
Bura is an endangered language spoken in the southern part of present-day Borno state, Nigeria. The language belongs to the Chadic branch of the Afro-Asiatic family, whose other members are Semitic, Egyptian, Cushitic, Omotic, and Berber. This book offers a descriptive analysis of Bura verbs and vocabulary and is the first book ever on this aspect of the language.

The book is divided into four chapters. The first discusses the geographical location of the language, the origin of the Bura people and the two dialects of the language: Bura and Paber. The second explores the Bura verbal system, identifying two types of suffixes: derivatives and inflectional suffixes. It as well examines verbal morphological processes and the tonal system of the language, identifying two level tones, high and low tones, and the verb syllable structure. The third chapter illustrates the numeral system of the language, discussing the conventional ordinal, cardinal, numerals adverb and distributive numerals, while the fourth chapter, which concludes the book, presents the vocabulary of the language.

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