

PATTERNS AND SHIFTS OF THE CARRIADA SYSTEM
OF SAN REMIGIO, ANTIQUE
IN WESTERN PANAY

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ABSTRACT

This descriptive research identifies the patterns and shifts in the transport and trading practices of the carriada across the southern boundaries between the provinces of Antique and Iloilo. Along with ocular observations, interviews were conducted by the researcher with village residents of San Remigio (Antique) to gain insights into the everyday workings of village life.

The results reveal that there have been changes in the carriada system explained by changes in the availability of vehicles and animals used and types and levels of productivity of local crops. Another significant factor affecting the development of the carriada were directly relevant to the settings of Barangay Agrícola and Barangay Panpanan 1: the population increase in both village. However, the changes in the carriada system did not greatly alter the characteristics of the peasant economy of these areas. Although more people engage in more trade, their incomes/profits are not that substantial to change their life patterns. People still live in houses made of wood, bamboo and nipa, and crops they y^old from their farms are just enough for family consumptions. Most residents in the mountain areas still aspire to obtain a living from their farms for generations to come.