

### **1.3. SIUGIAK (VOWEL)**

Chamun khambing makjiu maksai chakhuriang (Vocal Track) ga khamnambo hajiu din pad suibo khon tu siugiak (Vowel) chiu kuwe. Lianglad keng ga siugiak niu pad raibo chaladkeng keng makge. Tuhoi katangbo ga phiudoubo /ə/ ronnaye. Haibo khon tu schwa chiuwe, ah kadunbowe (Short Vowel). Example ga, ariak nai chapa chiubo ladkeng ga, ‘ah’ khon kania si ncham makge. Khat niu ‘Heavy Vowel’, khatbo niu ‘Light Vowel’ ye. Lianglad raobo ga, haibo Heavy nai Light Vowel khon kania tu ‘a’ chiubo giak khat ronna niu thin piu bamme. Pahang lam, Alphabet ken rabo Section ga phui sanlo. Kakibo siugiak khon niu tad raibo ladkeng ra dao makge. Siugiak gu Minimal Pairs phui ncham khe.

/i/ - /u/

/ri/ ‘late’	/ru/ ‘burn’
/líng/ ‘to plant’	/lúng/‘to live’

/i/ - /e/

/pí/ ‘give’	/pé/ ‘pluck’
/mīn/ ‘catch’	/mēn/ ‘swell’

/e/ - /o/

/le/ ‘open’	/lo/ IMP marker
/bèn/ ‘wear (shawl)’	/bon/ ‘gather (as insect on the flower)’

/e/ - /a/

/phé/‘shovelling’	/phá/‘talk’
/kep/‘shot’	/kap/‘cry’

/a/ - /u/

/ka/ ‘white’	/ku/‘call’
/bat/ ‘leech’	/but/‘protruding object/CL’

/ə/ - /a/

/nə-/ ‘2Person possessive’	/na/‘near’
/pə-/ ‘3Person possessive’	/pa/‘curry’

Pariga pikhaibambo Minimal Pairs sai suiiju aliu lad ga siugiak charok bamme. Paliu sai /ə/, /a/, /i/, /e/, /o/, /u/. Hai dung tu Monophthong Vowel (Vowel khat pakhon khat) chiu kuwe.