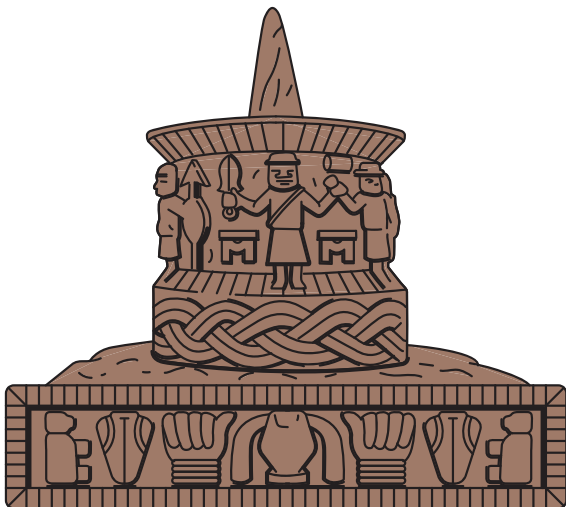


IKĘGOBỌ

Altar of the Hand



Obọ, the hand or arm, is recognised to be the seat of power of accomplishing things. Its worship is specific to warriors as well as wealthy and high-ranking people. It is worshipped to ensure success for special undertakings and give thanks. The Qba and some people of high rank still have special altars of the hand, called Ikegobo, which take the form of sculptured cylindrical objects in wood, or occasionally bronze.

