Jodau'jyaon Tula (Psychology)

This page provides insight to how the Poku Saeruo Degonjo member race Tula think.

General

Generally the Tula avoid unnecessary conflict unlike the Qaktoro, fighting is the last recourse for the Tula

As a people they see themselves as subservient to the Qaktoro, but this is not a slave mindset. The Tula are practical, they physically can not match a Qaktoro. So most are content to live their lives in service to the Clan and never seek to rise above their station. Most Tula do not participate in the Baqnor (move from youth). They have the legal right, but doing so would put them in a role most care not for. Since a Tula who completes the Baqnor is considered by law the same as Qaktoro, this means they would have to operate by the same rules.

The Tula accept those who have ascended, and treat them no differently.

Individual

Individual members motivations are, the good of the clan first. Second the good of their family. Most Tula avoid getting involved in politics.

Relationships

These are how they define individuals other than family members.

- Poku clan Members of the clan that the individual feels that are equal to them.
- Jugal prey Persons that the individual perceives as weaker than themselves.
- Lugaj *predator* A person who is a direct challenge or threat to their desires and goals, this could be a competitor for a mate, position, etc.
- Poku'wumy ally Used to describe a person that is working in concert with the individual.
- Qourl *enemy* These are individuals that the person has conflict with, it can be in the form of a blood feud, or rivalry that could lead to serious loss of status.

Flora Dependency

Tula are uncomfortable in places without plant life. They can operate in such places but eventually need time in a plant filled room. This is due to the mental rapport that they have with plants.

A Tula deprived of contact with plants for a month or longer becomes depressed. The degree of depression worsens with the duration of deprivation.

Society

Racial Purity

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As members of the *Hidden Sun clan* the Tula practice selective breeding and protect the purity of their race. They see deformities, or other genetic handicaps as a threat to the clan. Any cub born with abnormalities is killed in the Fofipa (to cleanse) to release the spirit back to be born again.

At age 13 Tula are offered the opportunity to undergo the Baqnor, a rite of passage. Participation is optional.

Frugality

Life in the Kikyo Sector after the Norka (The Exodus), has taught the Clan as a people to be frugal. Excessive hording at a personal level is heavily frowned upon. Recycling and reusing are a common part of their lifestyle. Items that a person no longer needs are often given to another person in the family, or sold. In some cases they are sold as scrap to be reworked into new things.

Predator Mindset

Their predator ancestry still affects the Tula psyche.

Most predators operate between caution and opportunistic. They instinctively evaluate whether the risk in pursuing a target prey is worth the risk. Most predators have limited pursuit capabilities, and getting injured in the hunt can mean death. So risk management is fundamental.

Tula do this same situational evaluation. Prior to engaging in a risky endeavor they will evaluate if the risk to themselves, their family, and the clan for failure out weighs the potential benefits.

Predators also typically enter an unfamiliar area with caution. They usually find a place to observe before they move in. The Tula still follow this practice in part from instinct and convention. When they enter a gathering they perform what has come to be called Nutarka (the pause). Tula will survey the area, see where the stronger, more powerful members are gathered, and will typically seek out their peers. Lesser members will only intrude on the more powerful by duty, or at their own risk.

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