

### Jawa Pesisir Lor of Indonesia

Jawa Pesisir Lor people mainly make their living from agriculture. They use the land effectively and are equipped with (relatively) modern tools. The industrial sector is also experiencing rapid growth, both in heavy industry and small industry. The Jawa people in general are known as being more reserved and concerned about politeness than most Indonesian people groups. Almost all Jawa Pesisir Lor people are Sunni Muslims, although some are Sufi Muslims. Most Jawa Pesisir Lor people consider sacred the graves of two holy men, Sunan Kalijaga and Sunan Ja'far Shodiq. People come to both of these graves to worship and to seek blessing. They hold to nine aspects of religious knowledge that were taught by these two holy men. Jawa Pesisir Lor people need more dams and better irrigation systems. This would enable the farmers to harvest more than two or three times a year. The building of factories and development of more employment opportunities is also needed for a growing population, since many young people leave the area to look for work elsewhere. Pray that God would open doors for these advances and that the gospel would take root. Pray that we would see a church planting movement begin among the Jawa Pesisir Lor people and that God would raise Christians that would have a strong desire to see their people reached with the gospel.



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### Chamar (Bhambi) of India

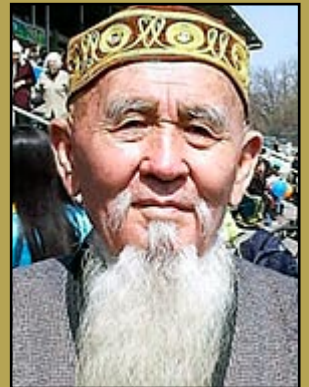
The Bhambi people are also known as Chamar, Asadaru, Khalpa, Machigar, Lingayat, Mochi and Rohit. They are mostly distributed in Maharashtra, Karnataka and Gujarat. They are regarded as untouchables or Sudras. They use the Devanagari script and speak Kannada, Gujarati and Hindi along with regional languages. Their main occupation is manufacturing shoes and chappals from finished leather. Besides this, they are engaged in daily-wage labour and petty business. Women are also involved in agricultural work, animal husbandry and various economic activities. The Bhambi Khalpa community repairs musical instruments like dhol and nagara which are played in the temples during worship. The Bhambis are Hindu. They belong to the Shiva and Bhagvat sects. Their deities are Bahiroba, Janai, Kandova of Jejori and Bhawani of Tuljapur. They follow the spiritual teachings of Ravidas. They recite mythological tales and sing songs from the religious epics. They celebrate the festivals such as Diwali, Panchami, Ganesh Chaturthi, Kartik, Holi and Hannami. Pray for the salvation of the Bhambi people and that God may send several Christian workers among them and meet their spiritual and physical needs. Pray for the Bhambi people to break through the caste barrier; be accepted and accept other communities.



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### Kazakh of Kazakstan (Central Asia)

The Kazakh, a Turkic people, are the second largest Muslim people group of Central Asia. In times past, they may have been the most influential of the various Central Asian ethnic groups. While most of the Kazakh now live in Kazakhstan, they make up only about 40% of the country's population. Large communities can also be found in Mongolia, Ukraine, and Russia. Changes in Kazakh society (mainly from a nomadic to a settled lifestyle) and an attempt by the Soviets to suppress religious freedoms have led the people to adopt Islam more closely. However, their Islamic practices have been combined with traditional folk religions. Since the collapse of Soviet Communism, the Kazakh have been searching for their identity. Traditionally, they were nomadic shepherds; however, under Soviet rule, much of their land was seized and used for collective farming. As industry developed, their economy and culture became dependent entirely on the Russians. Today, however, there is a widespread movement to redevelop their own cultural identity. Pray that they would learn the Word of God quickly. Pray that there would be fresh leadership training materials prepared in the Kazakh language for pastors. Ask the Lord to send long term laborers to live among the Kazak and share the love of Christ with them.



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