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Langkhon festival

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Why is in news? Tiwa tribesmen dancing on the occasion of the Langkhon festival in Karbi Anglong district of Assam

- During the **annual festival**, farmers pray for a good harvest.
- Tiwa is an ethnic group mainly inhabiting the states of **Assam and Meghalaya** in northeastern India.
- They are also found in some areas of **Arunachal Pradesh, Manipur and Nagaland**.
- Tiwa Tribe is a community that **centers itself around a traditional form of agriculture**.
- Also known as **Lalung**, the **indigenous community** is recognized as a **Scheduled Tribe (ST) within the state of Assam**.
- The Tiwa community is far removed from the noise and influence of urban chaos.
- The Tiwas practice **Jhum or shifting cultivation**.
- Other festivals of the Tiwa tribes are: Three Pisu (Bihu), Borot utsav, Sogra puja, Wanchuwa, Jonbeel Mela, Kabla, and Yangli Puja.

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