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Sabahans

THE population of Sabah, about 2.5 million of them comprises 40 ethnic groups, with the largest indigenous group being the Kadazandusuns and the non-indigenous group being the Chinese.

The Kadazandusuns actually comprises of 40 ethnic groups mainly Bonggi, Lundayo, Sukang, Bundu, Makiang, Sungei, Dumpas, Malapi, Tatana, Gana, Mangkaak, Tangara, Garo, Minokok, Tidong, Ida'an, Murut, Tindal, Kadayan, Nabai, Tobilung, Kimaragang, Paitan, Tolinting, Kolobuan, Pingas and Tombonuo. The Kuijau, Rumanau, Tuhawon, Lingkabau, Rungus, Tutung, Liwan, Sinobu, Bisaya, Lobu, Sinorupu, Lotud and Sonsogon are also gathered under the Kadazandusun umbrella.

The language spoken by these various ethnic groups are not similar to one another except for a few words but through intermar-

riages they can communicate actively. Malay being the national language is spoken across ethnicities.

The Kadazandusuns are well known for their love and passion for wine, music and dance, the latter being an epitome of gentleness with underlying ardour.

Actually the dance belies their nature as they have been known to go to war with as much bloodthirstiness as any warlike tribe. In the olden days the young men's dance was as gentle as their head hunting skills were fierce. If you can talk 'of the record' with elderly people, you will be regaled with fighting prowess of warriors in the past, and how gentle maidens danced to welcome them back with their 'trophies'.

More information on the kadazandusuns can be acquired from the Kadazandusun Cultural Association (KDCA) library.

Weekly TAMU (Open Market) in Sabah

■ Tamus are held in almost every town/district in Sabah. Most local traders gather to buy, sell or barter their farm produce, handicrafts, traditional ware, musical instruments, etc.

SUNDAY 6am - 2pm
Kota Belud, Tuaran, Putatan, Papar, Babagon, Tambunan, Tenom, Membakut, Kota Marudu, Sikuati, Gaya Street Fair (Kota Kinabalu)

MONDAY 6am - 2pm
Tandek

TUESDAY 6am - 2pm
Kiulu

WEDNESDAY 6am - 2pm
Pinggan-pinggan, Tamparuli & Kudat

THURSDAY 6am - 2pm
Donggongan, Telipok, Tenghilan, Pekan Nabal, Sipitang, Tambunan, Keningau

FRIDAY 6am - 2pm
Donggongan, Sunsuron, Weston, Mesapol, Kanibangan

SATURDAY 6am - 2pm
Kinarut, Beaufort, Sindumin, Matunggong, Pekan Pitas

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