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## 100 Bii goddo bee bii mbarooga (1)

Taalol taalol.

Binngel debbo doo o don. O danyi binngel maako.

Jam, see, be meedi mo. Walaa gorko o danyi binngel may.

See, be meedi mo, o hooti ladde. O yehi o joodi. Haa lowol<sup>1</sup> leggal o joodino goo, rawaandu ladde boo don bee binngel mum wakeere, kanyum boo danyi jee mum gal wakeere.

Jam, see, nonnon, to veeti maa, daada dilla dabbititgo ko nyaama binngel mum heba kosam. Baaba ladde boo to veeti, naata ladde dilla duroyo, heba ko binngel mum heba ko yakka, waddana binngel mum. To be dillidi be pat, daadaaji goo nii, see, rawaandu ladde goo wara tawa bii goddo goo. Be do joodi fija. To leer daada maako badi wartugo nii, sey, o dogga o hoota o acca binngel goddo goo.

Jam, see nonnon, nii nii nii nii, haa yannde feere. Rawaandu goo vi'a: "Kaay, anndi yennde daada am hefti daada maa kam, anndi, miin kam koo o waddi mi nyaamataa." O vi'a mo: "Too." Nii nii nii haa yannde feere. Rawaandu goo hefti daada Hammadu goo.

See, o nanngi daada Hammadu goo mbari. O hoosi o wartiri.

See, nonnon, o vi'i mo: "Ayyee, hannde kam o mbari daada ma."

See, o sali nyaamugo. O vi'i mo: "Too. Ammaa sirwu, taa bernu. Yennde o yaabi kosngal maako, o itti, mi wari mi foondi, foti jee maako nii, mi mbaran mo, miin boo." O vi'i mo: "Too." Binngel debbo do joodi.

See, bii rawaandu goo dilli. O sufta hunnde jee goddo nyaamata waddina binngel goo. Be do wondi nii, be do wondi nii, haa yennde feere, daada maako yaabi kosngal dilli. Kanko boo see o wari foondi o tawi foti bee jee daada maako goo.

See, be wasi ngaska maapinndiiha. Be waddi yiite, be huobi nder ton.

See, be waddi hunnde be suddi, deydey laawol daada maako goo.

Jam, yennde feere daada goo do warta nii, see, o wari o yulkiti<sup>2</sup> nder ngaska goo.

See, o do'i nder yiite goo tan. O wuli o waati.

See, o do joodi bee rawaandu goo. Hunnde duniya ko o yidi pat, rawaandu doo waddanta mo. Rawaandu vi'i mo: "Miin kam a hoosa alkawal daga hannde miin bee maa. Mi yidaa taa siiba<sup>3</sup>, taa waafa mhmh."

Jam, see, yennde feere, o vi'i mo: "Too." Be do wondi ban nii, be do wondi ban nii, haa Hammadu mawni yotti haddugo.

See, o hoosi dhum o yaari haa puldebbo feere. Yaake bikkoy laamdo do hadda,

<sup>1</sup> Lowol fotan bee loogo.

<sup>2</sup> Yulkitaago, dhum yollitaago.

<sup>3</sup> Siibugo kam saabititgo, caabititaali.

o vi'i: "Ndaa binngel am doo, mi yidi a hawta mo bee bikkoy laamdo. A hadda 6e."

See, nonnon, puldebbo vi'i: "Too," yehi yecci laamdo. O hoosi binngel o hawti bee bikkoy laamdo. Be juulni binngel. Binngel joodi haa yamditii, walaa ko raw-aandu wadataako.

Jam, haa yennde feere, see, yennde Hammadu mawni, o vi'i Hammadu, tefadebbo jee yidi haa o bañjana düm.

Jam, see Hammadu vi'i mo: "Too." Hammadu tefi debbo jee yidi. O wari o bañjani Hammadu. O nyibani Hammadu saare. Walaa ko o wadanaay Hammadu. O bañjani Hammadu debbo.

Jam, to o dilla ladde o fasa kuujeeji pat, o waddana Hammadu.

See, yennde feere jemma, jemma jenngi iyeende tobi, peewol dasi. Hammadu don bee debbo mum.

See, yennde feere, rawaandu yotti. To rawaandu yotti boo daga haa haa haa sera wuro. Rawaandu tigga poobe mum bee leggal, ubba ubba, Hammadu umma mañbitina rawaandu ladde yolnde.

Jam, see nonnon, rawaandu yehi fasi kuujeeji walaa ko walaa, do waddana Hammadu. Rawaandu badi yottugo. Biira, see, hoosi poobe mum, tiggi bee leggal ubbi, ubbi.

See, Hammadu ummi, vi'i: "Kaay. Mhmh. Hunnde nde billani yam masin."

See, nonnon, haala vonni.

See, nonnon, o wari o mañbiti yolnde.

See, kunnga ladde yottiri bee njoosu<sup>4</sup>. O wari o yotti nasti, vi'i mo: "Hammadu am, hannde, alkawal men timmi. Hannde kam miin bee ma timmi. Miin nii a wadi yam ban nii. Mi barri maa boo. Hannde alkawal men timmi."

Jam, see nonnon. Rawaandu nanngi laawol mum dilli. Nonnon, Hammadu kam do laarita<sup>5</sup>, do laarita, do laarita, Hammadu haa warti goddo meere.

(21/1/1983, Hadiija bii dendiraawo Jiji Iisa taali ngol haa Ngawndere. Jiji haasootiran bee daada Hadiija.)

## 101 Bii goddo bee bii mbarooga (2)

Taalel taalel, njamma tabooylel.

Laamdo oo, o danyi binngel debbo. Binngel debbo goo boo, kanko boo, iga peetel haa o mawni nder saare laamdo goo.

See nonnon, asee, binngel debbo kam don vurta yaha waanca haa baawo wuro, haa hebi reedu.

See, goddo yehi yecci laamdo: "Binngel maa hebi reedu. O bangaaka. O hebi

<sup>4</sup> Bee njoosu kam ba wi'go banndu waati.

<sup>5</sup> Laarita ko saalake kadi.

reedu." "Booddum. Noy mi wadta binngel doo sam?" O vi'i: "Too." O tappi mbaggū. "Mo won godđo haa wuro am fuu wadda boggī wara vaala boggol." Be vaali boggol, be vaali boggel, fibnindiri. Naange juura, be vi'i binngel debbo vurtā. Binngel debbo vurti, wari, nanngi boggol. Be vi'i mo: "Walaa haa a haadata see haa boggol doo haadī." Reedu binngel debbo doo boo mawni. O badake danyugo. O don dilla, o don dilla, o don dilla, haa vurti lesdi baaba maako. O yehi o nasti leddi laamdo feere. O vurti o yehi o nasti leddi laamdo feere. O yehi caka cak ladde. Bog gol jinni, binngel yidi vurtugo.

See, o joodi. O danyi. Asee, haa o danyi goo, mbarooga boo danyi dakki don. Tum, o yaha haa caka ladde, o dabba kuuje bee bone. O wara o nyaamna binngel goo. O dabba bee bone, o nyaamna binngel goo.

See, yennde feere, o dilli yahgo dabba ko o nyaamata goo, see, binngel maako goo lada yaha fija bee bii mbarooga goo. Bii mbarooga goo vi'a binngel maako: "Jotta kam, daada am don warta. To o tawi maa haa doo, o yakkete. Ndikka a hoota." Binngel goo hoota yaha tawa daada mum warti, waddi iga mbirihoy, deppi'en, walaa ko walaa. Binngel goo boo yakka. Nii nii nii nii, binngel dilli, don fija bee bii mbarooga nii.

See, daada goo vurti waancoygo nii, see, daada binngel mbarooga goo boo vurti yehi fotootiri bee maako, mbari daada binngel goo.

See nonnon, bii mbarooga goo vi'ata bii godđo: "Hootu, waaye. Jotta doo daada am badake wartugo. To daada am warti tawi maa haa doo, o accataa maa."

See, on goo hooti. Haa juura wadi, binngel goo laaraay daada maako.

See, mbarooga goo dilli fayin. O yehi haa bii mbarooga goo. O vi'ata: "Waaye, daada am wartaay hannde. Yela, daada maa nanngi daada am. Mi anndaa sam." O vi'i: "Waaye, war. Laar nee. Ndāa doo, himbe baraadum. War laaru lee. Yela, daada maa don haa ton." Binngel vi'i: "Waaye, ndāa doo, daada am, waali haa doo. Daada maa mbari daada am, waaye." Binngel mbarooga goo vi'i mo: "Accu. Miin boo mbara daada am, en njooda en dido, waaye." O vi'i: "Too, walaa ayiibe. En ngasa ngaska." Be ngasi ngaska. Be ngasi ngaska haa luggi, teeni ledse. Be wari. Be vaagi nder ngaska goo, be hubbi yiite. Yiite goo docci. Be waddi daago, be ve"iti haa hunnduko maajum. To daada mbarooga goo warti wara jooda kadi.

See, nonnon, "Ngorgi am, hootu. To a nani mi wooki nii, ndoggaa. Nden kam daada yulkiti haa do, haa en mbara mo. En ira mo haa ton. En jooda en dido." O vi'i: "Too, booddum."

See, o hooti. Daada goo warti, vi'i mo: "War, musin." O vi'i: "Kaay, mi musintaa, daada, see to a joodi haa dow daago doo." Daada joodi haa dow daago goo, yulkiti nonnon nder yiite goo. O wooki: "Ngorgi am, war lee." Biira, be wari, be maħbi waade goo, mbarooga goo, be mbari kanga goo. Be don joodi. Bii mbarooga goo mawni. Bii godđo goo boo mawni. Bii mbarooga goo yaha

dabbitana be ko be nyaama, kusel dume dume pat haa nder ladde. Be waaldan, be yardan be nyallida. Yehi yehi, haa bii goddo goo yidi haddeego. O vi'i: "Ngorgi am, ndaa be. Be doo remna bikkoy haa nder wuro, noy mi wadta?" O vi'i: "Yah vi'i be be remne." O yehi o vi'i be be remna mo. Be remni mo bee bikkoy. Sikenaa, kanko kam, o numa haa wuro kadi bee bikkoy haa yennde nastugo. O yehi. O vi'i: "Ngorgi am, miin kam mi anndaa toy mi hebata limse. Be pat be soodani be limse." O vi'i: "Kayya, munyu. A heban limse. Janngo a wara aan boo, on koosa limse mon haa gadfa leggal doo." O vi'i: "Too, booddum." Mbarooga goo voojini gite yehi joodfi haa laawol. Yimbe don saala bee limse bee kare'en kadi. Be don dilla luumo.

See, mbarooga goo voojini gite fulmi haa ton. Koo moy fukka donngal dogga. Mbarooga goo ewni mo o yaha o adi, yaari haa les leggal. Law o vi'ata kadi: "Ndaa limse bikkoy goo, ngaree mballee d'am hoosoygo limse." "Aan boo moy hokkata maa limse, meereejo meere?" "Ngaree lee, onon." Be njehi be roondi limse goo. Be wari be borni bikkoy beya goo fuu haa be borni binngel goo. Himbe warti, vi'i: "Kaay, oo doo bii ladde, oo doo bii ladde." Be cankiti kadi o hooti ladde. O yehi o tawi mbarooga goo. Faabbi sedda, o jurjini kadi. Mbarooga vi'ata mo: "Dume, waaye, fayin a jurjini du?" O vi'i: "Kayya waaye, miin kam mi yidi bangugo. Mi walaa dabare." O vi'i: "Too, booddum. Yah wuro a yaha laara binngel jee a yidi a wara yecca-mmi." O yehi o laari o tawi see bii laamdo. O yehi o yecci mo. O vi'i: "Be don njaha maayo naa?" O vi'i: "Ee hee." "Be don yaha maayo?" "Ee." "Too, booddum. Noy ngel va'i?" O tinndini mo. Mbarooga vi'i: "Too, booddum. Aan kam, koo dume mi yaha mi nannga binngel doo. To be mbi'i mo jabtini binngel doo haa junngo am fuu kanko bangata mo, aan a wara. Walaa ko mi wadta maa. A rii-wam, mi dilla." O vi'i: "Too, walaa ayiibe." "Koo moye fotoay fuu yottaay yam."

See nonnon, janngo don man midi, mbarooga yehi nyukki kadi. Bikkoy yehi don layba. Binngel laamdo goo o hori booddum.

See, biira, ngorgi maako goo boo yehi nder wuro kadi. Nder wuro man don joodfi bee himbe.

See, biira, mbarooga diwi, wuufri binngel laamdo goo tan. Wookaandu wooki. Biira, koo, laamdo vi'i be tappa mbaggū. Be tappi, wuro pat moofti.

Biira, see nonnon, himbe dilli. Mo labbo, mo jaaral, walaa ko walaa. "Mbarooga nanngi bii laamdo njaawoyee, jamaare Alla am." Koo moy yotta, biira, mbarooga vurtina, nii, gite, ru"ita lora. "Biira, ngu<sup>1</sup> saali nii haa too, baaba am. Ngu wadi nii, mi tufi nii, mi juwi nii." Yaha lora, nii nii, haa himbe wuro pat jinniti. Laamdo warti vi'ugo: "Kaay, mo ummini mbarooga doo doo, binngel am fuu, kanko bangata." Koo moy wara eto, tawa waawataa.

See, binngel goo vi'i: "Alla woonane. Miin fuu mi eto naa?" "Kayya heey, aan maa meereejo, mannga mannga maa habdi hebaay sakko aan?" O yehi kadi. Biira,

<sup>1</sup> Ngu kam njagaawu.

mbarooga don voojina gite don rema leddi. O yotti o vi'a: "Kayya, ummu." Mbarooga ummi nasti ladde.

See, be bangani mo. Mbarooga nde bangani mo, laamdo seekani mo lesdi maako.

See nonnon, o yehi o tawi ngorgi maako goo. Ngorgi maako vi'ata: "Too, alkawal amaana Alla, ngorgi am, miin boo a don haa wuro doo, mi don haa ladde. To ndunngu wadi ban nii doo, mi wari haa gada saare maa, mi fori nii, a wurta bee layru leebol. A wara wujana-mmi." O vi'i: "Too, booddfum."

See, yennde goo ban nii, iyeende tobi. Mbarooga goo wari o yehi o wuji. Wari, o yehi o wuji. Haa yennde feere iyeende tobi, o don yeewta bee debbo maako jala. Mbarooga goo wari fori. O vi'i: "Kayya, heey, biira, miin a daami yam maa." Asee mbarooga goo nani. O yehi kadi haa o roondi nyebbam goo haa o yaha wuja. Mbarooga vi'i mo: "Kayya, ngorgi am. Accu mi nani ko mbi'daa." O vi'i: "Heey, ngorgi am nii, naa mi tuubi? Meetataa, heey nii." Mbarooga vi'i: "Too, booddfum. Walaa ayiibe." Be don ngondi, be don ngondi.

See, debbo maako vi'ata: "Miin kam jotta kam, see aan njahataa haa mbarooga jaボoya kuujeeji. Miin haa mbarooga mi yahata." O vi'i: "Too, booddfum." Laamdo vi'i: "Konu, janngo konu."

See, o hoosi mbarooga goo wartiri nder saare maako. O vi'i: "Alkawal amaana Alla, debbo, taa moy yaabha haa doo sam mbarooga doo wonno. See aan yaaranta mo nyaamdu, dume, ndiyam pat." O vi'i: "Too, booddfum." O dillaay konu naa, debbo kam wooki nga. Be mbari mbarooga goo. Nde be mbari nii, yowwaa, oo doo goo yehi wadi konu warti. Nde o warti konu goo nii, see, o laaroya mbarooga goo. O yehi o tawi be mbari mbarooga. O vi'i: "Haa toy be wudini?" Be mbi'i mo: "Ndaa haa karal too." O hoosi labi o yehi o tawi ndaa mbarooga. O hirsiti hoore maako.

Takalamulus takkaande bu'e.

(1969-70, Abdullaay Osmaanu Baaseewoojo taali ngol haa Marwa.)

## 102 Dawaadi bee waylooru (1)

Taaleel taalelgel.

Debbo doo o wuurni dawaadi. O wuurni dawaadi, dawaadi jowi. Oo maa innde maako Hobilohobilo. Oo maa Jabatirga. Oo maa Sirasiňaalo. Oo maa Jaali-indo. Oo maa Hooylaayel.

Too, gorko doo wara, o borta mo. O wi'a o yidaa mo. Gorko doo wara, o borta mo. O wi'a oo bee battarre. Gorko doo wara, o borta mo. O wi'a oo doo doo bee battarre.

See, laatitooru yehi laatiti yehi wu'i, diga jaawle, wu'i kuuje jur, wari. Nonnon o wari. O borti mo. O wi'i kanko on o yidi. O wi'i kanko on o yidi.

See nonnon, see, o sa'i kusel, o sa'i doo, gortogal, o sa'i doo boo, mbeewa, doo boo, mbaala, doo boo nagge.

See, o sa'i.

See, baaba maako'en yehi wi'i mo yoo: "Taa te'u gorko doo." O wi'i yoo, kaay, gorko doo on o yidi haa henndu duniya doo pat, see, kanko.

See, gorko goo hoo'i mo. Gorko goo hoosi mo. Nde gorko goo wari dillugo, o hoo'i kusel. O hoo'i kusel mbaala gootel. O hoo'i jee nagge gootel. O hoo'i jee mbeewa gootel. O hoo'i jee gortogal gootel. O waati haa booro. O wakki o do dilla.

See, debbo goo wi'i, tokkan mo. Debbo goo tokki mo.

See nonnon, be yehi saka ladde.

See, gorko wi'i mo yoo: "Haa mi sela haa do." Gorko seli. O dari o ayni mo. Gorko goo nde seli yehi wari o wi'i mo: "En dilla." O wi'i: "Kaay. Gorko am walaa don. Gorko am do wara baawo." O wi'i: "Miin on gorko maa man." O wi'i: "Kaay, gorko am woodaa." O wi'i: "Too." O wari. O wurtini kusel nagge, koo jee mbeewa, jee mbaala, jee gortoode pat o wurtini. O holli debbo maako.

See, debbo goo wi'i: "Too. En dilla." Be dilla sedda.

See, gorko do laatita, do laatita, do laatita, see, laatiti laatitooru mbarooga.

See, o nanngi goyji maako goo o habbi.

See, o wari. O yotti.

See, gorko goo laatiti.

See, debbo goo wari fiiri takki dubbi. Gorko goo irta dubbi goo. Dubbi doo yibba. Debbo doo fiira yaha takka jee too. Doo boo yibba. O fiira yaha takka doo.

See nonnon, o tawi gelooje<sup>1</sup> boo badi jinnugo.

See nonnon, o wadi:

"Hobilohobilo,

Jabatirga,

Sijasinjaalo,

Jaaliindo,

Hoylaayel."<sup>2</sup>

See, dawaadi goo wi'i yoo: "Doo kam daande daada mon do woya doo."

See, dawaadi goo, gootel imma diga dubbe suudu, wari tappan parewal. Parewal saati.

See, Sijasinjaalo sijjini wari tappi tawi saati.

See nonnon, Hoylaayel wari tami tami tami parewal, tami tami tami<sup>3</sup>, see, biira, diwi, nde wari, tappi dammugal, see, maabitit.

See, be ta'i sallallu.

<sup>1</sup> Haa doo, gelooje fotan bee dubbe. Ammaa, dun feerootiri.

<sup>2</sup> Innde rawaandeu mari maana. Hobilohobilo wadan hoolo wadtaako. Sijasinjaalo < sijjini. Jaaliindo jaalan koo dumé fuu. Hoylaayel hoosan laawol.

<sup>3</sup> Parewal tamataake boo?

See, be do tokka. Debbo goo boo do yima, do yima, do yima. Be yehi be yotti.  
See nonnon, be nanngi gorko goo. Be yakki.  
See, be wi'i yoo: "Daada am, jippa."  
See, soowowe wi'i yoo: "Daada maa jippa? Daada maa jippa yaha haa toy?"  
See, be tahi soowowe goo. "Daada ma, jippa. Mi nyaame. Mi nyaamde bee dawaadi maa pat." Be tahi.  
See, i'al fiitino. "Daada ma jippa? Mi nyaamde bee dawaadi maa pat."  
See nonnon, see, be tahi. Nde be tahi, "Daada am jippa." Siriw. "Daada am jippa." Siriw.  
See, debbo goo jippi. Be tokkootiri gootel<sup>4</sup>. Tati ardi. Didi sakiti.  
See, be warti wuro.  
See, o wari o hirsi nagge. O yehi o soodi feho didi. Gootel o waati ndiyam.  
Gootel boo o sa'i kusel goo pat, o yuppini di.  
See, di nyaami.  
See, o wi'i daada maako: "Koo ba'oowo<sup>5</sup> on wari, mi te'ran."  
See, ba'oowoyel wari.  
See, be te'ri.  
Timmi.  
(17/2/1981, Ajam 6ii Hama Gaabdo taali ngol haa Ray Buuba. Duubi mum 30. O Lakaajo. O waawataa Lakaajo, sey Fululfde. Gondo fattude Waynaabe. Maw-nindo mo, Daandeena, taalani mo.)

## 103 Dawaadi bee waylooru (2)

O do mari boosaaji tati<sup>1</sup>. Gorko ummi haa leddi feere wari te'i mo. Asee, dum fowru. Te'i mo haa yaha nyaama mo on. Gorko doo wari te'i mo, yaari. Be ndilli, be ndilli, be ndilli, be ndilli. Haa o yotta haa do, o yama: "A anndi haa do na?" O vi'i: "Mi anndi. Mi do waanca bee baaba am." "A anndi haa do na?" O vi'i: "Mi anndi. Mi do waanca bee daada am." "A anndi haa do na?" O vi'i: "Mi anndi. Mi do waanca bee baka am'en." Haa be dilli saka ladde. "A anndi haa do na?" O vi'i: "Mi anndaa." "A anndi haa doo na?" "Mi anndaa." O vi'i: "Too." Biira, o dilli haa o yehi o wayliti kunnga. O wayliti kunnga haa o wara o nyaama debbo. Biira, debbo harli leggal haa dow, yehi joodi, do ewna boosaaji maako goo. Boosaaji maako goo don didi. Doo doo Mbamdu. Doo boo Ndumbam. O yehi o va'i leggal. O do joodi o do ewna:

"Mbamdu woo, Ndumbam woo.

<sup>4</sup> Tokkootiri gootel kam ba wi'go jogii laawol gootel.

<sup>5</sup> Maccube'en mba'ata hudo.

<sup>1</sup> Taaloowo fuudsiri bee tati. Baawo dfon o wi'an didi.

Mbamdu mbaa<sup>2</sup>, Ndumbam mbaa.  
 Mbamdu woo, Ndumbam woo.  
 Mbamdu rii ka<sup>3</sup>, Ndumbam woo.  
 Mbamdu woo, Ndumbam woo.  
 Mbamdu mbaa, Ndumbam mbaa.  
 Mbamdu mbaa, Ndumbam mbaa.”

Biira, boosaaji goo ummi, bururu bururu bururu bururu. Hunnde doo warti do wasa leggal doo. O do wasa put put put put put. Leggal do wuura, umma, darta, wuura. O do ewna:

“Mbamdu woo, Ndumbam woo.  
 Mbamdu mbaa, Ndumbam mbaa.  
 Mbamdu rii ka, Ndumbam mbaa.  
 Mbamdu mbaa...”

Mbamdu bee Ndumbam goo wari wari wari wari, biira, ndu wari nanngi hunnde goo, mbari kaca kaca. Leggal boo wuuri badi do'ugo. Daada maßbe jippa, daada daggi<sup>4</sup>. Be haßdi haßdi haßdi. Jawmiiko maßbe jippiri dekker. Be<sup>5</sup> ardini be hoori.

Nden nde a yidi subtugo gorko sey wayne, sey wayne'en doo, to a do subta kam sey hunnde feere wara te'a maa jee a anndaa.

(26/1/1983, Asta Jooda bii Bakari Kilba taali ngol haa Ngawndere. O Pullo Garwa mo te'i debbo Laka. Asta musini Lakaare, nanan nde. Sappa mum taalini mo bee Mbumre.)

## 104 Dawaadi bee waylooru (3)

Sappa maako wari yilli mo. Sobaajo maako waraay na? Wari yilli mo. Be hiiri. Be defi. Be nyaami. Be yari. Be nastaaay na? Ndaa goyji maako do waali nii. Naa goyji do waali naa? Wooru wi'ete Damalmale. Wooru boo Daaliiru. Wooru boo Samsamaaru. Di do kabbi. Ndu wooru boo Habirhabir. Naa di nay? Di do waali nii. Asee, o waylooru. O umma, nyaama. O nyaama bana fowru. O fowru. Naa a anndi fowru naa? O umma haa o yaha nyaama sappa maako goo.

See, goyji goo wada, mhmhjaa. O lora o waala. “Kay waay, goyji maa doo kam, noy di fitintam ban nii? Mi fotaay koo dimmbugo.” O vi'i: “Kaay, walaa.” O fudda boo ba o daanan fayin. O laara goyji goo umma haa o nyabba<sup>1</sup> sappa maako goo, o nyaama.

See, goyji goo wada, mhmhjaa. Be waali dow ton haa do veeta. O tawi goyji

<sup>2</sup> Mbaa kam ba wi'go nanngu bee Mbumre.

<sup>3</sup> Rii ka kam bee bee Mbumre.

<sup>4</sup> Daggi kam ba wi'go jippaago salori daada.

<sup>5</sup> Haa doo be kam dawaadi.

<sup>1</sup> Nyabbugo, dum hippaago.

nanngan mo kanko on.

See, o acci haala goyji goo. Be daani. Veeti fajiri be wadi kasitaari. Be nyaami. Be wadi kacitaari be nyaami. O vi'i: "Mi hootan." O vi'i: "A hootan?" "Ii." O vi'i mo: "Too." O vi'i: "To a wari doftugo am<sup>2</sup>, a habba boosaaji doo. Taa a acca di, mi yidfaa." O vi'i: "Too." "Boosaaji di maa doo di nyaadi." O vi'i: "Too." "Habbu di bee sallallu bee sallallu." O vi'i: "Too, mi habban." O wari dillugo.

See, o hoosi karlel nii, o nanngi ndu, o jomi, o nanngi ndu, o jomi, o nanngi ndu, o jomi, o nanngi ndu, o jomi.

See, o hoo'i jalbal sansugo hoore nii nii, njamndi doo, o hoo'i o disi haa hoore. Nde o hoo'i o disi haa hoore kam, see, o vi'i: "En dillu." "Aa, boosaaji maa." O vi'i: "Ee, mi habbi." "Maabbi?" "Eehe, mi maabbi." Be dilli. "Sappa am, a hooti?" "Kayya, a doftam sedda." "Yahu booddum." "Kayya, njemma sedda lee." Haa be senndi ladde. O vi'i mo: "Too, joodu, haa mi wara." O dilli gadha ledde. O yehi o warti fowru. Sappa maako goo eewi mo do samna wara.

See, itti jalbal haa dow hoore mum goo, sakkini leddi.

See, leggal ummi peek haa dow.

See, sappa va'i, yehi joodi haa dow ton.

See, nonnon, o wari o diwa. "Biirawaandu, hanki goyji maa hadi yam nyaamugo maa. Biira, mone maa on waddi yam. Law hannde a vi'a wayyoo. Biira, hannde kam a bu'an. Naa leggal a va'i?" O fiira<sup>3</sup>, o fiira.

See, sappa goo dari dow leggal.

"Ndu Damalmale.

Ndu Habirhabir.

Samsamaaru, fii, Daaliiru.

Solel jarooyel ndiyam baleejam."

Ewna goyji goo:

"Ndu Damalmale.

Ndu Habirhabir.

Samsamaaru, fii, Daaliiru.

Solel jarooyel ndiyam baleejam."

Naa a yi'i nay fuu mi limitata doo?

"Ndu Damalmale.

Ndu Habirhabir.

Samsamaaru, fii, Daaliiru.

Solel jarooyel ndiyam baleejam."

Biira, goyji goo fiditi<sup>4</sup> noppo, pop pop pop pop. "Daada ewni. Daada ewni. Daada

<sup>2</sup> Doo kam naa yam. Dum kam am.

<sup>3</sup> Fiirugo kam ba wi'go diwugo.

<sup>4</sup> Fidita haa hedita booddum.

ewni." Biira, dum ta'i put, di ummi put. Biira, di nay fuu. O do ewna:

"Damalmale.

Ndu Habirhabir.

Samsamaaru, fii, Daaliiru.

Solel jarooyel ndiyam baleejam."

See, goyji do wara, burup burup burup burup. O vi'a: "A bu'an. Biira, doo ko di wara mi yakki maa." O fiira haa o yaha o takka dußbal goo, o yana leddi puum.

"Damalmale.

Ndu Habirhabir.

Samsamaaru, fii, Daaliiru.

Solel jarooyel ndiyam baleejam."

Biirabattel, boosaaji yotti. "Ee, aa, ee, mi do seka<sup>5</sup>ma meere. Walaa ko mi wasata ma. Mi do hulna ma on. Ngam di hadi yam daanugo." O vi'i: "Naanngee." Biira, goyji wari hippi sappa goo, fidi haa leddi. Biira, ndu ñata duppita, ndu ñata duppita, ndu ñata duppita. Di nyaamdi sappa goo. Ii'am lutti haa kudel nii, o vi'ata sappa: "To a jippi nii, mi nyaamete." Goyji yaha taha. Pedfeeli maako fiyta yana nii. Goyji vi'a: "Daada, jippi." "To o jippi, mi nyaaman." Goyji yaha taha. Haa di nyaamdi pat, koo ii'am maako luttaay, koo cume maako luttaay.

See, daada maaji goo jippi. O ardi goyji go tokki mo.

(25/1/1983, Yaapenndo taali ngol haa Ngawndere. Daada taalani mo.)

## 105 Dawaadi bee waylooru (4)

Taalel taalel.

Gorko oo wadi sobaaku bee debbo. Debbo goo maa, asee, waylooru.

Too, tum debbo goo roonda kosam wadda haa maako, vi'a mo: "Waaye am, ndaa doo kosam mi waddani maa."

Too, o jaña o yara. Nii nii, o dofta debbo goo sedda nonnon. O daaynataa mo bee wuro. Tum baaba maako vi'a mo: "A anndi naa, Hamman? Taa tokku, doftugo himbe ban nii doo. A anndaa debbo d'oo, jotta yela dum goddo, dum huunde ladde, a anndaa. A yi'i ladde boo o wari haa maa doo, koo jemma o don umma, hoota. O wari haa maa doo, koo mangariba, o don hoota. A anndaa boo haa o woni sam." O vi'i: "Too, boodfum, ammaa tum to a don dofta mo. Nde boosaaji maa doo nyaaddi kam, taa haßbir di bee callallu, haßbir bee geese." O vi'i: "Too, boodfum."

See, kanko goo haa yennde feere nii, debbo goo wari, o don dofta mo.

See, o hoosi jalbal maako. Jalbal maako d'oo, to o tiggi nii, dußbi joodi o wa'a.

Too, nii nii nii nii, see nonnnon, debbo goo wari, o don dofta mo. O itti callallu goo haßbi boosaaji benanta maa bee geese.

<sup>5</sup> Seka kam ba wi'go guusa.

Too, see nonnon, o hoosi debbo goo, o don dofta mo, o don dofta mo, hoosi jalbal goo.

See, be njotti caka cak ladde. "Limse maa yani." Debbo vi'a: "Kaay, miin kam dondon tawnoo-mi." "Mayyaafi maa yani." "Miin kam dondon tawnoo-mi." "Sal-labi maa yani." "Min kam dondon tawnoo-mi." "Padoy maa yani." "Dondon tawnoo-mi." "E jawe juude maa." "Kaay, miin kam dondon tawnoo-mi." "Yeri maa yani." "Dondon tawnoo-mi." "E kodel daande yani." "Dondon tawnoo-mi." Biira, debbo yehi talli nii, o warti waylooru don wara. O haayni debbo doo wada collaaje. O vi'i: "Hanne kam tum a yarata kosam am doo. Hanne kam, see to mi yakki maa, miin boo."

See, biira, o tiggi jalbal nii, dubbi joodsi. O va'i dubbi goo, biira, see, waylooru goo wari don wasa dubbi goo, don wasa dubbi goo. Lutti dadol gootol haa yibba. Biira, o tiggi feere, eggi dow too, biira, o vi'i: "Ngam doo hannde kam see nii miin boo mi yakke."

See, biira, oo doo goo don wasa dubbi goo. O vi'i:

"Hobina-hobi,  
Hobi-njamala, Hobi-cirga,  
Taturuyel."

Boosaaru gootel, biira, ta'inofru gootel. O vi'i: "Kaay, baaba don ewna en. Baaba don ewna en." Luttudi vi'a: "Kayya a fewan." O lori fayin. Fowru kam don wasa.

"Hobina-hobi,  
Hobi-njamala,  
Hobi-cirga,  
Taturuyel."

"Bookiri kipci kokola." "Baaba don ewna en."

Biira see, di ta'i barak. Di don ndogga, di don ndogga, biira, di njotti. O vi'i di: "Cup." Di yakki waylooru goo cacak.

See, o jippi o va'i baabaaru. Luttudi don tokki. O yotti haa maayo. O vi'i di: "Tuutee." Di tuuti ko di nyaamuno go pat. O wa'i fayin. O hooti wuro. Hootugo o yehi o hirsani di ngaari. Hirsugo o sa'i o wulani di. Di yakki haa di cafti. O nanngi di o habbi. O wi'i: "Janngo boo meetaa."

Takalamulus takkaandu bu'e bojel.

(1969-70, Abdullaay Osmaanu Baaseewoojo taali ngol haa Marwa.)

## 106 Dawaadi bee waylooru (5)

Taalel taalel.

"Rawaandu Baleeru.

Habirhabir.

Samsamaaru.  
Daadiiru.  
Damalmale.  
Ndiyam baleejam.”

Doo kam timmi.

(25/1/1983, Faatumata, bi'eteedo Yaapenndo yeewti ka haa Ngawndere.)

## 107 Debbo mo yidaa gorko mo battarre (1)

Too, yowwaa, too, taalol taalol. Doo boo, waatoo, dum binngel debbo on, Hawsaajo. Binngel debbo doo, waatoo, o voodi on haa buri semmbe. Wuro maa-jum pat be do maayna mo<sup>1</sup>, be yidi mo on. Waatoo, o maaya diga o muuyaay mo. To yi'i mo nii, yidi mo, waatoo, haa buri semmbe. O diwna nii nii.

Too, see, o vi'i kanko walaa banjata mo sey goddo jee walaa battarre haa banndu mum. Mo walaa irin battarre. Eh eh, a anndi battarre ko? Mo walaa battarre haa banndu mum. Be vi'i maccudo mabbe doo don booddo. Asee, maccudo laamdo. Don booddo. Innde maako Dan Sheeri. Banja binngel debbo may. Binngel debbo vi'i o tawi battarre gootel haa banndu maako. Binngel debbo sali.

Sey, mboodi nani haa nder ladde. Anndi to mboodi borti, banndu mboodi walaa battarre. Mboodi wari battarre koo peetel walaa banndu mum banji debbo. Be ndilli nder ladde. O wayiliti gorko banji mo. Haa deydey ngaska maako doo, o wartiri dum saare mannga. Asee, dum ngaska on.

See, be wari be nasti nder saare.

See, saare warti ngaska. Ngaska mboodi mannga hallundi.

See, o yotti tan. Be joodi, be joodi haa fabbi. Be dabbiti binngel debbo. Be anndaa koo haa toye gorko yaari mo.

See, Dan Sheeri yahi ngesa mum tan, yehi do rema.

See, o nani:

“Dan Sheeri, heey, Dan Sheeri.  
Dan Sheeri, baawan<sup>2</sup> baabaa<sup>3</sup>.  
Dan Sheeri, baawan innaa<sup>4</sup>.”

O wadi nii, o nani innde maako. O nani innde maako. O volwi. Debbo nani daande maako, lori ewni mo:

“Dan Sheeri, heey, Dan Sheeri.

Dan Sheeri baawan baabaa.

<sup>1</sup> Wuro maajum pat be do maayna mo kam ba wi'go be pat be ngidi, don diwna.

<sup>2</sup> Baawa kam maccudo bee Hawsaare.

<sup>3</sup> Baabaa, dum baaba bee Hawsaare.

<sup>4</sup> Innaa, dum daada bee Hawsaare.

Dan Sheeri baawan innaa.  
In kaa je<sup>5</sup> gidaa<sup>6</sup>, Dan Sheeri.  
Ka gay da<sup>7</sup> baaba da<sup>8</sup> innaa.  
Mu naa<sup>9</sup> padaa<sup>10</sup> da masijay<sup>11</sup>.”

Sey, Dan Sheeri nooti mo:

“Inaa ruwan<sup>12</sup> Dan Seeri?  
Inaa ruwan Dan Sheeri?  
In ku naa<sup>13</sup> padaa da masijay.  
Ay ku naa padaa da marookay<sup>14</sup>.”

Too, o ummi. O warti saare. O sali volwugo, sali yeccugo laamdo'en o nani daande binngel maßbe. Haa yannde feere laamdo do dilla konu.

See, nani kadi. Binngel debbo do yima, o vi'i:

“Dan Sheeri, heey, Dan Sheeri.  
Dan Sheeri baawan baabaa.  
Dan Sheeri baawan innaa.  
In kaa je gidaa, Dan Sheeri.  
Ka gay da baaba da innaa.  
Mu naa padaa da masijay.  
Mu naa padaa da masijay.”

Yeeso goo, maccudo yecci laamdo, vi'i yoo: “Mi nani daande binngel ma doo.” O vi'i: “Fewre. Saltee mo daande.” O mbari maccudo maako duuddum haa tonton.

Bonj, o vi'i be fewa mo on.

See, binngel ewni Dan Sheeri fayinta. Be vi'i: “Munya to<sup>15</sup> binngel debbo ma ewna.” O ewni. O ewni. O ewni.

See, mbooli boo warta tan. Mbooli wayliti goddo do warta.

See, wayliti mbooli nasti nii nder ngaska may.

See, mbooli yehi taari binngel debbo doo nii, waddi hoore mum, hawri bee binngel debbo, vi'i, to yimbe dimmbi, mi do mbara binngel debbo. Be vi'i: “Too.” Dan Sheeri doo boo, gorko jee o sali banya mo doo boo, hulataa mbooli. Waatoo, mbooli ḥatataa mo sey tappa mo. O yehi tan o yehi o habi bee mbooli. Be habi bee mbooli. Be habi bee mbooli. Be habi bee mbooli. Midi wadi.

<sup>5</sup> In kaa je kam to a yehi bee Hawsaare.

<sup>6</sup> Gidaa, dum saare bee Hawsaare.

<sup>7</sup> Ka gay da kam a hoofna bee Hawsaare.

<sup>8</sup> Daa kam bee bee Hawsaare.

<sup>9</sup> Mu naa, dum miin bee Hawsaare.

<sup>10</sup> Padaa do habda bee Hawsaare kam ba wi'go.

<sup>11</sup> Masijay, dum bodde bee Hawsaare.

<sup>12</sup> Ruwan kam ko hawti, ko yaali, ko sokki bee Hawsaare.

<sup>13</sup> In ku naa kam to on bee Hawsaare.

<sup>14</sup> Marookay kam toroofe bee Hawsaare.

<sup>15</sup> To kam ba wi'go haa to.

O vi'i mboodi: "En tijja dow, en juula." Mboodi vi'i: "Haa wuro min<sup>16</sup> min anndaa tijjugo dow juula." O vi'i: "Too." Mboodi barti hoore. Mboodi barti hoore haa juula. O tayi daande mboodi ummini vicco. Be habi, be habi, be habi, be habi, be habi haa kiikide. Vicco vi'i: "Tijja dow, en juula." O vi'i: "Tiju. Miin mi anndaa tijjugo." O tayi vicco. O wuli mboodi kaca kaca<sup>17</sup>, o banji binngel debbo.

Doo on, taalol may boo jinni ban nii. Dum taalol yiide on.

(22/1/1983, Aaamadu Raufaa'u taali ngol haa Ngawndere. Binngel debbo Hawsaajo taalani mo haa laawol.)

## 108 Debbo mo yidaa gorko mo battarre (2)

Taalol taalol.

Too, binngel debbo doo, o vi'i see goddo mo walaa battarre e banndu banjata mo. Worbe taaska daga wuro feere wara. O vi'a: "Kaay." Oo wara, o vi'a: "Kaay." Oo wara, o vi'a: "Kaay."

See, goddo feere ummi, wari. Yerimaajo teddudo haa wuro, wari bee jawdi bee dume pat, vi'i banjan mo. O laari. Waatoo, kanko boo, o walaa battarre haa banndu maako see peetel nii wadi mo haa kosde. O vi'i: "Too." Haa o linya, o linyi o laari o tawi o vi'i: "Ndaa battarre." O yidaa o sali. Haa yimbe maako berna, daada maako berna ni mo, nde o bii laamdo gudaa wari banjugo mo hannde o sali.

See, o ummi kadi. O hooti. Yerima hooti.

See, hunnde ladde nani, haa ladde, habaru, see, wayliti tagaado, see, hoo'a sawru wartira limse, hoo'a dum wartira limse, bormi wadi, ii, hunnde doo, va'i pucci mum, wari.

See, o vi'i: "Ndaa goddo."

See, o vi'i, o wari banjugo mo.

See, o vi'i: "Kaay." O laari mo tawi battarre koo peetel walaa haa banndu. O vi'i, doo kam ndaa gorko maako on doo.

Yowwaa, see, be wadi baajngal. Be dilli kadi. Be yotta haa do. O yandina doo. O vi'a: "Ndaa hufuneere maa yani." O vi'a doddon o tawi. "Ndaa toggowol maa yani." O vi'i, doddon o tawi. "Ndaa baaru maako yani." O vi'a, doddon o tawi. "Ndaa kaafahi yani." O vi'a, doddon o tawi. "Ndaa limsel maa goo yani." O vi'a, doddon o tawi. O warti hunnde ladde. Be tokki laawol. Binngel debbo goo hultori kadi. Be hooti haa wuro mabbe. Wuro mabbe doo boo, see himbe tan be nyaamata. Be yaha be fasa jahaale yimbe, be fasa be ada kuuje jahaale, be wartira haa saare.

Yoo, see, be wartira goo, see, be wartiri, binngel debbo goo hoo'a haako, tebi keccum doo, dolla, to be qati, be vi'a: "Nyaamu. Nyaamdu amin a tawi haa wuro

<sup>16</sup> Wuro min kam ba wi'go wuro amin.

<sup>17</sup> Haanii wi'go soppi ndi kaca kaca.

doo." O vi'a: "Too." Hoosa haako maako. To be don bana jemma on boo be nyaamata be. Ban nii to be wartiri pat, be warti fasugo, jemma be wartata. To be ɻati kusel, o ɻata haako. To be ɻati kusel, o ɻati yulmere. Nonnon nonnon nonnon, kanko to be do nyaama nyiiri nii, ban nii kanko boo o wadta. Haa yannde goo, wadi duufsi. Waatoo, hunnde doo be do vi'a, ɻinngel debbo may boo be balndirta, "To te'i te'gal, yaha yeeso, ammaa lortaa baawo." Daga be do warta bee gorko may fuu, nonnon gimol mum.

See, minyiraawo goo ummi yahan, yehi haa mallumjo goddo saafi.

See, vi'i: "Ndaa ndaa derdam dilli haa wuro nii kajaawo. Wuro may boo hannde, ndaa ndaa no ngo va'i."

See, o laari o laari o vi'i o yecci mo ko o wadta pat. O wari o wadi saafi o vi'i: "Hannde kam mi yahan mi laara oo doo doo. Mi yahan mi laara moy? Hannde kam mi yahan mi laara adda am." Be habdi, be habdi, be habdi. O dilli. O dilli. O yotti. Nde o yotti goo, o wara o eeri maayo. Maayo feere boo do waywa waywugo nonnon ban ndiyam to be wadi haa yiite doo waywa goo. Maayo may do waywa nonnon. O yotti. Waatoo, maayo may boo see to goddo mo nyaamaay kusel goddo on eerata maayo may.

See, o yotti o vi'i: "Mi meedaay nyaamugo kusel goddo. Mi do yaha laara adda am nii kajaa, haa wuro nii kajaawo." O vi'i: "Too."

See, maayo ta'i, do saali haa saka maayo. O dilli haa adda maako. O yotti.

See, o yotti haa saare goo. O tawi be. Goddo goo o dilli. Nde o yotti haa adda maako goo, be vi'i to o yotti, naa be pat be don ladde kadi? Oo doo doo, mbaggu doo don, jee fiyata manja worbe maako bee yimbe mum pat.

Yoo, doo boo don, gorko may, goddo saafi goo yecci mo: "Mbaggu doo boo don. To a fiyi nii, a nanan?" "Barji ɻaŋgal, yahan yeeso tum, ammaa lortaa baawo. Barji ɻaŋgal kam majji," nii mbaggu may fiyata. Nde o hoo'i doo, o nani mbaggu do fiya ban nii.

See, o do fiya, o do fiya, o do fiya.

See, derfiiko goo nani ban nii nder mbaggu, do dogga wara, do dogga wara, wari tawi, o vi'i: "Derdam a wari?" O vi'i: "A wari?" Biira, o vi'i: "Doo kam be mbarete. Anndi to mi sigata ma, derdam. Anndi to mi sigata ma."

See, o bofti ndoondi, o rufa ɻanndu, o rufi ɻanndu, o rufi ɻanndu derfiiko haa ɻanndu wadi. Biira, be yaha be mbari kuuje, be mbari kuuje, be mbari kuuje ko be nyaamata goo. Kuuje pat ko be jokki fuu be mbaran.

See, debbo goo wari defi defi defi defi. O vi'i: "To be hoo'i nyaamdu, to be do nyaama, a ɻata haako meere mi defata doo. To be do ɻata i'al, a ɻata yulmere yiite. To be do ɻata kusel, a ɻata haako mi defata doo. Tata a nyaama nyaamdu mabbe." O vi'i: "Too."

See, gorko maako warti. "Hmhm, dume haccata nii haa nder saare doo?

Dume haccata nii haa nder saare doo? Dume haccata nii haa saare doo?"

See, o vi'i: "Kaay. Dum minyiiko am on wari laarugo mon. Dum esiiko mon on wari laarugo mon." O vi'i: "Too. A wari?" O vi'i: "Too." "A wari laarugo daa ma?" O vi'i: "Ee." "Too, en yehee nyaama." Be vi'i: "Too." Be yahi nyaamugo goo. Ndaa o nyaami. O nyaami goo. O wadi balde tati.

See, o vi'i o wari hoosugo daa maako haa be yaha be laara daada mabbe maayi. Jawdi do joodi wonna meere. Hannde o yaha o laara, babal daada mabbe waali. O warta. Daada boo don bee yonki. O fewi on.

See, hunnde ladde goo vi'i: "Voodi, voodi." Wari yehi fasi. Daa go boo naa donne? Adda maako goo na do moofta jawdi ko gorko waddata fuu? Haa be wari be fasi, be fasi, waddi jawdi kam nii vaagaare kadi.

See, biira, be harki. Be habbi kuuje kadi. Be dillan.

See, oo doo goo wadi dooka haa nder wuro pat. O wadi dooka, o vi'i: "Kala kala kala koo moyjo pat, yaha be wula dankali. Be jooda kommbi maayo." Maayo jee ndiyam waywata goo. Too, be jooda haa kommbi maayo. Waatoo, haa to be wari, derdiiko maako bee debbo goo fuu, be mbara be nyaama. Nii on anniya mabbe. Be yehino goo.

See, be yotti haa ndiyam goo, see, o vi'i: "To mi meedaay nyaamugo goddo, mi meedaay nyaamugo kusel wuro doo, mi meedaay nyaamdu wuro doo, maayo, a ta'a, min saala. To mi meedi nyaamugo haa hunnduko am boo, maayo, a ilna min." Be yotti.

See, maayo ta'i tan. Be saali.

See, himbe goo donne darii goo, haa laara no be saalirta, hidde nyaama be goo.

See, be diwa be vi'a be yahan. Laawol feere don na? See maayo doo.

See, be doggan nii, be doggan nii, haa be yotti tan. Be yotti.

See, o vi'i: "Walaa no adda am wa'i. Ammaa no o yottiri see bee jemma."

See, daada vi'i: "Too, jemma kadi." Be yiwi adda goo, be fawni, be labi dum, ngam labataa helnyataa don joodi nonnon haa nder kuuje ladde goo. Bana adda goo, be labi dum, be helnyi dum, be hoo'i dum kadi, be borni dum limse bana himbe goo. Be nastini mo wuro be yotti.

See, be yotti goo, koo moy be do vi'a yoo: "Laamdo do tefa adda bikkoy haa banja." Laamdo wuro may.

See, be do tefa adda. Koo moy vi'a: "Aan kam a walaa adda. Minin kam yannde kajaa min yaaran adda min haa laamdo. Laamdo yaha banja." Ban nii.

See, o vi'i kanko boo o walaa adda kanko o joodi siriw haa yannde goo. "Koo moy wurtina adda mum. Ammaa aan kam walaa adda? "

See, o vi'i: "Too."

See, o fawni mo, o vi'i: "Muny lee adda am wara."

See, ðe fawni. Nde ðe vurtini ðinngel debbo doo, walaa didi maako nder ðikkon rewðe fuu. Kanko on buri voodugo.

See, ðe hoo'i mo yaari.

See, laamdo laari. Laamdo emi habaru: "Koo moy mari adda haa wuro doo pat wadda."

See, ðe waddi. Koo moy wadda adda mum saala. Koo moy saala.

See, ðe wari ðe waali haa les laamdo. Be yecci mo ban nii.

See, ðe mo yecci laamdo goo, debbo do saala, vi'a: "Oo doo woni debbo laamu naa? Koo oo doo doo?" Be vi'a: "A'aa, to o wari kam emde<sup>1</sup> don naa?" Debbo goo do saala, saala, see, o vi'i: "Kaay, mi tammi dum kanko on." Waatoo, nde o vanngiti, be emataa mo, ðe emaay. Be anndi dum debbo doo woni debbo laamdo.

See, ðe wari ðe yotti tan. Be nastini mo saare laamdo kadi. Laamdo walaa ko o hokkaay lenyol mabbe pat nonnon kadi. Ndaa ðe adi jawdi haa hunnde ladde, ðe wartidi, ndaa hannde haa laamdo boo, Alla hokki be jawdi. Be talaka'en goo boo. Be mari jawle ban nii.

(25/1/1983, Kinngi Aysatu taali ngol haa Ngawndere. Fulorewðe taalani mo nder Ngawndere.)

## 109 Debbo mo yidaa gorko mo battarre (3)

— Taale taale<sup>1</sup>.

— Taalaate<sup>2</sup>.

A yi'aay no goddo wadno? O danyi ðibbe duud'ðe.

Say, gooto wi'i te'irtaa mo battaare<sup>3</sup>.

Say, luttuþe pat te'a. O mo vi'i te'irtaa mo bataare, mo joodi.

Say, gardo fuu mo yaha mo jaðboo dum, o raara dum.

Say, nyanndeere nden maa, Taatindi Melyindi wari. Taatindi haðbitake melyindi mo"itini wari.

Say, mo hooci kosam mo ummi. O haddi ngudo ko haa leydi, puvuk puvuk, mo yehi. Mo nasti mo joodi. Mo jaðbi mo, ðe kinnidi<sup>4</sup>. Mo sifi mo diga diga diga hoondu wordu haa saka hoore. O joodi. Be kinnidi. O ummi o wurti. O hooti suudu mabbe. Mo wi'i: "Daada." Mo noddi inna maako. O wi'i: "Hannde kam gorko am wari." "Gorko maa wari?" "Gorko am wari." O wi'i: "Too." Oo goo kam nyalli nyalli nyalli, immii tan, yoortoto<sup>5</sup>. Mo hoosi mo haðbi kuuje maako pat, mo tim-

<sup>1</sup> Emde fotan bee yamide.

<sup>2</sup> Taaloowo wi'ata.

<sup>2</sup> Jaðwo wo wi'ata.

<sup>3</sup> Battaare fotan bee ðattarre.

<sup>4</sup> Hinnidugo, dum saanootirgo

<sup>5</sup> Yoortaago, kam ba wi'ugo, huucugo.

mini. O wi'i, joonii kam gorko maako wari. Mo tokkay<sup>6</sup> mo.

Say, minyiiko ummi taskitii ße. Naa ße njahday. "Miin kam en njahdataa. Aan kam ba ko ngal<sup>7</sup> welaayno boo aan mettinoya ngal."<sup>8</sup> Minyiiko wi'i: "En njahda." Mo wi'i: "En njahdataa." "En njahda" "En njahdataa."

Non, say, minyiiko jam tokki mo.

Say, mo acci dum tokki mo tan. Be ndilli. Oo kam nde daayindiri nii, habaa, guuruwol yana. O wi'a: "Guuruwol maa yani." O wi'a: "Don tawnoo-mi ngol."

Nonnon nonnon, haa guuruuji njandi lutti say tagaadi tan.

Nonnon, haala jinni. Be ndilli. Be njaha, ße njaha haa be njotti. Be pe"i, ße nyibi, ße timmini, ße kuuri. Be kabbi tan. Be njoodsi. Gorko goo nyibi ßuteeru muudum, timmini bee ßuteeru muudum. Be nyibi suudu. Be timmini. Tan maa nde weeti fuu mo defa mo hokka minyiiko, yaharana gorko maako goo, haa fabbi. Nyanndeere nden, haa warti no wa'no.

Tan, fajiri weeti. O defi nyiiri goo kam hokki minyiiko o yahara. Minyiiko goo kam no huusiri<sup>9</sup> nii, wi'i: "Oo kam warti no waajo. Nga waali, ubba, wiccito e leyde."

Tan, haala jinni. Minyiiko goo kam soßbiti tan, wi'i: "Baka, hannde kam mi yi'i ko mi hula." "Naa mi wi'ino maa, koo ngal weloytaa maa, aan a mettinoya ngal." O hoosi falliiko<sup>10</sup> ngudo haa leydi, ummi tan, bafti<sup>11</sup> nyiiri goo kam dilli. O yehi tan. No huusiri yi'i moo kam, nga ubba, nga wiccita leyde maa say oo kam wubi<sup>12</sup> taasaaje tan. Wissi<sup>13</sup> saarol<sup>14</sup> diga ton, saartodi koyde pat. Yottii tan so"oyi. O wi'i: "Hannde kam minyam am no ngadten?" Minyiiko wi'i: "E mi anndi kadi, baka am."

Say, baka maako wi'i: "En ndoggu." Haa ße ndoggi. Asgumri gertoode kurkiti.<sup>15</sup> Nga haftoyi, nga wari nga yami: "To njahton?" Be mbi'i: "Min ittoya gummeeje." "Ndaree don, mi ittana waddana on." Be ndari. Nga itti, nga waddani ße.

Too, fahin nga so"iti<sup>16</sup>. Be doggi. Asgumri hurkiti nga haftoyi nga wari. "To njahton?" "Min ittay ibbe." Nga doggi, nga itti, nga waddani ße. Nga so"iti.

Ndennden, minyiiko goo o wi'ino ta tokka mo goo, nden, wi'i: "Anndi baka no mbadten naa?" "Mi anndaa." "To aan kan en koosu nde suleyre. Kabben e gaarawol, ngubanooden asgumri ndi, to ndi modi nde falake e daande, a nani ko, ndoggen. Ndoggen. Ko<sup>17</sup> ndi hurkita, nde falto, ndi hurkita, en ndaayni." O wi'i:

<sup>6</sup> Tokkay fotan bee tokkan.

<sup>7</sup> Ngal kam ba wi'go te'gal.

<sup>8</sup> Waatoo, bana wi'ugo koo ngal welino maa, aan on tammi laskinoygo ngal. A yahataa bee am.

<sup>9</sup> Huusiri, dum huuciri.

<sup>10</sup> Falliiko kam ngudo.

<sup>11</sup> Baftugo kam roondaago.

<sup>12</sup> Wubaago, dum sakkingo.

<sup>13</sup> Wissi fotan bee wicci.

<sup>14</sup> Saarol fotan bee caarol.

<sup>15</sup> Hurkitugo, dum woygo.

<sup>16</sup> So"itugo, dum lortugo

“Too.” Kanko kam mo majji. Koo no mo wi’ā, mo hultori, say, minyiiko tan.

Non nii, minyiiko goo kam, tan mo hoosi be kabbi suleyre goo, bee gaarawol be kufi<sup>18</sup>. Asgumri kam modi maa, nde falli.

Tan, be ndoggi be itti pargal. Be ndoggi, be ndoggi haa haa haa haa haa nanka juura nde falti. Nde hurkiti, nga haftoyi nga warti. Nga tawi siriw. Nga tokki laawol mabbe. Nga dogga, nga dogga, susa koyde. Nga dogga, nga dogga, susa koyde. Haa haa haa hiiri be ton. Saka ladde be yeerji lekki tan. Be mbaali. Naa kanga yottii doo, too, kii lekki ki be yeerji, nde nga yotti, nga tawi, don be kaadsi nii.

Say, nga tijji, nga yi’i be dow. Nga wadi kam yirgo<sup>19</sup> tan. Nga yira lekki. Nga yira lekki. Nga yira lekki. Nga nodda banndiiga’en. Haa ko ngari ko keewi. Ko ngadi ko yirgo lekki kam. Ko weeti, haa lekki badike haa latti dadol goo, weeti laabi.

Tan, haala jinni.

Lekki kam badike yango. Tammono say be kaayni jahaangal godngal e saalo.

Say, minyiiko goo, wi’i mo: “Anndi, baka, en liltu<sup>20</sup> be. E wuro meeden e saka laawol. Lilten ma be. To be njaalti, be njaakoo en. En badike nyaamdeego.”

Tan, haala jinni.

Say, baka maako goo wi’i: “Too, e noye liltirten be?” O wi’i: “Too, en liltu be.”

Say, mo wadi:

“Wuku kuwan kuwanka dow.

Wakuwanka dow.

Kudan kuwan seema.

Sidoori maa.

Doori maa nga wubbaa taawo,

Doori maa nga jaa jaa taawo.”

Say, o dari wi’i: “E hannde, dum dume wadta ba colel?”

Say, be ndari.

Say, “Dum solel naa dum goddo?”

Say, be ndari.

Say, mo fudsfiti fayin.

Say, mo wadi:

“Wuku kuwan kuwanka dow.

Wakuwanka dow.

Kudan kuwan seema.

Sidoori maa.

Doori maa nga wubbaa taawo,

Doori maa nga jaa jaa taawo.”

<sup>17</sup> Ko kam ba wi’ugo hiddeko.

<sup>18</sup> Hufugo, dum wubaago.

<sup>19</sup> Yirgo, dum dimmbugo doofa.

<sup>20</sup> Liltugo, dum neltugo.

Tan, haala jinni.

Say, ße mbi'i: "Anndi dum wodße lilten ße, ße mbi'i njaawee. To on tawi wuro ngo saka laawol, njehhee njaakoo ße."

Tammono, say, ße ndilli. Be njotti tan wuro goo. Be mbi'i: "Raa, min njaali wodße saka laawol. Be mbi'i njaakanoodon ße. Kuuje ladde badike nyaamdugo ße, dillirinoobe hiirna."

Say, tan, ße mbi'i: "Too."

Say, wuro maßße wi'i: "Too. Ego dum wayne, nden kam."

Say, tan, kambe be ummi be taski. Daga ße bahi, ße pidirle<sup>21</sup>, daga ße bahi, be labbe, ummi tan, kabbi dum. Doggu doggu darta,<sup>22</sup> haa ße ngari. Tawi ko kam e mbaalingira<sup>23</sup> ße pidi, ße pidi, ße pidi. Ngodko ndoggi ndadfi. Ngodko ße pidi dum ße mbari. Ngadfi dabare tan be njippini ße, kam.

Tan haala jinni. Be kooti. Nyannde be njottinoo nii, mo te'i mo battaare tan.

Haala jinni.

Taalol am jinni.

(9/1964, Jaafunjo taali ngol haa Baba dakki Yarmbar haa lesdi Ngawndere.)

## 110 Debbo mo yidaa gorko mo battarre (4)

Taalel taalel, jamma taboooyel namarga pella dow hoore taaloowo. A faami ko?

Debbo feere vi'i: "Walaa miin kam mo mi bangata, ilaa gorko mo walaa battarre haa banndu sam." Koo moy wara caka maßße, o vi'a: "Kaay, a bee battarre. Loree." Koo moy wara, koo moy wara. O tawa o waawataa. Nii nii, haa kunnga ladde nani wari. Nde kunnga ladde nani wari nii, warugo maaga, biira, borti kunnga, ße laari ße tawaay battarre. Debbo vi'i: "Ndaa bee oo doo, mi habbata." Be nguli ndiyam. Be mbi'i mo o yara. O yara. O yari nonnon bee yiite.

See, ße kabbi, ße koosi. Kanyum bee debbo bee sukaajo ße don ndilla, ße don ndilla. Be nasti ladde. "Limshe maa yani." "Dondon tawnoo-mi." "Kaay, hufineere maa yani." "Dondon tawnoo-mi." Pat kuuje banndu maako goo yandi. Biira, o yehi o talli haa suudu honndorde. O warti kunnga mannga. "Jabuuri jabuuri, njahnoo-mi. Jabuuri, jaggo wayliti. Jabuuri, koskon ngayliti." Biirawa, o ardini himbe goo, ße njehi yaasi maako doo, ße tawi bee nyii'e himbe.

Too, tiitiji suudu maako gaasa himbe. Loonde maako gummbal hoore. Be tawi pat. A faami?

See nonnon, biira, o vi'i: "Janngo mi tawa a defti hoore maa." O dilli. Janngo

<sup>21</sup> Pidirgal / pidille.

<sup>22</sup> Doggu doggu darta kam ba wi'ugo doggu dara, doggu dara.

<sup>23</sup> Mbaalingira kam fottan bee mbaalindira.

wadi. Biira, o wari o tawi beya goo doggi. Nde beya goo doggi nii, biira, o tokki be. O yehi caka cak ladde o jokkiti be. O vi'i: "Janngo to on meeti doggugo, mi nyaaman on." Fabbii-janngo boo be doggi.

See, o nyaami be.

Kalas kullu maafi.

(1969-70, Abdullaay Osmaanu Baaseewoojo taali ngol haa Marwa.)

## 111 Binngel debbo bee kutruujo (1)

Binngel debbo wi'i o yidaa nyiddudo, see suka, see booddo. See suka.

See, kutru ummi haa leddi feere, wari muuyi mo. Kutru wari muuyi mo. O yi'i kutru, o diwni, o diwni, o diwni, o yidi gorko doo. Kutru wari. Kutru waylit fawni fawni fawni, yehi jaabi diggugo banndu haa mbooli. Yehi jaabi waywayko haa saawawre. Yehi jaabi pedeeli haa nyebbe. Jaabi ngapaleeji delkunga doo haa maa<sup>1</sup> hunyak, solli delkata suudi suudi. Be hoosi. Kayya, o wari.

Nonnon, see, debbo yidi mo. Derdiiko dion gorko, o vi'i see o dilla bee gorko maako. Derdiiko vi'i: "Mi yaha bee maa." O vi'i: "A yahataa. A sahi masin<sup>2</sup>. Taa yah saha gorko am." O vi'i: "See mi yaha bee maa." O sali.

See, o wadi nii, o hoosi.

Jam, o hoosi daa maako goo. Be dilli. Be dilli, be dilli, be dilli, be dilli. Be dilli. Derdiiko goo latti buubi takki dow dojngal maako. Be yehi be yotti nder geene. O vi'a: "Limshe mon yani." Gorko vi'a: "Doddon mi tawi." "Hufineere mon yani." O vi'a: "Doddon mi tawi." "Doo doo yani." O vi'a: "Doddon mi tawi." Haa be yotti kommbi laynde. O badi wuro maako. O naati laynde. O yehi o itti kuuje ngu'aari doo pat, biira, o do diwa, wara, tiqdin tiqdin tiqdin tiqdin tiqdin. Debbo maako vi'i yoo: "Nyaa<sup>3</sup>, a yi'aay gorko am suka boodduum nii naati laynde doo na?" "Suka boodduum dume? Saalu. En dilla.<sup>4</sup> Min may on. Saalu." O ardini mo bee derdiiko fuu.

See, be dilli. Be yehi be yotti wuro maabbe. Biira, kutru'en wuro may pat no foti kutru. Derdiiko doo nanngi no ndoyluku, sola mannga nii. Ndoyluku vi'i mo: "Useni, taa mbaram yooftam. To duniya juuti, mi nafete."

See, o yoofti ndoyluku goo dilli. Be wari be yotti. Derdiiko hoosi timmbiri, joodi aka dammugal, do fiya, do marja daa mum, do marja adda mum, do marja adda mum haa veeti. Veeti fajiri o hoosi hunnde maako goo, jee be fiyata bee pedeeli goo, gimol may don. Be wari be joodi. Kutru'en wari do wama. Kanko boo o do fiya.

<sup>1</sup> Maa kam daada bee Mbumre.

<sup>2</sup> Sahi masin kam ba wi'go sahaare duudi. Waatoo, dum sahijio mo sahaare famda semteende.

<sup>3</sup> Nyaa kam ba wi'go baaba bee Mbumre.

<sup>4</sup> Taaloowo dion wolira bee daande kutruujo.

“Daa<sup>5</sup> malawye<sup>6</sup> mutiijikoo<sup>7</sup>.  
 Mbaa<sup>8</sup> jen<sup>9</sup> jenndokoyaa<sup>10</sup> mutiijikoo.  
 Ko'a jen jenndokoyaa mutiijikoo.  
 Daa malawye<sup>6</sup> mutiijikoo.  
 Ko'a jen jenndokoyaa mutiijikoo.  
 Tunhur<sup>11</sup> katunfaa<sup>12</sup> katun kakara<sup>13</sup>.  
 Mbaa jen jenndokoyaa mutiijikoo.  
 Daa malawye<sup>6</sup> mutiijikoo.”

Kuturu'en goo do wama girip girip girip girip girip girip girip. Biira, haa be somi. Naange wadi deydey saa'i be nyaamata be.

See, kanko goo o do joodi fiya.

“Ndoyluku woo kawadi kawadi wari.  
 Kawadi ndoyluku fañ raa fañ.  
 Kawadi kawadi wari.  
 Kawadi ndoyluku woo kawadi kawadi wari.  
 Kawadi ndoyluku fañ raa fañ.  
 Kawadi ra kawadi wari.  
 Kawadi ndoyluku woo kawadi kawadi wari.”

Ndoyluku goo wari vik vik vik vik vik vik. Be do joodi yaasi bee daa maako nii. Be harki mbarugo be nyaama kadi. Ndoyluku wari yotti. Yottugo ndoyluku nii, biira, vifti daa resi haa nafki doo, vifti nyin<sup>14</sup> haa do, ummi joodi dow suudu. Joodi dow suudu. Biira, be jamna yiite suudu pum. Be jamna yiite suudu pum. Be jamna yiite haa be wulidi wuro mabbe pat. Haa be wuli fuu, ndoyluku umma joda haa dow feere. Haa ndoyluku ummi yehi joodi dow leggal joorngal nii don nder wuro mabbe. Be dinngi<sup>15</sup> soppugo leggal goo, kpam kpam kpam kpam kpam. Leggal wuli do yibba. Ndoyluku fiiri vika vika vika vika vika, hoori be haa daada mabbe bee daada mabbe.

Nii doo boo.

(26/1/1983, Asta Jooda bii Bakari Kilba taali ngol haa Ngawndere. O Pullo Garwa mo te'i debbo Laka. Asta musini Lakaare, nanan nde. Adda mum, binngel bappanyo mum taalini mo.)

<sup>5</sup> Daa kam adda bee Mbumre.

<sup>6</sup> Malawye kam margo jarraha te'gal bee Mbumre.

<sup>7</sup> Mutiijikoo kam ba wi'go wurtu laaru bee Mbumre.

<sup>8</sup> Mbaa kam jogaago bee Mbumre.

<sup>9</sup> Jen kam labi bee Mbumre.

<sup>10</sup> Jenndokoyaa kam mo jogataa haa junngo bee Mbumre.

<sup>11</sup> Tunhur kam cukumri bee Mbumre.

<sup>12</sup> Katunfaa kam booro hiidngoo bee Mbumre.

<sup>13</sup> Kakara kam sokoliire hiidnde bee Mbumre.

<sup>14</sup> Nyin kam minyiiko bee Mbumre.

<sup>15</sup> Dinngi kam tokki.

## 112 Binngel debbo bee kutruujo (2)

Binngel debbo doo o don. O vi'i kanko walaa mo o yidi haa duniya pat see gorko mo walaa battarre haa banndu.

Jam, see nonnon, oo wara. O vi'a: "Bee battarre." Oo wara. O vi'a: "Bee battarre." Oo wara. O vi'a: "Bee battarre."

See, yennde feere, gorko feere ummi, biira, fawni. Asee, dum kutruujo. Walaa ko wadaay haa banndu mum, ummi wari yotti. Biira, daga gorko don haa laawol goo, daada maako vi'i: "Va"u beembal, a hoosanam hulkuwal<sup>1</sup>, haa mi rottu nyiiri." O va'i beembal. O do hoosa hulkuwal.

See, o eewi gorko do wara. O vi'i: "Daada am, hannde kam gorko am do wara. Hannde kam mi dillan." Daada maako vi'i mo: "Useni. Munya nyaama nyiiri." O vi'i, kaay, o yidaa.

Jam, gorko wari yotti tan. Gorko hoosi mo tan. Be dilli. Haa be daayi. Be senndi ladde. O yi'a gorko wudina pad'e. "Gorko, ndaa pad'e maa a wudini." "Haa dondon mi tawi." Gorko borta togoore sakkina. "Ndaa a borti togoore ma." "Dondon mi tawi." Gorko itta sarla wudina. "Ndaa sarla maa itti." "Dondon mi tawi." Gorko itta nulet<sup>2</sup> wudina. "Ndaa a wudini nulet maa." "Dondon mi tawi." Gorko haa wudini kuuje haa banndu mum caak. Banndu pat kuuduuje. Minyiiko maako boo donno peetel nii, daga yannde be do dilla nii, minyiiko maako vi'i, tokkan mo. O vi'i o yidaa, minyiiko maako tokkataa mo.

Jam, be yotti caka ladde goo nii, see, minyiiko wadi hiila<sup>3</sup>, see, minyiiko do dari caka mafbe.

See, o vi'i: "Ayyee. Ndaa minyiikoyel am."

Jam, see, be yehi be yotti wuro kutruu'en. Kutru dari deydey fe"irde maayo<sup>4</sup>, wadi: "Heey." Biira, kala kutru ko wonno nder wuro may fuu moofti. O vi'i: "Hannde kam en hebi kusel."

Jam, see nonnon, be wari.

See, minyiiko maako doo vi'i mo: "Min kam haa wuro amin kam, to be nyaama amin, sey to be wuurni<sup>5</sup> amin haa min tekki tawon. Nonnon, be nyaama amin."

See, be vi'i: "Too." Minyiiko maako boo yennde feere be nanngino sonndu.

See, sonndu vi'i mo: "Yooftam ngam yennde goo."

See, o yoofti sonndu dilli. Minyiraawo kam minyiraawo debbo.

Jam, see nonnon. Be hoosi be, be naatidi nder suudu. Ko be hebi fuu hokka be,

<sup>1</sup> Hulkuwal, dum dottirgal.

<sup>2</sup> Nulet < lunette.

<sup>3</sup> Hiila kam anndal balam.

<sup>4</sup> Fe"irde maayo, dum joldude maayo.

<sup>5</sup> Wuurni kam nyaamni.

ɓe nyaama, ko ɓe hebi fuu hokka ɓe, ɓe nyaama, haa ɓe tekki.

See, ɓe vi'i: "Hannde kam min nyaaman mo."

See, minyiiko goo vi'i: "Kaay, minin kam haa wuro amin, to ɓe do yaha nyaama goddo naa ban nii ɓe wadata. Seyto ɓe wadi fijirde ɓe womi<sup>6</sup> haa tawon."

Jam, see, nonnon, janngo to kadi, ɓe nyaaman ɓe. Biira, bana hannde fajiri, ɓe yehi ɓe dari les leggal don mannga nii. Be hoosi mbaggú ɓe hokki minyiiko goo. Be vi'i fiya.

Jam, see nonnon, jam, minyiiko jabi mbaggú do fiya. Asee, minyiiko kam ko o fiyata mbaggú pat, do ewna sonndu jee nanngi noo yennde feere, yoofti goo. O vi'i: "Sonndu am, hannde ndaa hunnde tawi yam. Sonndu am, ndaa hunnde feere tawi yam."

Jam, see nonnon, ɓe do waali woma. Be numi minyiiko kam do nyima on. Asee, miyiiko kam do ewna sonndu goo on.

Jam, see nonnon, see, o yi'i, biira, sonndu do fiira baap baap baap baap, biira, sonndu wari yotti haa bana do jippa.

See, ɓe vi'i: "Ayyee, hoosa doo boo nii, hokka amin nii min nyaama."

See, nonnon, minyiraawo kam do fiya mbaggú mum, ba fiirta.

Jam, see nonnon, sonndu yehi hooti haa dow, yehi mo"ini booddum. Biirabat-tel, mo"ini bileiji, biira, see, yotti wari fiiri baap baap baap, biira, see, vifti minyiraawo bee daa mum fuu, biira, see, biddei haa nder bileiji tan. Biira, sonndu fiiri dilli haa dow.

See, ɓe yi'i mbagguje o fiyanno goo do lora<sup>7</sup>.

See, ɓe vi'i: "Ayyee, ndaa ɓe do lora. Ndaa ɓe do yana. Ndaa ɓe do yana."

See, mbaggú wari yani haa leddi kunjkuturuŋ. Sonndu fiiri joodi dow suudu arnaado mabbe. Biira, ɓe ketti asaana, ɓe wuli be vi'i haa ɓe wula sonndu. Biira, sonndu fiiri yehi joodi dow ndu boo, ɓe ketti asaana, ɓe wuli. Sonndu yehi joodi dow ndu boo, ɓe ketti asaana, ɓe wuli. Be wuli wuro mabbe pat. Be jokkaay sonndu. Sonndu see fiiri yehi joodi dow leggal. Be soppi leggal. Be jokkaay sonndu. Sonndu see fiiri dilli tan, yehi jippini ɓikkoy haa dammugal daada mabbe. O vi'i: "Alkawal men timmi. Kanjum on mi vi'i ma yannde feere, nde a nanngi yam, mi vi'i a yooftam ngam yannde goo."

Taalol ramma, mi juuta.

(21/1/1983, Hadiija ɓii dendiraawo Jiji Iisa taali ngol haa Ngawndere. Jiji haasootiran bee daada Hadiija. Be hoowi mo haa Garwa. O neebi haa Garwa. Baawo don o lori haa Ngawndere. Baaba maako Garwaaajo. Jammoore maako, Buuba Japoŋ. O sooranno kuuje Japoŋ. O joodino haa Ngawndere bee saare maako fuu.)

<sup>6</sup> Womi < wami.

<sup>7</sup> Waatoo, o yoofti mbaggú.

## 113 Binngel debbo bee kutruujo (3)

Too, oyaani, debbo feere danyi binngel booddfum.

Sey, o danyi binngel goo. Daada maako goo doo maayi, acci mo, hokki mamma<sup>1</sup> maako. Mamma maako mawnini mo, mawnini mo, mawnini mo, mawnini mo, haa mawni. Haa o yotti deydey bangugo.

Sey, yimbe wari. O yidaa. Yimbe doo wari. O yidaa.

Sey, kutruujo wari. Be jaabi bileeji kumaarewal. Be jaabi bileeji kumaarewal. Be jaabi bileeji bee kumaarewal. Be wari.

Sey, oyaani, wari wari wari, kutruujo on wari, wari.

Yoo, wari.

Sey, o laari bileeji kumaarewal goo woodi doo. O wi'i yoo: "Ndaa gorko te'ugo am on. Ndaa gorko te'ugo am on. Ndaa gorko te'ugo am on. Ndaa gorko te'ugo am on." Kutruujo on on jaabi bileeji kumaarewal, mu'ini<sup>2</sup> banndu. O yehi o wari. O fawni hunnde, fawni hunnde, o leli derdiiko, dilli ndiyam bee laariya<sup>3</sup>. Derdiiko yaha nyada ndiyam goo si'a, yaha nyada ndiyam goo si'a, yaha nyada ndiyam goo si'a. Be dilli haa ton.

Sey, o defi nyiiri law law.

Sey, gorko maako goo nyaami, timmi. Be nanngi laawol be dilli. O eesi nyiiri peetel nii, sigi dow hayre, ayni derdiiko<sup>4</sup>. Derdiiko wari nii tawaay adda maako goo dilli.

Sey, o wi'i, adda maako goo dilli toy. Be dilli bee gorko goo. O dilli bee gorko goo, o dilli bee gorko goo, o dilli bee gorko goo, haa daaydfum.

Sey, gorko goo seli sedfa, itti bileeji ki<sup>5</sup> kumaarewal goo, itti hunnde maako pat.

Yoo, o wurti o wi'i, a'aa, gorko maako booddfum don warti kutruujo doo. O wi'i, kaay, gorko maako woodaa, kaay, gorko maako woodaa. O wi'i yoo: "Miin man on. Dum miin man on nii. Taa wi'u goddo feere."

Sey, o wi'i yoo: "Naa an on defina-mi nyiiri mi nyaami naa? A leli derfa boo nyadi ndiyam bee laariya. Naa dum miin man on naa?"

Sey, o ardini debbo goo haa yeeso. Be dilli, be dilli, be dilli, be dilli, be dilli, be dilli. Be yehi tawi ziire.

Sey, kutruujo wurti wari bee labbo fuu nii, wadtaako. O wi'i yoo: "Kaay, saalu, wurtu. Saalu wurtu." Binngel debbo boo wurti doggi dilli yehi tawi jiire. Jiire

<sup>1</sup> Mamma fotan bee derdiraawo daada.

<sup>2</sup> Haanii wi'go mo"ini.

<sup>3</sup> Laariya, dum kata.

<sup>4</sup> Ayni derdiiko kam ba wi'go jo"inani derdiiko.

<sup>5</sup> Haanii wi'go di.

boo wi'i yoo: "Kayya, waalu nii. To o wari kam, hawtataa mo bee leggal jee mi do fiya gawri doo naa?" O do wara, o do wara, o do wara, o do wara.

Sey, o wurti wari non.

Sey, o faddi mo haa hoore bee sawru goo, paas, nonnon.

Biirawa, sey, waati.

Timmi kadi.

(16/2/1981, Omaru bii Seyni bii Toobi bii Muusa bii Labeya taali ngol haa Ray Buuba. Baka mum, Pol, taalani mo. O don haa Ngawndere. O nani dum haa Ngawndere. Baka mum nani dum haa saare maako. O nani dum bee Fulfulde.)

## 114 Binngel debbo bee baaba ladde

Binngel debbo doo boo o don. O vi'i walaa mo banjata mo see mo wari ittani mo boyre<sup>1</sup> haa dow leggal doo. Biira, fiira boo bee puccu itta boyre doo. Oo wara fiira do'a yewa. Oo wara fiira do'a yewa. Oo wara fiira do'a yewa.

See, gorko feere ummi yennde feere, wari fiiri, biira, see, tefti boye haa dow leggal.

See, o vi'i: "Daada am hannde kam gorko am wari."

Jam, see nonnon, gorko hoosi mo banji dillidi.

See, o yotti. Daga be yotti saare gorko. Njaareendi saare gorko maa nyii'e goddo. Loonde gorko maa dum hoore goddo on, be seeki, be wadi ndiyam ton. Bii loonde maa dum junngo goddo. Dakkaaji saare maako maa dum asaale bibbe Aadama. Hunnde ko woni nder saare maako pat dum banndu goddo on, o wo"iniri.

Jam, luwal feere mannga do dari saka<sup>2</sup> jawleeru maako doo. Luwal doo ko wari nder saare maako pat, luwal doo yeccan mo.

Jam, to veeti o dilla. O yaha o mbara bibbe Aadama, o mbara, o mbara o mbara jee maako. O subta kuuje ladde jee yimbe nyaamta boo o mbara, o mbara, o mbara, o waddina debbo maako doo.

Jam, see, yennde feere daada debbo maako ummi do wara. Daada debbo goo ummi wari yotti, vi'i: "Hii, ayyee, njaareendi saare mon."

Biira, see, o doggi o mabbi daada maako hunnduko.

Jam, be naati kisin, be joodfi.

See, o vi'i: "Daada am, taa volwu. Luwal, a yi'i, nder jawleeru doo ko wari pat, luwal ngal yeccan mo."

Biira, see o yotti, o fukki bibbe Aadama, puum. O wari o dari.

"Huudu<sup>3</sup> baaba, e ko nga vi'ino?"<sup>4</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Boyre fotan bee bownde, binnga bownga haa Jam'aare.

<sup>2</sup> Saka fotan bee caka.

<sup>3</sup> Huudu, dum hoodu. Dum ayninoojum saare.

<sup>4</sup> Wofbe mbi'anno: "Hoodu baaba, ko wari e saare?"

O vi'i:

"Nga vi'i njaareendi saare maa voodi."

"Huudu baaba, e ko nga vi'ino?"

"Nga vi'i njaareendi maa voodi.

Loonde saare maa voodi.

Dakkaaji saare maa voodi."

Biira, see, o do waali jala nonnon. O yehi o yotti o tawi debbo maako goo kadi. O vi'i mo: "Moy wari hannde haa do?" O vi'i mo: "Dum daada am on wari."

Jam, o hoosi daada maako. O nyukkini nder beembal. Walaa ko o waataay nder beembal goo. Kala jawdi duniya pat o waati nder ton.

See, o vi'i: "Ndaa, roondu beembal ngal, yaaran esa kadi."

Biira, see, o roondi beembal tan, o do dilla.

"Beembal ngal, esam debbo am njaaranan-mi ndee.

Beemberde nde, esam debbo am njaaranan-mi ndee."

Biira, o do roondi beembal caka ladde, haa o yehi o yotti suudu dammugal esiiko, o jippini beembal o wayliti o warti.

Jam, see, yaadikko goo laari vi'i kayum boo yahan.

See, yaadikko ummi. Kayum boo wari. Daga yotti. "Hii, ayyee, njaareendi saare dum woni nyii'e biibbe Aadama nii a do joodi? Ko jo"ini maa nder saare ban nii?" O vi'i mo. O doggi o mabbi yaadikko maako hunnduko. Yaadikko kam walaa ko o volwaay, pat luwal hoosi. Yaadikko yehi yotti. O hoosi yaadikko law law law, o nyukkini nder beembal.

Jam, yaadikko donno disi jalbal dow hoore mum. Biirabattel, kunnga ladde yotti. O yotti o yami luwal: "Mo wari e haa doo nii?" O vi'i: "Be wari be vi'i:

Njaareendi saare maa voodaay.

Dakkaaji saare maa voodaay.

Loonde saare maa voodaay."

Biirawattel, gorko kam ummi berni, wari fukki yimbe nonnon, do joodi, do nyaama, yottaay debbo sam.

Jam, see nonnon, biirabattel, see, o wari o yotti o vi'i mo: "Ndaa hoosu beembal ngal, yaaran esa." Biirabattel, maccunga roondi beembal nii. Biira, dondon binngel debbo kam see doggi, nyukki, ta'i ladde ladde. O anndi fakir<sup>5</sup> to o warti, o mbaran mo. Yaadikko maako doo duudi mbonndi. Biirawa, o roondi beembal o do dilla. Yaadikko see losi jalbal dow hoore mum, tufa beembal haa yaha yotta hoore baaba ladde. Baaba ladde dimmba nii nii nii nii, lora jo"ina beembal fayin do dilla. Neeba neeba.

Biira, see, o tufa fahin haa yotta hoore.

See, o dimmba nii nii nii nii. Neeba neeba. O tufa fayin. Hunnde billani mo.

<sup>5</sup> Fakit fotan bee fakat.

Biira, see, o fukki beembal caka ladde.

Biira, see, yaadikko fiyti. O dasi yaadikko o nyaami.

See, o lorani binngel debbo maako goo. Birabattel, o lori o tawi saare yen. Binngel debbo naane maa anndi haala yaadikko mum no va'i. Binngel debbo see doggi. O doggi, o doggi, o doggi, o doggi, o jokkitaay binngel debbo.

Jam, o warti o joodi.

(21/1/1983, Hadiija bii dendiraawo Jiji Lisa taali ngol haa Ngawndere. Jiji haasootiran bee daada Hadiija. Be hoowi mo haa Garwa. O neebi haa Garwa. Baawo don o lori haa Ngawndere. Baaba maako Garwaajo. Jammoore maako, Buuba Japon. O sooranno kuuje Japon. O joodino haa Ngawndere bee saare maako fuu.)

## 115 Duudu bee rawaandu ladde

Binngel doo, yaadikko maako meedi mo. O dilli ladde. O wa'i lekki o joodi. Baadi wari yari ndiyam. Rawaandu ladde wari, emata binngel goo: "Miin on a yidi naa? Malla baadi a yidi?" O wi'i: "Aan on mi yidi." O wi'i: "Jippu war." Binngel jippi tokki rawaandu dilli.

Rawaandu, sey, yehi wadi mo debbo, kaap.

Sey, joodi. O dilla. O yaha o dabbityo kusel. To o do warta goo, o do yima:

"Duudu saro, a don naa?

Duudu am, a don naa?

Daada saare am, a don naa?

Duudu am, a don naa?

Kaatanne mannda, a don naa?

Duudu am, a don naa?

Daada saare am, a don naa?"

Sey, kanko boo noota:

"Ndottiiwa, mi don.

Baaba saare am, mi don.

Gorko am, mi don.

Mawna baaru am, mi don.

Gorko am, mi don.

Baaba saare am, mi don."

O yotta o fukka kusel kim. Binngel yakka kusel, yakka yakka yakka. Binngel boo bii laamdo on. Yakka kusel, yakka yakka yakka. To weeti, gorko oora dilla ladde. Kanko boo o yaha maayo, o layba tummude maako. O joodfa. O hawta tummude o warta. Kiikide boo gorko yaawa warta.

"Duudu, a don naa?"

Duudu saro, a don naa?  
Duudu am, a don naa?  
Daada saare am, a don naa?  
Duudu, a don naa?  
Duudu saro am a don naa?"  
"Gorko am, mi don.  
Mawna baaru am, mi don.  
Gorko am, mi don.  
Baaba saare am, mi don."

O yotta o fukka kusel kim. Nonnon haa yannde, gawjo do waanca. O wa'i do joodi dow lekki, sey, yi'i mo. O laybi o timmini, liiri. Gawjo wi'i: "Doo kam, Alla laamiido." O yehi haa daada. O wi'i: "Mi yi'i binngel moodon haa maayel kajaayel. Ammaa mi hokki daande am, to on yehi on tawaay mo." Be yehi be tawi Duudu. Gorko boo yehi wartoyi. Gorko wadi habre bee yimbeeji. Karak karak. To be habi, be habi, sey, gorko goo jooda.

"Duudu am, saro am, taa woyu.  
Duudu am, taa woyu.  
Daada saare am, taa woyu."  
"Gorko am, mi woyaay.  
Baaba saare am, mi woyaay."

Be fuddi habre fayinta. Be haba, be haba, be haba, be haba. Be somi. Nonnon o jooda fayinta.

"Duudu, taa woyu.  
Duudu saro am, taa woyu.  
Duudu am, taa woyu.  
Barka saro juude am, taa woyu."  
"Gorko am, mi woyaay.  
Baaba saare am, mi woyaay."

Nonnon yimbe wi'i: "Jotta doo, wuro mon do haba kam, juulataa naa. Jotta laar haa naange woni."

Sey, rawaandu tijji naange. Be salti daande.  
Jam, be wi'i: "Umma en dilla." Be ta'ani mo kosde goriiko o joga. Be ta'i kosde goriiko. O jogi. Be dillidi. O jooda o joodida bee kosde. O waala waalda bee kosde. O jooda o joodida bee kosde. O waala waalda bee kosde. Ngorgi maako efti kosde nii, sakkini cium haa nder ndiyam. Nonnon Duudu wadi hii, sey, o yani ndiyam culum.

Jam, ndaa ngol haa to. Ndaa mi haa do.

(25/8/1980, debbo taalani Shimada haa Rey Buuba.)

## 116 Bibbe rewbe dido

Gorko mo danyi bibbe rewbe dido. Oo minyiraawo. Oo mawniraawo. Be njehi be moori, be pemmbi. Nde be don ngarta, o wi'a: "Miin bee minyam, miin bee minyam, moy buri voodugo?" Be mbi'i: "A voodi, a voodi, a voodi, a voodi. Minya burdu maa hoore pedeengel." Mo yaha doo boo. "Miin bee minyam, miin bee minyam, moye buri voodugo?" "Minya buran maa hoore pedeengol." Mo yaha doo boo. "Miin bee minyam, miin bee minyam, moy buri voodugo?" Be mbi'a mo: "A voodi. A voodi. A voodi. Ammaa minya burdu maa hoore pedeengel." Nii nii nii nii, haa be ngari e maayo. Nde be ngari e maayo, nden, mo vi'ata minyiiko: "Nyadaa ndiyam." Be njogii tummugel. Nde minyiiko yaha yeeso. Mo wi'a: "Yah yeeso, yah yeeso." Haa minyiiko yooli.

Sey, mo ummi mo hooti. Nde mo hooti, nden, mo vi'ata baaba: "Derdam am yoolake."

Nden, sonndu wari, yari ndiyam goo pat.

Sey, nanngi laasol biddo, sey, foodi sey, vurtini. Nde vurtini, sey, yaara e bokki. Kummba Kummba sey waddi biddo sey jo"ini. O hoo'i debbo goo tuuti ndiyamji gondi e reedu. Biddo debbo tuuti tuuti tuuti. Biddo hefti hakkiilo, vi'i: "To ngidfaa mi wad' maa? Biddo naa, debbo?" Biddo vi'i mo: "Too, mbaatcaa ba Alla wadi." O vi'i: "Too, mi wadii ma debbo." Biddo vi'i mo: "Jam."

Too, biddo joodi, joodi, joodi, haa wadi danyi biddo gorko nder bokki.

Too, nden, baaba biddo goo, o woodi gaynaako. Nagge nge Saaje<sup>1</sup> nge wi'ete. Biddo goo, gaynaako duroyi, duroyi, duroyi, nde be yoortoyi<sup>2</sup> nagge woyi.

Nden, biddo goo gondo nder bokki goo vi'ata:

"Saaje, a nani naa?

To a hooti, hinnanam<sup>3</sup> baaba Yaaya.

Taa hinnanam bii Jiido, boroodo bortoodo yooli mo maayaayi."

Kadiboo, nagge goo, be kooti. Mo sali wi'ugo ka jemmaare ndee. Kadiboo, mo yoorti. Nagge beynge. Kadi, mo yoortoyi, nagge woyi. O vi'i:

"Saaje, a nani naa?

To a hooti, hinnanam baaba Yaaya.

Taa hinnanam bii Jiido, boroodo bortoodo yooli mo maayaayi."

Gaynaako goo hooti. O vi'ata: "Baaba, hannde mi fewete fewre. Ammaa fewre am nde to on ngidi, caloodon. Hannde mi nanii biya." O vi'ata. "A feway." O vi'i: "Caahiidum. Hannde mi nani wayne. Mi nani biya sam. Saaje woyi keenya. Mo wadi:

<sup>1</sup> Saaje, dhum marnge többe, baleeje bee daneeje, malla boo bodeeje bee daneeje.

<sup>2</sup> Yoortoygo fottan bee oortoygo.

<sup>3</sup> Hinnugo, dhum saanugo.

‘Saaje, a nani naa?

To a hooti, hinnanam baaba Yaaya.

Taa hinnanam bii Jiido, boroodo bortoodo yooli ko maayaayi.’

Mi sali vi’ugo ka. Hannde boo mi yoorti, mi yoorti. Saaje woyi. Mo wadi:

‘Saaje, a nani naa?

To a hooti, hinnanam baaba Yaaya.

Taa hinnanam bii Jiido, boroodo bortoodo yooli mo maayaayi.’

Dow bokki mo woni.” Baaba vi’i: “Too, sey njehen.” Mo vi’i: “Miin kam mi jooda e doo. Sey to mi yoortake.” Mo duri na’i di kaari, nagge yoorti. Mo wari mo faddi na’i kommbi bokki. Nagge Saaje goo woyi. Biddo wadi:

“Saaje, a nani naa?

To a hooti, hinnanam baaba Yaaya.

Taa hinnanam bii Jiido, boroodo bortoodo yooli mo maayaayi.”

Be nani, hay.

Sey, be meedi awoyaago<sup>4</sup> duniya. Be peyyi bokki goo. Be njandini. Be itti biddo goo. Nde be itti biddo, be koo’i dum. Be tawi kanyum maa danyi biddo gorko.

Too, be koo’i biddo be koori. Nde biddo nde hootata, o vi’ata: “Min mooroyi. Nden, o vi’ata miin bee minyam, miin bee minyam moy buri voodugo? Be mbi’i e mo voodi, e mo woodi, mi burdi mo hoore pedeengel. Mo yooli yam. Mo wi’i yam, yah yeeso nyadanam ndiyam. Haa mi yooloyi. Sonndu boo hoo’i yam nastini yam luuro<sup>5</sup> lekki.”

Nden, sola goo wada:

“Mi nyalla ladde.

Mi waala ladde.

Mi tawtu maa caka bokko sinndo.

Baaba luurooji.

Daada luurooji.

Mi tawtu ma caka bokko sinndo.”

Nden, binngel wada:

“Baaba luurooji.

Daada luurooji.

A tawtu ma yam caka bokko sinndo.”

Sola warti.

“Baaba luurooji.

Daada luurooji.

Mi tawtu ma caka bokko sinndo.”

<sup>4</sup> Awoyaago, dum moobtugo yimbe.

<sup>5</sup> Luuro, dum loogo.

Siriw.

“Baaba luurooji.  
Daada luurooji.  
Mi tawtu ma caka bokko sinndo.”

Siriw. Cola goo warti tawi bokki yibbi, woyi, woyi haa waati don. Be kooci biyiliñe.

Tobaangol jooftaangol yoba taalol.  
(9/1964, Bodaado Hontorbe taali ngol haa Baba dakkii Yarmbar haa lesdi Ngawndere.)

## 117 Gañgbam bee debbo mum

Binngel debbo doo don o voodi, o voodi, o voodi, o voodi masin.  
Nonnon see, iyeende do toba. Rigaango<sup>1</sup> wadi paray nonnon, see, hoosi mo. Hoosi binngel debbo may. Iyeende may on hoo'i mo dilli te'ugo. Hoori mo yehi resi haa saare mum. Yehi resi haa dow asama. Derdiiko gorko don. Derdiiko gorko do voyi voyi voyi haa somi.

See, nyannde feere o yecci daada maako, o vi'i: “Miin kam tokkan daa<sup>2</sup> am.” To o jokkira bee bikkoy bana maako fuu, be vi'ata: “Ta a wood<sup>3</sup> bernde boo, iyeende hoo'i daa maa dilli a do joodi naa?” O vi'i: “Walaa aaybe.”

See, o tokki daa maako goo. O dilli, o dilli, o dilli, o dilli. O yehi o tawi saare mannga nii. Jawleeru mannga, mannga, mannga nii, asee, jawleeru gorko daa maako doon on. O tawi njaa'en, mbaggu'en dume'en do hebbini nder jawleeru goo. O wari o yotti. Be pat be ndilli ngesa. O wari o yotti. O hoosi njaa. Innde daa maako Daa'ira. O wari o do fiya.

“Daa'ira ḥuy<sup>4</sup> yena<sup>5</sup> yirambam<sup>6</sup>.  
Daa'ira ḥuy yena gañ<sup>7</sup> mbam<sup>8</sup>.  
Daa'ira maa<sup>9</sup> faj<sup>10</sup> baambamnu<sup>11</sup>.  
Daa'ira nyaa<sup>12</sup> faj baambamnu.  
Daa'ira see<sup>13</sup> yel<sup>14</sup> yalfal<sup>15</sup> ya<sup>16</sup>.<sup>17</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Rigaango, dum felmaango.

<sup>2</sup> Daa fotan bee adda.

<sup>3</sup> Wood fotan bee woodi.

<sup>4</sup> Dguy, dum debbo bee Mbumre.

<sup>5</sup> Yena kam ba wi'go o ḥanji bee Mbumre.

<sup>6</sup> Yirambam kam ba wi'go naargewol bee Mbumre.

<sup>7</sup> Gañ kam ba wi'go mannga bee Mbumre.

<sup>8</sup> Mbam kam ba wi'go iyeende bee Mbumre.

<sup>9</sup> Maa kam ba wi'go daada bee Mbumre.

<sup>10</sup> Faj kam wi'i bee Mbumre.

<sup>11</sup> Baambamnu kam ba wi'go hoofna iyeende bee Mbumre.

<sup>12</sup> Nyaa kam ba wi'go baaba bee Mbumre.

Daa'ira njuy yena gaj mbam.  
Daa'ira njuy yena yira mbam.  
Daa'ira njuy yena gaj mbam."

See, daa maako goo don nder saare, see, nani. o vi'i: "Ayyee, derdiiko am on wari doo. Ayyee, hunnde doo nyaaman mo. Ayyee, hunnde doo nyaaman mo." O vurti o wari o tawi derdiiko goo hoosi. O hoori nder saare. O yehi o mabbi nder faande. Gorko maako boo warti. Gorko vi'i: "Dume on haccata haa suudu doo?" O vi'i: "Siga kusel goo on." "Waddu." O jaaba nyaama. "Dume haccata doo?" "Siga nii, a hokki yam doo on." "Hoosu, waddu." Haa salori mo.

See, o vi'i: "Minyiiko am on, bii daada am on, wari. On mi yukkini mo haa do." O vi'i: "Kadi, koni, derfa wari boo, a nyukkina? Waddu mo. Waddu mo. Waddu mo." O yehi o hoo'i derdiiko goo waddi. Gorko goo laari vi'i: "Yowwaa, jaabbaama, jaabbaama, jaabbaama." Jaabbi mo. Be do joodsi, be do joodsi. O hoosa hunnduko maako. O yehi o hawta bee jee qwa<sup>18</sup> goo. Biira, hunnduko pat ii'am. O hoo'a nyiiri, o talla o nyaama o nyaama, kanko gorko goo. Haa janngo, nde o fabbi balde tati, janngo nde o do dilla ngesa, o resi kuturu'en haa jawleeru maako on aynata saare. O vi'i, to oo doo doo hoo'a daa mum, adda mum doggida nii, kuturu'en doo fiya mbaggu o nana o warta. Adda goo yehi hoosi gubudo'en doo, laawi laawi laawi laawi, rufi nder jawleeru, rufi nder jawleeru, rufi nder jawleeru, rufi nder jawleeru pat.

See, o hoosi mo. Be do dilla. Kuturu'en goo hafta haa yaha fiya mbaggu do, diirta do'a, diirta do'a, diirta do'a, diirta do'a.

Nonnon see, o dilli. O dilli o dilli. Maayo feere don mannga nii. Be yehi be eeri maayo doo. Ndiyam do waywa nonnon haa maayo goo. Ndiyam do waywa. O eeri bee adda maako. Be do joodi gada nii, see, gaj mbam goo warti. Gaj mbam goo tokki mo. Be yehi be yotti maayo. O eewi gada. O yi'i ndaa debbo maako. Daama<sup>19</sup> nastugo ndiyam woodaa. Biirawa, o telba. Yimbe maako to naati ndiyam nii, kosde figgidi paat. O telba.

Nonnon nonnon, see, derdiiko goo hoo'i daa maako o resi laawol tan. Be tokki laawol, be hooti hunnde mabbe. Be yehi be tawi daada mabbe bee baaba mabbe.

<sup>13</sup> See kam ba wi'go dilli bee Mbumre.

<sup>14</sup> Yel kam baajngal bee Mbumre.

<sup>15</sup> Yalfal kam ba wi'go loraago baawo bee Mbumre.

<sup>16</sup> Ya kam ba wi'go woodaa bee Mbumre.

<sup>17</sup> Ndaa maana gimol:

"Daa'ira, mo baaji bee naargewol.  
Daa'ira, mo baaji bee mawdo iyeende.  
Daa'ira, daada vi'i, mi hoofna iyeende.  
Daa'ira, baaba vi'i, mi hoofna iyeende.  
Daa'ira dilli baajngal, loraay baawo."

<sup>18</sup> Dgwa, dum eekiraawo bee Mbumre.

<sup>19</sup> Daama kam ba wi'go dabare.

Nonnon o yehi o joodfi kadi. Gorko vurti haa wuro may te'i mo. Ganj mbam boo munyi kadi.

Timmi.

(26/1/1983, Asta Jooda taali ngol haa Ngawndere. Maama Lakaajo taalani mo.)

## 118 Neene Wuro Gaylooji

Taalol taalol.

Innde gorko doo, Neene<sup>1</sup> Wuro Gaylooji. Innde debbo boo Diija. Be do wondi.

Jam, ko duuri.

Sey, yennde feere, Neene vi'i: "Mi hokki maa sarti nyalde jowi taa wara."<sup>2</sup> Wuro Neene boo daayi. Diija vi'i: "Too." Diija warti wari waali tati. Diija tawi waa-wataa munyugo.

Sey, Diija ummi yennde nayabre, ummi yehi, yehi tawaay Neene.

Jam, sey lappi<sup>3</sup> nder suudu, nyukki. Asee, Neene boo dum waylooru on. Neene wayliti waylooru yehi mbari biibbe Aadama, wari fukki biibbe Aadama haa nder caka suudu, joodfi nyaami nyaami nyaami himbe goo haa timmi. O yerbi les leeso mum. Ngaska maapinndiwa don nder leeso mum goo.

Sey, o hoosi i'e biibbe Aadama goo, loowi ton. Ndiyam do dari dow yiite kas, gudaa.

Sey, o waddi ndiyam goo, o loowi nder ngaska goo. O hoosi luttudam o yehi o hoosi o yiwi.

Sey, Diija goo, pat do laara.

Sey, Diija goo vurti dilli haa daayni bana masalan<sup>4</sup> haa yolnde doo.

Jam, Neene goo sey warti dow leeso mum, hoosi moolooru mum, do waali, yidi waylititgo goddo, ammaa laasi waylooru do lutti har banndu mum sedda sedda.

Sey, o hoosi geegeeru mum do yimda Diija goo.

Sey, o nani kosngal pade karaap karaap karaap, do wara, haa wari yotti, nasti suudu.

Sey, o banji gite nii, o yi'i Diija on don darii. Biira, sey o hafti<sup>5</sup>. O vi'i: "Haa maa mi woni?" Biira, Diija waddi pargal. Biira, Neene Wuro Gaylooji sakiti. Be do dogga nii. Diija diwu doo, yanu<sup>6</sup>. Neene diw doo, yanu. Kusel biibbe Aadama yaalti

<sup>1</sup> Neene kam innde gorko. Nenne boo innde debbo.

<sup>2</sup> Taa wara < taa a wara.

<sup>3</sup> Lappaago fotan bee waalaago.

<sup>4</sup> Masalan fotan bee misaalu.

<sup>5</sup> Haftugo, dum daraago cir

<sup>6</sup> Yanugo, dum do'aago.

dum. Banndu hebaay jokkititgo Diija. Biira, Diija yotti baawo saare man nii, hoo-siri duufi hoore nder cekke cekke bee hoore. Biira, yotti hoosi dammugal nonnon, hoore do”i haa baawo yaadikko mum.

Jam, Diija kam yoyliti. Neene dari baawo maako saabbiti wayliti hooti.

Jam, haa wadi asaweere dow ton.

See, Neene ummi wari haa baawo wuro nii, Neene sey ewni Diija. Diija ummi yehi. Jaka, yennde man muukdfi. Diija nde ummi yehi, sey, o vi’i mo: “Diija, mi anndi a laari sirri am pat, a timmini. Ammaa yennde to mi nani haala doo, haa hunnduko goddo, mi nyaama ma, mi nyaama ma bee lenyol maa, pat, mi timminna.”

Jam, Diija ummi nanngi laawol mum hooti. O vi’i: “Too, en senndiri doo haa yawmal giyaamati.” Diija ummi nanngi laawol mum hooti. Neene boo dilli haa mum haa wadi duubiji, sey Neene maayi.

Jam, yennde Neene maaya on, Diija maabbiti hunnduko mum yecci haala doo haa haala may vurti haa duniya pat, haa waddugo hannde.

Jam, nonnon Diija yecci haala pat, timmini.

Haala jinni kadi. Taalol ramma, mi juuta.

(20/1/1983, Hadiija bii Buuba taali ngol haa Ngawndere. Maama mum taalani Yam. Maama gondo haa Ngawndere.)

## 119 Fidoobe didi bee kunnga ladde

Too, taalel taalel.

Bikkoy worbe didi. Be yummi be dawridi. Be soobiraabe. Be do dilla, haa be yaha be ekkita fidugo. Haa be yaha ekkita fidugo, nden baaba ladde rimi binngel muudsum don dakki leggal. Nde be yotti, gooto vi’i: “Mi fidan.” Gooto vi’i: “Taa fidu.” Gooto vi’i: “Mi fidan.” Gooto vi’i: “Taa fidu.” Be waaboutiri. Gooto boo fidu mbari.

See, mo fidaay goo wi’ata: “A”aa, a mbari, miin kam mi hooti.” O wi’i: “Miin fuu mi hooti.” Be ardotiri be hooti.

Jam, see, huunde ladde goo wari, tawi be mbari binngel mum. O wi’i: “Mi heftan. To Alla muuyi, mi heftan mo mbari.” O wayliti o latti godso.

See, o fawni. O yaha wuro do fuu, o vi’i:

“Moy mbari Illi?

Mi yeena dum.

Ngeenaari mum ngeelooba.”

“Mi mbari Illi.

A yeena-mmi

ngeenaari am ngeelooba.”

“Aan suka gorko, to tawfaa mo?”

“Mi tawnoo mo nder ladde.”

“Aan suka gorko a wi’i goonga.

Ngeenaari ma ngeelooba.”

O saala yeeso boo. O yaha wuro ngoo boo dara.

“Moy mbari Illi?

Mi yeena dum.

Ngeenaari mum ngeelooba.”

“Mi mbari Illi.

A yeena-mmi

ngeenaari am ngeelooba.”

“Aan suka gorko, to tawdaa mo?”

“Mi tawnoo mo nder ladde.”

“Aan suka gorko a wi’i goonga.

Ngeenaari ma ngeelooba.”

O saala yeeso boo. O yaha o dara. O wi’aa:

“Moy mbari Illi?

Mi yeena dum.

Ngeenaari mum ngeelooba.”

“Mi mbari Illi.

A yeena-mmi

ngeenaari am ngeelooba.”

“Aan suka gorko, to tawdaa mo?”

“Mi tawnoo mo nder ladde.”

“Aan suka gorko a wi’i goonga.

Ngeenaari ma ngeelooba.”

Haa o yehi o yotti wuro bikkon worbe goo.

See, o wi’ata:

“Moy mbari Illi?

Mi yeena dum.

Ngeenaari mum ngeelooba.”

“Mi mbari Illi.

A yeena-mmi

ngeenaari am ngeelooba.”

“Aan suka gorko, to tawdaa mo?”

“Mi tawnoo mo les leggal.”

“Aan suka gorko a wi’i goonga.

Ngeenaari ma ngeelooba.”

See, be riiwi mo haa saare wi’ata mo: “Wurtu yah jaibu ngeenaari ma kadi. Naa ngorgi maa hadino ma mbarugo. A mbari. Ndaa a hebi. O hebaay. Wurtu.” Be

meedi mo. O wurti.

See, o tawi goddo goo lattiti hunnde ladde goo, dampi mo mbari, waatiti<sup>1</sup>.

Taalol ramma, mi juuta. Takalamulus bu'e gertoode, Ali bojel laafa, mi tekka, kudel muta, mi subbita.

(25/1/1983, Hajja bii Debbo Mannga taali ngol haa Ngawndere. Puldebbo mo wondi saare woore taalani mo.)

## 120 Gorko bee gaylooji

Taalel taalel, jamma taboooyel namarga pella dow hoore nantooße.

Debbo oo gorko doo bangi mo. Nde gorko doo bangi mo, gorko doo anndaa wuro maabbe sam. Asee maa debbo doo kam o d' on latta waylooru. Lenyol maako pat don warta waylooru ban nii. Tum ban nii, tum ban nii haa yennde feere, o vi'i gorko maako: "Miin boo see en njah haa am." Gorko maako goo boo innde maako Muusa.

Too, Muusa goo vi'ata mo: "Too accu nden kam mi ema baaba am, mi yecca baaba am'en."

Too, o yehi o yecci be. Baaba maako goo vi'ata mo: "Binngel am, yennde debbo maa vi'a doftam kam, min kadataa maa. Ammaa ndaa layaayel doo. To woodi ko juhi maa, a vi'a: Rubbunnde aka rub e rub, a nasta les rubbunde, a jooda ban nii doo, koo dum waylooru'en be nanngataa maa. Walaa ko be wadata maa haa a warta." Be njehi haa mabbe goo, be njehi, be mbaali. Janngo don man, biira, see be ngarti waylooru. O vi'i hootan. Be ngarti waylooru be tokki mo.

Too, o d' on dilla, o d' on dilla. Be d' on tokka mo. O d' on dilla goo, be tokka mo. Nde be tokki mo goo, see nonnon, o haayni be d' on ngara, nii, collawal. Asee, haa o doggi doo, o yejjiti sarla maako bee lafi maako. O d' on dogga hoota sil toggoore.

See, debbo maako goo d' on vi'a: "Mi nyaamataa maa, Muusa. Mi nyaamataa maa, Muusa. Ndaa lafi junngo maa, Muusa. Ndaa sarla maa."

See, be paandi mo haa be nannga mo. O vi'i: "Rubbunde aka rub e rub." Biira, be ngari be d' on daabbiita, be heftaay. Biira, be wadi ban be wartan. Be nyukki ban nii.

Biira, see, o vurti o d' on dogga wannjay wannjay wannjay wannjay wannjay wannjay.

See nonnon fayin, be warti, biira, be d' on tokka mo, be d' on yima. Be d' on tokka mo, be d' on yima.

See, biira, O faandi wuro ban nii doo.

See, o warti tuggere. Beya goo be warti be d' on wasa tuggere goo. Asee, be anndaa kanko kam o hooti wuro booyma. O yehi o vi'i baaba maako: "Asee debbo

<sup>1</sup> Waatiti kam ba wi'go o yoäfti.

jee mi banguno goo, dum waylooru.” Baaba maako vi’ata mo: “Dum waylooru? Too, boodsum. War.” Baaba maako hoosi gaadal vi’i: “Enen boo see en yaha mbara be.” Baaba maako goo, biira, be don ndilla bee himbe, be don ndilla, be don ndilla. Be paandi wuro beya goo, biirabaddel, o vi’i: “Doo woni wuro beya goo naa?” O vi’i: “Ihee.” “En njah en mbi’a himbe a wari hoosugo debbo maada. To be warti kuuje don warti fowru haa be yakka en law, enen boo en warta baroode. En nyaama be. En mbarda be pat.”

See, o vi’i: “Too, boodsum.” Be njotti, be silmini: “Salaam aleykum. Debbo am goo don naa? Mi wari hoosugo debbo am hannde kam.” “Debbo maa dilli maayo haa warta.” Debbo, biirabaddel, wuro fuu faami, himbe wari.

Sikenna, see nonnon, biira, be ngarti pobbi be pat be taari. Biira, be ngari haa be yakka be. Beya goo warti baaba ladde. Be yotta be dirbi doo. Be yotta, be dirba doo, be yotta, be dirba doo.

Takalamulus takkaande bu’e bojel.

(1969-70, Abdullaay Osmaanu Baaseewoojo taali ngol haa Marwa.)

## 121 Waylooru bee genndeelu

A faami? Woodi goddo oo, kanko o don ban nii haa Kaa’ele. Debbo boo don bordel bana haa doo. Debbo doo, asee dum waylooru on. Haa caka cak suudu maako doo, o wasi ngaska mannga.

Too, o warti fowru jemma o yehi o mbari goddo fuu, o wara dondon o waata haa ton. O yakki nii, luttuufum man, o waata haa ton, o omnda. Nii nii nii nii, be potti benanta maa genndeelu goo daakaare goo vi’ata mo: “Mi yidi maa.” O vi’ata: “Too, en njaha haa suudu am na?” Be njehi, be nyalli yeewtugo, be nyalli yeewtugo, be nyalli yeewtugo.

Nden, debbo goo vi’ata mo: “Aan haa toy ngondaa?” O vi’i mo: “Miin kam haa Kaa’ele woni.” Law o vi’i: “A waran kiikide doo bee noy a wardata?” O vi’i: “Mi waran.”

Too, nden, debbo goo vi’ata mo: “Alkawal amaana Alla, to jemma jenngi kam caka cak jemma kam useni taa waru.” O vi’i mo: “Too, walaa ayiibe.”

Too, o hooti Kaa’ele. Nyaamugo timmi nii, o nanngi laawol o wari haa debbo goo. Be mbaali. Vetti fajiri o hooti. Janngo don man boo o wari naange. Law o vi’i debbo goo: “Hootan.” Debbo goo vi’ata mo: “A waran kiikide naa?” O vi’ata: “Ooho.” “Useni taa jenngin.” O vi’i: “Too, walaa ayiibe.”

Too, kanko goo o don hoota, o vi’i: “Yah.” “Debbo doo tum vi’ata: Taa mi wara jemma doo. Taa mi wara jemma doo. Ngam dume? Hannde kam, sey caka cak jemma mi yahata.”

Too, caka cak jemma wadi. O wari nii, o ummi bee majik maako. O nanngi

laawol, o wari. O tawi debbo goo walaa don. Asee debbo goo boo warti waylooru dilli daabbugo ko nyaama. O wari maabbi suudu debbo goo waali. O don waali, o don waali. Sikenaa, o nani be don ngooka: "Fowru, fowru, fowru, njaawee, jamaare, njaawee." Debbo goo warti. Asee maa o mbari goddo, don dasa, warti, nastini haa suudu. Naa o mari haaje kusel doo, o hakkiltaa leeso sam. O yi'aay. Asee goddo waaye maako goo don waali haa dow ton. O omoti payannga haa caka cak suudu goo. O losoyi iga pe"irde dume dume o vurtini nii yaasi walaa mo o yi'i, o maabbi. O joodi kadi. O ta'a hoore o sakkina haa ngaska goo, o finci booddum. O nyaami.

Too, o wari o finci o nyaami, haa o vurta goo, see, genndeeru goo nanngi mo korlal tap. Fowru man dee. Nanngi mo tap.

See, genndeeru doofi labi, vi'i mo: "See a vurtina luttudum doo a nyaama timmina non, mi mbarete." O dasi ha'ha'haraa, itti ngaska goo o nyaami. O yehi o warti goddo.

See nonnon, o tawi derkeejo goo vi'ata mo: "Miin kam mi hooti." Ummi kanyum nanngi laawol mum.

See, o vi'i: "Kaay, noy jamaare to mi acci derkeejo doo hooti Kaa'ele doo? Kaay, o yaha o vi'a, hii, mi mbaroyi godfo, mi wari mi don nyaama. Be accataa kam. Be riwatam pellel ngel." Sikenaa, o latti fowru ban naane. O ummi. O doggan, o doggan, o doggan, o doggan. O jokkiti oo doo goo. Oo doo goo don hilli yahgo bee garayya muudum. O ukki dum sollaare paa' haa yeoso. O wolwanaay mo. O vi'i mo: "Kayya, wayne am, ban no mbaadufen doo nii a yakkatam?" O lori fayin, o lorti haa saare o joodi. O lori o numi. "Hm. Goddo doo janngo accataa kam. O yeccan yimbe." O doggi. O yotti, efti mo, do'i haa o qata mo. Oya goo vi'i mo: "Ndaa labi lee. To a anndi ni aan kam ndaa labi." O numti fayin. Ndaa dum waaye maako noy noy o yakkata? O ummi fayin, o lorti.

See, genndeeru goo va'i leggal joodi o vi'i: "Jotta kam, mi anndi oo doo. To lori, o accataa kam." O yehi saare goo fayin. Dum micciti mo. O ummi fayin. O doggi o wari o dari pellel goo o vi'i: "Alla am, mi don nana kisiri goddo oo, mi yi'aay gal o woni." O saali gal yeoso, o doggi o doggi o yi'aay. O wari haa les leggal goo fayin o dari, o dari, o dari. Nii nii haa veeti. O warti goddo hooti. Janngo don maa on goo boo yehi. Be mbaali. O vi'ata on goo: "Useni doftam lee wuro amin." O doo goo vi'ata mo: "Too, booddum." Asee, wuro maabbe doo be pat boo gaylooji haa ton.

Sikenaa, see, veeti fajiri haa be ndilla. Oo doo goo jaabbi himbe muudum, be ndokki mo lekki lekkije, be ummi, be don tokkootiri bee debbo. "Doo naa m'm. Doo naa m'm. Doo naa m'm." Be njehi caka cak ladde, debbo goo vi'i: "Jotta kam yakkam mo." Warti waylooru. Wartugo waylooru, gorko yehi warti mbarooga, don tokki mo. Rawaandu goo don sakiti fowru goo. Fowru yeesita vi'a taa mbarooga

yakka dum. O vi'a: "Njemma lee. A daran naa?" Nii nii, nde badake wuro, be warti yimbe. Be don ndilla. O yotti kam, be njabbi mo walaa ko be ndokkaay mo. Sikena, be ndokki mo suudu haa o waala.

See, debbo goo yehi dawri bee himbe maako pat, haa be wara be yakka daakaare goo. Caka jemma be wari haa be yakka daakaare goo. Daakaare goo warti pallanndi saawi haa nder gaasa debbo man goo. Be ngari, biira, haa be ndasa genndeeru goo. Be tawi see binngel maabbe. Nii nii, haa veeti.

Nden, daakaare goo vi'i: "Hootan." Be njehi fayin be taaskoyi bee debbo.

Too, daakaare doo don hoota nii, be ngarta kuuje, be sakita dum. Daakaare boo, biira, don hoota, don hoota. Debbo vi'i: "Nden kam, miin kam mi don yecce. Walaa no mi vi'aay taa banndam'en doo yakke. Ammaa hakkil kadi haa laawol. Be tokkete." O dali debbo goo ton ton. O ummi, o don hoota, o don hoota, o don hoota, o don hoota.

See nonnon, o haayni collawal don wara. Maama, bikkoy, pat warti gaylooji nonnon, don tokka mo. O yeesiti nii nii, o haayni be badake.

See, kanko boo yehi o talli o warti mbarooga. O warti riiwgo be ban be'i. O nannga doo yewa pal. O nannga doo o yewa pal. O nannga doo o yewa pal. Nii nii, lutti daada waylooru goo. O dasi ndu. O wartiri. O wari, o bangi. Be emi mo: "Noy mbaadzaa haa keftaa debbo ban nii doo?" O yecci. O yecci.

Takalamulus takkaande bu'e bojel.

(1969-70, Abdullaay Osmaanu Baaseewoojo taali ngol haa Marwa.)

## 122 Binngel yooyngel bee mamma nyaamoowo tagaabe

Taaleel taalelgel.

Gorko doo yehi jahaangal, yehi tawi nayeejo. O jippiri mo. Nde jemma hiiri<sup>1</sup>, o defini beero maako, nyaami, haari. Nde jemma jenngi, o yamata mo. "Beero, hannde kam haa toy a waalata?" O wi'i: "Beero am, ko sallini yam naa mi waala nder ngaajiri<sup>2</sup>?" Mamma nooti mo yoo: "Too." O saali. Beero maako saali yehi waali haa tummude gawri.

See, beero maako mamma goo immi bee yiite, wari, sunnyi<sup>3</sup> haa nder ngaajiri goo. O wuli ngaajiri maako pat, yiite. Weeti fajiri. O yamata mo yoo: "Kaay, binngel am, hannde boo, haa toy a waalata?" O wi'i: "Mamma am, mi waalan haa tummude limse." O wi'i mo yoo: "Too, binngel am." O saali o yehi o waali haa tummude biriji. Mamma goo hoosi yiite yehi sunnya haa haa haa limse. Limse wuldi pat, jokkaay mo. Weeti fajiri. O yamata mo: "Hannde boo taanam am, hannde boo, haa

<sup>1</sup> Jemma hiiri km ba wi'go jemma wadi.

<sup>2</sup> Ngaajiri, dum kodde. To be cedi kuroori, be ngaylata ngaajiri, be acca kuroori.

<sup>3</sup> Sunnyugo kam jamnugo yiite, hoosa nge yaha takka babal feere.

toy a waalata?" O wi'i: "Hannde kam mi waalan haa haa haa nder gawri mamma am. Haa tummude gawri nii, mi waalata." O yabbi<sup>4</sup> o yehi o waali haa haa tummude yadiiri. Mamma goo wari, wari hoosi yiite sunnyi gawri. Gawri jaabidi pat. O wi'ata mo yoo: "Kaay, taanam am, janngo kam, haa toy a waalata fayin?" O wi'ata mo yoo: "Kaay, mamma am, mi waalan haa tummude nyebbe." O saali o yehi o waali haa tummude njigaari. Mamma hoosi yiite yehi sunnyi haa nder nyebbe goo. Nyebbe doo jaabidi pat. Nde weeti fajiri o wi'ata mo yoo: "Kaay, taanam am, hannde kam haa toy a waalataa?" O wi'i: "Hannde kam, mamma am, hannde kam, miin kam mi waalan haa haa haa haa dow suudu." Asee maa, o yehi o waali haa haa baawo suudu.

See, mamma kam hoosi yiite takki haa nder suudu.

See, yiite immi tan, mamma diwi wurti, tammino yoo o don ton kadi. Waatoo, to yiite doo to wuli moo, heba o nyaama mo noo kadi. Binngel goo haa baawo suudu, yehi, ronngini joodfi. O wuldi kuuje maako pat. Binngel kam do joodi nii gite, do laara mamma, jala. Mamma wi'i yoo: "Kaay, ayyee, binngel am, hannde kam, haa toy a waalataa?" O wi'i: "Mamma am, haa sekkeeru<sup>5</sup> doo nii, haa sekkeeru doo nii, mi waalata hannde." O yehi. Mamma tokki mo. O wi'i mo yoo: "Hannde kam a waalan haa haa haa toy on?" O wi'i: "Kaay, hannde kam, mamma am, haa aawdi doo nii, haa mbekre<sup>6</sup> awdi doo nii, mi waalata hannde." O saali o yehi o waali haa mbekre tanndawje, o waali. Haa haa haa nder mbekre makabo o yehi o waali.

Too, mamma hoosi yiite yehi sunnyi haa haa aawdi jee o aawanno goo. Aawdi wuli kumuk. Weeti fajiri mamma yamata mo yoo: "Taanam am, hannde kam haa toy a waalataa?" O wi'i: "Hannde kam, mamma am, ko saalini yam miin doo mi waala haa haa aawdi njigaari?" Binngel yehi waali haa haa haa aawdi biriji yehi waali nder maaji.

See nonnon, o hoosi yiite o yehi o sunnyi haa nder aawdi njigaari goo. Aawdi njigaari wulidi jinni pat. Koo peetel luttaay. O wi'ata mo yoo: "Kaay, hannde kam, taanam am, haa toy a waalataa?" O wi'ata mo yoo: "Kaay, mamma am, ko saalini yam waalugo haa haa nder namarde doo?" O saali o yehi o waali haa haa saka suudu. O hoosi yiite. O yehi o sunnyi haa nder tummude. Tummude wuldi pat. O yamata mo: "Taanam am, hannde boo, haa toy a waalataa?" O wi'i: "Kaay, mamma am, hannde kam ko saalini yam waalugo hubburde<sup>7</sup>?"

See, mamma hoosi yiite, jukki jukki jukki jukki. Yiite jaabi. Walaa ko hunnde wurti. O nanaay boo koo ko.

<sup>4</sup> Yabbaago, dhum saalaago.

<sup>5</sup> Sekkeeru < sekko / cekke.

<sup>6</sup> Mbekre, dhum mbekre gawri. Be sigan kuuje nder mbekre. Dum nanndi bee silaaje. Dum can-nyaadum. Be sannyira bee bali. Dum beembal.

<sup>7</sup> Hubbirde, dhum kaatinde.

Too, o yami mo: "Hannde, taanam am, hannde kam haa toy a waalataa?" O wi'i: "Kayya, mamma, kayya?" O wi'i: "Hannde kam, haa dow sekko mon don nii, mi waalata hannde." O wi'i: "Too." O hoosi yiite, o sunnyi yiite haa sekko maako. Sekko maako wuldi pat. Binngel saali yehi waali haa haa hoore sekko maako. Binngel yehi waali nii gite don laara mo. Binngel doo nii taari wuldi mamma doo. Kuuje doo pat jinni. Fewi mo nii nii, fewi mo nii: "Haa do mi waalta." O sotta yaha waala doo janngo. "Haa do mi waalta." O sotta yaha waala doo janngo. Mamma wuldi kuuje maako pat. Haa wuldi bee suudi maa.

Naa miin taali. Tuggere on taali.

(16/2/1981, Iisa bii Saadu bii Saali bii Saydu bii Muusa taali ngol haa Ray Buuba. Daamaajo lesdi Ray. O anndaa Daamaare, sey, Fulfulde. Daada Iisa anndi Daamaare. Iisa janngi Aarabiya seycfa. Asta Bana taalani mo. Asta kam bii Kal-lunga bii Jabu-waddu. Mo asngol Laka haa fattude Dow Maayo.)

## 123 Binngel dadungel wuro kuturu'en (1)

Waatoo, doo doo doo boo, dum binngel laamdo on. Binngel laamdo oo, waatoo, oo bee puccu maako ngorgu cemmbinndu<sup>1</sup>. O meeday va'ugo puccu.

See, laamdo vi'i see o va'a o saamna o foota<sup>2</sup> dum. O va'a o samna o foota dum. O va'a o saamna o yaha o taara o hoofna laamdo. O va'a o saamna o yaha o hoofna laamdo. Yeeso goo o saamni.

See, puccu lagammbal ta'i.

See, o tiiti<sup>3</sup> laawol ladde tan. Be doggi, be doggi, be doggi, o doggi, o doggi, o doggi. O yotti.

See, puccu goo diwi gaaruwol<sup>4</sup>.

See, gaaruwol yecciti<sup>5</sup> tan. O nasti wuro kuturu'en.

See, o yotti tonton boo. Be nanngi mo be maabbi. Kuturu'en boo, a anndi, nyaaman goddo. Be nanngi mo be maabbi mo haa nder suudu.<sup>6</sup> Be warri haa be nyaama mo. Haa be nyaama mo kadi.

See, o darnini be tan. Be vi'i mo: "Noye?" Oo dilla yaha wadda ledde. Oo jooda ayna mo.

See, o joodfi tan. O o do nyima:

"Bene kuy, beneene kuy, kuy kuy,  
beneene kuy..."

<sup>1</sup> Haanii wi'go cemmbinngu.

<sup>2</sup> Haanii wi'go footina. Waatoo, ba wi'go daruugo ruccu.

<sup>3</sup> Tiitaago, dum waylitaago gal.

<sup>4</sup> Gaaruwol, dum ilaagel, luggere.

<sup>5</sup> Yeccitugo, dum nappitugo, ta'ugo.

<sup>6</sup> Kuturu nyaaman yimbe kam sey haa nder taalol.

O do wada bana nii.

See, kuturu do tappa mbaggumum, do tappa mbaggumum, do fija.

See, kanko boo o joodi o do nyima. Kuturu vi'i mo: "Noye?" "Mi nyima naa?" "A waman naa?" Puccu maako boo do nana, do nana haala.

See, o soofndi puccu maako. O vi'i puccu maako wara bee Mbumre kadi. O ewni puccu maako wara. Puccu maako, see, wari dari haa sera hunnde doo may tan. O vi'i puccu maako vurtina, puccu maako vurtini mo. O do nyima:

"Bene kuy, beneene kuy.

Bene kuy, taa mi tappa<sup>7</sup> Bene kuy, taa mi tappa."

Waatoo, oo doo doo o hoosi hunnde jee be fuufata'en doo. Hunnde jee be fuufata, jee juutinnga, jee laamdo'en doo, paareeji<sup>8</sup>. O fuddi.

"Bene kuy, taa mi tappa."

Paare, o do fuufa. O do fuufa hunnde may.

"Bene kuy, beneene kuy, kuy.

Bene kuy, taa mi tappa.

Bene kuy, taa mi tappa."

Yeeso goo, see, o ummi tan. O do saamna. Yimbe'en don dabbita mo nder ladde. Mo wari pat, kuturu'en mbara mo. Mo wari pat, kuturu'en mbara. Mo wari pat, kuturu'en mbara.

Yeeso goo, see, o va'i puccu maako tan. O va'i puccu maako goo. Kuri maako don diga haa saare. Kuri doo, nde ewni kuri doo pat umma wara tawa mo bee hoore mum. Kuri ummi wara tawa mo tan. Nde kuri wari tawi mo, see, be do joodidi<sup>9</sup>. O joodi bee kuri goo haa maako. Waatoo, fid'a kuri doo, to o fid'i kurol doo, sumpita yimbe teemere<sup>10</sup>. Lora warta haa babal naane o fid'a. Kurol gootel non bee lagaawal gootel. Kanjum on o fidirta<sup>11</sup> konu maako. Be habi bee kuturu'en. Be habi bee kuturu'en. Be habi bee kuturu'en. O ganyi<sup>12</sup> be. O warti. Waatoo, lagambal doo, maccudo jee do wadana mo goo, be narri haa be mbara mo, tata o laama, heba. Tata laamdo maayi, tata o laama. Yaake may boo laamdo badi maayugo. Nde laamdo maayi boo, haa be lammina goddo feere. O mbardi be, o warti, o wari o laami.

Too, taalol may boo jinni boo, taalol ramminnga on.

(22/1/1983, Aaamadu Raufaa'u taali ngol haa Ngawndere. Kordo laamdo Ngawndere feere taalani mo jemma desamburu 1982.)

<sup>7</sup> Taa mi taa kam ba wi'go, taa mi saalo bee Mbumre.

<sup>8</sup> Paare / paareeji.

<sup>9</sup> Joodidi fotan bee < joododi.

<sup>10</sup> Teemere < teemerre.

<sup>11</sup> Haanii wi'go < wadirta.

<sup>12</sup> Ganyi < gagner. Waatoo, bana wi'go jaali.

## 124 Binngel dadungel wuro kuturu'en (2)

Taalel taalel.

Godso doo don. O yehi o soodi puccu ngorgu. O waddi haa saare maako. O yehi o waddi puccu may, danyi binngel gorko. Binngel maako wari va'i<sup>1</sup> yehi do saamna, do saamna, teeti mo, yotti sey huunde ta'i.

Sey, labangal ta'i, puccu maako dilli dilli dilli. dilli dilli haa wuro kuturu'en. Kuturu'en jabi mo, jabi mo, jabi mo, jabi mo, wadni mo, wadni mo babal joodnde. Feere dilli yahgo tefa ledde, dilli yehi tefi ledde, wari. Nde o wari, sey, o wi'a be defa mo.

Sey, o do yima. O wi'a:

“Bene kuy, beneene kuykuy.

Bene kuy, taa mi tabba.

Bene kuy taa mi tabba.”

Be mbi'i: “Taa accu mo.”

Sey, puccu maako tuuti mboodi, tuuti pallaandi.

Nonnon, sey, o ta'i juude pallaandi, o yaari. Be mbi'i yoo ta'a feere. O hoo'i pat o yaari.

Nonnon, sey be dilli yahgo wadda ledde. O vi'i be vurtina mo o yima gimol feere.

“Bene kuy, beneene kuykuy.

Bene kuy, taa mi tabba.

Bene kuy, taa mi tabba.”

O vi'i yoo kutruru'en joodfa nyima<sup>2</sup>. Kanko o yaha ban doo, vi'a: “Miin kam mi lora,” wara foota be. O yotti. Nde o yotti laawol, o tokki laawol kuturu haa yaara junngo nannga haa nannga, balmi ta'a, kuturu haa yaara junngo nannga haa nannga, balmi ta'a, kuturu haa yaara junngo nannga haa nannga, balmi ta'a. Haa o yahi o yotti mbaj<sup>3</sup> maabbe.

Taalol am jinni.

(16/8/1976, Aamadu Rufaa'i taali ngol haa Ngawndere.)

## 125 Derdiraabe d'ido bee nyaamoobe tagaafe

Oyani, gorko feere, waatoo, be derdiraabe. Oo doo maa mawniraajo. Oo doo boo minyiraajo. Be joodi wuro gootel. Be do joodi ban nii, be do joodi ban nii, be

<sup>1</sup> Va'i < wa'i.

<sup>2</sup> Nyima < yima.

<sup>3</sup> Mbañ, dum wuro bee Mbumre.

do joodi ban nii. Minyiraajo wi'i yoo: "Wuro en joodi doo kam, jawdi walaa sam doo kam, en dilla lee wuro jee nyaamata tagaafe, mi yaha mi fija saasa, mi heba seede."

See, O hoosi puccu maako. O doggi, o doggi, o doggi, o doggi. O yehi o tawi kuytaaje wi'i yoo: "Kayya, yakkataa kam, yakkataa kam." Doo boo wi'i: "Yakkam. Yakkam." O tebi kuytaaje goo, yakki. Biirawanndu, ndiyam o yehi o sakkini dene gertogal. Gootel haa nder ndiyam. Ndiyam bee<sup>1</sup> hanj, o saali. O doggi, o doggi, o doggi, o doggi, o doggi, o doggi, o tawi wuro yimbe'en goo, nyaaman tagaafe wadtaako, nyaaman tagaafe wadtaako.

Sey, o yehi, o fiji saasa, o fiji saasa.

Yoo, puccu maako boo, dum wicco man, dum doo, dum razwaar pat haa wicco maako man doo, labi. Labi ta'an junngo goddo.

Sey, o fiji saasa, o fiji saasa, o fiji saasa. Yimbe wuro man doo wi'i: "Haako wari. Haako wari. Haako wari. Haako wari. Haako wari. Haako wari." Be sigi ndiyam, leggal dow leggal, leggal dow leggal, leggal dow leggal, haa dow yiite. Haala maako.

See, o fiji saasa, o fiji saasa, o fiji saasa, o fiji saasa, haa he'i mo.

See, o hebi seede kam jur. O wari o wa'i puccu maako. O wa'i puccu maako goo, kaap, o hoosi pargal. Yimbe wuro'en goo dogga nannga baawo wicco goo, sey, ta'a be junngo pat. O nannga haa ta'a be junngo pat. Nannga ta'a be junngo pat. O yotti maayo. O sakkini dene gertogal jee doo, eeri. O sakkini jee doo haa baawo. Ndiyam immi waywi. Yimbe'en goo naatugo maayi, koo joy'en doo, jeego'en doo.

See, o dilli saare.

See, o yehi o waali. O yehi o nokki seede goo, hokki baka maako. Baka maako wi'i yoo: "Binngel peetel nii, imma heba jawdi nii, miin mi yahataa? Miin mi yahan." O wi'i: "Mh"mhmh, baka am, pellel man naa pellel yahgo. Yimbe man doo nyaaman goddo. Puccu maa doo wicco man walaa labi. Miin jee am doo bee labi. To a yehi doo, be nanngete, be mbara meere. Joodu."

Sey, o vi'i: "Kayya, acci ton bee fewre maa doo naa. Mi yahan mi yi'a." O yehi, o yehi, o yehi, o yehi, o yehi, o yehi. Biirawa, o yehi o tawi kuytaaje doo wi'a: "Yakkam. Yakkam." O yakkaay. Kuytaaje jee wi'i: "Taa yakkam, taa yakkam," o tebi o yakki. O eeri, o eeri, o eeri, o eeri. O yehi o sakkini dene gertogal doo haa dow ndiyam. Ndiyam bee<sup>1</sup>. O immini pargal o yotti, o yotti, o yotti, o yotti.

See, be wii'i yoo: "Kusel wari. Kusel wari." Biirawatte, o jippi. O fiji saasa, o fiji saasa, o fiji saasa, o fiji saasa, o hebi seede kam ko he'ata. Biira, o imma, o joodi dow puccu o wara. Haa be immi, be nanngi, be waagiri mo. Kanko, puccu maako walaa koo

<sup>1</sup> Beebi kam ba wi'go ndiyam timmi.

dume, walaa koo dume, be yehi be waagiri mo . Be wi'i: "Waddu seede doo." O waddi. Be wi'i: "Ittu limse banndu maa doo." O itti. Be wi'i: "Ittu gaaruwol<sup>2</sup> maa doo. Ittu gaaruwol doo law." O itti. "Ittu sarla maa doo." Itti. "Ittu kalsoj maa doo." Itti. "Ittu hufineere ma doo." Itt pat kadi. O wi'i: "Waddu labi maa doo." O waddi. "Waddu ko woni banndu maa kam pat." O itti hunnde pat haa banndu, joodi dow puccu kam dubbe meere.

See, biira, o laari hunnde doo bura, o sigi junngo haa hunnduko, wooki. O do wooka, o do wooka, o do wooka. Biirawatte, be do ta'a puccu maako goo. Be do ta'a, bee labi.

See, biira, o wooki. Derdiiko goo nani, o wari yiwiugo ndiyam o nani. O hoosi puccu maako o doggi o wari, birti birti birti. O yehi birti, o wari tawi baka maako kam joodi dubbe meere.

See, o efti baka maako jo"ini dow puccu.

See, yowwaa, o wari doggi doggi doggi doggi doggi doggi wari sakkini dene ger-togal haa ndiyam. Ndiyam beebei. O eeri. O sakkini jee doo, jee ndiyam waywi mbari yimbe'en goo.

See, o doggi yehi saare. O wari o yecci baka maako: "Ndaa ko mi yeccata maa goo on doo. A waabi yam a yehi, lutti seeda ko be mbare."

See, baka maako goo wi'i yoo: "Kaay, derdam am, to mi anndino, to mi nanino kam, mi yahataano. Lutti sedfa ko be mbara-mi. Be jafti hunnde am meere. Ndaa mi warti dubbe meere. Ko a hokki am doo maa he'i. Suuno on yaari yam. Naa hunnde feere."

Timmi kadi.

(16/2/1981, Omaru bii Seyni bii Toobi bii Muusa bii Labeya taali ngol haa Ray Buuba. Baaba mum Moonoojo. Daada boo Mbumjo. Mo waawataa Moonoore ammaa waawan Mbumre duuddum. Mbumre buran Fulfulde. Mo mawni haa Tuboro haa lesdi Baaba haa o yotti duubi sappoo e tati. Gurdo bii Doogari Hama Yaaji, Duruujo taalani mo.)

## 126 Kunnga ladde bee debbo laamdo

Binngel debbo don booddum nii, goddo bii goddo feere boo yidi mo te'ugo. Kanko boo o yidaa gorko maa-jum sam. Nde o yidaa gorko man goo nii, o vi'i see goddo feere o yidi. Goddo goo boo yidaa mo bood-dum.

Sey, o dilli maayo o yehi o hawri mo bee hunnde ladde. Be yehi hawri mo bee fowru haa ton.

Sey, fowru goo vi'i see to nyaami mo. O ummi. O do dogga, o do dogga, o do dogga, o wari o yotti haa saare mabbe.

<sup>2</sup> Gaaruwol kam asngol dawrawol.

Sey, o yotti o tappi dammugal. O vi'i:

“Daada, daada, yidam le.

Daada danygo, yidam le.

Kunnga nga ladde,

kunnga ladde nga mudda<sup>1</sup>.”

Daada maako vi'i: “To a yidi, doggu dillu haa baaba maa.” O doggi o dilli o yehi o tawi baaba maako, vi'i:

“Baaba, yidam le.

Baaba danygo, yidam le.

Kunnga nga ladde,

kunnga ladde nga mudda.”

Baaba maako vi'i: “To a yidi, doggu dillu haa bappaanyo ma.” O dilli haa bappaanyo maako goo. O yehi o dari.

“Bappa, yidam le.

Bappayel am, yidam le.

Kunnga nga ladde,

kunnga ladde nga mudda.”

Bappaanyo maako vi'i: “To a yidi, doggu dillu haa hamma ma.” O dilli hamma maako goo. O yehi o wadi:

“Hamma am, yidam le.

Hammayel, am yidam le.

Kunnga nga ladde,

kunnga ladde nga mudda.”

Hamma maako vi'i: “To a yidi, dillu haa adda ma. O doggi dilli haa adda maako goo. O yehi o dari. Kanjum boo tappi dammugal.

“Kadi, adda am, yidam le.

Addayel am, yidam le.

Kunnga nga ladde,

kunnga ladde nga mudda.”

Adda maako goo vi'i mabbitittaako, to o yidi o dilla goggo maako. O dilli haa goggo maako goo.

“Goggo am, yidam le.

Goggoyel am, yidam le.

Kunnga nga ladde,

kunnga ladde nga mudda.”

Goggo maako vi'i: “To a yidi, doggu dillu haa yaapenndo ma'en.” O doggi o dilli haa yaapenndo maako goo. Kunnga do sakiti mo. O yehi o dari. O vi'i yoo:

“Penndo am yidam le.

<sup>1</sup> Mudda kam teema fotan bee ngudda.

Penndoyel am yidam, le.  
Kunnga nga ladde,  
kunnga ladde nga mudda.”

Yaapenndo maako goo vi'i: “To a yidi, tefu haa pellel a yahata. Naa suudu am do, a nastata.”

Sey, o doggi o dilli haa gorko goo. O tawi be diuuddum nii, be do hiira. O wari o dari haa saka dammugal.

“Oo doo, yidam le.  
Oo dooyel am, yidam le.  
Kunnga nga ladde,  
kunnga ladde nga mudda.”

Sey, gorko goo vi'i: “En nana. Woodi ko do volwa haa yaasi doo.”

Sey, be hediti. Wadi fayin.

“Oo doo, yidam le.  
Oo dooyel am, yidam le.  
Kunnga nga ladde,  
kunnga ladde nga mudda.”

Sey, gorko goo doggi vurti haa saka derke'en goo, tawi mo haa yaasi, tawi kunnga goo don haa baawo maako bana do nannga mo nii, gorko goo sey tappi kunnga goo tan. Biirabattel, be fuddi habre. Be do haba, be do haba, be do haba, be do haba, haa haa haa juura yotti.

Sey, o vi'i yoo: “Juura wari en juulataa na? Tijja haa naange woni.” Kunnga goo tiji naange haa dow nii, sey, o salti<sup>2</sup> daande. Daande ta'i. Be lori be fudsiti fayinta. O do haba bee suka, do haba bee suka, o do haba bee suka, haa asiri wadi. O vi'i: “Asiri wadi. Tijjen laara to asiri wadi. Haa en asira.”

Doo boo sey o soppi saka goo boo, o senndi fayinta. Binngel debbo hooti nastini mo tan. O baaji mo.

Taalol ramma. Mi juuta.

(22/1/1983, Aadama 6ii Alhaji Bello Iisa, malla, Koore danyaado hitaande 1960 taali ngol haa Ngawndere. Goggo taalani mo.)

## 127 Kumaarewal ngal bañji laamdo

Taalel kumaarewal mi do taala ma.

Dabbunde wadi. Solli eggı, acci kumaare. Nde eggı, pulodebbo feere do saala, see, yehi tawi o do joodi. O vi'i mo: “Noy?” O vi'i yimbe maako pat eggidi, o eggay. O vi'i: “Too, war.” Puldebbo hoosi mo, yaari, yehi sigi mo.

Nden nden, laamdo do tefa debbo. Puldebbo goo yehi laamdo vi'i: “Tefinee

<sup>2</sup> Saltugo, cfum tayugo, soppugo, ittugo.

dam debbo.” O vi’i: “Too.”

See, þe yehi þe tefi debbo. O vi’i: “Debbo booddo ðon suudu am.” Asee, ðum þii kumaare.

Yowwaa, o yehi o fewi laamðo. Laamðo vi’i: “Too, waddanam.” O yehi o hoo’i debbo, jemma þe waddi.

See, þe wari þe nasti suudu. Be fawni. Be jo”ini. Laamðo vi’i: “Too. Be hoo’a debbo.” Be hoo’i debbo waddi, laamðo tawi debbo suudi mo limse, þe fawni mo. Laamðo laari, laari, vi’i: “Too, debbo do voodi.” Laamðo wari jo”ini mo haa saare. A anndi laamðo walaa ko yaali ðum bee haala rewþe.

See, kuuje on do rufa, kuuje on do rufa, haa haa seeto wadi. Banndiiko’en warti. Be do nyima. Haa nder ladde be do tefa mo.

“Kumaare þii arnaado.

Kumaare ruuruuruuruusi.

Kumaa.

Kumaare sansii, mooraaki.

Kuma baage þii arnaado.

Kumaare sansii, mooraaki.

Kumaa.

Kuma baage þii arnaado.

Kumaa.”

Haa, debbo goo wada nii.

See, þe yi’i sonndu goo, fuddfi. Nga dimmba. Bikkoy yehi doggi, vi’i: “Debbo laamðo goo ðum sonndu. Debbo laamðo goo dum sonndu.”

See, laamðo vi’i: “Biirawatte, sottee doo.” Banndiiko’en do nyima dabbita mo. Kanko boo o do tefa.

“Kumaare þii arnaado.

Kumaare þii arnaado.

Kumaare baage sansii, mooraaki.

Kumaare dabbunde dabbii.

Kumaa.

Seeto seetii.

Kumaa.

Kumaare sansii, mooraaki.

Kumaa.”

Yowwaa, see, o hafti. Haftugo nii, þiira, pufufufufu, see, o sorti<sup>1</sup>. O fiiri puuf.

“Kumaare dilli.

Kumaare baage þii arnaado.

Kumaare dilli.

<sup>1</sup> Sortugo, dum doggugo.

Kumaare dilli jabbitaay.  
Kumaare baage dilli e anndaa.  
Kummare bii arnaado.  
Kuma sanci mooraaki.  
Kuma.”

(25/1/1983, Yaapenndo taali ngol haa Ngawndere. Daada mum'en taalani mo.)

## 128 Binngel deyel laatiingel kumaarewal

Taalel taalel, njamma taboyel namarga pella dow hoore taaloowo.

Goddoo oo, o danyi binngel debbo. Binngel debbo maako goo, tum binngel deyel goo, tum nii vurta vurta, dilla waancuru nii, wartataa bana bikkoy sam haa midi. Asee maa, binngel doo kam don latta kumaareeje. Nii nii haa binngel goo mawni banga ngel fuu daada anndaa ko ngel wadta. Hii, naa o bangi naa, o hebi gorko. Be njoodidi bee gorko haa be ndanyidi binngel.

Too, o wallini binngel. Gorko goo dilli jahaangal, acci binngel goo, see kanyum see daada gorko maako bee binngel maako keccel. Gorko dilli jahaangal.

Sikenaa, see midi badake, o wurti kanko o yehi o lattiti kumaarewal. O yehi haa maaje. O don suppa bee kumaareje.

See nonnon, binngel maako goo don wooka. Esiiko don law dabbiti: “Ayyee, Alla am, anndaa to o dilli,” don dabbita, don dabbita. Binngel goo don neerta ban nii. Asee debbo goo boo haa nyaamata doo don nana ko binngel mum voyata doo. O vi'i:

“Kumaare am, eekam debbo wari naa?  
Makala nyaama, mi nyaama.  
Makala suppa, mi suppa.  
Jeeda baagel.  
To baage piiri, mi war maa.”

Nii nii nii nii nii nii nii, esiiko goo boo don badita bee binngel goo boo don voya.

“Kumaare am, eekam debbo wari naa?  
Makala nyaama, mi nyaama.  
Makala suppa, mi suppa.  
Jeeda baagel.  
To baage piiri, mi war maa.”

Nii nii, biira, see nonnon, beya goo yotti. Oo goo nokki lesdi nii, asee, mal-lumjo donno ukki mo nii nii. O meetaay wartugo goddo, o wartiri kumaarewal nonnon. O fiiri o tokki kumaareeje.

Takalamulus takkaande bu'e bojel.

(1969-70, Abdullaay Osmaanu Baaseewoojo taali ngol haa Marwa.)

## 129 Kumaarewal ngal yidaa bangugo gorko mo battarre

Taalel taalel. Njanna taboooyel.

Bii kumaarewal wi'i yoo sinaa gorko mo walaa battarre bangata mo. O laari o laari o laari gorko woodaa battarre o bangi mo. Daada maako goo wari don joodfi dow suudu. O wi'i:

“Kumaa, waru, ndabboyen.

Ndabbohoy ndabbidi.

Ceedohoy ceedidi.”

O wi'i:

“Dam, mi yahataa.

Kiri dam dam dam, mi yahataa.

Kiri dam.”

Baaba maako boo lori wari joodfi dow suudu, o wi'i:

“Kumaa, waru, ndabboyen.

Ndabbohoy ndabbidi.

Ceedohoy ceedidi.”

O wi'i:

“Dam, mi yahataa.

Kiri dam dam dam, mi yahataa.

Kiri dam.”

Hamma maako goo wari joodfi dow suudu wi'i:

“Kumaa, waru, ndabboyen.

Ndabbohoy ndabbidi.

Ceedohoy ceedidi.”

O wi'i:

“Dam, mi yahataa.

Kiri dam dam dam, mi yahataa.

Kiri dam.”

Bappanyo maako wari joodfi dow hoore suudu, o wi'i:

“Kumaa, waru, ndabboyen.

Ndabbohoy ndabbidi.

Ceedohoy ceedidi.”

O wi'i:

“Dam, mi yahataa.

Kiri dam dam dam, mi yahataa.

Kiri dam.”

Ndaa mi haddo.

Ndaa ngel hatto. Weli metti ndikka yobbeego.

(19/2/1990, Baabaajo taali ngol haa Keyni.)

## 130 Kunnga bee binngel (1)

Taalol taalol, taalel, gommbel njaalaan ngogga, njaaltaan ngogga caka fellere nanoobe.

Gorko oo bee debbo bee binngel gootel. Be remooße boo. Be ndilla ladde, be ndilla ladde, be acca binngel goo. To be ndefi fuu be accana ngel dow fayannde. To be ndilli nii, suy, kunnga wara.

“Maa Mbum, maa Mbum.”

“Naywu barkaa ma, rennge rennge kirindeŋ.”

“E, to daada ma woni?”

“O dilli haa ladde, rennge rennge kirindeŋ.”

“E, to baaba ma woni?”

“O dilli haa ladde, rennge rennge kirindeŋ.”

“E, to nyiiri maa woni?”

“Don haa fayannde, rennge rennge kirindeŋ.”

“Mi nyamana maa ndi.”

“Daada am tappan, rennge rennge kirindeŋ.”

“E miin bee bammaa, mo buri hulnaago?”

“Aan nii, barkaama, rennge rennge kirindeŋ.”

O nyaami. O dilli. Baaba'en ngarti. Jawwaali be ndilli haa ladde fahin. Be ndilli ladde goo. Be ndefi be accani mo haa fayannde. Be ndilli. Nga wari janngo boo.

“Maa Mbum, maa Mbum.”

“Naywu barkaa ma, rennge rennge kirindeŋ.”

“E, to daada ma woni?”

“O dilli haa ladde, rennge rennge kirindeŋ.”

“E, to nyiiri maa woni?”

“Don haa fayannde, rennge rennge kirindeŋ.”

“Mi nyamana maa ndi.”

“Daada am tappan, rennge rennge kirindeŋ.”

“E miin bee baaba, mo buri hulnaago?”

“Aan nii, barkaa ma, rennge rennge kirindeŋ.”

O nyaami. Baaba'en ngarti. Be mbi'i: “Binngel am, dume fooynan maa ban nii sam kam?” Daada kam wi'i: “Reenan hannde kam. Dillataa ladde jawwaali.” Daada wa”i leggal. Baaba kam dilli kadi.

Suy, kunnga goo wari.

“Maa Mbum, maa Mbum.”

“Naywu barkaa ma, rennge rennge kirindeŋ.”

“E, to daada ma woni?”

“O dilli haa ladde, rennge rennge kirindej.”

“E, to baaba ma woni?”

“O dilli haa ladde, rennge rennge kirindej.”

“E, to nyiiri maa woni?”

“Don haa fayannde, rennge rennge kirindej.”

“Mi nyamana maa ndi.”

“Daada am tappan, rennge rennge kirindej.”

“E miin bee bammaa, mo buri hulnaago?”

“Aan nii, barkaa ma, rennge rennge kirindej.”

Suy, o wari o nyaami nyiiri goo. Nde baaba warti nii, daada jippi, wi'ata baaba:  
“En eggū.” Gorko maako sali eggugo. O wi'i: “Kunnga don wara daama binngel  
doo. To en accani mo nyiiri fuu, o nyaamataa. Kunnga on warata, nyaama nyiiri  
ndi.” Gorko wi'i: “Accu mi wa”a dow dan̄ki. Mi laara kunnga maajum.”

Jam, daada kam dilli ladde, acci goriiko wa”i dan̄ki. Kunnga wari.

“Maa Mbum, maa Mbum.”

“Naywu barkaa ma, rennge rennge kirindej.”

“E, to daada ma woni?”

“O dilli haa ladde, rennge rennge kirindej.”

“E, to baaba ma woni?”

“O dilli haa ladde, rennge rennge kirindej.”

“E, to nyiiri maa woni?”

“Don haa fayannde, rennge rennge kirindej.”

“Mi nyamana maa ndi.”

“Daada am tappan, rennge rennge kirindej.”

“E miin bee bammaa, mo buri hulnaago?”

“Aan nii, barkaa ma, rennge rennge kirindej.”

O nyaami nyiiri. Baaba dionno joodfi dow dan̄ki, saari. O hultori o saari.

Jam, o wi'i:

“E, dumeecaccata doo?”

“Dum mbuuja baaba am, rennge rennge kirindej.”

“Mi nyamana maa dum.”

“Baaba am tappan, rennge rennge kirindej.”

“E miin bee bammaa, mo buri hulnaago?”

“Aan nii, barkaa ma, rennge rennge kirindej.”

O nyaami bu'e baaba goo. O yaari faandu feere haa dubbe beembal.

“E, faandu moyjo doo?”

“Dum faandu baaba am, rennge rennge kirindej.”

“Mi fuufana maa ndu.”

“Baaba am tappan, rennge rennge kirindeŋ.”

“E miin bee bammaa, mo buri hulnaago?”

“Aan nii, barkaa ma, rennge rennge kirindeŋ.”

O fuufi faandu goo.

Jam, o dilli. Baaba kam hiddeko daada warta o fawi kuuje booyma. O wi'i:  
“Janngo kam en eggū. Kunnga wari haa nyaama min. Minin fuu min kultori.”

Jam, ße kooyi kuuje ße ndilli. Ndaa ße doo daga haa ton.

Takalamulus.

(Taaldo anndataake. Ammaa nder taalol woodi Kalimawol Mbumre. Teema ngol  
taalaama haa lesdi Ngawndere.)

## 131 Kunnga bee binngel (2)

Taalel taalel.

Waatoo, woodi binngel gorko feere don peetel bee daada maako bee baaba  
maako. Tum, ße dilli ngesa, ße acca mo. Tum, ße dilli ngesa, ße acca mo. O do joodi  
haa saare. O do joodi haa saare kanko feere maako. To ße dilli doo, sey ße hokka  
mo nyiiri maako. Be sigina mo haa dow däŋki. To naange wadi, o nyaama.

Too, sey, hunnde ladde wari nani. Tum, to ße dilli, ße accina mo kuuje  
nyaamdu haa dow däŋki. O wari o hoosa o nyaama.

Sey, hunnde yotta vi'a:

“Jenngeledu jenngeledu.”

O vi'a:

“Jenngeledu kurunde.”

“E to baaba maa?”

“Baaba am dilli ladde, jenngeledu kurunde.”

“E to hamma maa?”

“Hamma am dilli ladde, jenngeledu kurunde.”

“E to inna maa?”

“Inna am dilli ladde, jenngeledu kurunde.”

“E to nyiiri maa?”

“Nyiiri don dow däŋki, jenngeledu kurunde.”

“Mi nyaama naa?”

“Ndaa nyaamee lee, barkaa maa, jenngeledu kurunde.”

Hunnde nyaama. Tum, tum, hunnde doo hefti warugo nyaama nyaamdu. Tum,  
hunnde goo hefti warugo nyaama nyaamdu haa saare. Hunnde ladde may haamni  
masin walaa mo foti. Hunnde may hulanan ße. Hunnde may diggini ße sam. Tum  
wara nyaama. Tum wara. Tum wara nyaama. Binngel do sewa.

Sey, yannde feere, ße joodi tan. Baaba bee daada wari nyukki saka loonde'en

tan. Be wari be nyukki aka loondiiji. Be nyukki. Be do joodi nder loonde.

Sey, hunnde wari, do ewna mo:

“Jenngeledu jenngeledu.”

“Jenngeledu kurunde.”

“E to baaba maa?”

“Baaba am dilli ladde, jenngeledu kurunde.”

“E to hamma maa?”

“Hamma am dilli ladde, jenngeledu kurunde.”

“E to inna maa?”

“Inna am dilli ladde, jenngeledu kurunde.”

“E to nyiiri maa?”

“Nyiiri don dow danki, jenngeledu kurunde.”

Yaake may kam baaba kam do waali saara hebbina loondiiji nonnon, hebbini loondiiji pat. Baaba'en nii diwnata bee daada fuu.

Sey, o ummi. O hokki hunnde ladde, o hoosi dum tan. Hunnde ladde do nyaama. Be joodi haa be mbara hunnde ladde. Nde be yi'i hunnde ladde may hulni, be wurti gadfa suudu tan. Be wurti be fawi be do dogga. Hunnde nyaami haaraay, yari mbusiri.

Sey, safti fusi suudu may tan, eewi be do dogga haa to, wadi boggol. Be va'i<sup>1</sup> dow boggol. Be saali. Hunnde wari haa va'a dow boggol do'i<sup>2</sup> nder maayo, waati.

Taalol may boo jinni.

(23/1/1983, Aamadu Rufaa'i taali ngol haa Ngawndere. Debbo Yahunduujo taalani mo.)

## 132 Kunnga bee binngel (3)

Bikkoy rewbe don duuddum nii, bikkoy budurwa. Be dilli yahgo itta kuuje haa nder geene.

Sey, be dilli be do warta nii, be pat be wari be joodi haa dow tapaare feere, hayre mannga nii. Tapaaje be wari be joodi haa ton.

Sey, be pat be joodi, be siwti, be siwti.

Sey, be wadi: “En pat en wada aartiko<sup>1</sup> yummugo.”

Sey, be hafti be pat. Gootel goo sakiti ummugo<sup>2</sup>. O habdi haa umma, foobe maako sey takki haa dow tapaare goo. O joodi haa ton. Be habdi haa o umma salori. Foobe takki.

See, be yehi be yecci daada maako bee baaba maako wari. Wari nyibini mo

<sup>1</sup> Va'i < wa'i.

<sup>2</sup> Do'i < do'i.

<sup>1</sup> Aartiko, cfum fijirde bikkoy. Aartudo woni hooreejo.

<sup>2</sup> Taaloowo wi'i ummnugo haa doo. O wi'aay yummugo.

bukkaaru haa tapaaare goo, acci mo haa ton. To veeti, be waddina mo nyaamdu'en, to hiiri, waddina mo nyaamdu'en. Fowru boo hefti. O don haa ton. To hiiri nii, o wara o dara. O wara o dara. O vi'a yoo: "Gaafara." O vi'a mo: "Too."

"Mi nasta naa?"

"Nastu lee, barkaama<sup>3</sup> am. Lengelenge kurunndeñ."

O nasta. O vi'a:

"To nyiiri maa?"

"Ndaa ndi dow illi doo. Lengelenge kurunndeñ."

"To daada ma?"

"O dilli har ngesaa doo. Lengelenge kurunndeñ."

"Mi nyaama na?"

"Nyaamu lee, barkaama am. Lengelenge kurunndeñ."

Fowru goo hoosa nyiiri goo nyaama timmina.

Sey, o yama mo:

"Toy mbusiri ma?"

Ngel goo vi'aa mo:

"Ndaa ndi dow illi doo. Lengelenge kurunndeñ."

"Mi nyaama na?"

"Nyaamu lee barkaama am. Lengelenge kurunndeñ."

O nyaama pat. O timmina. O vurta. O dilla. Daada maako'en goo to wari tawa dinngi<sup>4</sup> laafugo<sup>5</sup> nonnon.

Sey, fayinta fowru goo, janngo boo, lora fayinta.

"Mi nasta naa?"

"Nastu lee, barkaama am. Lengelenge kurunndeñ."

"Toy nyiiri maa?"

"Ndaa ndi dow illi doo. Lengelenge kurunndeñ."

"Mi nyaama naa?"

"Nyaamu lee. Barkaama am. Lengelenge kurunndeñ."

O hoosa, o nyaama, o timmina, o biira taasawo, yama:

"Toy mbusiri ma?"

O vi'i:

"Ndaa ndi dow illi doo. Lengelenge kurunndeñ."

"Mi yara na?"

"Yaru lee, barkaama am. Lengelenge kurunndeñ."

Ban nii nii, tum ban nii, tum o do wada. Binngel goo laafi, laafi, laafi.

Sey, daada maako'en wari yami mo.

<sup>3</sup> Barkaama kam ba wi'go barkidinaado.

<sup>4</sup> Dinngugo, dum tokkaago.

<sup>5</sup> Laafugo, dum fooyugo.

Sey, o vi'i: "Ndaa ndaa ndaa ndaa mo warata tawa-mi haa doo ni." O vi'i: "Too." Daada maako goo wari nyukki. Baaba maako boo sey wa'i haa dow suudu maako goo nyukki. Fowru goo wari dari. Don wara.

"Mi nastaa naa?"

"Nastuu lee, barkaama am. Lengelenje kurunndej."

Fowru goo nasti.

"To nyiiri maa?"

"Ndaa ndi dow illi doo. Lengelenje kurunndej."

"Mi nyaama na?"

"Nyaamu lee, barkaama am. Lengelenje kurunndej."

O jippini nyiiri goo. O joodi o nyaami o timmini.

Sey, daada binngel goo boo hultori. Don gada hunnde goo doo, do nyukki. Asee, haa o nyukki goo, hultori goo sey o saaridi banndu maako haa ton. Fowru goo sey vi'i:

"Ko haccata?"

"Dum mbuujawa<sup>6</sup> daadaawa am. Lengelenje kurunndej."

Biira, sey, fowru goo doggi vurti.

Sey, baaba maako goo, nde nani fowru goo vurti nii, sey, jippi bee jaaral tan, sey, yuwi fowru goo, mbari.

Taalol may jinni.

(22/1/1983, Aadama bii Alhaji Bello Iisa, malla, Koore taali ngol haa Ngawndere. Goggo mum, bi'eteedo "Inna", mawniraawo Alhaji, taalani mo. O don haa Bunnjeere, Ngawndere.)

## 133 Debbo bee goriiko

Taalol taalol. Tabo ka boo'e.

Debbo bee goriiko. Be njehi kurbanaani. Nde be njehi kurbanaani, o wuuwi guube. O wallini binngel haa wuumre nii. Be don nannga kurbanaani hee goriiko goo. O anndaa fowru don wara. Fowru boo eebi eebi eebi wari, dari dow binngel goo. O dari o lori. O yehi o dari gada guube o latti o goddo. O emi: "Debbo, a wallini binngel doo kam noye? Ngel do wooka doo?" O wi'i: "Owwo. Min do nannga kurbanaani." O wi'i: "Noye innde maagel?" O wi'i: "Wudini." "Too, Wudini. Feere?" O wi'i: "May Gari." O wi'i: "Too." Fowru goo lori, yehi talloyi latti ban fowru goo. Fowru goo eeboyi lori wari roondi binngel dilliri. Dilli yehi nastini binngel kam haa ngaska. Debbo boo nde nanngi kurbanaani goo timmini nii, yehi laarugo binngel nii, tawaay binngel.

Too, o do wi'a: "Jawmu saare am, huunde hoosi binngel." O wi'i: "Nden kam,

<sup>6</sup> Mbuujawa fotan bee mbuuja.

ko hoosi binngel doo dum fowru. Nden kam haa en wada dabare man." O wi'i: "Too. Walaa ayiibe." Debbo ummi hooti, yehi taskiti, lori, tokki laawol fowru, tokki kosngel fowru. Debbo goo don yima. O don yima goo.

Nonnon, o dari haa gada guube haa fowru dari goo.

Nonnon, o do ewna biyiiko goo.

"Wudini, Wudini, war musin.

Wudini, Wudini, war musin.

May Gari, war musin lee."

Binngel goo, siriw. Fayin o lori.

"Wudini, Wudini, war musin.

Wudini, Wudini, war musin.

May Gari, war musin lee."

Binngel goo wooki. Wooki goo, o wi'i: "Naa dum daande daada am." Binngel goo wi'i: "Naa dum daande daada am." O lori. Fowru goo wartoyi ladde, wari dari. O don ewna binngel goo kanjum boo.

"Wudini, Wudini, war musin.

Wudini, Wudini, war musin.

May Gari, war musin lee."

Binngel goo wurti, wari musini fowru, musini haa safti. O nasti ngaska. Fowru dilli.

Daada lori.

"Wudini, Wudini, war musin.

Wudini, Wudini, war musin.

May Gari, war musin lee."

O wi'i: "Kaay, naa daande daada am." O lori. Be ndilli haa moodibboojo. O yehi o wi'i moodibboojo: "Ndaa haala. Mi yehi nanngugo kurbanaani nii, mi wallini binngel am, fowru hoosi. Ammaa o jaali binngel am. Binngel am annditaay daande am, sey, daande fowru goo o musinta." Moodibbo wi'i: "To wood'i. To a anndi, hannde, a hoosa binngel maa doo, a hokka-mmi." O wi'i: "Ban dume?" O wi'i: "Yah nannganam hunnde doo, tuccitina daande<sup>1</sup>." "Ko woni tuccitina daande?" O wi'i: "Mettelli jee waylititta hoore doo, tuccitina daande." O wi'i: "Too." O yehi o nanngi tuccitina daande goo. O waddi. O nanngi tuccitina daande goo, o hirsi.

Too, o wi'i: "Yahu. Njahaa ndarodaa haa gada guube, koosaa hoore tuccitinaangel goo, cakkinaa baawo, koosaa dubbe boo cakkinaa yeeso. Ngimaa kadi." O wi'i: "Too." O yehi. O hoosi tuccitinaangel goo, o hoosi hoore o wudini baawo, o hoosi dubbe, o wudini yeoso, o yimi:

"Wudini, Wudini, war musin.

Wudini, Wudini, war musin.

<sup>1</sup> Tuccitina daande fotan bee tuccitinaangel. Tuccitinaangel, dum nyuuyu bee hoore mawnde. Dum baleejum. Ammaa banndu woodaa.

May Gari, war musin lee.”

Nonnon, binngel goo wurti. Wurtugo goo nii, nonnon, daada nanngi binngel. Nanngugo binngel o doggi. Bee binngel goo o hooti saare. Nde o hooti saare, fowru wartoyi. Nde o wartoyi goo, fowru goo yimi:

“Wudini, Wudini, war musin.

Wudini, Wudini, war musin.

May Gari, war musin lee.”

Siriw. O yimi fayin. O yimi fayin. Siriw. O wi'i: “Nden kam, yimbe doo hoosi am binngel.” O nanngi laawol. O nanngi laawol. O do yaha nii. O do yaha nii. O do yaha nii, haa o yotti haa pellel baaba binngel woni. O yehi o dari gada saare.

“Wudini, Wudini, war musin.

Wudini, Wudini, war musin.

May Gari, war musin lee.”

Binngel goo nooti haa nder saare, haa wurto. Fowru boo baditi. Fowru nanngi binngel. Daada nanngi binngel. Be don fooda.

Sey, nonnon, baaba hoosi kurol, fidi fowru. Fowru doggi hooti.

Too, ndaa ngol yatta. Ndaa mi haa do.

(19/2/1990, Diija Munndanjo taali ngol haa Keyni.)

## 134 Gorko bee nawliraabe

Gorko oo, o te'i rewbe. Be nawliraabe. Nde be nawliraabe goo, see nonnon, hmm, gooto danyi binngel debbo boodsum. Gooto boo danyaay.

See, be koosi bulki be ndilli maayo. Be ndilli nyadogyo.

See, danydo binngel goo seli bu'e, vi'ata oya goo: “Useni bii-goggo am, to a nyadi nii nyadanam, miin boo, koo a hootan nii, a nyadana-mmi.”

See, nawliiko goo boo a yi'i haala nawliraagu?

See, o nyedi ndiyam haa mbulku maako. Haa mbulku debbo jee wi'ino mo nyadanam haa mi wara goo boo, o hebbini njaareendi reeta, luttudum o wadi ndiyam sedfa haa don. Kanko o roondi mbulku maako bee ndiyam, o nanngi laawol saare maabbe, o hooti. Debbo goo yehi bu'i wari haa roonda mbulku goo. Asee mbulku goo boo njaareendi don haa ton, ndiyam peetel nii. O habda eftugo, vi'a: “Ko woni nder ndiyam doo fuu vurta roonda-mmi.” Paabel vurta, nyakka, nyakka, nyakka, haa roonda mo, tawa waawataa. O vi'a paabi dilla. O vi'a fayin. O habda, o habda, o tawa o waawataa. “Ko woni nder ndiyam doo fuu vurta roonda-mmi.” Liiddi wurta nyakka, nyakka, nyakka, haa efta mbulku goo tawa o waawataa. Asee maa debbo kam hirlitaay njaareendi bee ndiyam peetel nii won ton, nawliiko goo wadi mo. Kanyum doggi hooti.

See nonnon, o vi'i: “Ko woni nder ndiyam doo fuu vurta roonda-mmi.”

See, biira, mbodga maapinndiiwa nii vurti, o vi'i: "Bab bab bab bab cit, roon roon, jippin, jippin, to mi roon di ma ko ndokkataa-mi?" O vi'i: "To a roondi yam, mi hokki ma gertogal." "Ngam gertogal, mi dilli kadi." O vi'i: "Lor, baaba am, war roondam." "Bab bab bab, to mi roondi ma, ko ndokkataa mi?" "To a roondi yam, mi hokki maa mbaala." "Ngam mbaala tan? Voonyu bantti wicco am doo naa? Tok-kere baali noy a tawi?" O vi'i: "Baaba am, mi anndaa." O waata fayin. Kunnga fudda haa dilla. O vi'a: "Ko woni nder ndiyam doo fuu wara roonda-mmi." Kunnga vi'a: "Bab bab bab bab, to mi roondi ma ko ndokkataa-mi?" O vi'i: "To a roondi yam, mi hokki maa na'i nay." "Bantti wicco am doo naa ngam na'i nay mi jinna sem-mbe am?" Kunnga ru"ita haa dilla. O vi'a: "Ko woni nder ndiyam doo fuu wurta roonda-mmi." Kunnga lora vi'i: "Bab bab bab, to mi roondi maa, ko ndokkataa-mi?" "Mi hokki ma nawlam." "Yoo, ngam goddo gootel doo, hmm, o nayeejo naa, o derkeejo?" O vi'i: "O nayeejo sedda kam." "Mi yidfaa." "Too, mi hokki maa binngel am deyel yottungel bangugo." O vi'i: "Too, booddum." O vi'i mo: "Rufu. Rufu ndiyam haa mbulku maa doo, nyada ngoddam A roondan. Waatoo, goddo jee debbo nawla jee on ngardi on nyedi ndiyam doo on hebbini njaareendi haa mbulku maa doo kanyum on." Debbo goo yuppi yuppi yuppi njaareendi goo nyadi ndiyam roondi warti. Biira, kunnga kam, biira, don waroya. Debbo don dogga, biira, faandi wuro, wiccin mbaago, wari jam mbaago, wiccin.

Biira, see nonnon, binngel debbo goo vurti ban nii, o laari kunnga.

See, kunnga goo wari ardini binngel debbo goo. Binngel debbo goo yehi nasti suudu, o vi'i: "Baaba kunnga nga yidam. Baaba mannga nga yidam."

See nonnon, o vi'i mo: "Kaay." Baaba vurti, laari nii tawi kunnga kam wadtaako. Kunnga vi'i: "Senndirtaa bee binngel doo sam. Naa daada maako hokki yam?" Law, baaba vi'ata mo: "Kaay, binngel am doggu dillu haa kaawu ma." O yehi o tawi kaawu maako: "Kaawu, kunnga nga mannga yidam."

See, kaawu maako yurni nii tawi kunnga, vi'i: "Kaay, miin kam mi waawataa. Doggu dillu haa maama maa." O dilli haa maama. Maama vi'i: "War, binngel am, koo nga maa, nde mi hisnetae." Biira, o yotti.

See, kunnga yotti gal maama goo. O vi'i: "Kaay, doggu dillu haa bappanyo maa." O doggi o dilli haa bappanyo maako. Bappanyo maako yurni nii laari kunnga, o vi'i: "Kaay, binngel am, doggu dillu haa adda maa." Biira, o doggi o dilli haa adda maako. Adda maako laari nii, vi'i: "Kaay, miin kam mi waawataa. Doggu dillu haa yaapenndo maa." O yehi haa yaapendo maako. O vi'i: "Yaapenndo am, ndaa kunnga do vi'i nyaamatam miin kam." Yaapenndo maako vi'i: "A anndi naa, binngel am, mi tinndinte, koo hannde mi debbo boo, mi yeccete dabare." O vi'i: "Walaa gorko jee yidi bangugo maa doo naa?" O vi'i: "Don." "Too, doggu cir, yah haa maako." O doggi o semtanno gorko goo boo, o yehi o dari nii, o nyukkini.

See, gorko goo wurti nii, biira, donno bee derke'en. Biira, be don hebbini cip.

See, vurti nii o laari kunnga goo.

See, o yerbi binngel debbo goo nder jawleeru. O doofi labi, biira, o waro o fuddsi habugo bee kunnga. O fuddsi habugo bee kunnga iga fajiri haa midi.

See, kunnga goo vi'ata mo: "Kayya waaye, iga fajiri haa midi en don kaba? Useni barkaa Alla, laaran en e naange woni."

Biira, see, binngel goo vi'ata mo: "Miin kam waawataa laarugo, aan laaru." Biira, kunnga tiji nii, o ta'i daande viw. Banndu ummi, fudditi habugo. Be don kaba, be don kaba, be don kaba. Juura wadi. Kunnga vi'ata: "Kayya kayya kayya, waaye am, diga fijiri haa midi haa juura en don kaba, useni laaran en naange. Ego wakkati wadi en njah en njuula." Law, derkeejo goo vi'ata: "Minin kam wuro amin anndaa tijjugo naange, min anndaa juulugo. Aan laaran en, useni." Biira, banndu goo tiji, nii, o ta'i reeta. Vicco ummi. Be don haba, be don haba, be don haba, haa asiri wadi. Vicco wi'ata mo: "Kayya waaye, laari naange naa. Wakkati wadi useni laarani en haa en njuula." Waatoo, to gorko, waato, vi'ino tijjanno nii, haa o yewa daande.

See nonnon, gorko goo boo anndi dabare vi'i mo: "Kayya, waaye, a laaru." O laari nii, biira, o ta'i. Kunnga kam yibbi 'vo'vo'vo'vo.

See nonnon.

Takalamulus takkaande bu'e bojel.

(1969-70, Abdullaay Osmaanu Baaseewoojo taali ngol haa Marwa.)

## 135 Rudoyo, yaadikko mum bee modaari

Taalol taalol.

Gorko doo doo te'i rewbe maako didi. Gooto do danyi binngel gorko.

See, daada maayi acci mo bee yaadikko. Yaadikko goo do hitti<sup>1</sup> binngel doo.

Nonnon, see, yaadikko dilli maayo, dilli nyadugo ndiyam. O nyadi ndiyam haa buri mo semmbe. Oo doo haa o roonda salori mo. Haa o roonda, salori mo.

See, o vi'i: "Ayyee, kuuje nder ndiyam doo, wara lee, wal<sup>2</sup> roonda-mi lee."

See, modaari vurti. Modaari vi'i: "To mi roondi ma, ko a hokkata-mi?" O vi'i: "Mi hokki ma na'i." O vi'i: "Na'i maa buri na'i baaba am naa? Jippunu<sup>3</sup>. To mi roondi ma, ko a hokkata-mi?" "Mi hokki ma baali." "Baali maa buri baali baaba am naa? Resu. To mi roondi ma, ko a hokkata-mi?" O vi'i: "Mi hokki ma haabe." "Haabe ma buri haabe baaba am naa? Resu." O vi'i: "Mi woodi binngel bi'eteedo Rudoyo. Rudoyo don. O do mari na'i, ngaari taaranaandi kanjje. O mari boccel ngaraba. Mi hokki ma." O vi'i: "Too." O roondi mo.

<sup>1</sup> Hittugo, cfum wanyugo, billugo.

<sup>2</sup> Wal kam ba wi'go walla.

<sup>3</sup> Jippunu < jippinu.

See, o warti o tawi binngel maako goo, Rudoyo goo. O vi'i: "Ayyee, Rudoyo am, haa mi dilli nyadi ndiyam doo, geene booddum nii jee na'i durata don ton. Useni jango a yaha a yaara na'i maa yaha dura." O vi'i: "Too." O yi'i ngorgi maako'en, o yecci: "Yaadikko am vi'i yi'i hudo booddum haa pellel kajaa. Yaadikko am vi'i yi'i hudo booddum haa pellel kajaa." Fajiri nde veeti nii, ngorgi'en goo aarti mo dillugo haa hudo goo. Be yehi. Nde balte wadi nii, be dilli be fiyi na'i<sup>4</sup> haa ndiyam, puu. Modaari vi'i: "Rudoyo?"

See, be vi'i:

"Naa miin latti Rudoyo.  
Rudoyo mo boccel ngaraba.  
Rudoyo mo sarla harilla.  
Rudoyo ngaari taaranaandi kanjje.  
Rudoyo."

"Yarnu a vurta." O yarni o vurti. Oo boo waddi jee mum loowi. Modaari yami: "Rudoyo?"

"Naa miin latti Rudoyo.  
Rudoyo mo sarla harilla.  
Rudoyo mo boccel ngaraba.  
Rudoyo ngaari taaranaandi kanjje.  
Rudoyo."

O vi'i: "Yarnu a vurta." O yarni o vurti. Oo boo wari fiyi. "Rudoyo?"

"Naa miin latti Rudoyo.  
Rudoyo mo sarla harilla.  
Rudoyo mo boccel ngaraba.  
Rudoyo ngaari taaranaandi kanjje.  
Rudoyo."

See, haa balte reggi<sup>5</sup>, Rudoyo goo wari. O ewni. "Rudoyo." O vi'i:

"Miin on latti Rudoyo.  
Rudoyo mo sarla harilla.  
Rudoyo mo boccel ngaraba.  
Rudoyo ngaari taaranaandi kanjje.  
Rudoyo."

Biirawanne, modaari ummi. Be habi, be habi, be habi, be habi, be habi haa juura. O vi'i: "Laaru naange doo, haa min juula." O vi'i: "Miin mi juulataa." "Gorko bee gorko boo? Mi laara naange, to saa'i konu jinni, en juulan." Biira, modaari baanti hoore. Rudoyo soppi. Ngaari maako taaranaandi kanjje doo dampan. Kanko o tappan bee boccel maako ngaraba goo. Kaafahi o soppan. O mbari modaari goo o sak-

<sup>4</sup> Fiysi na'i kam fotan bee yoofi na'i.

<sup>5</sup> Balte reggi kam ba wi'go naange towi.

kini. Baaba maako daffbiti mo, daffbiti mo, daffbiti mo. O vi'i: "Alla am, anndi maayo toy on a tinndini binngel doo dilli?" Yaadikko goo boo bee tufle do sukli. "Hii, binngel doo kam haa toy o dilli, haa toy o dilli, haa toy o dilli?" O mbari.

See, o ta'i kusel mboodi goo peetel nii. O disi haa kudol. O jogi. O warti saare. Baaba maako vi'i: "Kadi, Rudoyo am, haa toy on nii, haa haa haa baabtol a warti doo?" O vi'i: "Mi duri daayi on. Kanjum wadi, mi wartaay law." O hoosi kusel goo o hokki yaadikko maako. O vi'i: "Ndaa kusel mi mbari haa ladde doo. Mi ta'i mi waddi, on wula yakka doo ko<sup>6</sup> naange man yaha tawa kusel may. Yaadikko goo hoosi sakkini haa yiite, resi haa hunnduko, yakki kaap. Biirawa, mboodi wari joodi haa do, haa konndonndol doo, haa do. Be habdi, be habdi, be habdi, be habdi, be habdi. Yaadikko do liiri gite<sup>7</sup>.

See, o vi'i baaba maako: "War en dilla. A laara ko yaadikko am wadi yam." Be yehi be tawi modaawa do vaagi, vaagi, vaagi, vaagi. Hidde be lora kam yaadikko yonki badi vurtugo. O vi'i: "Mi naatataa saare maa, sinaa to a hirsyaadikko am doo. Mi naatataa saare. Miin boo yonki am on o wanyini yam. O yehi o hawti yam bee ko a yi'i doo." Habaa, doo ko haa be wara mbara yaadikko kam, mboodi fefsi mo mbari.

Sey, be iri mo kadi. Rudoyo naati saare.

(26/1/1983, Asta Jooda taali ngol haa Ngawndere.)

## 136 Yaawallo bee gilanngeru

Taalel taalel.

Debbo feere nii, o don. O yummi o dilli maayo. O yehi o nyedi ndiyam. O nyedi ndiyam goo, o waati nder taasawo maako. O dari o reeni. O tamma goddo wara heba roonda mo. O hebaay roondoowo. O dari o dari o dari. O hebaay mo roondata mo.

See, o vi'ata: "Ko woni nder ndiyam doo fuu vurta roonda yam." Paaba vurti habdi, salori dum, lori nasti. O lori o dari o vi'i: "Ko woni nder ndiyam doo fuu vurta roonda-mi." Bodde vurti habdi habdi saldori lori nasti. O lori o vi'i: "Ko woni nder ndiyam doo fuu vurta roonda-mi." Gilanngeru see vurti.

See, o vi'ata mo: "To mi roondi, ko ndokkataa-mi?" O vi'i: "To a roondi yam, mi hokkete na'i baaba am."

See, gilanngeru vi'ata mo: "Kaay, na'i baaba ma buran na'i baaba am naa? To mi roondi, ko ndokkataa-mi?" O vi'i: "Too a roondi yam, mi hokki ma baali baaba am." O vi'ata mo: "Baali baaba maa buran baali baaba am naa?" O vi'i: "To mi roondi, ko ndokkataa-mi?" O vi'i: "Mi hokkete be'i baaba am." O vi'ata mo: "Be'i

<sup>6</sup> Ko fotan bee doo ko, hiddeko.

<sup>7</sup> Liiri gite kam ba wi'go furti gite.

baaba maa buran be'i baaba am naa? To mi roondi, ko ndokkataa-mi?" "Mi hokkete gertoode baaba am." O vi'i: "Gertoode baaba maa buran gertoode baaba am naa?" O vi'ata mo: "To mi roondi, ko ndokkataa-mi?" O vi'i: "Mi hokkete binngel am."

See, o roondi mo. O vi'ata: "Binngel maa moyjo?" O vi'ata: "Binngel am bi'eteengel Yaawallo." O vi'ata mo yoo: "A'aa, jippin jippin." O jippini debbo goo. O vi'ata mo: "Ndey binngel maa man warata?" Debbo goo vi'ata mo: "To mi hooti nii, mi do yaha yerba mo o wara. A reena mo haa nder ndiyam. O waran." O vi'i: "Voodi." Debbo goo o walaa binngel. Dum binngel nawliiko on. O hooti. O yehi o jippini mo. Wayli ndiyam maako.

See, o vi'ata bii-nawliiko goo: "Yaawallo, a yaha haa maayo kajaawo. Geene doo haa ton masin. A yaha a dura na'i maa haa ton. Mi tammi na'i maa di kaaran. Di tekkan masin, buran na'i gondi nder wuro ngo fuu." Yaawallo goo vi'ata: "Voodi." Yaawallo ummi ardini na'i mum, dilli haa maayo goo, yehi do dura. Na'i mum do dura kadi, do nyaama geene goo, see, maati hunnde dimmbi haa nder maayo goo, dimmbi dimmbi, see, vi'ata:

"Yaawallo,  
yaawa buuli, noonaani<sup>1</sup>,  
wadi huduru e daande,  
wadi yamnde e tiinde,  
taadiingel heddingel<sup>2</sup> Jawmu dara<sup>3</sup> laara."

See, o vi'ata: "Alla am bawdo. Ko nyimdata-mi nder ndiyam?" O lori o hediti fayin, o nani hunnde doo vi'a:

"Yaawallo,  
yaawa buuli, noonaani,  
wadi huduru e daaude,  
wadi yamnde e tiinde,  
taadiingel heddingel.  
Jawmu dara laara."

Hediti o vi'i: "Alla am, ko nyimdata-mi nder ndiyam?" O dari, o dari, o dari. O yelyelni gite o yi'aay.

See, gilanngeru goo, see, dasi mo tan sakkini nder ndiyam goo. Sakkingo mo nii see modi mo. Nde modi mo goo, see, joodi nder reedu gilanngeru. O donne taadi labi boo haa keesi maako.

See, o doofi labi goo o seeki reedu gilanngeru goo. Gilanngeru waati. O vurti

<sup>1</sup> Noonaani kam ba wi'go nanndufi.

<sup>2</sup> Haanii wi'go hemiingel, waatoo, reedu nasti hemi.

<sup>3</sup> Haanii wi'go dara.

nder reedu gilannggeeru goo.

See, o ta'i kusel gilannggeeru goo. O waati nder booro maako. O ardini na'i maako, o riiwi o hooti saare. Yaadikko maako do joodi, see, yi'i mo bee na'i, see, vi'ata mo: "Yaawallo." O nooti. "Dum aan naa?" "Ooho." "A warti?" O vi'i: "Mi warti." "A warti?" "Ihii, mi warti." "A yahaay haa maayo jee mi yecci ma doo naa?" O vi'i: "Totton ni, mi yehi. Mi warti." O vi'i: "Kaay, a yahaay." O vi'i: "Ton nii mi yehi. A tinnndini yam doo nii, totton mi yehi. Mi warti boo. A yi'aay no na'i am no di foti naa? Ammaa ndaa kusel, mi hebani en. Ndaa, wadu dabare a defina en kusel man." Yaadikko goo vi'i: "Voodi." Wari ta'i kusel goo defi. O vi'i: "Nyaamu jee maa. Accanam jee am." Yaadikko goo hoosi kusel goo, nyaami nyaami nyaami nyaami, lutti tayre woore, hoosi mukki.

See, i'al fali dum daande tan, deddi dum mbari.

Taalol ramma, mi juuta.

(21/1/1983, Maata bii Alhaji Iisa taali ngol haa Ngawndere. Goggo bi'eteedo Mamma taalani mo.)