Neo-Brahmi Generation Panel Meeting

Notes from meeting on 10 October 2017

Meeting Attendees (in alphabetical order)

GP members:

1. Abhijit Dutta
2. Ajay Data
3. Akanksha
4. Akshat S. Joshi
5. Bal Krishna Bal
6. Harish Chowdhary
7. Gangadhar Panday
8. Jay Paudyal
9. Gurpreet Singh Lehal
10. Udaya Narayana Singh

Staff:

11. Pitinan Kooarmornpatana
12. Sarmad Hussain

The following communicated their inability to attend:

None

<u>Meeting Notes</u>

The GP discussed the following agenda items:

1. **Status of Devanagari script LGR.** The proposal is being edited to incorporate IP feedback. Most of the feedback has been generally straightforward to integrate in the proposal. The major changes are in the variant section. The section *6.2 Unique Vowels and Vowel Signs required for Kashmiri* has been added.

   The XML document is undergoing a careful review, as it is the technical element of the GP's output that will be used. The descriptive metadata and references were added into the XML file to make it understandable even when it stands alone.

   The GP discussed the case of Halanta-ending labels. The GP discussed that RFC7940 cannot handle such case in which a label and corresponding Halanta-ending label are variants. In addition, as there is trend to drop the Halanta character at the end of words, the GP agreed to drop the case of Halanta-ending. In the case of Nukta, the GP noted that the NFC normalization is not allowed, and the decomposed form cases were defined as variants.

   The update is near to the completion. The proposal package will be finalized and circulated via the GP mailing list by noon, the next day.

2. **The key leaders for other scripts.** The key leaders' list was circulated via mailing list before the meeting. On top of the list, the GP members suggested a few additional language- and script-based key resources that could be included. Jay will contact them. Jay will also create another document asking for volunteering experts from other 5 languages using Devanagari script.

The GP discussed the use of Devanagari script for Limbu. The majority of Limbu communities use another script in Nepal, and only limited communities from Darjeeling and Sikkim use Limbu in Devanagari script. The GP agreed to reach out to more resources from academia such as Department of Limbu in Sikkim University for more information for its use with Devanagari script in India.

3. **List of members attending ICANN60.**
   Members shared the information on who is planning to attend ICANN 60 meeting.

4. **Readout session.** The GP members were requested to share the name and contact information with Harish, for the readout session. The time and date will be finalized soon.

Action Items

S. No.	Action Items	Owner
1	*Finalize the Devanagari proposal and circulate via the GP mailing list by noon, the next day,*	AS
2	*Contact the script experts as suggested by the GP*	JP
3	*Contact the experts for various languages for Devanagari script*	JP
4	*NBGP members to share their information with Harish for the readout session being planned*	ALL