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- 2) Do not remove anything from the site. Although you may not think something is not significant to the site, all pieces make up the whole.
- 3) Remember that many sites include culturally sensitive areas and therefore behavior should always be respectful.

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**NGELLAU TRADITIONAL
VILLAGE
NGIWAL STATE**

Site No.: B:NI-2:2 F11



Beluu er a Ngellau

A Ngellau a ta era ikel kleuang el rengedel a beluu era Ngiwal. A merredelel tia el beluu a Iromel. A ngklel a bai era Ngellau a Bai era Olilai ea ngklel a klobak er ngii a Ngara Olilai. A ngklel a tochel tia el beluu a Iliuang.

A ngar era cheldekkel a Bai era Olilai era Ngellau a teblo el meklou el bad. Me ng ngar er ngii a bad el ledu el kmo, Imeungs el Bad ma Imeungs el dui ma btangch el ngar er ngii a delobech era melengel el lolekoi er ngii el kmo, Olkael era ududel a Mengerkur.

A ngar era cheldekkel a Bai era Olilai a Imeungs-elbad ma Imeungseldui. A Imeungseldui a bad el olechotel a kmo a Imeungs a ta era reengekel a Milad, ea Imeungseldui a bad el olechotel a dui era Imeungs. Aika el teblo el bad a lengilai a Ngiraklang el msang a Rimirech era Ngeiungel el ua el omeksullel eleng ngilseuir aNgirairung era Ulimang ele Rimirch a ulengit a ngeseu er a Ngirairung. A Ngirairung a ngilai ngii el bad el mes-terir a rechad era Ngellau ele Ngirairung a ulengit a ngeseu er tir er tiaikid el ngeiul a Uluang. Sei ea uchul ma ika el tebelong el bad a nga er a cheldekkel a Bai er a Olilai era Ngellau.



Imeungs el Bad

Site Name: Bai er a Olilai

Site No.: B: NI-2:2 F11

Site Type: Bai Platform

Site Location: Ngellau Traditional Village

Ngellau is one of the four villages in Ngiwal. The meeting house is called Bai er a Olilai, the Council of Chiefs is Ngara Olilai, and the mangrove channel is called Iliuang. There are two stones on the platform of the meeting house, Bai er a Olilai.

Feature 11 is a large stone platform for Bai er a Olilai. The platform is elevated more than a meter height except for its western section and part of the north side that are almost level with the ground surface. On top of the platform is a bai slot with two hearths and eight stone posts at each side of the bai slot. Two stepping stones were noted along the east side of the bai slot.

Interesting features including Imeungs el Bad el Olkael er a Udoud which are on top of the platform and to the east of the bai slot. Imeungs el Bad is a mortar basalt rock with a deep depression in the middle. It has split in half, but is still in place. Beneath the mortar are small rocks that support it. A small round rock also sits on top of the mortar. There is a metal sign next to it with the oral history.

Next to Imeungs el Bad to the northwest is an upright monolith called Olekael er a Udoud. It has an approximate height of a meter. The rock has split in half down its height, but is still in place. One fourth of the way down from the top is a thin groove that, according to oral history, was a measurement of a piece of bead money called Terruaol.

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Olekael er a Udoud



Location of Ngellau Traditional Village and Bai er a Olilai

