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<i>Abwab</i>	...	...	An illegal imposition on the tenant by the landlord. The term <i>abwab</i> has nowhere been defined in the Bihar Tenancy Act but section 74 of the said Act mentions that "all impositions upon tenants under the denominations of <i>abwab</i> shall be illegal and all stipulations and reservations for the payment of such shall be void."
<i>Aghani</i>	..	...	Crops which are harvested in the winter month of <i>Aghan</i> . <i>Aghan</i> is the 9th month of Hindu calendar.
<i>Amil</i>	...	...	Rent collector.
<i>Asan</i>	...	...	Posture.
<i>Bahera</i>	...	...	The fruits of <i>Bahera</i> tree are used for medicine.
<i>Bakast</i>	..	...	The tenant's lands in temporary possession of landlords are known as <i>bakast</i> land. Such land originally belonged to the tenant but came into the possession of the landlords by sale for arrears of rent, surrender, abandonment or the like. The village tenant has preferential claim to the settlement of lands of this category. A settled tenant of a village gets occupancy rights in such lands as soon as the same are held by him. In areas where the Bihar Tenancy Act, 1885 prevails, a tenant whether a settled tenant or not, but with whom such land is settled gets a right of occupancy therein, if the total of such lands in possession of the landlord exceeds 40 acres.
<i>Bande Mataram</i>	...	...	National Anthem of India composed by Shri Bankim Chandra Chatterji, a famous Bengali novelist.
<i>Bandh</i>	...	...	Embankment.
<i>Basant Panchmi</i>	...	...	It is a festival which is celebrated on the 5th bright day of <i>Magh</i> that is 11th month of Hindu calendar to mark the advent of spring.
<i>Basia</i>	...	...	Stale food.

<i>Bhadai</i>	...	...	Autumn crops.
<i>Bhatottar</i>	...	...	Bhats were the professional songsters and entertainers and for their services rent-free lands were given to them.
<i>Bhauili</i>	...	...	Rent paid in kind, produce rent.
<i>Bhukti</i>	...	...	Division, a big administrative unit, during Hindu period.
<i>Bhunja</i>	...	...	Fried corn.
<i>Bigha</i>	...	...	A particular measure of land which is approximately 5/8th of an acre.
<i>Brahmi</i>	...	...	A script prevalent in ancient India.
<i>Brahmottar</i>	...	...	A rent-free property granted to Brahmans for performing priestly function.
<i>Chaudhuries</i>	...	...	Headmen of the villages.
<i>Chaukidar</i>	...	...	Village watchman.
<i>Chura</i>	...	...	Parched flattened rice.
<i>Dafadar</i>	...	...	Village constabulary whose rank is superior to Chaukidar.
<i>Dai</i>	...	...	Midwife.
<i>Dargah</i>	...	...	Tomb of the Muslim saints.
<i>Dastur</i>	...	...	Customary allowance given to native officer (<i>Amil</i>), besides salary.
<i>Dauhitra</i>	...	...	Daughter's son.
<i>Devottar</i>	...	...	A rent-free land granted for the maintenance of Hindu shrines and temples, dedicated to a God.
<i>Dhar</i>	...	...	Channel.
<i>Dharamshala</i>	...	...	A charitable institution, a rest house for sojourners.
<i>Diara</i>	...	...	Formation of soil due to deposits of clay by the river.
<i>Durrie</i>	...	...	Carpet.
<i>Fakirana</i>	...	...	Rent-free land granted to Muslim mendicants for their spiritual services.
<i>Farmans</i>	...	...	King's orders or warrants.
<i>Ghats</i>	...	...	Stairs made for bathing in a river or tank.
<i>Ghee</i>	...	...	Clarified milk butter.
<i>Gita</i>	...	...	A sacred scripture for Hindus.
<i>Goladar</i>	...	...	Keeper of the grain store-house.
<i>Gurū</i>	...	...	Preceptor.

<i>Halka</i>	...	...	A division consisting of several villages.
<i>Hathia</i>	...	...	There are 27 <i>nakshatras</i> according to Hindu Calendar which are calculated according to phase of the moon. <i>Hathia</i> is one of them.
<i>Hookah</i>	...	...	Hubble-bubble.
<i>Jagir</i>	...	...	A royal grant of rent-free land in recognition for certain services.
<i>Jalkar</i>	...	...	A tax levied on water-produce, such as, fishery.
<i>Jama-Wasul-Baky</i>	...	...	An account of rent in which total rent along with realised and outstanding rent is recorded.
<i>Kababs</i>	...	...	A hot spicy meat preparation.
<i>Kabuliat</i>	...	...	An agreement which the tenant gives to landlord while taking settlement of lands.
<i>Kalasa</i>	...	...	A sacred water-pot.
<i>Katcha weights</i>	...	...	Non-standard weight.
<i>Khariif</i>	...	...	Autumn crops.
<i>Kheer</i>	...	...	A sweet preparation of milk and rice.
<i>Kistbandi</i>	...	...	An arrangement for payment by instalment.
<i>Kothi</i>	...	...	A bungalow or store-house.
<i>Lakhraj</i>	...	...	Revenue-free property.
<i>Linga</i>	...	...	Phallus.
<i>Litti</i>	...	...	A food preparation of flour and other ingredients.
<i>Lota</i>	...	...	Water pot.
<i>Madad-a-mash</i>	...	...	Maintenance grant.
<i>Maidan</i>	...	...	Open field.
<i>Malamas</i>	...	...	Intercalary month.
<i>Makhtab</i>	...	...	Urdu school.
<i>Masjid</i>	...	...	Mosque.
<i>Math</i>	...	...	A sacred Hindu institution founded by Shankaracharyya to propagate the doctrine of monism.
<i>Mauza</i>	...	...	Village.
<i>Mela</i>	...	...	Fair.
<i>Miranji-ki-Dargah</i>	...	...	Tomb of Miranji.
<i>Morabbas</i>	...	...	A sweet preserve of fruits and vegetables.

<i>Mukarari</i>	...	...	Tenure held in perpetuity at a fixed rent or at fixed rates.
<i>Nankar</i>	...	...	Grant of land in lieu of cash remuneration.
<i>Ngwar</i>	...	...	Textile fabric used for cots.
<i>Oraha</i>	...	...	An indigenous baked preparation of half dried cropped plants, such as of gram, peas and wheat.
<i>Pakorah</i>	...	...	An indigenous fried preparation.
<i>Pargana</i>	...	...	A fiscal unit consisting of several villages.
<i>Puranas</i>	...	...	Sacred books of the Hindus.
<i>Pyne</i>	...	...	Artificial channel made for irrigation purpose.
<i>Rabi</i>	...	...	Spring crops, such as, wheat, gram, peas, etc.
<i>Raiyats</i>	...	...	Tenants.
<i>Salami</i>	...	...	Payment made to the landlord when settlement is granted for mutation.
<i>Sarai</i>	...	...	Inn, where people can stay without any payment till a certain period.
<i>Sarkar</i>	...	...	A bigger unit of <i>Pargana</i> often taken as a district in the earlier days of British administration.
<i>Sattu</i>	...	...	Powder of fried corn consumed raw with condiments.
<i>Sevasram</i>	...	...	An institution dedicated to the service of mankind.
<i>Shikar</i>	...	...	Hunting.
<i>Shivottar</i>	...	...	A rent-free property granted for the maintenance of the temple of Lord Shiva.
<i>Stupa</i>	...	...	Buddhistic construction for keeping holy relics.
<i>Subah</i>	...	...	Province.
<i>Sudbharna</i>	...	...	Usufructuary mortgage.
<i>Sudi</i>	...	...	Bright part of the month.
<i>Swadeshi</i>	...	...	<i>Swadeshi</i> movement was launched in Bengal in 1905 to discard foreign-made goods.
<i>Tahsil</i>	...	...	Realisation of rent.
<i>Talukdars</i>	...	...	Tenure-holder.
<i>Tankas</i>	...	...	A coin prevalent in mediaeval India.
<i>Tantrik</i>	...	...	A sect of Hinduism and later Buddhism.
<i>Tarai</i>	...	...	Valley.
<i>Tart</i>	...	...	Toddy (fermented juice of palm tree).

<i>Thakurbari</i>	...	Temple.
<i>Tirthankaras</i>	...	The sanctified saints of Jains. There were 24 of them, the last being Mahavira Vardhamana.
<i>Trishula</i>	...	A trident associated with Lord Shiva.
<i>Vesali</i>	<i>Anusamyana</i>	Out-post watch of Vaisali.
<i>Takare.</i>		
<i>Vishnuprit</i>	...	Rent-free property granted for the maintenance of the temple of Lord Vishnu.
<i>Zarpeshgi</i>	...	Money given in advance for cultivable lands.
<i>Zirat</i>	...	Land in personal cultivation of the proprietor (Zamindar) for a continuous period of 12 years.