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Traditional Assamese Jewellery are the most important and prestigious part of Assamese culture. Assamese Jewellery are used be men and women during the ahom period and have occupied a precious position till date. The main objective of the study is to find out various Traditional Assamese Jewellery preferred by working women. The study also aims to knows about the factors influencing perception on Traditional Assamese Jewellery.

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#### CHAPTER-1

#### 1.1 INTRODUCTION

Jewellery is a universal from of adornment. Jewellery made from shells, stone and bones survives from prehistoric times. In the ancient world the discovery of how to work on metals was an important stage in the development of the art of jewellery. Overtime, metalworking techniques became more sophisticated and decoration more intricate leading to today jewellery fashion.

History of Indian Jewellery is as old as the history of the country itself. Around 5000 years ago, the desire to adorn themselves aroused in people leading to the origin of jewellery. Since the beginning of the journey, the charm of jewellery and the beauty of Indian women by adorning it never separated. Jewellery becomes a natural aid to beauty, depicting a society's folklore that has existed long before the written language or the spoken words came to existent. Infect jewellery is considered as security and prestige of women in our country. Indian jewellery is unique in its design and workmanship. The number of items forming the jewellery of an Indian woman is numerous ranging from earrings to payal.

India being a country of diverse culture has diverse jewellery design from different parts of the country. The state of Assam also has a rich collection of Traditional jewellery, which is unique and exclusive to the state. Traditional Assamese Jewelleries are playing a very significant role in the day-to-day life of the Assamese women not only in the ancient days but also at the present times. In other words, Assam is not only famous for its greenery, Wildlife, Bihu festival, One Horned Rhinoceros, Tea Gardens, Brahmaputra River, Hotted Chilli (also called Bhootjolokia), Eri and Muga Silk and for Legendary Bhupen Hazarika but it is equally famous for Traditional Assamese Jewellery for its unique design. This rich heritage and the diversities of Assam have also been expressed by the legendry Bhupen Hazarika in this song, those Lyrics as:

Asom amar rupohi gunoru naai xexk......

Bharatore purba dixor xurya uthaa dekh......

Traditional Assamese jewelleries which date back to several centuries depict the beauty of the state. The jewellery is typically handmade and the designs mostly depict flora and fauna treasuries of the region. These jewelleries hold a special place in the heart of Assamese women and are worn during the cultural and religious events. Traditional designs of Assamese jewelleries are simple but decorated with vibrant red gemstone, ruby or mina. Black, Red, and Green colours on Assamese jewellery are most favourite among the buyers. These colours dominate the traditional dresses of tribes and communities of the North Eastern States. Some of the popular traditional Assamese jewellery includes-