## SETI LANGUAGE PROFILE

## SANDAUN PROVINCE, PAPUA NEW GUINEA



The Seti people (sbi) are located on a mountain ridge in the Sandaun Province of Papua New Guinea. Because of the elevation, it can get quite windy and cool at night. They walk about fifteen minutes to get water which

they pull from a bamboo pipe in the mountain.

There is no school in the area. The school they use is a twelve hour walk from the village and only goes through grade five. In the future, they hope to add grade six. An aid post building exists, but there is no one who can assess medical symptoms or give out medicine. They carry those needing medical care about twelve hours to get help.

Villages: 1

Mauwil

Population: approx. 200

**Denominations: 1** 

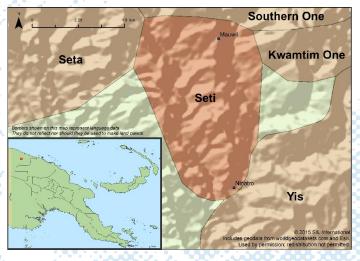
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As subsistence farmers, they grow root crops and several types of tropical fruit. Processing sago (starch from a palm tree) is a part of their daily routine and accounts for much of their diet.

Some people pan for gold and cocoa is grown, but not sold. They have recently signed a contract with a timber company for the company to begin harvesting trees in the area.

In 2015, four Seti speakers came to Wewak to receive training in the Oral Bible Storytelling (OBS) workshops. With little formal schooling in the area, OBS allows more people to be involved in sharing God's Word. As OBS continues, can God's Word touch not only their mountain, but the mountains of neighboring language groups?





## PRAYER ITEMS

- Pray that the young people would begin to help in the work of the church. Pray too that more adults would be involved with the church.
- Pray that they will be able to get government services into the area (school, medical help, and possibly an airstrip).
- Pray that the Christians would stand strong and persevere in the work of God's kingdom.
- Pray that the OBS participants can learn the stories well and effectively share the stories in many venues.