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**Universal Multiple-Octet Coded Character Set  
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**Action:** Addition of India Specific Annotation for consideration by JTC1/SC2/WG2  
**Addendum to N3516:** Technical Comments on T.2. Tibetan: Symbols used in Buddhism

### Background

In the Indian tradition Swastik is considered to be a very auspicious symbol. Swastik is normally believed to be an amalgam of the words Su and Asati. Su means 'good' and 'Asati' meant 'to exist'. As per Sanskrit grammar the words Su and Asati when amalgamated into one word become Svasti. Thus, the literal meaning of the term Svasti would be 'let good prevail'. It is considered that it not only brings positive energy but also brings Good Luck to the person as well as removes all obstacles in all undertaking.

In almost all religious / social publication this symbol is very frequently used. With the objective of ease in printing this symbol, it was proposed to encode this symbol in the Unicode Standard.

Tibetan community also uses this symbol in four different forms in their tradition.

### Supporting Pictures:

Indian Homes use this symbol for Well-being

In the Puja Place



At the Door-Step



Svasti Vastu Symbol for Well Being



The Indus Seals from Ancient India



**Proposal:**

Extra Annotation to the Right Facing Svasti Sign proposed to take care of India-specific requirements:  
for example:  
Symbol of good Luck and well-being in India