Proposal to encode Telugu Sign Spacing Candrabindu

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Introduction

Currently combining Candrabindu has been encoded in Telugu script at U+0C00.

Many Indic scripts have both the Combining and the spacing Candrabindu encoded such as in Devanagari, Kannada, Grantha and Malayalam.

This is a proposal to encode such a similar Spacing Candrabindu in Telugu script.

The Telugu spacing Candrabindu is attested for representing both nasalization (equivalent to the regular combining Candrabindus in Indic scripts) and Vedic Anusvaras.

Similarly the spacing Candrabindu is attested for both nasalization and Vedic Anusvara contexts in manuscripts and other documents of South Indic scripts such as Kannada, Malayalam and Nandinagari.

It is proposed the character is named as

OCxx • TELUGU SIGN SPACING CANDRABINDU

Character Properties

OCxx; TELUGU SIGN SPACING CANDRABINDU;Lo;0;L;;;;N;;;;

Indic_Syllabic_Category=Bindu

A cross reference to Kannada 0C80 or Devanagari A8F2 spacing Candrabindus can be added.

Attestations

Usage for nasalized vowels

1. In Prakrit

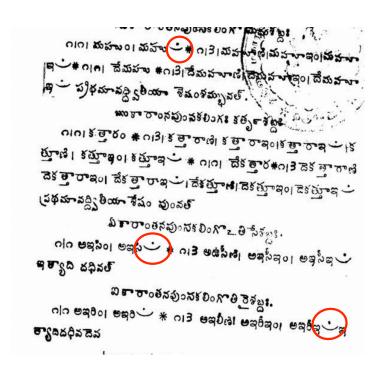


Figure 1: For nasalized vowels from a Prakrit Grammar ప్రాకృతశబ్దప్రదీపికా prākṛtaśabdapradīpikā¹ written by Vidvān Kānakānahahaḷḷi Narasiṃha-śāstri² published by Vidyatarangini Press, Mysore, 1890.

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² Reference- https://www.prekshaa.in/motaganahalli-subrahmanya-shastry-major-works

ణाంగవన్నో * ం131 సమ్మ * ం1ంగచేసమ్మ! జెసన్న్ * ం131 డె సమ్మే * ౨1ంగ సమ్యం * ౨131 నమ్మ ! సమ్మా * 31ంగనమ్మణం । స శ్వేణ * 3131నమ్మేహింగ సమ్మహీ । సమ్మహీ ఎగంగ సమ్మాహిం తా। సమ్మత్తో! సమ్మామ్ నవ్వాహి * ×131 నమ్మామీంతో!

Figure 2: Use of both combining and Spacing Candrabindu for the same function (From the above source)

2. For Nasalized vowels from Rgveda

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ఋగ్వేద సంహితా అథ డ్రథమం మణ్డలమ్ అథ ప్రథమాష్టకే ప్రథమోల్లాధ్యాయః (1) ప్రథమ సూక్తమ్(1) ప్రథమో వర్గ: ॥1॥ ఋషి: – మధుచ్చన్యా:॥ దేవతా – అగ్ని:॥ ఛన్ర: – గాయుత్రీ॥ స్వర: – షడ్డు॥ అగ్నిమీళే పురోహితం యజ్ఞన్య దేవ మృత్విజమ్ । హోతారం రత్నధాతమమ్ ॥1॥ ఋషి: - మధుచృన్గా: దేవతా -అగ్ని: ఛన్ల: - పిపీలికామధ్యానిచృద్ధాయతీ; స్వర: - షడ్జు. అగ్సి: పూర్వేభిర్పషిభిరీడ్యో నూతనెరుత । స దేవాల్స్ పక్షతి॥ 11211 ఋషి: – మధుచ్చన్యా:; దేవతా – అగ్ని:; ఛన్ల: – గాయ్కత్ ; స్వర: – షడ్జ: ఋగ్వేదసంహీతా – ప్రథమం మణ్డలమ్ 106= ఋషి: - గోతమోరాహరాగణ: ॥ దేవతా - అగ్బి: ॥ చన్న: - విరాట్(తిప్మప్ ॥ స్వర: - ధైవత: ॥ యథా విష్ణస్య మనుషో హవిర్భిర్దేవా అయజు కవిభి: కవి: సన్ । ఏవా హోతః సత్యతర త్యమద్యాగ్స్తే మృన్ధయా జుహ్యా యజస్య॥ 11511

Figure 3: From ఋగ్వేద సంహీతా మన్హైనుక్రమణికా సహీతా ప్రథమో భాగః ṛgveda saṃhitā mantrānukramaṇikā sahitā prathamo bhāgaḥ published by Veda Dharma Prachara Trust, Hyderabad, 2018³

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https://www.exoticindiaart.com/book/details/rigveda-samhita-mantanukramika-sahitya-in-telugu-set-of-2-volumes-hbf470/

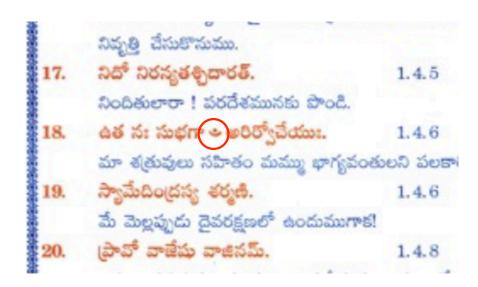


Figure 4: From 7 వేలకు పైగా వేదసూక్తులు 7 velaku paigā vedasūktulu published by Veda Dharma Prachara Trust, Hyderabad, 2021 ⁴

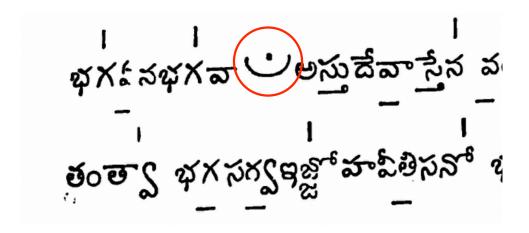


Figure 5: From ఋగ్వేద స్మార్తబ్రాహ్మణ నిత్యకర్మాష్ట్రకమ్ *rgveda smārtabrāhmaṇa* nityakarmāṣṭakam written by Vempaṭi Subrahmaṇya Somayājulu and published by Govindavajjhala Venkaṭrāma Śarmā, Paṇḍitarāya press, Mungonda, 1937 ⁵

https://www.exoticindiaart.com/book/details/7-more-than-7-thousand-vedic-verses-rigveda-verses-353 0-samaveda-verses-925-yajurveda-verses-1130-atharvaveda-verses-1977-total-verses-7562-telugu-h bf917/

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⁵ https://archive.org/details/nitva-karmashtakamu/mode/1up

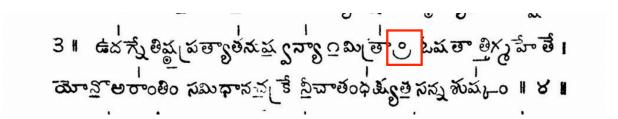


Figure 6: From ఋగ్వేదాబ్దికప్రయోగము $rgved\bar{a}bdikaprayogamu$ written by Callā Lakṣmīnṛsiṃha Śāstrī, Machilipatnam , 1917 6

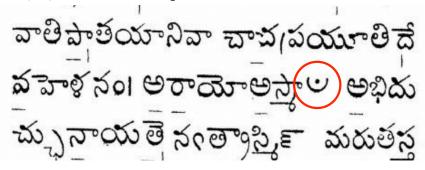


Figure 7: From శ్రీ ఆశ్వలాయనశ్రౌతస్మార్తదీపికా *śrī āśvalāyanaśrautasmārtadīpikā* written by Parāśara Subrahmaṇya Śarmā, Chittoor, 1919⁷

Usages from Vedic texts for Vedic anusvara

భాగం[పజావతీ:| ప్రజావతీరనమీవా:| ప్రజావతీరితి ప్రజా-వతీ: |అనమీవా అయక్ష్మా:| అయక్ష్మామా| మావ:| వెస్తేన:| స్తేన ఈశత| ఈశతమా| మాఘశాళ స:| అఘశాళ సే ద్రవా:| అఘశాళ సే ఇత్యఘ-శాళ స:|

Figure 8: From Śukla Yajurveda Kāṇva texts published by Jeeyar Educational Trust, Hyderabad, 2024⁸

https://www.exoticindiaart.com/book/details/shukla-yajur-veda-kanva-karma-path-lakshmi-hayavadana-parabrahmane-namah-in-telugu-haf414/

⁶ https://archive.org/details/20250303 20250303 0640/page/21/mode/1up

⁷ https://archive.org/details/in.ernet.dli.2015.332379/page/n12/mode/1up

పశూన్ హినస్తి నారణ్యా నవకయా వీకర్హత్యపాం పా ఏషా యోనిర్యద ప్ర కా ఒపాం పా ఏతద్యోనినాగ్నే: శుశ్వల శమయత్యపాం పా ఏత్రదూపం యదవకా ॥ 28 ॥ అపాం పా ఏత్రదూపేణాగ్నే శున్నచల శమయతి వేత సేనా చ్లేయా త్యపాం పా ఏత్తున్నప్పం యద్వేత శెస్ట్ ఇపాం పా ఏత్త త్సుప్మే ణాగ్నే శున్నచల శమయత్య కో బ్రహ్మ వై ఛన్దాల్ల సి ఛన్ట్ బ్రహ్మణా పా ఏత దగ్నే శున్నచల శమయత్య కో బ్రహ్మ వై ఛన్దాల్ల సి బ్రహ్మణా పా ఏత దగ్నే శున్నచల శమయత్య కో బ్రహ్మ వై ఛన్దాల్ల సి బ్రహ్మణా పా ఏత

Figure 9: From Kṛṣṇa yajurveda maitrāyaṇī saṃhitā published by Jeeyar Educational Trust, Hyderabad, 9

⁹ https://www.exoticindiaart.com/book/details/maitrayani-samhita-telugu-set-of-3-volumes-har783/

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A. Administrative

1. Title:	Proposal to encode Telugu Sign Spacing Candrabindu					
2. Requester's	name:	Sridatta A & Srinidhi A				
3. Requester ty	ype (Member bo	dy/Liaison/Ind	ividual contribution):		Individual contribution	
4. Submission	date:			Ī	07 June 2025	
5. Requester's	reference (if app	olicable):		_		
6. Choose one	of the following	g:				
This is a complete proposal:				Yes		
(or) More information will be provided later:						

B. Technical - General

1. Choose one of the following:	
a. This proposal is for a new script (set of characters):	
Proposed name of script:	
b. The proposal is for addition of character(s) to an existing block:	Yes
Name of the existing block: Telugu	
2. Number of characters in proposal:	One
3. Proposed category (select one from below - see section 2.2 of P&P documents)	nt):
A-Contemporary B.1-Specialized (small collection) B.2-Specialized	ed (large collection)
C-Major extinct D-Attested extinct E-Minor extin	nct
F-Archaic Hieroglyphic or Ideographic G-Obscure or questional	ole usage symbols
4. Is a repertoire including character names provided?	
a. If YES, are the names in accordance with the "character nan guidelines"	ning yes
b. Are the character shapes attached in a legible form suitable for review	? yes
5. Fonts related:	
a. Who will provide the appropriate computerized font to the Propublishing the standard?	ject Editor of 10646 for
Can be borrowed from Kannada chart or OFL-ed fo	onts
b. Identify the party granting a license for use of the font by the editors ftp-site, etc.):	(include address, e-mail,
N/A	
6. References:	
a. Are references (to other character sets, dictionaries, descriptive texts oprovided?	etc.) Yes
b. Are published examples of use (such as samples from newspape sources)	ers, magazines, or other
of proposed characters attached? Yes	
7. Special encoding issue	
Does the proposal address other aspects of character data processin input,	g (if applicable) such as

presentation, sorting, searching, indexing, transliteration etc. (if yes please enclose information)?

Yes

8. Submitters are invited to provide any additional information about Properties of the proposed Character(s) or Script that will assist in correct understanding of and correct linguistic processing of the proposed character(s) or script. Examples of such properties are: Casing information, Numeric information, Currency information, Display behaviour information such as line breaks, widths etc., Combining behaviour, Spacing behaviour, Directional behaviour, Default Collation behaviour, relevance in Mark Up contexts, Compatibility equivalence and other Unicode normalization related information. See the Unicode standard at http://www.unicode.org for such information on other scripts. Also see UAX#44: http://www.unicode.org/reports/tr44/ and associated Unicode Technical Reports for information needed for consideration by the Unicode Technical Committee for inclusion in the Unicode Standard.

C. Technical -	Iustification
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1. Has this proposal for addition of character(s) been submitted before?	No			
If YES explain				
2. Has contact been made to members of the user community (for example: National Body,				
user groups of the script or characters, other experts, etc.)?	No			
If YES, available relevant documents:				
3. Information on the user community for the proposed characters (for example:				
size, demographics, information technology use, or publishing use) is included?	Yes			
Reference: Used by Telugu scholarly and Vedic comm	unity			
4. The context of use for the proposed characters type of use; common or rare)	rare			
Reference:				
5. Are the proposed characters in current use by the user community?	Yes			
If YES, where? Reference: Attestations from recent publications	are provided			
6. After giving due considerations to the principles in the P&P document characters be entirely	must the proposed			
in the BMP?	Yes			
If YES, is a rationale provided?	Yes			

If Y	Telugu block is in BMP		
7. Should the proposed characters be kept together in a contiguous range (rather than bein scattered)?			N/A
8. Can any of the propose	d characters be considered a presentation form of an exis	ting	
character or characte	er sequence?	N	0
If YES, is a rationale	for its inclusion provided?		
If Yes, reference:			
9. Can any of the propose	d characters be encoded using a composed character sequ	ience of eit	her
existing characters o	or other proposed characters?	N	0
If YES, is a ratio	onale for its inclusion provided?		
If Y	ves,		
10. Can any of the propose	ed character(s) be considered to be similar (in appearance	e or functio	n)
to, or could be confu	sed with, an existing character?	Ye	s
If YES, is a ratio	onale for its inclusion provided?	Ye	s
If Yes, reference:	Spacing candrabindu characters are encoded p	per script	
11. Does the proposal is composite sequences?	include use of combining characters and/or use of	N	о
If YES, is a rationale	for such use provided?		
If Yes, reference:			
Is a list of composymbols) provided?	site sequences and their corresponding glyph images	(graphic	
If Yes, reference:			
12. Does the proposal con	tain characters with any special properties such as		
control function or s	similar semantics?	N	o
If YES, describe	e in detail (include attachment if necessary)		
13. Does the proposal con	tain any Ideographic compatibility characters?	N	 o

If YES, are the equidentified?	quivalent corresponding unified ideographic characters	
If Yes, reference:		