Dikwijls ook treden de drie genoemde stammen [Sigi, Foja, Waris] op in vereniging met de stammen Etik en Mander, gelegen aan de Boe, een zijrivier van de Tor-rivier.

... The Bora-Bora, Waf, and Gwammer, ... are related to the tribes of the western hinterland of Sarmi, whereas other tribes, such as Mander, Foja, Ittik, Bonerif, Beo, and Berik form a distinct group. ...
- Oosterwal 1959:829.

Mander
[Pop: 81]

South of the Ittik territory on the Upper Boe and Upper Foewin, stretches the territory of the Mander, which is the most southern tribe of the Tor district. Their territory is bordered by the Gauttier mountains, but where exactly the southern border of their territory lies, is unknown. The Mander, just as the other people of the Tor, do not penetrate very far into the Gauttier mountains. Yet the Mander themselves are a tribe who pushed their way into the Tor territory from the Lake Plain via the Gauttier mountains. ...

For some years past, members of the Foja tribe do also live with the Mander. The Foja's tribal territory lies east of that of the Mander between the Siir, a righthand tributary of the Boe, and the Biri. ... However, with the exception of a few families, the Foja tribe is now extinct. A number of them fled to the coast, while the others have definitively settled with the Mander.

Since the year 1958 the last Foja village -- Sirikan on the Boaf -- has also / been abandoned and so the Foja no longer exist as an autonomous tribe.

The tribal territory of the Mander is at the same time a language area. Formerly the Mander language was only spoken by the Mander,¹ but since the Foja have lived together with the Mander, they have adopted the Mander language entirely. Save for a small number of words, these Foja do not recollect any more of their own language. ...

¹ Foaro, the old korano of the Mander and a Soebar by birth, told me, that formerly the Mander and the Soebar formed together one language group. But now these Soebar are extinct, so that Foaro's (and others') statements cannot be checked anymore.

Mander is spoken to the south of Bonerif ...
- Voorhoeve 1975b:413.

± 100 [speakers]
A significant amount of demographic change has occurred in the twenty years since Oosterwal’s study. ... / ...

There are presently only the Kweston [sic] group with three villages, the Berik group with ten villages, the Mander with one village, and the Seger with one village. Increasing communication has resulted in greater cooperation between villages living in the area Oosterwal called Berik (the villages of Kondirjan, Dangken, Tenwer, and Somanente), and including the areas he called Safron, Beau, Waf, Daranto, and Bora-Bora (the villages of Jerim, Sansiat, Winemase, Burawater, Bore, and Tabfereh, respectively).

While we are forced to recognize a measure of distinctiveness between these last five groups and the group Oosterwal called Berik, it is important to note that all six groups refer to themselves and their language as Berik and that this division into sub-groupings is of a different order of magnitude from that which separates them all from the Kweston, the Mander and Seger. These latter do not consider themselves or their languages Berik. ...  


**Mander**

POP: +/- 20

LOC: North coast area, on upper Bu River, a tributary of upper Tor River, east of Berik

...  

VILLAGE(S):

Ninsem
- Silzer & Heikkinen 1984:35.

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LOC: North coast area on Tor River in two Berik villages

**Mander**: 100 or fewer speakers reported in 1977, on a tributary of the upper Tor River, Irian Jaya, Indonesia. Bilingual in Berik.

**MANDER** ... 20 (1991 SIL). North coast area on the upper Bu River, a tributary of the Upper Tor River. ... Speakers intermarry with the Berik, and speak Berik as second language. ... Nearly extinct.
MANDER ... 20 (1991 SIL). North coast area on the upper Bu River, a tributary of the Upper Tor River. Linguistic affiliation: Trans-New Guinea, Northern, Tor, Tor. Speakers intermarry with the Berik, and speak Berik as second language. Nomadic. Nearly extinct.
- Grimes 1996.

Tamenabor -- MANDER
Waf -- MANDER

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MANDER  Philipsen 1932(1955), Oosterwal 1959, Salzner 1960, Wurm 1971fl
    Oosterwal 1961
MANDER  81
MANDER  100  Tor (Wurm & Hattori 1981; Wurm 1982, 1994; Grimes
MANDER  20  Tor (Silzer & Heikkinen
MANDER  100 (1977)  Comrie 1992cc
MANTER  Smits & Voorhoeve 1994
MANTER  Wurm 1971, 1971fl

Matebefon -- MANDER  Voorhoeve 1975
Ninsem -- MANDER  Silzer & Heikkinen 1984
SOEBAR -- MANDER  Oosterwal 1961
Tamenabor -- MANDER  de Vries & de Vries 1997
Taminabor -- MANDER  Silzer & Clouse 1991
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