**Annex (III) Magano Community**

The Magano population is not from a single ethnic group. Originally the area was under the authority of the Hamaj since the Fung Sultanate (5 centuries ago). The dominant group now is the Hadarba. Size-wise the Gumuz are the second distinctive ethnic group inhabiting the Magno Mountains. Ethnically, the population of Magano Mountain Community belongs to four major tribal groups: Hamaj, Funj, Gumuz and Abu Ramala. The percentages of these tribal groups make 82.9% of the population. The rest belong to the Hallween, Agallen, Nuba, and Dinka. The Hamaj is the third significat group. They are allenates of the Funj in the kingdom of Sennar and who, historically, inhabited this area. Other minor groups and due to different reasons, found their way to the Magano village, for example, Halloween, Kawahla, Mesaleit, Dinka and many other smaller tribes. The Gumuz have their distinctive dialect and cultural practices, yet this has been subdued by the dominant culture of the Abrmlaween (Hadarba). This materializes in the dialect of the Hadarba being the medium of communication. It also has another cultural manifestation, that is the dominant Music is the Bajindo which pertains to the Hadarba Culture. Although the Gumuz has their own cultural performances, yet the Bajindo remains the sole music that accompanies most of their rituals. A popular type of Islam is adopted among the Magano Community. However, the Gumuz are more or less pagans, yet acculturated with Islam.