

**Element Name:**

Basikek: Kalasha folk art of paying tribute to the deceased member of the community by narrating an elegy inspired by the life and deeds of the deceased.

**Community (ies) Concerned:**

The practice of Basikek is essential for all the death ceremonies therefore it is practiced in all three Kalasha valleys i.e. Bumburet, Rumbur and Birir. It is usually preceded by the close female Kalasha relative or friend of the deceased and is facilitated by the act of applause generated by the female as well as male members of the community.