# Revised Proposal to Encode the Bhaiksuki Script in ISO/IEC 10646

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## 1 Introduction

This is a proposal to encode the Bhaiksuki script in the Universal Character Set (ISO/IEC 10646). It replaces the following documents:

- N4121 L2/11-259 "Preliminary Proposal to Encode the Bhaiksuki Script in ISO/IEC 10646"
- N4469 L2/13-167 "Proposal to Encode the Bhaiksuki Script in ISO/IEC 10646"

This document is a revision of N4469 L2/13-167, which was submitted to the Unicode Technical Committee for review at the August 2013 meeting. The major change is a revision of the encoding model for consonant-virama ligatures (see Section 3.7). Minor changes include corrections to character properties.

# 2 Background

Bhaiksuki (के bhaikṣukī; Devanagari भेक्ष्त) is a Brahmi-based script that was used around the turn of the first millenium ce mainly in the present-day states of Bihar and West Bengal in India, as well as in regions that are now part of Bangladesh. Records have been also located in Tibet, Nepal, and Burma. The script is known variously as the 'Arrow-Headed Script' or 'Point-Headed Script' in English, 'Pfeilspitzenschrift' in German, and 'Śaramātṛkā Lipi' in Hindi and modern Sanskrit. An older designation, 'Sindhura', has been used in Tibet for at least three centuries.

The script is attested exclusively in Buddhist textual materials. Only eleven inscriptions and four manuscripts written in this script are presently known to exist. These are the Bhaiksuki manuscripts of the *Abhidhar-masamuccayakārikā*, *Maṇicūḍajātaka*, *Candrālaṃkāra*, and at least one more Buddhist canonical text. The codex of the *Abhidharmasamuccayakārikā* was once kept in Tibet, but it is now inaccessible and its exact place of preservation is unknown. The fourth codex was discovered in Tibet and was recently shown in a Chinese documentary; however, information about this manuscript is limited. It is likely that additional materials in Bhaiksuki may become available in the future.

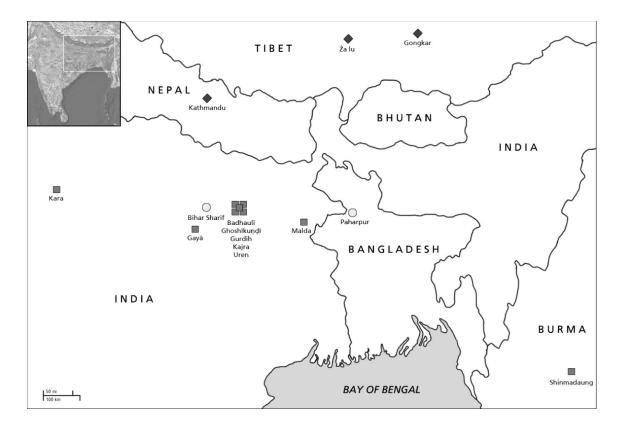


Figure 1: Sites of inscriptions (■) and manuscripts (◆) and other places (○) where Bhaiksuki has reportedly been used (from Dimitrov 2010: 52).

There has been scholarly interest in Bhaiksuki from the time that Cecil Bendall presented the script to Western academic communities in the 1880s. In the 1890s, Bruno Liebich made further advances through his study of the materials available at the time. More recently, the Bhaiksuki manuscript of the *Maṇicūḍajātaka* was studied by Albrecht Hanisch in 2008 and the manuscript of the *Candrālaṃkāra* was presented by Dragomir Dimitrov in 2010. Since 2004 the Arrow-headed Script Project at Philipps-Universität, Marburg, Germany has been engaged in research on Bhaiksuki and in developing resources for the script.

# 3 Script Details

### 3.1 Name

The transliterated name of the script,  $bhaikṣuk\bar{\imath}$ , is normalized as 'Bhaiksuki'. The proposed block consists of 94 characters, which is tentatively allocated to the SMP at the range U+11C00..11C6F. Character names are aligned with those used in other script encoded in the UCS. A code chart and names list is attached.

### 3.2 Structure

The general structure (phonetic order, *mātrā* reordering, use of *virāma*, etc.) of Bhaiksuki is similar to that of Devanagari. Some dependent vowel signs consist of two or three parts and behave like those in Bengali. Several vowel signs have contextual forms when they combine with certain consonants, and certain

consonant-vowel sequences are written as ligatures. In some cases, consonant + *virāma* pairs are rendered using both a visible *virāma* and a special ligature. Consonant clusters are represented as conjuncts.

### 3.3 Virāma

The VIRAMA is used for indicating the absence of the inherent vowel in a consonant letter. It is identical in function to the VIRAMA in Devanagari. Certain pairs of consonant + VIRAMA are rendered as both with visible VIRAMA and as a special ligature (see Section 3.7).

#### 3.4 Vowels

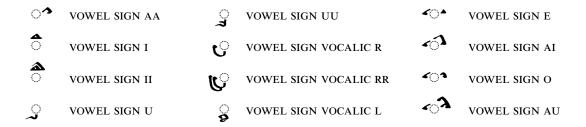
There are 13 vowel letters:



The vowel letter \*VOCALIC LL is not attested, but space has been reserved for it.

## 3.5 Vowel Signs

There are 12 dependent vowel signs:



The \*vowel sign vocalic ll is not attested, but space has been reserved for it. Several signs are written using alternate forms when they occur with certain consonants (see Section 3.8).

### 3.6 Consonants

There are 33 consonant letters:

\$	KA	24	NYA	4	DHA	ş	LA
8	KHA	<b>48</b>	TTA	3	NA	\$	VA
<b>4</b>	GA	œ	TTHA	v	PA	4	SHA
毯	GHA	<b>t</b>	DDA	ఓ	PHA	ধ	SSA
\$ <b>*</b>	NGA	\$	DDHA	v	BA	<b>as</b>	SA
3	CA	32	NNA	\$	ВНА	\$	HA
\$	СНА	\$	TA	85	MA		
**	JA	₩	THA	w	YA		
\$	JHA	\$	DA	\$	RA		

Each consonant bears the inherent vowel /a/, represented by A, which is silenced using VIRAMA. Consonant clusters are written as conjuncts (see Section 3.9).

## 3.7 Consonant-Virama Ligatures

Sequences of <C, VIRAMA> are rendered by default using a visible VIRAMA. However, three combinations are also represented using a special ligature, which is referred to here as a "khanda" form:

	combining virāma	khaṇḍa ligature
< <b>র</b> ta, ্ virama>	ţ	\$
<\$ NA, Ç VIRAMA>	3	33
< <b>ॐ</b> MA, ◯ VIRAMA>	85	<b>®</b>

An analysis of the available manuscripts indicates that there is no semantic distinction between the visible *virāma* forms and *khaṇḍa* ligatures. The two forms of <TA, VIRAMA> and <NA, VIRAMA> are used alternately in the same context. The *khaṇḍa* form of TA is used inconsistently and when it does occurs, its use is functionally identical to \$\mathbb{Q}\$ U+09CE BENGALI LETTER KHANDA TA. The combination <MA, VIRAMA> occurs only as the *khaṇḍa* ligature in the available sources.

It is necessary to represent both the *virāma* and *khaṇḍa* forms because they occur simultaneously. Moreover, they must be distinguished for analytical purposes. For instance, in a pedagogical text on Bhaiksuki palaeography that describes the formation of the conjunct mpa, it is necessary to render <ma, VIRAMA> using a visible VIRAMA, eg. the statement "mpa" mpa" properly expresses the rule that a conjoining form of PA is written beneath a full-form of MA in order to produce the conjunct mpa, while the statement "mpa" mpa" does not correctly do so.

Given that there are only three attested *khanda* forms, it may be possible to encode each as independent characters. The limitation of this approach is that the discovery of other *khanda* forms would require encoding

each as distinct characters. Another option is to encode a combining character with VIRAMA-like behavior and properties, which would control the representation of *khanda* forms. Such a control character would allow for a generic way of representing both existing and other potential *khanda* forms; however, encoding such a character may increase the complexities of implementing support for the script in rendering engines.

As there is no known semantic distinction between the *khaṇḍa* forms and their visible *virāma* representations, the three ligatures are to be considered contextual variants and will not be represented in plain text. The display of *khaṇḍa* forms is to be controlled using smart font ligature features, such as those available in Graphite and OpenType. If a requirement to represent these *khaṇḍa* ligatures at the character level arises as a result of new information, then the matter may be discussed at that time.

### 3.8 Consonant-Vowel Combinations

Several vowel signs are written using alternate forms when they combine with certain consonants. This is standard behavior for Bhaiksuki. These alternate forms are contextual variants and are not proposed for separate encoding. The font is responsible for producing the approprate alternate form of a vowel sign based upon the presence of the base consonant.

**VOWEL SIGN AA** The  $^{\diamond}$  VOWEL SIGN AA takes the shape  $^{\diamond}$  when it attaches to the letter  $^{\diamond}$  KHA, eg.  $^{\diamond}$   $kh\bar{a}$ . This form resembles the corresponding sign in Devanagari.

**VOWEL SIGN I** If the letter to which ovowel sign is attached has two arrow heads, the sign is written in place of the right-hand arrow head. In the case of KHA, which has no arrow head, the sign attaches to the upper right side of the letter, eg. \*\* khi.

**VOWEL SIGN U** The  $\int$  vowel sign U takes the shape  $\int$  when written with KA, GA, TA, BHA, SHA, eg.  $\int$  ku,  $\int$  gu,  $\int$  tu,  $\int$  bhu,  $\int$  su. When vowel sign U is attached to an independent RA the combination is rendered using the special ligature  $\int$  ru. However, the form  $\int$  is used with RA whenever the pair occurs in conjuncts, eg.  $\int$  bru and  $\int$  sru.

**VOWEL SIGN E** The vowel sign e consists of two parts and is written to the right and left of a consonant letter, eg. ke, ne. It takes the alternate shape with the following letters, whose arrowhead is placed to the right of the letter body: GA, NGA, NYA, TTA, TTHA, NNA, THA, DHA, SHA, eg. ge, te, the, ne, the, ne, the, ne, se. In the case of kha, which has no arrow-head, the sign takes the shape e, eg. khe.

**VOWEL SIGN AI** The vowel sign all consists of two parts and is written to the right and left of a consonant letter, eg. *jai*, *nai*, *pai*. As with vowel sign e, it takes the shape when it occurs with GA, NGA, NYA, TTA, TTHA, NNA, THA, DHA, SHA, eg. *nai*, *siai*. For the letter kha, which does not have an arrow-headed top, the vowel sign at is written as eg. *khyai*.

The letters KHA, NYA, DDA, NA, YA, RA are slightly modified when they occur with vowel sign o, eg. **37** yo, **58** ro (see specific details on each letter below).

vowel sign au The vowel sign au consists of two parts and is written to the right and left of a consonant, eg. a cau, a dhau, a dau, a pau, a bhau. It takes the alternate shape when it is written with GA, NGA, NYA, TTA, TTHA, NNA, THA, DHA, SHA: a gau, a nau, a śau. As with vowel sign o, when vowel sign au attaches to NA and RA, it takes the shape a nau, in which the right-hand vertical stroke is elongated.

The letters NA, YA, RA are slightly modified when they occur with VOWEL SIGN AU, eg. \*\* yau (see specific details on each letter below).

Although combinations of KHA, NYA, DDA with VOWEL SIGN AU are not attested, the rendering of such pairs should be similar to that of VOWEL SIGN O.

PA The letter PA takes the contextual form when written with certain vowel signs. The regular form is used in pu, pv pv, when pv pv, but the form is used for writing pv pv, pv pv. This alternate shape also occurs in consonant conjuncts when PA is a non-initial consonant.

The letter \( \forall \) YA takes a contextual form when it combines with all vowel signs, eg. VOWEL SIGN E (\( \forall \) ye), VOWEL SIGN AI, (\( \forall \) yai), VOWEL SIGN AU (\( \forall \) yau).

RA The letter **3** RA takes a contextual form when it combines with all vowel signs, eg. VOWEL SIGN E (**3** re) and VOWEL SIGN AI (**3** rai).

### 3.9 Consonant Conjuncts

Consonant clusters are written as conjuncts, which are generally rendered as vertically stacked ligatures, but in some few cases may also appear as independent ligatures. The encoded representation for conjuncts is  $< C_1, \circ VIRAMA, C_2 >$ . Examples of conjuncts are:

🗞 kṣa	<b>♣</b> KA + <b>ॐ</b> SSA	<b>1</b> tpa	♂ TA + ❤ PA
🗱 ggra	<b>今</b> GA + <b>今</b> GA + <b>3</b> RA	<b>₹</b> dda	<b>₹</b> DA + <b>₹</b> DA
<b>Y</b> gna	→ GA + → NA	🏂 ddha	₹ DA + ♥ DHA
🏞 ṅga	NGA + A GA	tha	<b>3</b> NA + <b>3</b> THA
ińśa	NGA + SHA	<page-header> ndha</page-header>	<b>3</b> NA + <b>₹</b> DHA
🕏 cca	<b>3</b> CA + <b>3</b> CA	<b>3</b> nna	<b>3</b> NA + <b>3</b> NA
🎎 jña	AT JA + ST NYA	😻 bdha	<b>♦</b> BA + <b>♦</b> DHA

Generally in writing conjuncts, the arrow-heads of non-initial consonants are removed, eg. see *cca*, *tta*, *dda* above. In some cases, however, the consonant retains its arrow-head, eg. see *nga*, *nśa*, *jña*, *ṣṭa* above.

Several letters take special forms when they occur in conjuncts:

- KA When initial,  $\clubsuit$  KA is slightly modified to  $\clubsuit$ , eg.  $\clubsuit$  KA +  $\clubsuit$  RA  $\rightarrow$   $\clubsuit$  KA +  $\clubsuit$   $\rightarrow$  SSA  $\clubsuit$ ;  $\clubsuit$  KA +  $\spadesuit$  YA  $\rightarrow$   $\clubsuit$  kya.
- PA The letter ❖ PA takes the contextual form ❖ when written non-initial in a cluster, eg. ❖ MA + ❖ PA → ❖ mpa
- RA When cluster initial, A RA is written as an arrow-head on top of the arrow-head of the following consonant, eg. A RA + A KA A rka. This initial form is identical to the repha in Devanagari. When repha occurs with a letter that has two arrow-heads, eg. SA, YA, etc., it is written on top of the right-hand arrow head, eg. RA + YA YF rya. Above-base vowel signs attach to the repha. When RA occurs final in a cluster it is written using the subjoined form , eg. TA + RA RA This form is to be differentiated from the vowel sign vocalic R.

## 3.10 Various Signs

**Candrabindu** The SIGN CANDRABINDU is used for nasalization. The variant form Sign written with a dot instead of a ring. This form is a glyphic variant and is semantically identical to the regular form.

Anusvara The SIGN ANUSVARA is used for nasalization. It has the variant form, written as a dot instead of as a ring. The dotted form is a glyphic variant and is semantically identical to the regular form.

Visarga The S SIGN VISARGA represents post-vocalic aspiration (/h/) in Sanskrit.

**Avagraha** The  $\mathbf{S}$  SIGN AVAGRAHA marks the elision of word-initial  $\mathbf{S}$  a in Sanskrit as a result of sandhi.

### 3.11 Punctuation

Daṇḍā-s The ↑ DANDA and ♦ DOUBLE DANDA are marks of general punctuation.

**Word Separator** The WORD SEPARATOR is used for demarcating lexical boundaries. It is written at the head-height. It also appears as a odt instead of a vertical bar.

Gap Filler The GAP FILLER is used generally as a spacing or completion mark, especially for justifying a text block, both at the end of the line before the binding area of the palm-leaf, as well as at the absolute end of a line. In other cases, the mark is used for indicating a gap after a deletion or to indicate a lacuna. The GAP FILLER is commonly written as \$\frac{1}{2}\$, but the shape \$\frac{1}{2}\$ is also attested. In some cases, this latter shape is used as mark of deletion and is written over the text to be erased. These two characters may be considered glyphic variants of a single gap, completion, or deletion mark.

## 3.12 Digits

The following decimal digits are attested: \(^\)ONE, \(^\)Two, \(^\)FOUR, \(^\)FIVE, \(^\)SIX, \(^\)SEVEN, \(^\)EIGHT, \(^\)NINE. The digits \*ZERO and \*THREE are not attested, but space has been reserved for them.

### 3.13 Numbers

In addition to digits, there is a position numerical system used in Bhaiksuki records. The system contains numbers (referred to as 'letter-numerals' in the scholarly literature) for the primary and tens units and a generic unit mark for the hundreds:

3	NUMBER ONE	~5"	NUMBER EIGHT	K	NUMBER SIXTY
3	NUMBER TWO	<b>.</b>	NUMBER NINE	Å	NUMBER SEVENTY
3	NUMBER THREE	Ð	NUMBER TEN	w	NUMBER EIGHTY
À	NUMBER FOUR	•	NUMBER TWENTY	æ	NUMBER NINETY
Ž	NUMBER FIVE	\$	NUMBER THIRTY	<del>યુ</del>	NUMBER HUNDREDS
Â	NUMBER SIX	¥	NUMBER FORTY		
<b>A</b>	NUMBER SEVEN	8.	NUMBER FIFTY		

Numbers are written vertically with each unit occupying a separate line. The largest unit is written first and all other units are written below. For instance, in writing the number 11, the NUMBER TEN is written first and NUMBER ONE is written below it. The same pattern is followed for all numbers 10–99. Shown below are the numbers 10–19:



The hundreds are written using the unit mark **3** NUMBER HUNDREDS followed by a number that represents the primary numbers 1–9. For instance, 100 is **3**, 200 is **3**, and so forth. Given below are the numbers 110–119:



The system theoretically provides for all numbers in the range 1–999 to be written. However, numbers beyond 264 are not attested in the available manuscripts.

### 3.14 Editorial marks

Editorial marks, as the insertion marks  $\stackrel{*}{\sim}$  and  $\stackrel{*}{\sim}$  , are used commonly in Bhaiksuki manuscripts. These are presently not proposed for encoding. The deletion and insertion marks resemble editorial marks used in

other Indic scripts. It may be practical to unify these characters in a separate block of pan-Indic editorial marks.

### 3.15 Ornaments

In the Bhaiksuki manuscript shown recently in a Chinese documentary two elaborately ornamented *cakra*-s in different colors are visible. These may may be classified as proper ornaments. However, analysis of these ornaments requires access to the newly revealed manuscript. In the *Maṇicūḍajātaka* manuscript the sign sign used in one instance apparently as an ornamental device. It is graphically identical to Number Nine. Until additional information is available, this sign is to be represented using Number Nine.

### 3.16 Collation

The primary collating order for Bhaiksuki is as follows:

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** A < ** AA < ** I < ** II < ** U < ** UU < ** VOCALIC R < ** VOCALIC R < ** VOCALIC R < ** AU < ** KA < ** AU < ** KA < ** AU < ** AU < ** KA < ** AU < ** A
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The following characters have secondary weights:

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S CANDRABINDU. ○ ANUSVARA, ○ VISARGA,
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## 4 Character Data

### 4.1 Character Properties

The properties for Bhaiksuki characters in the Unicode Character Database format are:

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11C00;BHAIKSUKI LETTER A;Lo;0;L;;;;N;;;;
11C01;BHAIKSUKI LETTER AA;Lo;0;L;;;;N;;;;
11C02;BHAIKSUKI LETTER I;Lo;0;L;;;;N;;;;
11C03;BHAIKSUKI LETTER II;Lo;0;L;;;;N;;;;
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11C04; BHAIKSUKI LETTER U; Lo; 0; L;;;;; N;;;;
11C05; BHAIKSUKI LETTER UU; Lo; 0; L;;;;; N;;;;
11C06; BHAIKSUKI LETTER VOCALIC R; Lo; 0; L; ; ; ; ; N; ; ; ;
11C07; BHAIKSUKI LETTER VOCALIC RR; Lo; 0; L;;;;; N;;;;;
11C08; BHAIKSUKI LETTER VOCALIC L; Lo; 0; L;;;;; N;;;;;
11COA; BHAIKSUKI LETTER E; Lo; O; L;;;;; N;;;;
11COB; BHAIKSUKI LETTER AI; Lo; O; L;;;;; N;;;;
11COC; BHAIKSUKI LETTER O; Lo; O; L;;;;; N;;;;
11C0D; BHAIKSUKI LETTER AU; Lo; 0; L;;;;; N;;;;
11C0E; BHAIKSUKI LETTER KA; Lo; 0; L;;;;; N;;;;
11COF; BHAIKSUKI LETTER KHA; Lo; 0; L;;;;; N;;;;;
11C10; BHAIKSUKI LETTER GA; Lo; 0; L;;;;; N;;;;
11C11; BHAIKSUKI LETTER GHA; Lo; 0; L;;;;; N;;;;;
11C12; BHAIKSUKI LETTER NGA; Lo; 0; L;;;;; N;;;;
11C13; BHAIKSUKI LETTER CA; Lo; 0; L;;;;; N;;;;
11C14; BHAIKSUKI LETTER CHA; Lo; 0; L;;;;; N;;;;
11C15; BHAIKSUKI LETTER JA; Lo; 0; L;;;;; N;;;;;
11C16; BHAIKSUKI LETTER JHA; Lo; 0; L;;;;; N;;;;
11C17; BHAIKSUKI LETTER NYA; Lo; 0; L;;;;; N;;;;
11C18; BHAIKSUKI LETTER TTA; Lo; 0; L;;;;; N;;;;
11C19; BHAIKSUKI LETTER TTHA; Lo; 0; L;;;;; N;;;;;
11C1A; BHAIKSUKI LETTER DDA; Lo; 0; L;;;;; N;;;;;
11C1B; BHAIKSUKI LETTER DDHA; Lo; 0; L;;;;; N;;;;
11C1C; BHAIKSUKI LETTER NNA; Lo; 0; L;;;;; N;;;;;
11C1D; BHAIKSUKI LETTER TA; Lo; 0; L;;;;; N;;;;
11C1E; BHAIKSUKI LETTER THA; Lo; 0; L;;;;; N;;;;
11C1F; BHAIKSUKI LETTER DA; Lo; 0; L;;;;; N;;;;
11C2O; BHAIKSUKI LETTER DHA; Lo; O; L;;;;; N;;;;
11C21; BHAIKSUKI LETTER NA; Lo; 0; L;;;;; N;;;;;
11C22; BHAIKSUKI LETTER PA; Lo; 0; L;;;;; N;;;;
11C23; BHAIKSUKI LETTER PHA; Lo; 0; L;;;;; N;;;;
11C24; BHAIKSUKI LETTER BA; Lo; 0; L;;;;; N;;;;
11C25; BHAIKSUKI LETTER BHA; Lo; 0; L;;;;; N;;;;
11C26; BHAIKSUKI LETTER MA; Lo; 0; L;;;;; N;;;;
11C27; BHAIKSUKI LETTER YA; Lo; 0; L;;;;; N;;;;
11C28; BHAIKSUKI LETTER RA; Lo; 0; L;;;;; N;;;;
11C29; BHAIKSUKI LETTER LA; Lo; 0; L;;;;; N;;;;
11C2A; BHAIKSUKI LETTER VA; Lo; 0; L;;;;; N;;;;
11C2B; BHAIKSUKI LETTER SHA; Lo; 0; L;;;;; N;;;;
11C2C; BHAIKSUKI LETTER SSA; Lo; 0; L;;;;; N;;;;
11C2D; BHAIKSUKI LETTER SA; Lo; 0; L;;;;; N;;;;
11C2E; BHAIKSUKI LETTER HA; Lo; 0; L;;;;; N;;;;;
11C2F; BHAIKSUKI VOWEL SIGN AA; Mc; 0; L;;;;; N;;;;
11C30; BHAIKSUKI VOWEL SIGN I; Mn; 0; NSM; ; ; ; ; N; ; ; ;
11C31; BHAIKSUKI VOWEL SIGN II; Mn; 0; NSM; ;; ;; N; ;; ;;
11C32; BHAIKSUKI VOWEL SIGN U; Mn; 0; NSM;;;;; N;;;;;
11C33; BHAIKSUKI VOWEL SIGN UU; Mn; 0; NSM;;;;; N;;;;;
11C34; BHAIKSUKI VOWEL SIGN VOCALIC R; Mn; 0; NSM; ; ; ; ; N; ; ; ;
11C35; BHAIKSUKI VOWEL SIGN VOCALIC RR; Mn; 0; NSM;;;;; N;;;;;
11C36; BHAIKSUKI VOWEL SIGN VOCALIC L; Mn; 0; NSM; ; ; ; ; N; ; ; ;
11C38; BHAIKSUKI VOWEL SIGN E; Mn; 0; NSM; ; ; ; ; N; ; ; ;
11C39; BHAIKSUKI VOWEL SIGN AI; Mn; 0; NSM; ; ; ; ; ; ; ;
11C3A; BHAIKSUKI VOWEL SIGN O; Mc; 0; L;;;;; N;;;;
11C3B; BHAIKSUKI VOWEL SIGN AU; Mc; 0; L;;;;; N;;;;;
11C3C; BHAIKSUKI SIGN CANDRABINDU; Mn; 0; NSM;;;;; N;;;;;
11C3D; BHAIKSUKI SIGN ANUSVARA; Mn; 0; NSM; ;; ;; ;N; ;; ;;
11C3E; BHAIKSUKI SIGN VISARGA; Mc; 0; L;;;;; N;;;;
11C3F; BHAIKSUKI SIGN VIRAMA; Mn; 9; L;;;;; N;;;;
11C40; BHAIKSUKI SIGN AVAGRAHA; Lo; 0; L;;;;; N;;;;;
11C41; BHAIKSUKI DANDA; Po; 0; L;;;;; N;;;;
11C42; BHAIKSUKI DOUBLE DANDA; Po; 0; L;;;;; N;;;;
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11C43; BHAIKSUKI WORD SEPARATOR; Po; 0; L;;;;; N;;;;
11C44; BHAIKSUKI GAP FILLER; Po; 0; L;;;;; N;;;;;
11C51; BHAIKSUKI DIGIT ONE; Nd; 0; L;; 1; 1; 1; N;;;;;
11C52; BHAIKSUKI DIGIT TWO; Nd; 0; L;; 2; 2; 2; N;;;;;
11C54; BHAIKSUKI DIGIT FOUR; Nd; 0; L; ; 4; 4; 4; N; ; ; ;
11C55; BHAIKSUKI DIGIT FIVE; Nd; 0; L; ; 5; 5; 5; N; ; ; ;
11C56; BHAIKSUKI DIGIT SIX; Nd; 0; L; ; 6; 6; 6; N; ; ; ;
11C57; BHAIKSUKI DIGIT SEVEN; Nd; 0; L; ; 7; 7; 7; N; ; ; ;
11C58; BHAIKSUKI DIGIT EIGHT; Nd; 0; L; ; 8; 8; 8; N; ; ; ;
11C59; BHAIKSUKI DIGIT NINE; Nd; 0; L; ; 9; 9; 9; N; ; ; ;
11C5A; BHAIKSUKI NUMBER ONE; No; 0; L;;;; 1; N;;;;
11C5B; BHAIKSUKI NUMBER TWO; No; 0; L;;;; 2; N;;;;
11C5C; BHAIKSUKI NUMBER THREE; No; 0; L;;;; 3; N;;;;;
11C5D; BHAIKSUKI NUMBER FOUR; No; 0; L;;;; 4; N;;;;
11C5E; BHAIKSUKI NUMBER FIVE; No; 0; L;;;; 5; N;;;;;
11C5F; BHAIKSUKI NUMBER SIX; No; 0; L;;;; 6; N;;;;
11C60; BHAIKSUKI NUMBER SEVEN; No; 0; L;;;; 7; N;;;;
11C61; BHAIKSUKI NUMBER EIGHT; No; 0; L;;;; 8; N;;;;
11C62; BHAIKSUKI NUMBER NINE; No; 0; L;;;; 9; N;;;;
11C63; BHAIKSUKI NUMBER TEN; No; 0; L;;;; 10; N;;;;;
11C64; BHAIKSUKI NUMBER TWENTY; No; 0; L;;;; 20; N;;;;;
11C65; BHAIKSUKI NUMBER THIRTY; No; 0; L;;;; 30; N;;;;;
11C66; BHAIKSUKI NUMBER FORTY; No; 0; L;;;; 40; N;;;;;
11C67; BHAIKSUKI NUMBER FIFTY; No; 0; L;;;; 50; N;;;;;
11C68; BHAIKSUKI NUMBER SIXTY; No; 0; L;;;; 60; N;;;;;
11C69; BHAIKSUKI NUMBER SEVENTY; No; 0; L;;;; 70; N;;;;;
11C6A; BHAIKSUKI NUMBER EIGHTY; No; 0; L;;;; 80; N;;;;;
11C6B; BHAIKSUKI NUMBER NINETY; No; 0; L;;;; 90; N;;;;;
11C6C; BHAIKSUKI NUMBER HUNDREDS; No; 0; L;;;; 100; N;;;;;
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## 4.2 Linebreaking

Linebreaking properties of Bhaiksuki characters given in the data format of LineBreak.txt:

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11C00..11C08; AL  # LETTER A .. LETTER VOCALIC L
11C0A..11C2E; AL  # LETTER E .. LETTER HA
11C2F..11C36; CM  # VOWEL SIGN AA .. VOWEL SIGN VOCALIC L
11C38..11C3F; CM  # VOWEL SIGN E .. VIRAMA
11C40; AL  # SIGN AVAGRAHA
11C41..11C43; BA  # DANDA .. GAP FILLER
11C51..11C52; NU  # DIGIT ONE .. DIGIT TWO
11C54..11C59; NU  # DIGIT FOUR .. DIGIT NINE
11C5A..11C6C; AL  # NUMBER ONE .. NUMBER HUNDREDS
```

### 4.3 Syllabic Categories

Syllabic categories given in the data format of IndicSyllabicCategory.txt:

```
# Indic Syllabic Category=Bindu
             ; Bindu
11C3C
                                  # Mn
                                             SIGN CANDRABINDU
11C3D
             ; Bindu
                                  # Mn
                                             SIGN ANUSVARA
# Indic_Syllabic_Category=Visarga
11C3E
            ; Visarga
                                  # Mc
                                             SIGN VISARGA
# Indic Syllabic Category=Virama
         ; Virama
                                  # Mn
                                             SIGN VIRAMA
```

```
# Indic_Syllabic_Category=Vowel_Independent
11C00..11C0D ; Vowel_Independent # Lo [14] LETTER A .. LETTER AU

# Indic_Syllabic_Category=Vowel_Dependent
11C2F ; Vowel_Dependent # Mc [3] VOWEL SIGN AA
11C30..11C36 ; Vowel_Dependent # Mn [8] VOWEL SIGN I .. VOWEL SIGN VOCALIC L
11C38..11C3B ; Vowel_Dependent # Mc [2] VOWEL SIGN E .. VOWEL SIGN AU

# Indic_Syllabic_Category=Consonant
11C0E..11C2E ; Consonant # Lo [34] LETTER KA .. LETTER HA
```

### 4.4 Matra Categories

Matra categories given in the data format of IndicMatraCategory.txt:

```
# Indic Matra Category=Right
           ; Right # Mc
                             VOWEL SIGN AA
11C2F
# Indic_Matra_Category=Left_And_Right
11C38 ; Left_And_Right # Mc VOWEL SIGN E
           ; Left_And_Right # Mc VOWEL SIGN O
11C3A
# Indic Matra Category=Top
11C30..11C31 ; Top # Mn [2] VOWEL SIGN I .. VOWEL SIGN II
# Indic Matra Category=Top_And_Left_And_Right
; Top_And_Left_And_Right # Mc VOWEL SIGN AI
            ; Top_And_Left_And_Right # Mc VOWEL SIGN AU
11C3B
# Indic_Matra_Category=Bottom
11C32..11C36 ; Bottom # Mn [5] VOWEL SIGN U .. VOWEL SIGN VOCALIC L
11C3F ; Bottom # Mn SIGN VIRAMA
```

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	11C0	11C1	11C2	11C3	11C4	11C5	11C6
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	11C0E	11C1E	11C2E	11C3E		11C5E	
F	3	ŧ	ু	ੁ		<b>A</b>	
	11C0F	11C1F	11C2F	11C3F		11C5F	

## Independent vowels

11C00 🗯 BHAIKSUKI LETTER A 11C01 **\$** BHAIKSUKI LETTER AA 11C02 😝 BHAIKSUKI LETTER I 11C03 S BHAIKSUKI LETTER II 11C04 **3** BHAIKSUKI LETTER U 11C05 & BHAIKSUKI LETTER UU 11C06 **b** BHAIKSUKI LETTER VOCALIC R 11C07 **W** BHAIKSUKI LETTER VOCALIC RR 11C08 **a** BHAIKSUKI LETTER VOCALIC L 11C09 Creserved> 11C0A & BHAIKSUKI LETTER E 11C0B & BHAIKSUKI LETTER AI 11C0C & BHAIKSUKI LETTER O 11C0D 😻 BHAIKSUKI LETTER AU

### Consonants

11C0E 🐧 BHAIKSUKI LETTER KA 11C0F 3 BHAIKSUKI LETTER KHA 11C10 **\$** BHAIKSUKI LETTER GA 11C11 🗱 BHAIKSUKI LETTER GHA 11C12 \*\* BHAIKSUKI LETTER NGA 11C13 **3** BHAIKSUKI LETTER CA 11C14 & BHAIKSUKI LETTER CHA 11C15 🍇 BHAIKSUKI LETTER JA 11C16 & BHAIKSUKI LETTER JHA 11C17 St BHAIKSUKI LETTER NYA 11C18 SHAIKSUKI LETTER TTA 11C19 & BHAIKSUKI LETTER TTHA 11C1A **₹** BHAIKSUKI LETTER DDA 11C1B & BHAIKSUKI LETTER DDHA 11C1C \* BHAIKSUKI LETTER NNA 11C1D **3** BHAIKSUKI LETTER TA 11C1E & BHAIKSUKI LETTER THA 11C1F **♦** BHAIKSUKI LETTER DA 11C21 **3** BHAIKSUKI LETTER NA 11C22 S BHAIKSUKI LETTER PA 11C23 & BHAIKSUKI LETTER PHA 11C24 **&** BHAIKSUKI LETTER BA 11C25 **\$** BHAIKSUKI LETTER BHA 11C26 **S** BHAIKSUKI LETTER MA 11C27 & BHAIKSUKI LETTER YA 11C28 **\$** BHAIKSUKI LETTER RA 11C29 🎓 BHAIKSUKI LETTER LA 11C2A 🕏 BHAIKSUKI LETTER VA 11C2B 🐟 BHAIKSUKI LETTER SHA 11C2C 😻 BHAIKSUKI LETTER SSA 11C2D **★** BHAIKSUKI LETTER SA

# 11C2E **\$** BHAIKSUKI LETTER HA Dependent vowel signs

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	BHAIKSUKI VOWEL SIGN AA
11C30 11C31	BHAIKSUKI VOWEL SIGN I
11C31 Ŝ	BHAIKSUKI VOWEL SIGN II
11C32 ൂ	BHAIKSUKI VOWEL SIGN U
11C33 🛐	BHAIKSUKI VOWEL SIGN UU
11C34 <b>្</b> ុ	BHAIKSUKI SIGN VOCALIC R
11C35 <b>ແ</b> ້	BHAIKSUKI SIGN VOCALIC RR
11C36 ൂ	BHAIKSUKI SIGN VOCALIC L
11C37 🔘	<reserved></reserved>
11C38 <b>-</b> ⁻•	BHAIKSUKI VOWEL SIGN E
11C39 🐴	BHAIKSUKI VOWEL SIGN AI
	BHAIKSUKI VOWEL SIGN O
11C3B <b>←³</b>	BHAIKSUKI VOWEL SIGN AU

## Various signs

	•	<b>- -</b>
11C3C		BHAIKSUKI SIGN CANDRABINDU
11C3D	៍	BHAIKSUKI SIGN ANUSVARA
11C3E	្ន	BHAIKSUKI SIGN VISARGA
11C3F	ੁ	BHAIKSUKI SIGN VIRAMA
11C40	5	BHAIKSUKI SIGN AVAGRAHA

#### **Punctuation**

11C41	١	BHAIKSUKI DANDA
11C42	11	BHAIKSUKI DOUBLE DANDA
11C43	•	BHAIKSUKI WORD SEPARATOR
11C44	Ē	BHAIKSUKI GAP FILLER

## **Digits**

11C50		<reserved></reserved>
11C51	7	BHAIKSUKI DIGIT ONE
11C52	4	BHAIKSUKI DIGIT TWO
11C53		<reserved></reserved>
11C54	8	BHAIKSUKI DIGIT FOUR
11C55	~	BHAIKSUKI DIGIT FIVE
11C56	ک	BHAIKSUKI DIGIT SIX
11C57	٩	BHAIKSUKI DIGIT SEVEN
11C58	~	BHAIKSUKI DIGIT EIGHT
11C59	9	BHAIKSUKI DIGIT NINE

### **Numbers**

Also known as letter-numerals

11C5A	3	BHAIKSUKI NUMBER ONE
11C5B	3	BHAIKSUKI NUMBER TWO
11C5C	3	BHAIKSUKI NUMBER THREE
11C5D	1	BHAIKSUKI NUMBER FOUR
11C5E	Ą	BHAIKSUKI NUMBER FIVE
11C5F	æ	BHAIKSUKI NUMBER SIX
11C60	<b>*</b>	BHAIKSUKI NUMBER SEVEN
11C61	~5"	BHAIKSUKI NUMBER EIGHT
11C62	Ø	BHAIKSUKI NUMBER NINE
11C63	ø	BHAIKSUKI NUMBER TEN
11C64	•	BHAIKSUKI NUMBER TWENTY
11C65	9	BHAIKSUKI NUMBER THIRTY
11C66	×	BHAIKSUKI NUMBER FORTY
11C67	హ	BHAIKSUKI NUMBER FIFTY
11C68	ĸ	BHAIKSUKI NUMBER SIXTY
11C69	Å	BHAIKSUKI NUMBER SEVENTY
11C6A	W	BHAIKSUKI NUMBER EIGHTY
11C6B	æ	BHAIKSUKI NUMBER NINETY
11C6C	왕	BHAIKSUKI NUMBER HUNDREDS





Figure 2: Folios 2a and 2b of the Candrālaṃkāra in Bhaiksuki (from Dimitrov 2010). Transliteration given in figure 3.

**[fol. 2¹a]** śeṣā hiṃsyā **doṣā** rāgādayo yasya sa ○ **pradhvasta** iti *KARTTARI* CĀRAMBHE KTAH (1.2.68) ((|)) pradhvastavāmš cāsau āšesadosaš ceti pradhva:⟨2⟩stāśeṣadoṣaḥ | itas tataḥ kṣeptuṃ : ○ prārabdhavān hiṃsyān rāgādīn ity arthaḥ | yadvā pradhvaṃsitum ārabdho aśeṣa:(3)doṣo yeneti karmmani kte aśeṣaśa⊙bdaḥ sāvaśeṣārthaḥ ⟨⟨|⟩⟩ etenotpāditavodhicitta ity uktam | nanv evambhūtah pṛthagja[no](4) pi bhavatīti viśinașți | samasyante : O satvasantāne prakșipyante iti **samastāś** ca te **guṇāś** ca [da]yāmudito pekṣākṣamādaya::ḥ | teṣāṃ **śalanaṃ** śālaḥ 🔾 | *śala* gatau (Dhātup. 1.572)<sup>72</sup> ghañ{a} | jñānaṃ śobhā vā prāptir vāsyāstīti | athavā taiḥ śali(tap)[i](tā) (6) jñātuṃ | śobhitum āptum vā śīlam asyeOti | etena svārthanirapekṣāvyāhataparārthakāritayā ārya tam uktam | a[ta e]<sub>(7)</sub>vāha | **parasmai anuggrahas** tena **dakṣo** va:Orddh[i]to bodhisatvatvena lokair jñāto vā | dakṣa vṛddhau gatau ceti (Dhātup. 1.446, 1.518)<sup>73</sup> Dhā[tu](pāṭh). .. .. .. [a](8)ta evaitasmād guņatrayayogād **Bu**:○**ddhaḥ** | .... + + + + .... budhadhātor dantyauṣṭhavakārapakṣe vaśāditvābhāvād .(ṣa) .. .. + + + + ... .... (9) jñānaṃ tāṃ jihīte uttarottaram adhigaOcchati pūrvvapūrvvaṃ jahātīti | JHALO JAŚ iti (6.3.67) dhasya [da]ḥ (|) ..............

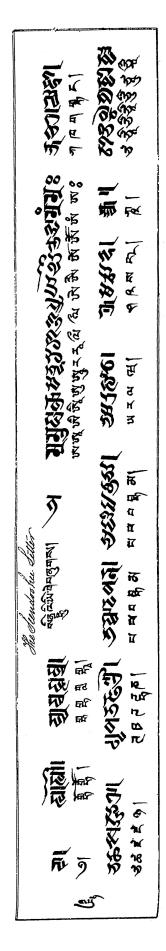
[fol. 2<sup>1</sup>b] [kr]te Buddhah | athavā KARTTARI CĀRAMBHE KTAH (1.2.68) | svayam ○ boddhum pravrttah parañ ca vedayitum iti | yadvā budhyate sa [tair iti b]u[d]dhaḥ | [evaṃ](bhūtā)(2)ya [**na]amaḥ sade**ti śeṣaḥ (<|)> bhinnakleśatvena grhī : 🔾 vā navako pi vā vandyo vratadharair iti (Gurupañcāśikā 4bc)<sup>74</sup> vacanāt | dvāv eva vandyau .. + + .. (vṛddha)[ś] (cet)[i] (asarvva)⟨₃⟩janaviṣayatvāc cācāryasya tannamaskāra evā⊙śaṃsyata ity astu ity uktaṃ | Bhagavatas tu trailokyagurutvāt svata e[va s]iddha[tvād] . .. .. .. (4)[t]enāpi tadviṣayaḥ śiṣyāṇām āśaṃsyate | aO[śr]utatvāt | siddham ityādi vākyasya tadarthatvāc ca | bhiksutvena la[bdhatvān n(ā)]śas(o) nāpi ⟨5⟩ sadā sarvvakālam astv iti vidhau | ā vodheḥ śara○ṇagamanena vidhyabhāvāt <<|>> ggranthasyādau namo stu pratipannaśāstraketarobhayeṣā: (6) m ity abhisandhinā praiṣānujñāyor lloḍ ity anye SuOgate namaskāram ādbhaḥ<sup>75</sup> ((|)) nanv ācāryasyānekaggranthakartṛtvāt [k]im iti na Lokānandādau i ⟨७⟩ ţīkā kriyata iti stūyamānaśālitayā ○ śāstraṃ stauti jayatītyādi | Candranāmnā praņītaś Candrah prabhākaravata upa[ca]-(8) ryamāṇasya dhvanayo bhavanti yathā yaṣṭī((ḥ)) praOveśayeti<sup>76</sup> puṃliṅgaḥ śāstravācī | ata eva pūrvvaśloke nāmānabhidhāne [pi] viś[e](9),ṣa-[par]iggrahaḥ | athavā sakalalakṣāvabhāsaOkatvāc candayatīti candraḥ | cadi āhlādane | dīptau ceti (Dhātupradīpa 1.55) Raki<sup>77</sup> | katham avabhāsaya

Figure 3: Transliteration of Folio 2 of the *Candrālamkāra* from figure 2.





Figure 4: A statue of Buddha from Gaya, Bihar with a Bhaiksuki inscription (enlarged) on the underside of the base.



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Figure 5: Folios showing the 'Sindhura' script with Tibetan correspondences.



Figure 6: Bhaiksuki vowels (from Dimitrov 2010: 75).

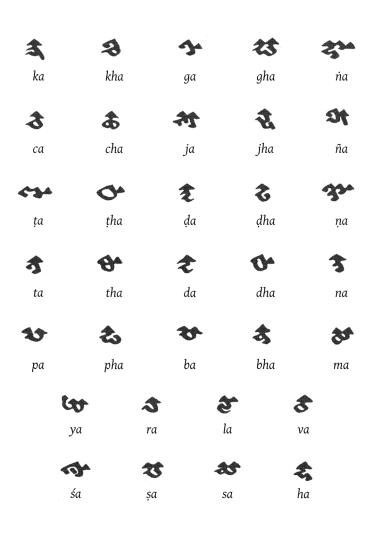


Figure 7: Bhaiksuki consonants (from Dimitrov 2010: 75).

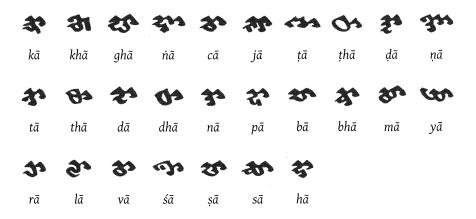


Figure 8: Consonant-vowel combinations with vowel sign AA (from Dimitrov 2010: 85).

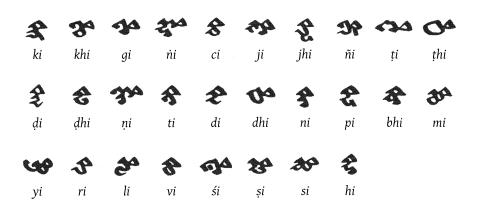


Figure 9: Consonant-vowel combinations with vowel sign i (from Dimitrov 2010: 86).



Figure 10: Consonant-vowel combinations with vowel sign ii (from Dimitrov 2010: 86).



Figure 11: Consonant-vowel combinations with vowel sign u (from Dimitrov 2010: 86).



Figure 12: Consonant-vowel combinations with vowel sign uu (from Dimitrov 2010: 87).



Figure 13: Consonant-vowel combinations with vowel SIGN VOCALIC R (from Dimitrov 2010: 87).



Figure 14: Consonant-vowel combinations with vowel SIGN VOCALIC RR and VOWEL SIGN VOCALIC L (from Dimitrov 2010: 87).

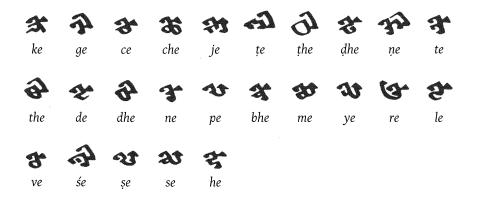


Figure 15: Consonant-vowel combinations with vowel sign E (from Dimitrov 2010: 87).



Figure 16: Consonant-vowel combinations with vowel sign AI (from Dimitrov 2010: 88).

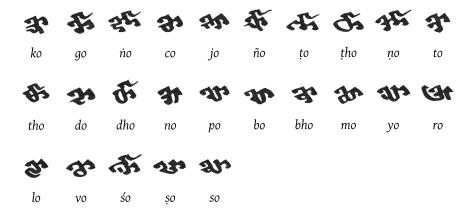


Figure 17: Consonant-vowel combinations with vowel sign o (from Dimitrov 2010: 88).



Figure 18: Consonant-vowel combinations with vowel sign Au (from Dimitrov 2010: 88).

## 3.1.4 Anusvāra, visarga, avagraha, virāma, and other symbols



Figure 19: Bhaiksuki digits and various signs (from Dimitrov 2010: 89).

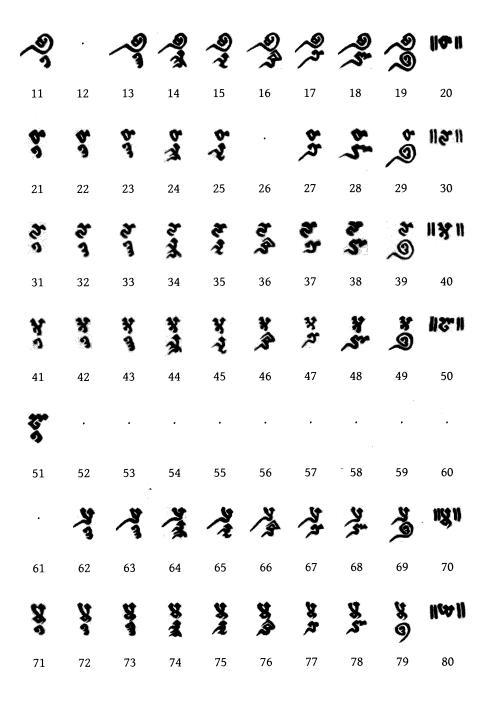


Figure 20: Some Bhaiksuki numbers (from Dimitrov 2010: 54).

	Bhai.	Sid.	Sha.	Dev.		Bhai.	Sid.	Sha.	Dev.
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AA	慧	升	मु	आ	SIGN AA	্ৰ	्र	ਾ	्र
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II	ध्रीः	<b>ુ</b>	ï	ई	SIGN II	ै	ી	ी	ी
U	3	<b>3</b>	E	उ	SIGN U	্ৰ	ৢ	্	ु
UU	₹.	<b>Æ</b>	3,	ऊ	SIGN UU	ু	ু	্র	ू
VOC.R	t	₹	τ	ऋ	SIGN R	្	ৃ	ુ	ृ
VOC.RR	Ø	₹	IJ	ॠ	SIGN RR	ુ	ृ	্ব	ू
VOC.L	গ্ৰ	9	डा	ऌ	SIGN L	្ង	_	ૂ	ૢ
VOC.LL		ŀ	ङि	ॡ	SIGN LL		_	ૣ	ૢ
E	cs	4	b	ए	SIGN E	<b>⁴</b> ^^	ি	ਂ	े
AI	શ	Z	₫	ऐ	SIGN AI	<b>√</b> )		៊ី	ै
O	3*	ত্ত	घ	ओ	SIGN O	<b>4</b> 3	া	៊	ो
AU	S.	X	ষ্টে	औ	SIGN AU	<b>√</b> ∂	িং	ॅं	ौ

Table 1: Comparison of vowel letters and signs of Bhaiksuki, Siddham, Sharada, and Devanagari.

	Bhai.	Sid.	Sha.	Dev.		Bhai.	Sid.	Sha.	Dev.
KA	\$	ъ	क	क	DA	ŧ	Ę	r	द
KHA	3	नव्	ाप	ख	DHA	•	٩	Ū	ध
GA	4	ग्	ग	ग	NA	3	4	7	न
GHA	रङ	થ(	W	घ	PA	v	<b>પ</b>	ч	प
NGA	234	<b>1</b> 7	Ţ	ङ	РНА	<b>ఓ</b>	6	$\boldsymbol{\omega}$	फ
CA	3	4	Ħ	च	BA	*	ð	3	ब
СНА	\$	<b></b>	ಹ	छ	ВНА	\$	न्	5	भ
JA	**	<i>₹</i> (	th	ज	MA	85	म्	ਮ	म
JHA	\$	F	12	झ	YA	to	द्य	ਬ	य
NYA	10	$\mathbf{k}$	ाम	ञ	RA	3	ſ	1	र
TTA	<b>₹\$</b> 4	C	C	ट	LA	ð	₫	ल	ल
TTHA	0	٥	0	ठ	VA	\$	₹	ব	व
DDA	\$	1	ॸ	ड	SHA	4	Pt	म	श
DDHA	\$	रु	Ŀ	ढ	SSA	শ্ব	ષ	ਖ	ष
NNA	32	W	m	ण	SA	as	#(	મ	स
TA	\$	7	3	त	НА	\$	ধ	2	ह
THA	₩	લ્	벽	थ					

Table 2: Comparison of consonant letters of Bhaiksuki, Siddham, Sharada, and Devanagari.

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#### A. Administrative

1. Title: Proposal to Encode the Bhaiksuki Scrip	ot in ISO/IEC 10646									
2. Requester's name: Script Encoding Initiative (SEI) / Anshuman Pandey (pandey @umich.edu) / Dragomir										
Dimitrov (dimitrov @staff.uni-marburg.de)										
3. Requester type (Member body/Liaison/Individual contribution):  Liaison contribution										
<ul><li>4. Submission date: 2013-10-27</li><li>5. Requester's reference (if applicable):</li></ul>										
6. Choose one of the following:										
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):	Yes									
b. The proposal is for addition of character(s) to an existing block:	naiksuki									
b. The proposal is for addition of character(s) to an existing block:  Name of the existing block:										
Number of characters in proposal:	94									
Proposed category (select one from below - see section 2.2 of P&P documents)										
A-Contemporary B.1-Specialized (small collection) X B.2-Specialized										
C-Major extinct D-Attested extinct E-Mino	r extinct									
F-Archaic Hieroglyphic or Ideographic G-Obscure or G	questionable usage symbols									
4. Is a repertoire including character names provided?	Yes									
a. If YES, are the names in accordance with the "character naming guideli	nes"									
in Annex L of P&P document?	Yes									
b. Are the character shapes attached in a legible form suitable for review?	Yes									
<ol><li>Fonts related:</li><li>a. Who will provide the appropriate computerized font to the Project Editor of 10646 for publishing the</li></ol>										
standard?	or 10646 for publishing the									
Anshuman Pandey										
b. Identify the party granting a license for use of the font by the editors (include address, e-mail, ftp-site, etc.):  Anshuman Pandey (pandey @umich.edu)										
6. References:										
a. Are references (to other character sets, dictionaries, descriptive texts et										
b. Are published examples of use (such as samples from newspapers, ma	= .									
of proposed characters attached?	Yes									
<ol> <li>Special encoding issues:</li> <li>Does the proposal address other aspects of character data processing (if</li> </ol>	applicable) such as input									
presentation, sorting, searching, indexing, transliteration etc. (if yes please										
procentation, containing, and stating, transmission of the process	o choloco illicimation,									
8. Additional Information:										
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 <a href="http://www.unicode.org">http://www.unicode.org</a> for such information on other scripts. Also										
see Unicode Character Database ( <a href="http://www.unicode.org/reports/tr44/">http://www.unicode.org/reports/tr44/</a> ) and as	ssociated Unicode Technical Reports									
for information needed for consideration by the Unicode Technical Committee for inclusion in the Unicode Standard.										

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## C. Technical - Justification

Has this proposal for addition of character(s) been submitted before?  If YES explain	No
Has contact been made to members of the user community (for example: National Body, user groups of the script or characters, other experts, etc.)?  If YES, with whom?  If YES, available relevant documents:	Yes
3. Information on the user community for the proposed characters (for example: size, demographics, information technology use, or publishing use) is included?  Reference:	Yes
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If YES, where? Reference:	Yes
6. After giving due considerations to the principles in the P&P document must the proposed character in the BMP? If YES, is a rationale provided?	s be entirely  N/A
If YES, reference:  7. Should the proposed characters be kept together in a contiguous range (rather than being scattered).	d)? Yes
8. Can any of the proposed characters be considered a presentation form of an existing character or character sequence?	No
If YES, is a rationale for its inclusion provided?  If YES, reference:	
9. Can any of the proposed characters be encoded using a composed character sequence of either existing characters or other proposed characters? If YES, is a rationale for its inclusion provided?	No
If YES, reference:  10. Can any of the proposed character(s) be considered to be similar (in appearance or function)	
to, or could be confused with, an existing character?  If YES, is a rationale for its inclusion provided?	No
If YES, reference:  11. Does the proposal include use of combining characters and/or use of composite sequences?	Yes
If YES, is a rationale for such use provided?  If YES, reference:  Combining signs	Yes
Is a list of composite sequences and their corresponding glyph images (graphic symbols) provided in YES, reference:	led?
Does the proposal contain characters with any special properties such as control function or similar semantics?      If YES, describe in detail (include attachment if necessary)	Yes Virama;
see text of the proposal	
13. Does the proposal contain any Ideographic compatibility characters?  If YES, are the equivalent corresponding unified ideographic characters identified?  If YES, reference:	No