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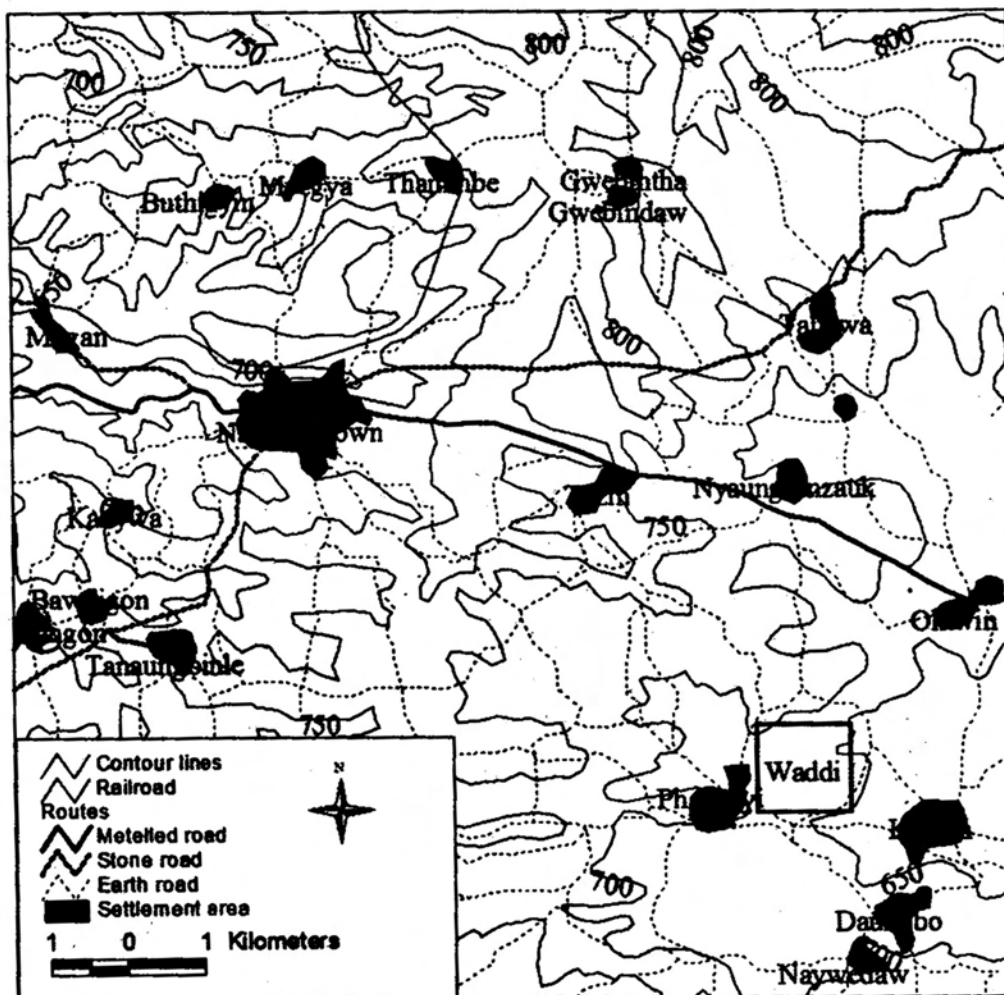


Figure (1) Location of Phayagi Village and ancient Waddi

Source: Based on topographic map No. 84_O_11 and field observation.

When nearly all ancient Pyu beads were unearthed, villagers tried to reproduce it since demand for the bead was increasing from the Chins. Pyu beads production uses the fossil-wood as basic materials. Fossil-woods were available abundantly in the place where ancient Pyu towns were located. This is one of the major reasons for the using of fossil-wood in making ancient Pyu beads. Phayagi Village is located near the Waddi and fossil-woods are easily available. Fossil-woods lie within 15 feet from the earth surface while some are bearing on the ground. However, decoration method of fossil-wood with black paint could not be found very easily. According to personal interviews, it took many years to find out decorating techniques. Finally, one family found out the techniques and started to reproduce Pyu beads. The design of reproduced Pyu beads were derived from unearthed ancient Pyu beads. The

