

**REQUEST FOR FEEDBACK ON DRAFT PROPOSAL FOR ENCODING
OF VAIDIKA CHARACTERS AND SYMBOLS IN UNICODE**

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Vedic Sanskrit is represented using Devanagari Characters which are already represented in the Unicode. The Department of Information Technology, Government of India had sponsored a project to C-DAC Mumbai, (Chief Investigator :- Prof. R.K.Joshi) to prepare a draft proposal for encoding of Vaidika Character and symbols in Unicode. A Copy of the Draft proposal as submitted by Prof. R.K. Joshi, is attached below. Feedback is invited for these symbols in detail especially looking into following aspects:

- (i) Correctness of the name and the visual representation.
- (ii) Identifying any missing symbols through physical verification against the various Vedas and their Shakhas.
- (iii) For the extra symbols identified, provide the complete detail alongwith visual representation for inclusion in the draft proposal and the documentary evidence.
- (iv) Documentary evidence in respect of the symbols proposed in the draft may also be provided to the extent available.
- (v) The phonetic write up of each of the symbols.

The draft proposal consists of following two pdf files :

First File (VaidikaSanskritEncodingProposal.pdf) contains the following

1. The draft Proposal- Page 1 to 7
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