



# Linguistic Guidelines for Domain Registrations in Indic Languages

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# Guidelines for Domain Registrations

- For each TLD or 2LD, we need to decide:
- Scripts which are registered in that domain
- Allowed characters within the script
  - disallowed characters in the script (e.g. numerals)
- defined in IDN Tables

“ICANN strongly recommends collaboration in the development of the IDN Tables”

# Beyond IDN Tables

In addition we need to define:

- Variants
- Allowed character sequences
  - modifiers
  - joiners
- Disallowed character sequences
- Inter-character dependencies

# Indic Scripts

- Scripts used in South Asia
  - Devanagari, Bengali, Telugu, Tamil, ...
  - Burmese, Sinhala
  - RTL scripts e.g. Urdu
- Follow a common Pattern
  - Basically use the same letters
- Need common guidelines + specific rules for each script

# Proposal

- Form Working Group to form guidelines
  - Hosted by APTLD
  - open membership
- Objective – publish RFC
- Will be used by
  - TLDs and 2LDs
  - other registries (e.g. corporate)
  - software developers
- Timeline – 6 months?