

## Female ego's sister's daughter

The lexical variants presented in the note below are arranged according to their frequency of occurrence in the survey data-from most frequent to least frequent.

To refer to the concept of a female ego's sister's daughter, the following words were reported in various parts of Maharashtra: *lek*, *mulgi*, *porgi*, *ənder*, *putni*, *bəhinlek*, *bəhinbeṭi*, *bəhinisni*, *sohəri*, *mawəs lek*, etc. Other than this, *b<sup>h</sup>ətiṭi*, *nat*, and *ḍikri* were also noted for this relation. *bəhinlek* was noted to refer to both sister's son and sister's daughter.

Except Parbhani and Hingoli districts, the word *mulgi* was reported all over Maharashtra.

The word *lek* was noted widely in the western Maharashtra and Marathwada regions. However, it was reported infrequently in Nagpur, Akola, Buldhana, and Washim districts of Vidarbha regions; in Jalgaon, Nashik, and Nandurbar districts of Khandesh region and in Raigad, Thane districts of Konkan region. Whereas, in Palghar district, its use is predominant. The phonetic variations of this word include *lek*, *lyek*, *lekus*, *lekri*, *lekis*, etc.

For the concept of female ego's sister's daughter, the word *bəhinlek* was reported in Yavatmal, Chandrapur, Gadchiroli, Nagpur, Bhandara, and Gondia districts of Vidarbha region.

*porgi* was elicited for the concept female ego's sister's daughter primarily in Vidarbha and Khandesh regions. It was attested sporadically in the rest of Maharashtra. *pori*, *por*, *poyari*, *poši*, etc. were attested as its phonetic variants.

The word *b<sup>h</sup>ači* was reported throughout Maharashtra. The phonetic variation of this word includes *b<sup>h</sup>aši*, *b<sup>h</sup>asi*, *baši*, *basi*, *b<sup>h</sup>ačči*, *b<sup>h</sup>aci*, etc.

The use of the word *ənder* was noted for this relation. However, it was only reported in Khandesh region. The word *ṭiṭa ənder* was also reported.

*mawəs mulgi/mawəs lek* were reported infrequently in Ahmednagar, Aurangabad, Jalna, Nashik, Kolhapur, Satara, and Pune districts.

The word *b<sup>h</sup>ətiṭi* was documented in the Gujjar community of Palghar district and the Balai, Korku communities of Amravati district.



The word *bəhiṇbeṭi* was elicited in the Gowari, Binjewar, and Mahar communities of Gondia district. Further, it was also recorded in the Gond community of Gadchiroli district.

*dikri* was recorded in the Chambhar community of Nashik district for female ego's sister's daughter.

For this relation, the word *nat* was elicited in the Warli and Kumbhar communities of Palghar district. *nat*, *natni*, *nati*, etc. were noted as its phonetic variants.

Similarly, a few more expressions were used to introduce the daughter of a woman's sister. They are as follows: The Katkari community in Raigad district reported the word *bəhinisni sohri*; *derači lek* was elicited in the Kokna community of Palghar district; *bəhiniči čeqi* was attested in the Christian community of Sindhudurg district; *waḍbas* was reported in Palghar district by the Malhar koli community; *irmasu nigri* was noted in the Christian community of Raigad district. Further, the words *bəhiṇiči mulgi*, *bəhiči porgi*, *bəhinoyi pohi*, *bəhiniči lek* were reported in Palghar, Beed, Ahmednagar, Aurangabad, Buldhana, Parbhani, Hingoli, Jalna, Jalgaon, and Solapur districts for this relation.

