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Subject: Approving TULU UNICODE SCRIPTS by UNICODE CONSORTIUM

Dear all,

Greetings from Beluru Sudarshana, Advisor (E-Governance) to the Hon'ble Chief Minister of Karnataka State. India. I am writing this to you on behalf of the Government of Karnataka with respect to the "Proposal to encode Tulu Script in Unicode" by Karnataka Tulu Sahitya Academy (KTSA).

Karnataka Tulu Sahitya Academy (KTSA) represents Karnataka State Government for implementation of Tulu script in Unicode. The Cabinet Minister for Kannada and Cultural Ministry has approved on 17.07.2021, the Tulu Unicode Script Chart and has instructed the KTSA to take all necessary steps to revive the Tulu script.

It has come to our knowledge, there are attempts made by individuals claiming experts to rename the script as or parallel it with Tigalari script. While I do not have any comment to make on Tigalari Script, I wish to clarify that the KTSA submitted script is TULU SCRIPT and nothing else. The script name has always been "Tulu" and only "Tulu". KTSA has submitted necessary documents to support the name of the script is Tulu. KTSA is open for discussion with the consortium and any individuals in this matter.

I request the Unicode Consortium to approve the KTSA proposal to encode "Tulu Script" in Unicode at earliest. Any further technical requirement will be fulfilled by experts from Karnataka Tulu Sahitya Academy. Your approval will go a long way in deploying Tulu Script at all levels among Tulu speaking community, which is one of the most vibrant community in India with all its linguistic and cultural heritage.

Best Regards,

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