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From

The Chairman Kerala Tulu Academy Durgipalla, Manjeshwar, Kasaragod, Kerala-671323

To

Unicode Script, WTC Committee, Unicode Consortium CA, USA

Sir

Sub: Support and acceptance of the "'Modern Tulu" Unicode proposal - Reg

The Kerala Tulu Academy is a subordinate body of the State Government of Kerala. We are committed to advocating for the need for a separate Unicode for Modern Tulu script.

Dr. Pravinraj S. Rao, who is actively working in this regard, has made several significant contributions to the Tulu language over the last 16 years. He has also developed Tulu fonts under the guidance of scholar and former President of Kerala Tulu Academy Dr. Venkataraja Puninchithaya and Tulu researcher Dr. Radhakrishna Bellur.

Moreover Dr. Rao also developed the first modern digital typing font for Tulu, named "Taulava". This font was introduced to the Tulu speaking world in 2008.

Along with this achievement, he also brought out the first Tulu script learning book in 2009. Since 2014, he has been designing the Tulu calendar "Kaala Konde" and distributing it to the public. Recently, he has started an effort to complete the pending work of getting Unicode recognition for modern Tulu with a team of Tulu language experts including Dr.Radhakrishna Bellur, Dr.Padmanabha Kekunnaya, Dr.Guruprasad Bangalore, Dr. Vighnaraj, Dr.Guruprasad also with Technical experts Mr. Sathyashankar B and Mr. Vivek Acharya.



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We hereby confirm that Kerala Tulu Academy, Kasaragod, fully supports and co operates with this initiative. We sincerely wish you a successful completion of this important endeavor to ensure the growth and recognition of the Tulu language.

Thank you.

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27-12-2024



Yours faithfully

Chairman Kerala Tulu Academy

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