



Muria Tribe

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[Muria Tribe](#), living in the border areas between **Andhra Pradesh (AP)** and **Chhattisgarh** are possessing voter cards of both the States, one is to exercise their franchise and the other is for references and proof of their nativity.

- Their settlement lies within '[India's Red Corridor](#)' on the Andhra Pradesh-Chhattisgarh border hit by [Naxalism](#), and stands as an oasis within a reserved forest, protected by stringent laws prohibiting settlement and deforestation.
- The Muria settlements are known as habitations of **Internally Displaced People (IDPs)**, whose population is around 6,600 in AP, and the Murias here are referred to as '**Gutti Koyas**' by the native tribes.
- This Tribe was displaced during the conflict between [Maoists](#) and [Salwa Judum](#).
 - Salwa Judum is a group of tribal persons mobilised for resistance against outlawed armed naxalites.
 - The group was reportedly backed by government machinery in Chhattisgarh.
- The **Muria** are an indigenous **Adivasi**, scheduled tribe **Dravidian** community of the Bastar district of Chhattisgarh, India. They are part of the **Gondi** people.
 - They speak Koya, which is a Dravidian language.
 - They have progressive perspective towards marriage and life as a whole.

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