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- Collier 1983:223.

Within the Tabla area, the people distinguish four dialects. Yongsu dialect is in the east, with two villages. Yewena dialect is west of that, with three villages. Tepera is the central dialect (from which comes the Indonesianized name, Tabla), with three more villages. Finally, Yokari, the westernmost group, has five villages. Each of these dialects is called a tongue or language (*péu*) by the people, and this is the main feature by which they distinguish groups. ...

- Collier 1983:224.

Within the village of Doromena (where the data were collected for this paper) ...

- Collier 1983:225.

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... Their language is Papuan, of the Sentani family of languages.

- Collier 1985:129.

Tabla is a Papuan language spoken by approximately 4,000 people living in thirteen villages on the North Coast of Irian Jaya, in Kabupaten Jayapura (Kecamatan Demta and Depapre). Tabla belongs to the Sentani Stock, Tanah Merah Group (Voorhoeve 1975:41, 42). The data for this paper were collected between 1978 and 1982 in the village of Doromena, which has a population of about 650 people.

- Collier & Gregerson 1985:172, n. 1.

... The Tabla language is spoken by approximately 3,700 people who live in Kecamatan Demta and Kecamatan Depapre within Kabupaten Jayapura, Irian Jaya. There are four dialects; the eastern-most, called Yongsu with 500 speakers, the next dialect west of Yewena, with 900 speakers, the next west dialect is Tepera (from which the general name Tabla is derived), with 800 speakers, and finally the westernmost dialect, Yokari, with 1,500 speakers. Cowan (1965) classifies the language as Non-Austronesian, and part of the Sentani-Demta group of languages.

- Collier & Collier 1986:16, n. 1.

2. The Tepera or Tabla people live in the thirteen villages on the north coast of Irian Jaya, starting some thirty kilometers west of Jayapura. The area extends for another thirty kilometers west. The population is approximately 3750, ... The data for this paper were taken during stays in the village of Doromena,

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- Collier 1987:103, n. 1.

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Tabla (Tepera; Tanahmerah 2; Tabi; Jakari)

POP; +/- 3,600

LOC: North coast area, east and west of Tanahmerah Bay

... /

VILLAGE(S):

Bukisi

Wanya

Kantu

Melena

Demoi

Tablanusu -- 300

Depapre -- 380

Tablasufa -- 400

Tabdagupa

Ayapase

Wambena

Doromena

Yapise

Yonggu

- Silzer & Heikkinen 1984:43-44.

(Tepera; Tanahmerah 2; Tabi; Jakari)

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LOC: North coast area, east and west of Tanahmerah Bay

DIALECTS: Yokari in West area, Tepera in Central area, Yewena-Yongsa (Tawona) in East end of language group

- Silzer & Clouse 1991:77.

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... Tabla and Sentani, which with Nafri are designated the Sentani Group/Family (McElhanon and Voorhoeve 1970). ...

- Gregerson & Hartzler 1987:1.

Data for Tabla are from Ken and Margaret Collier (UNCEN-SIL). They report that Tabla is spoken by approximately 4,000 people in various coastal districts and distinguishes [sic] four dialects: Yongsu, Yewena, Tepera, and Yekari. ...

- Gregerson & Hartzler 1987:27, n. 1.

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... [Tepera or Tabla] is distinguished in four dialects. The Yongsu dialect is the easternmost one, and is spoken in the two Yongsu hamlets which comprise the Yongsu village. The Yewena dialect is spoken in the three hamlets west of Yongsu, namely Doromena, Wambena, and Yafase. Doromena and Wambena, [sic] comprise the Yewena village under the present village administration. The central dialect, Tepera, from which the Indonesianized name, Tabla, is derived, is spoken in the hamlets around the Depapre Bay, Tablasufa, Waunda ..., and Tablanusu. Then, the fourth dialect, Yokari, is spoken in the westernmost hamlets, which are part of the neighboring sub-district, Demta.
- Aditjondro 1989:55.

... The Yongsu dialect speakers inhabit the village of Yongsu, which consists of the hamlets Yongsu Dosoyo and Yongsu Safari. ... The Tablasufa hamlet, and an offspring of that hamlet which moved onto the land to establish the Amai hamlet, belongs to the village of Waiya. On the other side of the bay, the Tablanusu hamlet is part of another village, Entiyebo, together with the hamlet of Kendate, which speak a different language, Moi, ...
- Aditjondro 1989:56.

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The Tabla are a people whose traditional home is located on the north coast of Irian Jaya, from the easternmost village of Yongsu Kecil to the westernmost village of Bukisi. This area is in the Kecamatans of Depapre and Demta, in Kabupaten Jayapura. The population is just over 4,000. The language is classified as Papuan; there are very slight differences among the four recognized dialects, which are, from east to west: Yongsu, Yewena, Tepera (Indonesian: Tabla) and Yokari. These conversations follow the dialect of Yewena, the data being collected in the village of Doromena.

Sometimes the Tabla language is also referred to as Tanah Merah (red earth), named after the bay which is central to the language area.

- Abisay et al n.d.:vii.

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Tabla: 3,750 speakers reported in 1989, on the north coast east and west of Tanahmerah Bay, Jayapura, Irian Jaya. Also called Tepera, Tanah Merah, or Tabi; Tepera is the speakers' name for themselves. ... Tabla has 30 percent lexical similarity with Sentani, the most closely related variety. Distinct from Tanahmerah (Sumeri) of the Bomberai Peninsula.

- Comrie 1992ii:418.

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Jayapura, Demta, Depapre, 13 villages on north coast east and west of Tanahmerah [sic] Bay. ... Dialects: YOKARI, TEPERA,

YEWENA-YONGSU. Yokari dialect understood by other dialects at 80% to 95%, others have 95% to 100% intelligibility with each other. Tabla has 30% lexical similarity with Sentani (closest). Distinct from Tanahmerah (Sumeri) of Bomberai Peninsula.

'Tepera' is their name for themselves. ...

- Grimes 1992:582.

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- Grimes 1996.

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- Grimes 2000.

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[BUKISI]

District Demta. De districtshoofdplaats Demta is aan zee gelegen en bezit een goede, doch kleine haven. In de buurt liggen Moeris Ketjil, / Moeris Besar, Demta, Ambora, Demta Jaugafsa (op het eiland) en Tarfia.

De andere kampongs aan de Tanah Merahbaai liggen in inhammen en achter uitlopes van het Demta-gebergte verscholen. De voornaamste zijn: Bookisie of Jakare, een samenvoeging van meerdere kampongs aan de mond van de Arme-rivier, die uit de Dojo-vlakte komt, Tablanoesoe, Tablasoefa en Depapre, de laatste drie kampongs gelegen in het oostelijk deel van de baai en voorzien van goede ankerplats.

Westelijk van Demta ligt de grote kampong Tarfia aan het begin van de kustweg naar Sarmi. ... Westelijk van Tarfia komen geen kampongs van het district Demta meer voor. Met uitzondering van enige kleine kampongs in de Armo-kloof, die niet langs de rivier, doch vanuit de omgeving van Demoi kunnen worden bereikt, telt Demta geen kampongs in het binnenland.

- Halie 1930(1955):35-36.

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The Bukisi group, occupying the region between Bukisi and Sorojena, probably originated from Bukisi and migrated eastward

along the coast. It is not quite clear if some elements from [Tanah Merah] have been absorbed into the population, but it clearly contains Kamtuk elements.

- Nijenhuis et al 1966:42.

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(TANAH MERAH [2])

[Tanah Merah settlements:

Pitia

Tabrasoea]

- Koning 1903.

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[map]

Ankwa

Bilia

Bombru

Bujangena

Fiapo

Frangoag

Fuluwatu

Jagafa I

Jangebano

Jowena

Kâa I

Klipong

Njiman

Osokento

Raiwari

Samantau sabra

Sangsiau

Sriteme

Tablié

Tega

Tomong Tomâ I

Wiantemé

- Wichmann 1917:296.

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[Hollandia district]

... In het uiterste ossten liggen Sko Sai, Sko Mabo en Sko Jambe, die op de vaste wal zijn gebouwd. Nar het westen de kust volgende, vindt men langs de Humboldtbaai de dorpen Enggros, Nafri, Tobati, Kajoe Poelau en Kajoe Batoe. Van de kampongs lands de Humboldtbaai en Tanahmerahbaai, zijn de voornaamste de langs de kust gelegen kampongs Ormoe, Dormena en Jafase, die alle op de vaste wal gebouwd zijn. ...

- Kramps 1936(1955):56.

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... Tanah Merah. Meerdere kampongs kunnen tot deze stam gerekend

worden. Een deel hiervan, namelijk Jonso, Dormena en Japase
ressorten onder het district Hollandia, verder westwaarts tot aan
Boekisi vallen ze in het district demta. De bevolking beweert
afkomstig te zijn van de Defonsero. Vandaar zijn ze afgedaald
naar een plek dicht bij Tablasoefa, vanwaar men naar links en
rechts uiteen gegaan is. ... Kajo is namelijk het Tanah Merah
woord voor mens. Kajo Batoe zijn dus de mensen, die op de rotsen
wonen en Kajo Poelau degenen, die op een eiland wonen.

- Hoogland 1940(1955):63.

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The villages between Tablanusu and Jongsu Ketjil, where the
Tanah Merah language is spoken. The main components of the
language came from an original population in the region of Cape
Tanah Merah; other influences / migrated along the shore from
Humboldt Bay or even Australian New Guinea (trading connections
with these areas still exist) and via Lake Sentani from the
southeast. The three groups have fused completely and it seems
probable that no mixing with western groups has occurred. People
of Tablasufa (between Depapre and Cape Tanah Merah) still own
kitchen gardens around Lake Sentani, and it seems likely that
people from Gressie, a region between Lake Sentani and Nimboran,
must have settled between Tablasufa and Dormena.

- Nijenhuis et al 1966:42-43.

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Tanah Merah is spoken by about 3,200 people living on the
north coast to the east and west of Tanah Merah Bay. There are
three dialects, Yakari, in the west, Tɔpɔra in the middle, and
Yawona in the east. ...

- Voorhoeve 1975b:420.

+ 3200 [speakers]

Dialects: There are three dialects, spoken in the following
villages:

1. (Western or Yakari dialect): in Bukisi, Wanya, Kantu
Melena, Demoi;

2. (Central or Tɔpɔra dialect): in Tablanusu, Depapre,
Tabdagupa;

3. (Eastern or Tawona dialect): in Ayapase, Wambena,
Doromena, Yonggu.

- Voorhoeve 1975f:42.

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[Map]

Bukisi -- TANAH MERAH

- Wurm & Hattori 1981

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TABLA	3,750	Collier 1983, 1987;
TABLA	3,600	Sentani (Silzer &
TABLA	c. 4,000	Collier & Gregerson 1985
TABLA	3,750	Sentani (Collier 1985;
TABLA	3,700	Sentani-Demta Group
TABLA	4,000	Abisay et al n.d.
TABLA	3,750 (1989)	Comrie 1992ii
TABLA = TANAH MERAH 2		Smits & Voorhoeve 1994
TABLA		Aditjondro 1989
TANAH-MERAH		Sentani Group (Cowan 1953)
TANAHMERAH		Salzner 1960
TANAMERAH --d of SENTANI		Capell 1962
TANAH MERAH		Ray 1912 (Batten 1894), Hoogland
1940(1955), Nijenhuis et al		1966, Smits & Voorhoeve 1994
TANAH-MERAH -- SENTANI		Galis 1960
TANAH-MERAH	4,000?	Wurm 1971
TANAH MERAH (2)	3,200	Sentani (Wurm & Hattori
TANAH MERAH = TABLA		Abisay et al n.d., Comrie 1992ii,
TANAHMERAH 2 = TABLA		Silzer & Heikkinen 1984; Silzer &
TANAHMERAH	500	Sentani (Wurm 1994)
DEPAPRÉ		Capell 1954
DJAKARI		Salzner 1960
JAKARI = TABLA		Silzer & Heikkinen 1984, Silzer &
YAKARI -- d of		
TANAH MERAH (2)		Voorhoeve 1975, Wurm & Hattori 1981
YAKARI = WESTERN d of		
TANAHMERAH		Wurm 1982
YAKARI = TANAH MERAH		Smits & Voorhoeve 1994
YEKARI -- d of TABLA		Gregerson & Hartzler 1987
YOKARI -- d of TABLA		Collier 1983; Collier & Collier
1986; Aditjondro 1989; Abisay		et al n.d.; Silzer & Clouse 1991;
Grimes 1992, 1996, 2000		
JAONA = TABLA		Salzner 1960 (cf S&C)
YONGSU -- d of TABLA		Collier 1983, Collier & Collier
JONSU = TABLA		Salzner 1960 (cf S&C)
TABI = TABLA		Silzer & Heikkinen 1984; Silzer &
TABI = TANAH MERAH		Smits & Voorhoeve 1994
TəpəRA -- d of		
TANAH MERAH (2)		Voorhoeve 1975, Wurm & Hattori 1981
TAPERA		Halie 1930(1955)
TEPERA = CENTRAL d of		
TANAHMERAH		Wurm 1982
TEPERA -- d of TABLA		Collier 1983; Collier & Collier

1986; Gregerson & Hartzler 1987; Aditjondro 1989; Abisay et al n.d.; Silzer & Clouse 1991; Grimes 1992, 1996

TEPERA = TABLA Nijenhuis et al 1966; Silzer & Heikkinen 1984; Collier 1987; Aditjondro 1989; Silzer & Clouse 1991; Grimes 1992, 2000

TEPERA = TANAH MERAH Smits & Voorhoeve 1994

TEPERA = TABLA (own name) Comrie 1992iii, Grimes 1996

Ankwa -- TANAHMERAH Wichmann 1917

Ayapase -- TANAH MERAH 2 Voorhoeve 1975, Smits & Voorhoeve

Ayapase -- TABLA Silzer & Heikkinen 1984

Bilia -- TANAHMERAH Wichmann 1917

Bombru -- TANAHMERAH Wichmann 1917

Bujangena -- TANAHMERAH Wichmann 1917

Bookisie Halie 1930(1955)

Bukisi -- SENTANI Galis 1955-56

Bukisi -- BUKISI Nijenhuis et al 1966

Bukisi -- TANAH MERAH 2 Voorhoeve 1975, Wurm & Hattori 1981

Bukisi -- TABLA Silzer & Heikkinen 1984, Collier

BUKISI Nijenhuis et al 1966

Defonsero -- TANAH MERAH Hoogland 1940(1955)

Demoi -- TANAH MERAH 2 Voorhoeve 1975

Demoi -- TABLA Silzer & Heikkinen 1984

Demui -- MUNGGE Galis 1955-56

Depapre Halie 1930(1955)

Depapre -- SENTANI Galis 1955-56

Depapre -- TANAH MERAH 2 Voorhoeve 1975

Depapre -- TABLA Silzer & Heikkinen 1984, Silzer &

Dormena Kramps 1936(1955)

Dormena -- TANAH MERAH Hoogland 1940(1955)

Doromena -- SENTANI Galis 1955-56

Doromena -- TANAH MERAH 2 Voorhoeve 1975

Doromena -- TABLA Collier 1983, 1987; Silzer & Heikkinen 1984; Collier & Gregerson 1985; Silzer & Clouse 1991

Doromena -- YEWENA TABLA Aditjondro 1989

Entiyebo -- TEPERA TABLA Aditjondro 1989

Fiapo -- TANAHMERAH	Wichmann 1917
Frangoag -- TANAHMERAH	Wichmann 1917
Fuluwatu -- TANAHMERAH	Wichmann 1917
Yafase -- YEWENA TABLA	Adtijondro 1989
Japase -- TANAH MERAH	Hoogland 1940(1955)
Yapise -- TABLA	Silzer & Heikkinen 1984
Jagafa I -- TANAHMERAH	Wichmann 1917
Jakare -- MOENGGE	Halie 1930(1955)
Jakare = Bookisie	Halie 1930(1955)
Jangebano -- TANAHMERAH	Wichmann 1917
YEWENA -- d of TABLA	Collier 1983, Collier & Collier
YEWENA-YONGSA -- d of TABLA	Silzer & Clouse 1991
YEWENA-YONGSU -- d of TABLA	Grimes 1992, 1996, 2000
Yewena -- YEWENA TABLA	Aditjondro 1989
Yonggu -- TANAH MERAH 2	Voorhoeve 1975
Yonggu -- TABLA	Silzer & Heikkinen 1984
Yongsu -- YONGSU TABLA	Aditjondro 1989
Jonso -- TANAH MERAH	Hoogland 1940(1955)
Yongsu Kecil -- TABLA	Collier 1985
Jongsu Ketjil -- TANAH MERAH	Nijenhuis et al 1966
Jowena -- TANAHMERAH	Wichmann 1917
Kåa I -- TANAHMERAH	Wichmann 1917
Kantu -- TABLA	Silzer & Heikkinen 1984
Kantu Melena -- TANAH MERAH 2	Voorhoeve 1975
Kantumilena -- SENTANI	Galis 1955-56
Klipong -- TANAHMERAH	Wichmann 1917
Melena -- TABLA	Silzer & Heikkinen 1984
Mòki -- ? TABLA	de Clercq & Schmeltz 1893 (cf S&C)
Njiman -- TANAHMERAH	Wichmann 1917
Osokento -- TANAHMERAH	Wichmann 1917

Pigajab -- TABLA	de Clercq & Schmeltz 1893 (cf S&C)
Pitia -- TANAH MERAH	Koning 1903
Raiwari -- TANAHMERAH	Wichmann 1917
Samantau sabra -- TANAHMERAH	Wichmann 1917
Sangsiau -- TANAHMERAH	Wichmann 1917
Soewamò -- TABLA	de Clercq & Schmeltz 1893 (cf S&C)
Sorojena -- BUKISI	Nijenhuis et al 1966
Sriteme -- TANAHMERAH	Wichmann 1917
Tabdagupa -- TANAH MERAH [2]	Voorhoeve 1975
Tabdagupa -- TABLA	Silzer & Heikkinen 1984
Tablanoesoe	Halie 1930(1955)
Tablanusu -- SENTANI	Galis 1955-56
Tablanusu -- TANAH MERAH [2]	Nijenhuis et al 1966, Voorhoeve
Tablanusu -- TABLA	Silzer & Heikkinen 1984
Tablanusu -- TEPERA TABLA	Aditjondro 1989
Tablasoefa	Halie 1930(1955)
Tablasoefa -- TANAH MERAH	Hoogland 1940(1955)
Tablasufa -- TANAH MERAH	Nijenhuis et al 1966
Tablasufa -- TABLA	Silzer & Heikkinen 1984
Tablasufa -- TABLA	Aditjondro 1989
Tabrasoea -- TANAH MERAH	Koning 1903
Tablié -- TANAHMERAH	Wichmann 1917
TAWONA -- d of TANAH MERAH (2)	Voorhoeve 1975, Wurm & Hattori 1981
TAWONA = EASTERN d of TANAHMERAH	Wurm 1982
TAWONA = YEWENA-YONGSA	Silzer & Clouse 1991
Tega -- TANAHMERAH	Wichmann 1917
Tomong Tomå I -- TANAHMERAH	Wichmann 1917
Toramta -- TABLA	de Clercq & Schmeltz 1893 (cf S&C)
Waiya -- TABLA	Aditjondro 1989
Wambena -- TANAH MERAH 2	Voorhoeve 1975

Wambena -- TABLA	Silzer & Heikkinen 1984
Wambena -- YEWENA TABLA	Aditjondro 1989
Wandisiaoe -- TABLA	de Clercq & Schmeltz 1893 (cf S&C)
Wanja -- SENTANI	Galis 1955-56
Wanya -- TANAH MERAH 2	Voorhoeve 1975, Smits & Voorhoeve
Wanya -- TABLA	Silzer & Heikkinen 1984
Wanya-Nasuna = Wanya TANAH MERAH	Smits & Voorhoeve 1994
Waunda -- TEPERA TABLA	Aditjondro 1989
Wiantemé -- TANAHMERAH	Wichmann 1917
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