangtam	-	-	+	+
Lotha	-	-	-	+
Phom	-	-	-	+

Table 4.1 Verb Raising and Complementizers under Purposive Clauses in the Naga Group of Languages.

The languages which permit verb raising are assigned a (+) feature, and those that do not are assigned a (-) feature. Languages which permit a complementizer in the purposive clause are assigned a (+) feature, and those that do not are assigned a (-) feature. Further, those languages that permit purposive linker are assigned a (+) feature and those that do not are assigned a (-) feature.

Normally, purposive clauses are non-finite in nature; however, most of the languages under study exhibit a finite purposive clause through the occurrence of the future marker. This again is represented in the table with a (+FUT) and (-FUT) feature.

Table 4.2 Complementation Strategies in the Naga Group of Languages

Complementation Strategies						
Languages	Complement Types	True Complement Clause	Serial Verb	Relative Clause	Nominalization	Purposive Linking
1. Ao	Purposive	+	-		-	-
	Non-Purposive	+	-		-	-
	Participial	+	-		-	-
	Gerunds	-	-		+	-
	Infinitive (want)	-	+		-	-
2. Chokri	Purposive	+	-		-	-
	Non-Purposive	+	-		-	-
	Participial	+	-		-	-
	Gerunds	-	-		+	-
	Infinitive (want)	-	+		-	-
3. Khamniungan	Purposive	+	-		-	-
	Non-Purposive	+	-		-	-
	Participial	+	-		-	-
	Gerunds	-	-		+	-
	Infinitive (want)	-	+		-	-
4. Konyak	Purposive	+	-		-	-
	Non-Purposive	+	-		-	-
	Participial	+	-		-	-
	Gerunds	-	-		+	-
	Infinitive (want)	-	+		-	-
5. Lotha	Purposive	-	-		-	+
	Non-Purposive	+	-		-	-
	Participial	+	-		-	-
	Gerunds	+	-		-	-
	Infinitive (want)	-	+		-	-
6. Phom	Purposive	-	-		-	+
	Non-Purposive	+	-		-	-
	Participial	+	-		-	-
	Gerunds	+	-		-	-
	Infinitive (want)	-	+		-	-
7. Pochury	Purposive	+	-		-	-
	Non-Purposive	+	-		-	-
	Participial	+	-		-	-
	Gerunds	-	-		+	-
	Infinitive (want)	-	+		-	-
8. Rengma	Purposive	+	-		-	-
	Non-Purposive	+	-		-	-
	Participial	+	-		-	-
	Gerunds	-	-		+	-
	Infinitive (want)	-	+		-	-
9. Sangtam	Purposive	-	-		-	+(-comp)
	Non-Purposive	+	-		-	-
	Participial	+	-		-	-
	Gerunds	-	-		+	-
	Infinitive (want)	-	+		-	-
10. Sümi	Purposive	+	-		-	-
	Non-Purposive	+	-		-	-
	Participial	+	-		-	-
	Gerunds	-	-	+	-	-
	Infinitive (want)	-	+		-	-
11. Yimchunger	Purposive	+	-		-	-
	Non-Purposive	+	-		-	-
	Participial	+	-		-	-
	Gerunds	-	-		+	-
	Infinitive (want)	-	+		-	-
12. Zeme	Purposive	+	-		-	-
	Non-Purposive	+	-		-	-
	Participial	+	-		-	-
	Gerunds	-	-		+	-
	Infinitive (want)	-	+		-	-

Normally, in a complement clause the matrix verb can take a clause as core argument instead of an NP. Dixon termed this as True Complement Clause. Dixon also mentioned that languages which lack true complement clauses will employ complementation strategies. In table 4.2, complement types that are true complement clauses are assigned a (+) feature and those that are not are assigned a (-) feature in the first column. Naga languages under study employs 4 complementation strategies: Serial Verb Construction, Relative clause Construction, Nominalization and Purposive Linking strategies. A (+) feature is assigned to complement types that employs a particular strategy and those that do not are assigned a (-) feature.

CHAPTER - 5

POSITION OF OCCURRENCE

5.0 INTRODUCTION

Literature talks about three possible position of occurrence of the final Complementizer clauses:

- (i) *In-situ* position in the matrix clause

$$\begin{array}{ccc} [..... [_{CP} S_2 COMP] V_1] & & \\ S_1 & & S_1 \end{array}$$

- (ii) To the right of the verb of the matrix clause

$$\begin{array}{ccc} [..... V_1 [_{CP} S_2 COMP]] & & \\ S_1 & & S_1 \end{array}$$

- (iii) To the left of the subject of the matrix clause

$$\begin{array}{ccc} [[_{CP} S_2 COMP]..... V_1] & & \\ S_1 & & S_1 \end{array}$$

(Extrapolated from Kevichüsa, 2007)

This chapter discusses the position of occurrence of the final Complementizer clause in the languages under study.

5.1 LANGUAGE :AO

All the three positions are possible for the complementizer *ta* in Ao.

I

- 1.a Naro -la -i Akhum -la arur ta meteta lir
 naɾo -la -i [akəm -la aɾuɿ **ta**] mətətə lir
Naro -FEM -CASE Akhum -FEM come COMP know ASP
 ‘Narola knows that Akhumla is coming.’

II

- 1.b Naro -la -i meteta lir Akhum -la arur ta
 naɾo -la -i mətətə lir [akəm -la aɾuɿ **ta**]
Naro -FEM -SCM know ASP Akhum -FEM come COMP
 ‘Narola knows that Akhumla is coming.’

III

- 1.c Akhum -la arur ta Naro -la -i meteta lir
 [akəm -la aɾuɿ **ta**] naɾo -la -i mətətə lir
Akhum -FEM come COMP Naro -FEM -SCM know ASP
 ‘Narola knows that Akhumla is coming.’

5.2 LANGUAGE :CHOKRI

All the three positions are possible for the complementizers *okəti* and *kəti*.

okəti

I

- 2.a I Atale Phek lü voto küti se
 i [atale phek lə vo- tʃ: **kəti**] se
I Atale Phek PP come- COMP heard
 FUT.COMP

‘I heard that Atale is going to Phek.’

II

- 2.b I se Atale Phek lü voto küti
 i se [atale phek lə vo- tʃ: **kəti**]
I heard Atale Phek PP come-FUT.COMP COMP

‘I heard that Atale is going to Phek.’

III

- 2.c Atale Phek lü voto küti I se
 [atale phek lə vo- tʃ: **kəti**] i se
Atale Phek PP come-FUT.COMP COMP I heard

‘I heard that Atale is going to Phek.’

kəti

I

- 2.1.a I Azu ce -lū ba kūti se -va
 i [azu ce -lə ba **kəti**] se -va
I mother home -PP LOC COMP know - PROG
 ‘I know that my mother is at home.’

II

- 2.1.b I se -va Azu ce -lū ba kūti]
 i se -va [azu ce -lə ba **kəti**]
I know - PROG mother home -PP LOC COMP
 ‘I know that my mother is at home.’

III

- 2.1.c Azu ce -lū ba kūti] I se -va
 [azu ce -lə ba **kəti**] i se -va
mother home -PP LOC COMP I know - PROG
 ‘I know that my mother is at home.’

5.3 LANGUAGE: KHIAMNUINGAN

All the three patterns are possible for the complementizer ***tü***. The ***tü*** complementizer has an allomorph ***ta*** and its distribution is syntactic in nature. ***tü*** becomes ***ta*** in the [--- V₁ [CP S₂ COMP]] position. i.e. to the right of the matrix clause.

S₁

S₁

In the other two positions, the ***tü*** form occurs.

I

- 3.a Ngo jū nyiu tsam ai noin tü ngen
 ŋɔ [tsə jiu tsam ʌi noin **tə**] ŋen
I my mother house LOC have COMP know
 ‘I know that my mother is at home.’

II

- 3.b Ngo ngen jū nyiu tsam ai noin ta
 ŋɔ ŋen [tsə jiu tsam ʌi noin **ta**]
I know my mother house LOC have COMP
 ‘I know that my mother is at home.’

III

- 3.c Jū nyiu tsam ai noin tü ngo ngen
 [tsə jiu tsam ʌi noin **tə**] ŋɔ ŋen
my mother house LOC EX COMP I know
 ‘I know that my mother is at home.’

For the complementizer *kü*, only two positions are possible. Embedded Clauses with the complementizer *kü* cannot occur to the right of the verb of the matrix clause as the ungrammaticality of sentence (27) illustrates. Sentences (26) and (28) illustrate the other two positions.

I

- 3.1.a Ngo meths nou asou shap-shap kü loun
 ɲɔ [mɛʃhɔ nu ʌsɔ ʃʌp-ʃʌp kə] lun
 I baby DEF night crying COMP heard
 ‘I heard the baby crying at night.’

II

- 3.1.b *Ngo loun methso nou asou shap-shap kü
 ngo loun [mɛʃhɔ nu ʌsɔ ʃʌp-ʃʌp kə]
 I heard baby DEF night crying COMP
 ‘I heard the baby crying at night.’

III

- 3.1.c Methso nou asou shap-shap kü ngo loun
 [mɛʃhɔ nu ʌsɔ ʃʌp-ʃʌp kə] ɲɔ lun
 baby DEF night crying COMP I heard
 ‘I heard the baby crying at night.’

Complementizers *tsən* and *tə* can co-occur in all the three positions.

I

- 3.2.a Ngo Haowon khokiang khong- tsün khiaunia amei tsak tü ngen
 ɲɔ [haowon khɔkiʌŋ khɔŋ-**tsən** khʌjiɲiʌ ʌme tʃʌk tɔ] ɲen
 I Haowon guitar play-COMP person good one COMP know
 ‘I know that Haowon is a good guitarist.’

II

- 3.2.b Ngo ngen Haowon khokiang khong- tsün khiaunia amei tsak ta
 ɲɔ ɲen [haowon khɔkiʌŋ khɔŋ- **tsən** khʌjiɲiʌ ʌme tʃʌk tɔ]
 I know Haowon guitar play-COMP person good one COMP
 ‘I know that Haowon is a good guitarist.’

III

- 3.2.c Haowon khokiang khong- tsün khiaunia amei tsak tü ngo ngen
 [haowon khɔkiʌŋ khɔŋ-**tsən** khʌjiɲiʌ ʌme tʃʌk tɔ] ɲɔ ɲen
 Haowon guitar play-COMP person good one COMP I know
 ‘I know that Haowon is a good guitarist.’

Complementizer *ao* can occur only in one position i.e. the in-situ position. The following examples are illustrative:

I

- 3.3.a Tongkhem tsam-ai shi ao aium
 tɔŋkhem [tsam-ai ʃi ʌo] aum
 Tongkhem house-LOC go COMP wants
 ‘Tongkhem wants to go home.’

II

- 3.3.b *Tongkhem aium [tsam-ai shi ao]
 tɔŋkhem a:um tsam-ai ʃi ʌo
 Tongkhem wants house-LOC go COMP
 ‘Tongkhem wants to go home.’

III

- 3.3.c *Tsam-ai shi ao Tongkhem aium
 [tsam-ai ʃi ʌo] tɔŋkhem a:um
 house-LOC go COMP Tongkhem wants
 ‘Tongkhem wants to go home.’

5.4 LANGUAGE: KONYAK

All three positions are possible in Konyak for the complementizer *sə*.

I

- 4.a Tao -e Ayo -e guitar kong -nang she jai -nang
 tao -ə [ayo -ə gitə kɔŋ -naŋ sə] ʃai -naŋ
I SCM Ayo -SCM guitar play -ASP COMP hear -ASP
 ‘I heard that Ayo plays the guitar.’

II

- 4.b Tao -e jai -nang Ayo -e guitar kong -nang she
 tao -ə ʃai -naŋ [ayo -ə gitə kɔŋ -naŋ sə]
I -SCM hear -ASP Ayo -SCM guitar play -ASP COMP
 ‘I heard that Ayo plays the guitar.’

III

- 4.c Ayo -e guitar kong -nang she tao -e jai -nang
 [ayo -ə gitər kəŋ -naŋ sə] tao -ə ʃai -naŋ
Ayo - SCM guitar play -ASP COMP I - SCM hear -ASP
 ‘I heard that Ayo plays the guitar.’

5.5 LANGUAGE :LOTHA

All the positions are possible in Lotha for the complementizer **ɬə**.

I

- 5.a Soren na Therali na tsata to ntsia
 soren na [therali na tsata **ɬə**] ntʃia
Soren SCM Therali SCM coming COMP know
 ‘Soren knows that Therali is coming.’

II

- 5.b Soren na ntsia Therali na tsata to
 soren na ntʃia [therali na tsata **ɬə**]
Soren SCM know Therali SCM coming COMP
 ‘Soren knows that Therali is coming.’

III

- 5.c Therali na tsata to Soren na ntsia
 [therali na tsata **ɬə**] soren na ntʃia
Therali SCM coming COMP Soren SCM know
 ‘Soren knows that Therali is coming.’

5.6 LANGUAGE :PHOM

Both the final complementizers; **ʃei** and **pəjə** occur in all the three position.

ʃei

I

- 6.a ngei ngelei onyiü shem mei nyüke shei nying nyeih
 ŋəi [ŋəlai upə ʃam məi nəke **ʃei**] ɲiŋ ɲeiʔ
I my mother home PP LOC COMP know PROG
 ‘I know that my mother is at home.’

II

- 6.b ngei nying nyeih ngelei onyiü shem mei nyüke shei
 ŋəi ɲiŋ ɲeiʔ [ŋəlai upə ʃam məi nəke **ʃei**]
I know PROG my mother home PP LOC COMP
 ‘I know that my mother is at home.’

III

- 6.c ngelei onyiü shem mei nyüke shei ngei nying nyeih
 [ŋəlai ʊnə ʃam məi nəkə **ʃei** ŋəi nɪŋ neɪʔ
my mother home PP LOC COMP I know PROG
 “I know that my mother is at home.”

pəjə

I

- 6.1.a ngei -i Chaiba guitar mei shi vüng -pü yü nying -nyeih
 ŋei -e [ʃaiba gitar mai ʃi gəŋ **pə jə** nɪŋ -neɪʔ
I -SCM chaiba guitar good play COMP know PROG
 “I know that Chaiba is a good guitarist.”

II

- 6.1.b ngei -i nying -nyeih Chaiba guitar mei shi vüng -pü yü
 ŋei -e nɪŋ -neɪʔ [ʃaiba gitar mai ʃi gəŋ **pə jə**
I -SCM know PROG chaiba guitar good play COMP
 “I know that Chaiba is a good guitarist.”

III

- 6.1.c Chaiba guitar mei shi vüng -pü yü ngei -i nying -nyeih
 [ʃaiba gitar mai ʃi gəŋ **pə jə** ŋei -e nɪŋ -neɪʔ
chaiba guitar good play COMP I -SCM know PROG
 “I know that Chaiba is a good guitarist.”

5.7 LANGUAGE :POCHURY

The final complementizer *ta kəsa* occurs in all the three position.

I

- 7.a hi ezha azeh vü beve ta küsa tshü ve
 hi [eza aze və beve **ta kəsa** tʃə ve
I mother home PP have COMP COMP know PROG
 “I know that my mother is at home.”

II

- 7.b ezha azeh vü beve ta küsa hi tshü ve
 [eza aze və beve **ta kəsa** hi tʃə ve
mother home PP have COMP COMP I know PROG
 “I know that my mother is at home.”

III

- 7.c hi tshü ve ezha azeh vü beve ta küsa
 hi tʃə ve [eza aze və beve **ta kəsa**
I know PROG mother home PP LOC COMP COMP
 “I know that my mother is at home.”

5.8 LANGUAGE :RENGMA

The final complementizer *tse* can occur in all the three positions.

I

- 8.a ajvu le kaki bin nle *tse* ale sha bin
 [aʒə le kaki bi n:ne **tse**] ale ʃa bĩ
my mother SCM house EXT ASP COMP I know PROG
 ‘I know that my mother is at home.’

II

- 8.b ale ajvu le kaki bin nle *tse* sha bin
 ale [aʒə le kaki bĩ n:ne **tse**] ʃa bĩ
I my mother SCM house EXT ASP COMP know PROG
 ‘I know that my mother is at home.’

III

- 9.c Ale sha bin ajvu le kaki bin nle *tse*
 Ale ʃa bĩ [aʒə le kaki bĩ n:ne **tse**]
I know PROG my mother SCM house EXT ASP COMP
 ‘I know that my mother is at home.’

Final complementizer *kəthjə* occur in all the three positions.

I

- 9.1.a ale cinema ki gü kethyü a- kenyü
 ale [sinema ki gjə **kəthjə**] a- kənə
I cinema PP go COMP I - like
 ‘I like going to the cinema.’

II

- 9.1.b ale a- kenyü cinema ki gü kethyü
 ale a- kənə [sinema ki gjə **kəthjə**]
I I - like cinema PP go COMP
 ‘I like going to the cinema.’

III

- 9.1.c cinema ki gü kethyü ale a- kenyü
 [sinema ki gjə **kəthjə**] ale a- kənə
cinema PP go COMP I I - like
 ‘I like going to the cinema.’

Final complementizer *kə...tsə* occur in all the three positions.

I

- 9.2.a ale cinema ki ke- gü -tsü a- kenyü
 ale [sinema ki **kə-** gjə **-tsə]** a- kənə
I cinema PP COMP - go COMP I - like
 ‘I like going to the cinema.’

II

- 8.2.b ale a- kenyü cinema ki ke- gü -tsü
 ale a- kənə [sinema ki **kə-** gjə **-tsə]**
I I - like cinema PP COMP go COMP
 ‘I like going to the cinema.’

III

- 8.2.c cinema ki ke- gü -tsü ale a- kenyü
 [sinema ki **kə-** gjə **-tsə]** ale a- kənə
cinema PP COMP go COMP I I - like
 ‘I like going to the cinema.’

5.9 LANGUAGE :SANGTAM

All the three positions are possible for the final complementizer *pə* in Sangtam.

I

- 9.a Ihnü Alipa Bangkok lang würe pü yuchikho
 i:nə [alipa bæŋkək laŋ vøre **pə]** juchiko
I Alipa Bangkok PP go COMP hear
 ‘I heard that Alipa is goin to Bangkok.’

II

- 9.b Ihnü yuchikho Alipa Bangkok lang würe pü
 i:nə juchiko [alipa bæŋkək laŋ vøre **pə]**
I hear Alipa Bangkok PP go COMP
 ‘I heard that Alipa is goin to Bangkok.’

III

- 9.c Alipa Bangkok lang würe pü Ihnü yuchikho
 [alipa bæŋkək laŋ vøre **pə]** i:nə juchiko
Alipa Bangkok PP go COMP I hear
 ‘I heard that Alipa is goin to Bangkok.’

5.10 LANGUAGE :SÜMI

All the three positions are possible for the final complementizer *ipi* in Sümi.

I

- 10.a ino Atoli ye Zunheboto lo wuni cheni ipi chilue
 ino [atoli je zənhboto lo u-ni cheni **ipi**] ʃilu
I Atoli SCM Zunheboto PP go-FUT ASP COMP heard
 ‘I heard that Atoli is going to Zunheboto.’

II

- 10.b ino chilue Atoli ye Zunheboto lo wuni cheni ipi
 ino ʃilu [atoli je zənhboto lo u-ni cheni **ipi**]
I heard Atoli SCM Zunheboto PP go-FUT ASP COMP
 ‘I heard that Atoli is going to Zunheboto.’

III

- 10.c Atoli ye Zunheboto lo wuni cheni ipi ino chilue
 [atoli je zənhboto lo u-ni cheni **ipi**] ino ʃilu
Atoli SCM Zunheboto PP go-FUT ASP COMP I heard
 ‘I heard that Atoli is going to Zunheboto.’

5.11 LANGUAGE: YIMCHUNGER

All the three positions are possible for all the three complementizers in Yimchunger.

de

I

- 11.a I nü I- be thüyam ching lah -de mükheah -lah
 i -nə [i be thijam chiŋ la **de**] məkheaʔ la
I SCM my mother house PP have COMP know ASP
 ‘I know that my mother is at home.’

II

- 11.b I nü mükheah -lah I- be thüyam ching lah -de
 i -nə məkheaʔ la [i be thijam chiŋ la **de**]
I SCM know ASP my mother house PP have COMP
 ‘I know that my mother is at home.’

III

- 11.c I- be thüyam ching lah -de i nü mükheah -lah
 [i be thijam chiŋ la **de**] i -nə məkheaʔ la
my mother house PP have COMP I SCM know ASP
 ‘I know that my mother is at home.’

khi

I

- 11.1.a I nü I- be thüyam ching lah -khi mükheah -lah
i -nə [i be thijam chiŋ la **khi]** məkheaʔ la
I SCM my mother house PP have COMP know ASP
'I know that my mother is at home.'

II

- 11.1.b I nü mükheah -lah I- be thüyam ching lah -khi
i -nə məkheaʔ la [i be thijam chiŋ la **khi]**
I SCM know ASP my mother house PP have COMP
'I know that my mother is at home.'

III

- 11.1.c I- be thüyam ching lah -khi i nü mükheah -lah
[i be thijam chiŋ la **khi]** i -nə məkheaʔ la
my mother house PP have COMP I SCM know ASP
'I know that my mother is at home.'

bə

I

- 11.3.a I nü I- be thüyam ching lah -pü mükheah -lah
i -nə [i be thijam chiŋ la **-bə]** məkheaʔ la
I SCM my mother house PP have COMP know ASP
'I know that my mother will be at home.'

II

- 11.3.b I- be thüyam ching lah -pü i nü mükheah -lah
[i be thijam chiŋ la **-bə]** i -nə məkheaʔ la
my mother house PP have COMP I SCM know ASP
'I know that my mother will be at home.'

III

- 11.3.c I nü mükheah -lah I- be thüyam ching lah -pü
i -nə məkheaʔ la [i be thijam chiŋ la **-bə]**
I SCM know ASP my mother house PP have COMP
'I know that my mother will be at home.'

5.12 LANGUAGE: ZEMI

All the three positions are possible for the final complementizer *ketsu* in Zemi

I

- 12.a Peihau Ina gwang la kecu ci bam
 pehau [ina gwan la **ketsu**] tsi bam
Peihau Ina come ASP COMP know ASP
 ‘Peihau knows that Ina is coming.’

II

- 12.b Peihau ci bam Ina gwang la kecu]
 pehau tsi bam [ina gwan la **ketsu**]
Peihau know ASP Ina come ASP COMP
 ‘Peihau knows that Ina is coming.’

III

- 12.c Ina gwang la kecu Peihau ci bam
 ina gwan la **ketsu**] pehau tsi bam
Ina come ASP COMP Peihau know ASP
 ‘Peihau knows that Ina is coming.’

Summary:

Table 5.1 and 5.2 gives an overview of the position of occurrence of the final complementizer clauses. The analysis shows that the three positions are possible in all the languages.

Name of the languages	I	II	III
	IN-SITU	RIGHT OF VERB	LEFT OF SUBJECT
1. Ao	+	+	+
2. Chokri	+	+	+
3. Khamniungan	+	±	±
4. Konyak	+	+	+
5. Lotha	+	+	+
6. Phom	+	+	+
7. Pochury	+	+	+
8. Rengma	+	+	+
9. Sangtam	+	+	+
10. Sümi	+	+	+
11. Yimchunger	+	+	+
12. Zeme	+	+	+

Table 5.1 Position of Occurrence of the Final Complementizers Clause in The Naga

Group of Languages

Complementizer	I	II	III
	IN-SITU	RIGHT OF VERB	LEFT OF SUBJECT
tə	+	+ (ta)	+
kə	+	-	+
tsən and tə	+	+	+
ao	+	-	-

Table 5.2 Position of Occurrence of the Final Complementizer Clause in

Khamniungan.

The languages which permit the different position of occurrence are assigned a (+) feature. Khamniungan is assigned a (±) feature because it has a mixed feature. Table 5.2 is given for further explanation. Final Complementizer which permit the position of occurrence are assigned (+) feature and those that do not are assigned (-) feature.

In Khamniungan, the complementizer **kə** occur in the in-situ position as well as to the left of the subject of the matrix clause. Complementizer **ao** occurs only in the in situ positions. The other two positions are not permitted.

CHAPTER -6

SUMMARY AND FINDINGS OF THE CHAPTERS

This chapter presents the summary and findings of the previous chapters.

Chapter 1 gives a brief overview of the genetic classification of the Naga languages by various scholars. It also gives a brief introduction of the languages under study which is then followed by the outline of the study; structure and documentation, aims and objectives of the study, and the significance of the study.

Based on the literature relevant to the present study, four papers were reviewed in Chapter 2. Kevichüsa (2007) discussed the morphological analysis of the complementizers, the distribution of the complementizers, complement types and position of occurrence of the final complement clauses in Tenyidie. Noonan (1985) discussed four main types of complements and three type of S-like complement. Subbarao's (2012) study focuses on the nature of IC and FC, structural difference between IC and FC, the position of occurrence of an IC clause and FC clause with regards to South asian Languages. Dixon (2008) claims three typological types of languages regarding complementation. He further discussed three main types of complementation strategies for languages which lack true complement clause.

Chapter 3 presents the morphological analysis of the complementizers under seven features and its distributions in the complement types. The findings are as follows:

1. Quotative functions as complementizers in Chokri, Rengma and Zeme.
2. The grammaticalised form of the verb 'do' functions as complementizers in Pochury and Rengma.
3. Verbal conjuncts functions as complementizers in Chokri, Pochury and Sangtam.
4. Nominalizers functions as complementizers in almost all the languages except Khiamniungan and Sümi.
5. Deictic markers functions as complementizers in Ao, Chokri, Rengma and Sangtam.
6. Future tense functions as complementizers in Ao and Pochury.
7. Case functions as complementizers in Khiamniungan, Konyak and Lotha.
8. Purposive clauses in most of the languages occur with complementizer except Lotha, Phom, Sangtam and Sümi.

In chapter 4, the various complement types and complementation strategies employed by the languages were examined and analysed. All languages have the four complement types

Dixon (2008), mention three typological types of languages regarding complementation. The languages under study falls in the second type viz Languages with a mix of complement clause and complementation strategies. There are similarities as well as variations in the complementation strategies employed by the languages. The findings are as follows:

1. Non-Purposive and Participial clauses are true complement clauses in all the languages.
2. Languages employ the serial verb construction strategy for the infinitive clauses with the ‘want’ verbs except for Lotha and Phom languages.
3. Nominalization strategy is employed by all the languages for the gerundival clauses except Lotha, Phom and Sümi. Gerundivals are true complement clauses in these languages.
4. In the purposive clauses, the languages can be grouped into two sets. In the first set, the purposive clauses are true complement clauses. Languages under this set are; Ao, Chokri, Khamniungan, Konyak, Pochury, Rengma, Sümi, Yimchunger and Zeme. The other set employs the purposive linking strategy. Languages in this sets includes Lotha, Phom and Sangtam.

Chapter 5 analysed the position of occurrence of the final complementizer clauses. The analysis shows that the three positions are possible in all the languages. In Khamniungan, the complementizer *ka* occur in the in-situ position as well as to the left of the subject of the matrix clause. complementizer *aw* occurs only in the in situ positions. The other two positions are not permitted.

From the analysis of the purposive clauses in chapter 4, an interesting conclusion can be drawn. Based on the strategies the languages employ and the verb raising features, the languages can be grouped into two broad categories. Category A includes the languages which permit verb raising in the purposive clauses. Languages which permits verb raisings are; Chokri, Pochury, Rengma, Zeme. Category B includes the languages that do not permit verb raising in the purposive clauses. Category B can further be divided into B1 and B2. The B1 group are the languages that do not have a complementizer in the purposive clause viz Lotha, Phom, Sangtam, and Sümi. B2 are the languages that occur with a complementizer in the purposive clauses. The set of languages under this group are Ao, Yimchunger, Khamniungan and Konyak. Typologically, I have grouped the Category A as the ‘Tenyimia’

group and Category B as the ‘Non-Tenyimia’ group⁶. Table 4.1 in chapter 4 gives an overview of the complementizers and verb raising features in the purposive clauses. A schematic representation is given in Figure 6.2.

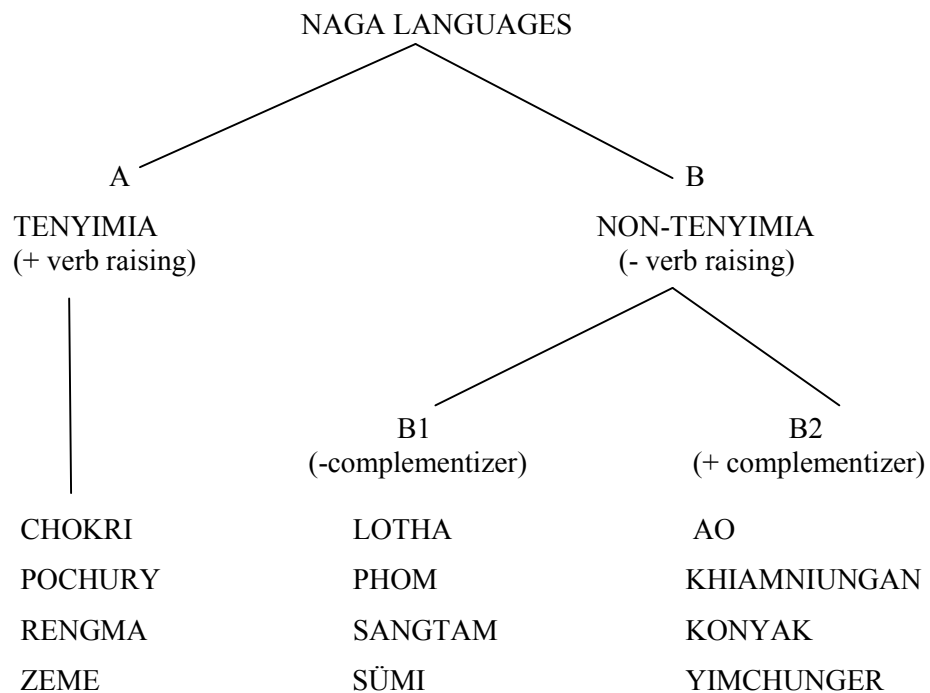


Figure 6.2 Schematic Representation of the Naga Languages based on Verb Raising in Purposive Clauses

⁶ This grouping lends support to the grouping proposed by Ezung.Mimi Kevichüsa (2018)

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ANNEXURE I

QUESTIONNAIRE 1

Name:

Age:

Sex:

Tribe:

Village:

1. I know that my mother is at home
2. I heard that Neinuo is going to Bangkok
3. John knows that Mary is coming
4. I heard the baby crying at night
5. I am going to church tonight
6. Make a habit of eating on time
7. Singing in the choir is fun
8. Eating too much meat is bad
9. Eating green vegetables is good
10. I like to going to the cinema
11. Smoking is prohibited
12. Swimming is good
13. Fighting is bad
14. Hunting is fun
15. I can't go with you
16. I didn't go to school today
17. Mary wants to go home
18. John wants to come
19. I know the man who is standing there
20. I ate the meat that you cooked
21. The book that you gave me is good
22. The book that she is reading is good
23. The person who build this house
24. The girl who came yesterday
25. He said that he will come
26. I heard that john plays the guitar
27. I know that John is a good guitarist

QUESTIONNAIRE 2

Name:

Age:

Sex:

Tribe:

Village:

A. Conjunction and Conjunctive participial marker

1. John and Mary
2. John came home, ate his dinner and went to sleep

B. Deictic markers

3. This house
4. That house (any other form of 'that')
5. The bag is here
6. The bag is there (any other form of 'there')

C. Utterance predicates

7. John said that Mary left
8. John told Jack that Mary left
9. John says he will not do the job

D. Propositional attitude predicates

10. John thinks that Mary will win
11. John believes that Mary will win
12. I doubt if he will come
13. They doubted whether it was possible

E. Pretence predicates

14. John and Mary pretended they were on a holiday
15. They pretended that he came

F. Commentative predicates

16. It was odd that John came
17. It is significant for a student to finish his work
18. John regrets that Mary left

G. Predicates of knowledge and acquisition of knowledge

19. I know that she is lying
20. I realize that I was wrong
21. I heard John playing the guitar

- H. Predicates of fearing
 - 22. I am afraid to fall asleep
- I. Desiderative predicates
 - 23. I hope that John will come
 - 24. I want John to come
 - 25. Mary wants to go home
- J. Manipulative predicates
 - 26. John made Mary to make tea
 - 27. She let Him go home
 - 28. I forced John to resign
- K. Achievement predicates
 - 29. John tried eating spinach
 - 30. Mary avoids drinking alcohol
 - 31. John remembered to switch off the lights
 - 32. She happened to be out when we called
 - 33. You will like her once you get to know her
- L. Phasal predicates
 - 34. He continued going down
 - 35. She began to cry
 - 36. I will start to work tomorrow
 - 37. Mary stopped going to school
- M. Immediate perception predicates
 - 38. The women saw the men stealing the chicken
 - 39. I hear Mary playing the piano
- N. Conjunctive predicates
 - 40. I ate meat and then I drank water
 - 41. I'll plant the seed and then they will grow
 - 42. He cooked the meat and then we ate it

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