

In addition to this are 100 Kirghiz tents scattered throughout the Tiggur Mati and Sugun valleys, belonging to its different tribes and grouped permanently under the Artush Hakim.

Trades in the Artush District.

Village No. 10 Chung-oché-chung, having property ... = 1,000 kurs.
This man trades with Almati.

These men trade direct with Almati and purchase cloth made up in the district.	"	"	3 Koséh Akhún ...	...	500	"
	"	"	10 Suffi Bai ...	...	700	"
	"	"	10 Tursun Bai ...	...	300	"
	"	"	1 Mahomed Tokhta ...	...	1,000	"
	"	"	1 Mahomed Ali ...	...	60	"
	"	"	1 Mahomed Aluneen ...	...	80	"
	"	"	8 Hajee Alatip ...	...	
	"	"	1 Abdúl Russúl ...	...	
	"	"	19 Abdúl Russúl ...	...	
	"	"	3 Abdúl Rehman ...	...	
	"	"	11 Mullah Nax ...	...	
	"	"	2 Abdúl Ghujar ...	...	

Trade is only allowed to pass to Almati by the Chakmák route, but the Kirghiz of Tiggur Mati have a direct, though difficult, line of communication with Naryn by Káramati.

Bazaar on Monday; on the 15th February the people did not collect till afternoon, and the shops did not do much business until after 1 or 2 o'clock; about 4,000 people assembled, of whom 500 were women. Shops as follow:—

24 Purchasers of country cloth.	9 Sellers of wooden articles.
21 Sellers of cotton.	11 Ditto of country matches.
53 Cloth, spices, and miscellaneous stores.	14 Ditto of spices.
20 Sellers of country manufactured cloths.	10 Ditto of silk articles.
10 Ditto of soap.	32 Ditto of grain.
9 Ditto of tobacco.	48 Ditto of fruit and vegetables.
20 Ditto of oil.	16 Ditto of hats.
10 Ditto of boots, &c.	9 Workers in iron.
10 Ditto of leather.	1 Goldsmith.
3 Men employed in pegging and heeling boots.	1 Dyer.
20 Basket sellers.	28 Sheep butchers.
15 Sellers of matting.	2 Beef ditto.
10 Ditto of earthenware vessels.	22 Bakers and Ash-paz.

About 100 sheep and 60 cattle were exposed for sale.

About 400 sellers of cotton (women) were present with thread, each woman having about 3 jings of thread, the sale of each amounting to about 6 tangas.

About 500 men presented themselves to sell country cloth.

In comparison with other bazaars the sale of cotton was very small; it would appear that scarcely any cotton is grown in the Artush district, but that it is brought from Kanarik.

The price of cotton at Artush is from 9 to 9½ tangas the charak, in comparison with 8 to 8½ at Kanarik.

Profit in cotton thread is as follow:—Each woman purchases about 3 tangas worth of cotton and works it into thread, about 4 jings of cotton being obtained with this amount; this produces 3 jings of thread.

This sells at the rate of 2 tangas per jing, giving the woman a profit of 3 tangas during the week; in each case the 3 tangas thus obtained would seem to be invested in necessary purchases for the week, and the remaining 3 in cotton to be worked up before the next market day.

The total sale of cotton in one day was about 63 maunds at 47½ tangas per maund ...	= 2,984 tangas.
Purchase of country cloths amounted to 50 horse loads, each load 2 maunds 10 seers, amounting to at 400 tangas per load to ...	= 2,000 "