Njiyabali (AIAS), Njijapali (von B), Ngyiyapali (SAW), Subgroups: Parndikurra (extinct), Njirikudu

Njiyabali is the language name spoken by the Baljgu tribal group. It is an ergative (PVC) language, the most westerly of the Western Desert type. It has been studied in depth by von Brandenstein. He says an AVC influence is being introduced by white influence. About 50 speakers remain today, living mostly at Roy Hill with some at Marble Bar. In vocabulary Njiyabali leans towards Western Desert, but grammatically it has links with Jindjibarndi - e.g. in pronouns.

56.1lb* Baljgu Roy Hill area, east to A2 (AIAS A55) 
(50.3a) Bonney Downs, west to Tambrey

Name is derived from Njiyabali word paljgu-paljgu 'nice, comfortable'; thus means 'the pleasant or gentle ones' (von B)

Balalju (DB), Baljgu (Brown), Bailko (T, O'G, 'RLS'), Balgu (Clement), Bajungu (AC), Baljgu (AIAS), Boolgoo (Connelly), Paljgu (von B), Palyygu (SAW), Pulgoe (Withnell)

Name of tribal group speaking the Njiyabali language.

56.1lc* Wadjiba Most northerly part of Njiyabali territory

Mapped by von Brandenstein as part of Njiyabali.

56.1ld* Ju?una Area S. of Njamal, bounded in S. by Yule R., in W. by Gariera & Ngarla territory & in E. by Bamboo Springs Station (from von B's map)

Means 'the people who say yu?u for 'yes' '

Jauna (45Ar. 'RLS')

von Brandenstein says is a subgroup of Njiyabali, but like Wadjiba above is not pure PVC but has an AVC overlay. 10 speakers remain.