

# **SCRIPT GRAMMAR FOR KANNADA LANGUAGE**

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## 0. INTRODUCTION

The term **script grammar** refers to the behaviour pattern of the writing system of a given language. Languages which have written representations do not use a haphazard manner of storing the information within the system, but use a coherent pattern which is similar to the linguistic grammar of a given language. With the help of specialists (not necessarily linguist) who work in the area of the written representation of the language, the manner in which the shapes of the characters of the language and the representation of the conjunct forms is provided. In other words the Script Grammar deals with the surface structure of the language and tries to provide the best possible “fit” for shapes and their representation. Since this is a highly subjective issue, the shapes provided here are recommendations at the best and conform to the perception of the mandating body/evaluators that consensually arrive at the “best possible fit” which is acceptable to a majority of users. An example will make the above clear. Although Marathi and Hindi share the same script Devanāgarī, not only do they not share the same character inventory but in addition the representation of certain characters is different. Thus the Marathi /la/ is different from the Hindi /la/ in so far as the placement of the stem is concerned Hindi ल Marathi ल. This ensures that the Script Grammar conforms to the language in question and provides the character shapes acceptable to a given user community. It should be noted that this does not mean monotony. The Hindi and Marathi /la/ can have a variety of forms once the intrinsic structure of the character is determined.

Script Grammar is the term used to define:

- the writing system used to inscribe a given language
- the history of the script and language (wherever available)
- the syllabic structure of the writing system of the language
- the rule ordering of the characters within the syllable (akshar)
- description of the syllabic clusters
- collation order of the characters: lexical / dictionary sorting order

## 1. OBJECTIVES OF SCRIPT GRAMMAR

The Objectives of the script grammar for each language can be divided into two major parts:

### **Societal:**

- Provide a visual representation of shapes that are deemed to be in conformity with the perception of a given community
- Ensure thereby that this perception is safe-guarded
- Through wide-spread dissemination and creation of appropriate tools ensure that within the given linguistic community, all media tries to adopt the given shape.

### **Technical:**

- Classify the language in terms of its ISO and also whether it belongs to the Abjad, Akshar (Alphasyllabary) class.
- Provide an inventory of the characters pertinent to the language and classify the same in terms of their taxonomy.
- As a corollary determine whether the inventory is in conformity to the Syllable formalism as stipulated in ISCII'91 and subsequently adopted by Unicode.
- Since Brahmi is written from left to right, and since certain characters do not follow the linear L to R order, provide an inventory of displaced catenators i.e. characters such as Mātrās that concatenate to the Consonant
- Propose the best shape representation of the individual characters as well as of the ligatures used within a given script. As a corollary request the expert(s) to identify the largest possible strings of such ligatures.
- Finally provide the collation order pertinent to that script/language, which would be of great utility to high-end NLP as well as to CLDR's in the pertinent language. The collation order for Marathi is different from Hindi although both languages share the same script. Thus in Marathi क्ष, ज्ञ are placed at the end of the consonant inventory i.e. after ह in the sort order. In Hindi क्ष is sorted along with क and ज्ञ with ज.

## 2. EN

### 3. D USERS FOR SCRIPT GRAMMAR

The script-grammar specific to a given language can be used by a large number of users.

- Most importantly it can be used by font developers desirous of developing a font which is compliant with the perception of the characters and ligatures of a language by its user community.
- Certain features of the script grammar such as the shapes can also be used for testing OCR and OHWR. Similarly information regarding Ligatures as well as collation order can help in high-end NLP work such as detecting invalid combinations, correct implementation of syllable structure, prediction routines to name a few. Information regarding collation and character sets can be also used for CLDR.
- They allow the font designer to design a font which is in compliance with the norms and standards of that particular script. A major problem which will be dealt with in the template is one of ligatures. The final list of ligatures defined by the script grammar allows the font designer to write specific rules for such glyphs.
- It permits the software developer to design and implement the keyboard and the input mechanism which will meet the requirement of the particular linguistic community.
- The collation or sort order as described in a Script Grammar permits the software developer to write software functions/ routines for sorting data in all applications.
- Script Grammars are equally important for keyboard design, especially when supplemented by frequency data from a corpus.

As can be seen the script grammar has a wide range of use and can be of utility to font developers, Indian language developers and linguists in the area of computation.

## 4. SCOPE

This script grammar document contains following information about the language and the script used for writing the language.

1. Name of the language and its representation in the 3 letter mnemonic as per ISO 639.1 & 639.3 standard.
2. Script used to inscribe the given language
3. The structure of the script used for writing the language
  - Rule ordering of the characters within the syllable formation is a language
  - Description of the syllabic clusters of the script
  - Collation order of the characters: lexical / dictionary sorting order
  - Compliance of the script with Unicode.

These will be treated within the relevant sections of the script grammar

## 4. TERMINOLOGY<sup>1</sup>

**Abjad:** A writing system in which each symbol always or usually stands for a consonant. The long vowels are indicated. However the short vowels are rarely marked and the reader needs to supply these. Example: Urdu written in Perso-Arabic Script is an example of this writing system.

**Abugida:** also called an alphasyllabary, is a segmental writing system in which consonant–vowel sequences are written as a unit: each unit is based on a consonant letter, and vowel notation is obligatory but secondary<sup>2</sup>

**Akshar:** see **Abugida**

**Allographs:** Variants of the representation of a character. Thus ae and æ [U+00E6] in Latin alphabet are allographs.

**Allo-Script:** The term relates to languages which share a common script. Thus Devanāgarī is used to write 9 official languages. However these languages do not use the same set of characters. Thus Marathi uses the retroflex lla ऌ [U+ 0933] which Hindi does not use. Flaps used in Hindi ढ [U+095C] ढ [U+095D] are not used in Konkani. These sub-sets of scripts based on a single “matricial” script are termed as allo-scripts.

**Alphabet:** A set of letters used in writing a language. Example: The English Alphabet.

**Aspirated consonant:** A consonant which is pronounced with an extra puff of air coming out at the time of release of the oral obstruction. This has a sound of an extra "h".

**Basic alphabet:** The minimal set of letters which can be used for uniquely encoding every word of a language. The basic alphabet for English consists of only the upper-case letters A-Z

**Catenators:** Also termed as Concatenators are characters which are concatenated to another character. In the Brahmi script these are the Mātrās or Vowel modifiers which are adjoined to the consonant and add a vocalic value to the consonant.

**Conjunct:** The Indic scripts are noted for a large number of consonant conjunct forms that serve as orthographic abbreviations (ligatures) of two or more adjacent letterforms. This abbreviation takes place only in the context of a consonant cluster....Under normal circumstances, a consonant cluster is depicted with a conjunct

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<sup>1</sup> As in the case of the BIS Document, in order to make the terminology accessible for all readers, examples have been chosen from English/Latin scripts, wherever possible. Some definitions have been excerpted from the BIS ISCII91 document and suitably modified where necessary.

<sup>2</sup> Wikipedia definition

glyph if such a glyph is available in the current font. In the absence of a conjunct glyph, the one or more dead consonants that form part of the cluster are depicted using half-form glyphs. In the absence of half-form glyphs, the dead consonants are depicted using the nominal consonant forms combined with visible virama signs.<sup>3</sup>

**Consonant:** A letter representing a speech sound in which the breath is at least partly obstructed,

**Diacritic:** A mark added to a letter which distinguishes it from the same letter without a mark, usually having a different phonetic value or stress.

**Displaced Catenator:** (see Catenator) Within the Brahmi script, the writing system is linear and moves from left to right. However in the case of some catenators this rule is not observed and the catenator (wholly or partially) is placed to the right of the consonant to which it relates. The short vowel I in Devanāgarī is an example of a displaced catenator.

**Display composing:** The process of organizing the basic shapes available in a font in order to display (or print) a word.

**Display rendition:** The process by which a string of characters is displayed (or printed). In this process several consecutive characters may combine with each other on the screen. The sequence of display of the characters may become different.

**Eyebrow repha:** (See **Eyesh ra**)

**Eyesh ra:** The eyesh ra is used in Konkani, Nepali and Marathi. It is treated as different from the र् (repha) by certain linguists. While the former is treated as a flap, the latter is a continuant trill (*cf.*, Kalyan Kale and Anjali Soman. 1986). There are cases in Marathi of minimal pairs such as: आचार्यास “to the teacher” vs. आचार्यास “to the cook” or दर्या /darya/ “ocean” vs. दर्या /darya/ “valleys”.

**Font:** A set of symbols used for display or printing of a script in a particular style.

**International numerals:** The conventional 0 to 9 digits used in English for denoting numbers. These are also known as Indo-Arabic numerals (to differentiate them from the Roman numerals like IX for 9).

**Latin alphabet:** The alphabet used for writing the language of ancient Rome. Also known as the Roman alphabet. The alphabet is used today for writing English and European languages.

**Letter:** A character representing one or more of the simple or compound sounds used in speech. It can be any of the alphabetic symbols.

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<sup>3</sup> Unicode 6.0 Chapter 9.0 pp 6-7



**Ligature:** (see **Conjunct**)

**Nasal consonant:** A consonant pronounced with the breath passing through the nose. Example *m n* in English.

**Nasalized vowel:** A vowel pronounced with the breath passing both through the nose and the mouth. In Indian scripts this is denoted by a Chandrabindu and gives the vowel/vowel modifier over which it placed a nasal value. Example: जाँच

**Phonetic alphabet:** An alphabet which has direct correspondence between letters and sounds Example: The International Phonetic Alphabet..

**Pure consonant:** A consonant which does not have any vowel implicitly associated with it.

**Rafar:** A special case of a ligature constituted by the adjunction of ra followed by a halanta to consonant. The resultant combination places the ra on top of the consonant to which it is adjoined. In case the consonant itself is adjoined to another consonant, the rafar is placed above the consonant e.g. र्+क के , र्+च्+य घ्य

**Rakar:** A special case of a ligature constituted by the adjunction of a consonant followed by a halanta to ra. In a large number of Brahmi scripts the ra is adjoined to the stem of consonant to which it relates. In the case of consonants which have no stem such as the dental retroflexes in Devanāgarī, the rakar is placed below the consonant to which it relates.

**Repha:** (see **Rafar**)

**Roman script:** The script based on the ancient Roman alphabet, with the letters A-Z and additional diacritic marks. Used for writing a language which is not usually written in the Roman alphabet.

**Script:** A distinctive and complete set of characters used for the written form of one or more languages.

**Script numerals:** The 0 to 9 digits in a script, which have shapes distinct from their international counterparts.

**Syllable:** A unit of pronunciation uttered without interruption, forming whole or part of a word, and usually having one vowel or diphthong sound optionally surrounded by one or more consonants

**Transliteration:** Representation of words with the closest corresponding letters in an alphabet of a different language.

**Vowel:** A letter representing a speech sound made with the vibration of the vocal cords, but without audible obstruction

**Vowel sign:** A graphic character associated with a letter, to indicate a vowel to be associated with that character (Mātrā in Hindi).

## 5. PHILOSOPHY AND UNDERLYING PRINCIPLES

The script grammar is based on the following principles:

1. The Grammar aims to depict the surface grammar of the written language: the manner in which characters as well as conjuncts are depicted
2. Where a given script admits many languages, it is pre-supposed that such languages will prescribe different representations for a given shape or conjunct according to the perception of the native users of that language
3. Corollary to the above the result is a script and allo-scripts i.e. a given script shared by many languages is not uniformly deployed across all the languages but is subject to variations and modulations.
4. The term Grammar is used here in a non-normative sense: what is prescribed is in the form of recommendations provided by experts who visualize the shape of the given script in their mother tongue in a specific manner. Subjective variations may occur<sup>4</sup>
5. The Grammar is limited to its synchronic use i.e. the manner in which a given language as of today admits a character set within the script used to write it. It is not diachronic or historical in nature and does not study the evolution of the given script across centuries.

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<sup>4</sup> It is recommended that such variations be culled by placing the Grammars of different scripts in public review.

## 6. SCRIPT GRAMMAR STRUCTURE

The script grammar provided below has the following parts.

Part 6.1. deals with peripheral elements such as the ISO of the language, the writing system used: (Alphasyllabic) Abugida or Abjad.

Part 6.2. treats of the syllabic structure. It verifies whether the character set of the language complies with the ISCII syllabic structure and if not which cases are not compliant.

Part 6.3 is the script grammar proper and describes the character set as well as the conjunct shapes of the given script along with the collation order

## 6.1. PERIPHERAL ELEMENTS OF THE SCRIPT GRAMMAR

These constitute the elements that are peripheral to the Script Grammar. The main parameters considered are the mnemonic and name of the language (needed for CLDR and also for language tags), the writing system used to inscribe the language and wherever possible a short history of the language.

### 6.1.1. Name of the language and its representation in the 3 letter mnemonic as per ISO 639.1. & 639.3

**Name of the Language: KANNADA**

**ISO Mnemonics: *kan*** (as per 639.3)

This refers to a one line description of the language and its mnemonic representation as per the ISO. In the case of Kannada, the above information is pertinent.

### 6.1.2. Identification of the writing system(s) used to inscribe the given language

**Kannada is written using the Kannada script. It is an alphasyllabary with the akshar as its core.**

This is a one line description of the script used to write the language. However in case the language uses more than one script, all the scripts in question are specified, provided these constitute the official language of the given state.

All scripts derived from Brahmi are Abugidas i.e. syllabary driven systems. The main features of Abugidas are as under:

- The consonant has an implicit vowel built-in which is normally the schwa.
- The inherent vowel can be modified by the addition of other vowels or muted by a diacritic termed as a Virama or Halanta
- Vowels can be handled as full vowels with a vocalic value
- When two or more consonants join together they form ligatures which can be recognized by their shape ತೆ.

Abugidas/Alphasyllabaries because of their syllabic structure require a special description which is the subject of the discussion in 6.2. below.

### 6.1.3. Amendments needed in Unicode for Kannada language

The following amendment is felt to the computational experts.

## 6.2. CONFORMITY TO THE SYLLABLE STRUCTURE

**Kannada language complies with the syllable (akshar) structure described above. It can admit up to h consonant clusters.**

Alphasyllabaries are determined by the notion of the syllable or the Akshar. The compositional grammar of the syllable determines its well-formedness. This is through a series of formal constraints based on a Backus-Naur Formalism which is given below. The syllable (akshar), first defined in the ISCII document (1991), identifies the following character ‘sub-sets’ for the purposes of identifying the syllable (akshar). In what follows the syllable analysis will be restricted to Kannada.

### (C) Consonants

ಕ	ಖ	ಗ	ಘ	ಙ
ಚ	ಛ	ಜ	ಝ	ಞ
ಟ	ಠ	ಡ	ಢ	ಣ
ತ	ಥ	ದ	ಧ	ನ
ಪ	ಫ	ಬ	ಭ	ಮ
ಯ	ರ	ಲ	ಲ	ವ
ಶ	ಷ	ಸ	ಹ	಼
ಱ				

### (V) Vowels

ಅ	ಆ	ಇ	ಈ	ಉ	ಊ	ಋ	ೠ	ಌ	ೡ
ಎ	ಏ	ಐ	ಒ	ಓ	ಔ	ಔ			

### (M) Mātrās or Vowel Modifiers

ಠ	ಠ	ಠ	ಠ	ಠ	ಠ	ಠ	ಠ	ಠ
ಠ	ಠ	ಠ	ಠ	ಠ	ಠ	ಠ	ಠ	ಠ

### (D) Diacritics

◌◌ Anuswāra	Anuswāra, a nasal, is denoted by a dot above the letter after which it is to be pronounced. For example, ರಾಜ್ಯಂ. This falls under Nasal category.
◌ಃ Wisarga	Wisarga, denoted by two dots placed above the other. For example, ದುಃಖದ. This falls under aspirate category
◌◌◌ Awagraha	For extra length with long vowels

(H):Halanta ೀ - Halant used in most writing systems of the Indian subcontinent to signify the lack of an inherent vowel.

(N) Nukta ೀ - is used in Kannada

Vedic Signs:

0CF1: Kannada Sign Jihwāmūliya ೀ

0CF2: Kannada Sign Upādhmānīya ೀ

(Used in Historical and Comparative linguistic and literary works of Kannada)

Each of these sub-types has its restrictions in terms of what can precede or follow it within a syllable (akshar), as shown in the table below:

PRECEDED BY	SUBTYPE	FOLLOWED BY
-, H	<b>C</b>	M,D,H
-	<b>V</b>	D
C	<b>M</b>	D
C,V,M	<b>D</b>	-
C	<b>H</b>	C

C can be preceded by H or no subtype and followed by any one of the following: M,D,H

V can be preceded by no subtype and followed by D but not by another sub-type.

M can be preceded by C and followed by D.

D can be preceded by C, V, M and followed by no other subtype. It closes the syllable (akshar).

H can be preceded by C alone and followed only by C and no other sub-set.

### 6.2.1. Syllable (akshar) Types

The formalism defines the syllable (akshar) in terms of both what can constitute a syllable (akshar) and what cannot. A valid syllable (akshar) as per this definition can be of only two types:

1. A vowel syllable (akshar): a full vowel.
2. A consonant syllable (akshar): a full consonant (having a weak vowel or a mātrā )

The three other subsets viz. Mātrās, Diacritics, Halanta cannot constitute a syllable (akshar) by themselves or in combination among themselves.

6.2.1.1. The Vowel syllable (akshar) is of the following types:

6.2.1.1.1. A pure vowel all by itself: अ, /a/ आ /ā/ etc.

6.2.1.1.2. A vowel followed by a modifier i.e. either anuswāra or wisarga or awagraha: अँ /āH/

6.2.1.2. The Consonant syllable (akshar) can be of the following types:

6.2.1.2.1. A full consonant (with or without Nukta) i.e. with the inherent vowel : क : /ka/

6.2.1.2.2. A consonant followed by a mātrā i.e. the inherent vowel being substituted by another vowel: कि /ki:/

6.2.1.2.3. A consonant followed by a modifier: कँ /k̃/, कँ /k̃H/

6.2.1.2.4. A consonant followed by a mātrā and a modifier: कुँ /kū/, दुँ /duH/.

6.2.1.2.5. A consonant cluster i.e. a dead (Consonant + Halanta) followed by a full consonant followed optionally by a mātrā, a modifier or a combination of both. These result in a ligature or what is often termed as *yuktākshara*.

क /ka/ कँ /k̃/, कँ /k̃H/ कुँ /kū/, दुँ /duH/.

The above permutations and combinations result in 7 major syllable (akshar) types. Of these the last type introduces the problem of the number of consonant clusters. ISCII (91, p.23) provides for up to three consonant clusters as the “worst case” i.e. the largest possible string. This is functional for modern Prakrits where the largest consonantal cluster rarely exceeds three consonant. Sanskrit is an exception where in a single word, four consonants can come together: कार्त्स्न्य /kārtsnya/ "wholeness", "entirety".

This means that theoretically the following forms can be postulated:

1. Vowel Set: With the Vowel as the node.  
V VD
2. Consonant set: With the Consonant as the node (an implicit or modified vowel is pre-implied).



Node	Mātrā	Modifier	Mātrā+Modifier
C	CM	CD	CMD
CHC	CHCM	CHCD	CHCMD
CHCHC	CHCHCM	CHCHCD	CHCHCMD
CHCHCHC	CHCHCHCM	CHCHCHCD	CHCHCHCMD

A total number of 16 theoretical syllables is therefore possible. It will be seen that the written syllable (akshar) is not very different in structure from the phonetic syllable and that the movement from the written to the spoken levels is made feasible by application of certain rules.

This formal structure of the syllable (akshar) explained above is common to all Brahmi based scripts (with a few variations). It will form the basis of an exhaustive description of the characters as well as their ligatural representations.

## 6.3 SCRIPT GRAMMAR PROPER

This section lays down in detail the different parameters of the Script Grammar for Kannada. These are:

- 6.3.1. The Character Set of Kannada.
- 6.3.2. The Consonant mātrā combinations of Kannada.
- 6.3.3. The Ligature Set of Kannada.
- 6.3.4. Collocation Order of Kannada
- 6.3.5. Cardinal Numbers used in Kannada.

### 6.3.1. The Character Set of Kannada.

This section provides detailed information about the characters in the language and the list of the same and also more importantly shows the manner in which the character is to be written. Each subsection comprises therefore two parts: the basic character set and the shape each character should have, as mandated by the experts who have designed the script grammar of Kannada.

This comprises the following:

- 6.3.1.1. The Consonant Set
- 6.3.1.2. The Vowel Set
- 6.3.1.3. The Mātrā Set
- 6.3.1.4. Displaced Catenators
- 6.3.1.5. Shape of the combination of ra (rakar, repha)
- 6.3.1.6. The Set of Diacritics
- 6.3.1.7. Numerals
- 6.3.1.8. Punctuation marks
- 6.3.1.9. Other symbols

Each of these will be analyzed in detail:

#### 6.3.1.1. The Consonant Set

The Consonant set of Kannada comprises the following characters:

Basic Consonant inventory arranged as per their Vargas. The exact shapes and order, as desired by the experts are provided in the table below:

	-voiced -aspirated	-voiced +aspirated	+voiced -aspirated	+voiced +aspirated	Nasal
Velar	ಕ	ಖ	ಗ	ಘ	ಙ
Palatal	ಚ	ಛ	ಜ	ಝ	ಞ
Retroflex	ಟ	ಠ	ಡ	ಢ	ಣ
Dental	ತ	ಥ	ದ	ಧ	ನ
Bi-labial	ಪ	ಫ	ಬ	ಭ	ಮ

Other consonants

ಯ	ರ	ಕ	ಲ	ವ	ಶ
ಷ	ಸ	ಹ	ಳ	ಱ	

**Note:** Ligatures ಫ್ ಥ್ ಞ್ are not listed in the consonants list and they are part of the CHC cluster (see: 6.3.3.1).

### 6.3.1.2. The Vowel Set

The Vowel set of Kannada is as under:

ಅ	KANNADA LETTER A
ಆ	KANNADA LETTER AA
ಇ	KANNADA LETTER I
ಈ	KANNADA LETTER II
ಉ	KANNADA LETTER U
ಊ	KANNADA LETTER UU
ಋ	KANNADA LETTER VOCALIC R
ೠ	KANNADA LETTER VOCALIC RR
ೡ	KANNADA LETTER VOCALIC L
ೢ	KANNADA LETTER VOCALIC LL
ಎ	KANNADA LETTER E
ಏ	KANNADA LETTER EE
ಐ	KANNADA LETTER AI
ಒ	KANNADA LETTER O
ಓ	KANNADA LETTER OO
ಔ	KANNADA LETTER AU

**As per expert recommendations the character set should be written as under:**

ಅ ಆ ಇ ಈ ಉ ಊ ಋ ೠ ಉ ೡ ಎ ಏ ಐ ಒ ಓ ಔ

### 6.3.1.3. The Mātrā Set

The Mātrā (Vowel Modifier Set) of Kannada is as under:

Mātrās Names	Mātrās Sign	Where is it used ?	Consonant Shapes formed
1. Kannada sign AA	ಾ	ಅ	ಕಾ + ಅ = ಕಾ
2. Kannada sign I ( stands to the left of the consonant)	ಿ	ಇ	ಕಿ + ಇ = ಕಿ

3. Kannada sign II	ೀ	ಈ	ಕ್ + ಈ = ಕೀ
4. Kannada sign U	ು	ಉ	ಕ್ + ಉ = ಕು
5. Kannada sign UU	ೂ	ಊ	ಕ್ + ಊ = ಕೂ
6. Kannada sign vocalic R	್ರ	ಋ	ಕ್ + ಋ = ಕ್ರ
7. Kannada sign vocalic RR	್ರಾ	ೠ	ಕ್ + ಁ = ಕ್ರಾ
8. Kannada sign vocalic L	ಂ	ಱ	ಕ್ + ಱ = ಕಂ
9. Kannada sign vocalic LL	ಂ	ಱಾ	ಕ್ + ಱಾ = ಕಂ
10. Kannada sign E	ೈ	ಎ	ಕ್ + ಎ = ಕೆ
11. Kannada sign EE	ೇ	ಏ	ಕ್ + ಏ = ಕೇ
12. Kannada sign AI	ೈ	ಐ	ಕ್ + ಐ = ಕೈ
13. Kannada sign O	ೊ	ಒ	ಕ್ + ಒ = ಕೊ
14. Kannada sign OO	ೋ	ಓ	ಕ್ + ಓ = ಕೋ
15. Kannada sign AU	ೌ	ಔ	ಕ್ + ಔ = ಕೌ

**As per expert recommendations the character set should be written as under:**

ಂ	ಿ	ೀ	ು	ೂ	್ರ	್ರಾ	ಂ	ಂ
ೆ	ೇ	ೈ	ೊ	ೋ	ೌ			

#### 6.3.1.4. Displaced Catenators

Under normal circumstances Vowel Modifiers also known as catenators (since they concatenate to the preceding consonant) in Brahmi based scripts are written from left to right in linear order (with the exception of Consonant stacks). However certain modifiers are displaced and are placed to the left of the consonant to which they concatenate. There are no displaced catenators in Kannada.

CATENATOR	POSITION	EXAMPLE

### 6.3.1.5. Shape of the combination of ra (rakar, repha)

The ರ /ra/ takes a variety of shapes known as rakar (J = Bottom Rakāra) and repha (rafar ಼ = Side Rakāra) depending on its position. When conjoined before a consonant by means of the halant, it changes shape to ಼ and is placed to the right of the consonant or consonant clusters to which it relates. When it is conjoined after a consonant with the help of a halanta, it appends to the consonant in the following shape J depicted to the lower right of the character.

Kannada has the following combinations of ರ /ra/:

#### RAFARS = SIDE RAFAR (಼)

Rafar: ರ಼ ತ಼

Examples are given below.

- 1./karma/ - Saṃskṛta ಕರ್ಮ
- 2./ārkiṭekcar/ - English ಆರ್ಕಿಟೆಕ್ಚರ್ (architecture)
- 3./kharṇu/ - Urdu مِخْرَنُ
- 4./farḍinyanḍ/ - Swiss ಫರ್ಡಿನಾಂಡ್ (Proper name as in **Ferdinand** de Saussure)
- 5./arkāwattu/ - Saṃskṛta and Kannada Blend - ಅರ್ಕಾವತ್ತು (Name of the Side Rakar [಼] in Kannada)

#### RAKAR = BOTTOM RAKAR (J)

Rakar: ರೈ ಚೈ

Examples of words where Rakars are used in Kannada language are given below:

- 1./karrane/ ಕರ್ರನೆ 'blackish'
- 2./caṃdra/ ಚಂದ್ರ 'moon'
- 3./śāstra/ ಶಾಸ್ತ್ರ 'ritual'

### 6.3.1.6. Diacritics

These are as under in the case of Kannada:

◌◌ - Anuswar

◌್ - Halant

◌ಃ - Visarga

◌◌◌ - For extra length with long vowels e.g.

Chandrabindu is not part of the Kannada character set

### 6.3.1.7. Numerals

Following are the numbers used in Kannada language. Use of English numerals occurs in handwritten text as well as some of the official documents.

Numeral Shapes	Explanation
೦	Kannada Digit Zero

೧	Kannada Digit One
೨	Kannada Digit Two
೩	Kannada Digit Three
೪	Kannada Digit Four
೫	Kannada Digit Five
೬	Kannada Digit Six
೭	Kannada Digit Seven
೮	Kannada Digit Eight
೯	Kannada Digit Nine

### 6.3.1.8. Punctuation Markers

Kannada uses punctuation markers from the Latin set. such as . , ; : “ ‘ ( ) [ ] etc.

However the abbreviation marker is often used in Kannada .

Pūrṇa and Dīrgha Virāma (full-stop/danda) Devanāgarī code block: 0964, 0965 ।,॥ are used in poetry alone.

A list of punctuations is provided below:

Sr. No.	Name of the marker	Marker Shape
01	Full Stop or Period	.
02	Question Mark	?
03	Exclamation Mark	!
04	Apostrophe	'
05	Semi Colon	;
06	Colon	:
07	Hyphen	-
08	Dash	--
09	Ellipsis mark	...
10	Oblique	/
11	Double quotation mark	" "
12	Single quotation mark	‘ ’
13	Cross	XXX
14	As Above	-- " --
15	Round Brackets	( )
16	Square Brackets	[ ]
17	Curly Brackets	{ }
18	Abbreviation Sign	(°)
19	Devanāgarī Danda	
20	Devanāgarī Double Danda	॥
21	Addition symbol	+
22	Equals	=
23	Symbol for ‘AND’ – Ampersand	&
24	Symbol for Percentage	%

25	Symbol frequently used in editing	^
26	Asterisk	*
27	Symbol for ‘AT’	@
28	Symbol used in editing	#
29	Symbol of alternative elements - Tilde	~
30	Greater than	>
31	Less than	<
32	Plus or minus	±
33	Reverse solidus	\
34	Division symbol	÷
35	Zero width Joiner	U+200D
36	Zero width Non Joiner	U+200C

#### 6.3.1.9. Other Symbols

These are religious, currency markers etc. included in Unicode:

₹: Rupee Sign as mandated by Government of India.

### 6.3.2. Consonant Mātrā Combinations.

These refer to the shapes generated when a Mātrā is adjoined to the Consonant. The layout of these is in the shape of a matrix where the first horizontal row refers to the active consonant and the first vertical column refers to the vowel-modifier.

Due to constraints of space and also clarity, for each class a series of 3 tables are provided.

Table 1:	ಕ	ಖ	ಗ	ಘ	ಙ	
Table 2:	ಚ	ಛ	ಜ	ಝ	ಞ	
Table 3:	ಟ	ಠ	ಡ	ಢ	ಣ	
Table 4:	ತ	ಥ	ದ	ಧ	ನ	
Table 5:	ಪ	ಫ	ಬ	ಭ	ಮ	
Table 6:	ಯ	ರ	ಲ	ಲ	ವ	
Table 7:	ಶ	ಷ	ಸ	ಹ	ಳ	ಱ

Wherever there is an X it implies that the combination does not exist. For the font developer this is an indication that for this particular combination which is not possible in the language but needs to be accommodated in the font table, a simple linear combination be provided.

e.g. Although the combination of ಞ + Mātrā is theoretically not possible it needs to be handled at the font level in the anticipation that a user could type this combination. The font would show the following:

The classes are as under:

6.3.2.1. refers to a simple concatenation of Consonant and Mātrā combinations.

6.3.2.2. refers to a concatenation of Consonant and Mātrā + Nasal marker combinations. Other diacritics such as awagraha and wisarga have been avoided, since these are linear in nature, are adjoined to the combination and do not in any way modify the structure of the shapes.



### 6.3.2.1 Consonant and Mātrā combinations.

This set refers to a simple concatenation of Consonant and Mātrā.

#### Consonant and Mātrā combinations Set 1

	ಕ	ಖ	ಗ	ಘ	ಜ
ಾ	ಕಾ	ಖಾ	ಗಾ	ಘಾ	ಜಾ
ಿ	ಕಿ	ಖಿ	ಗಿ	ಘಿ	ಜಿ
ೀ	ಕೀ	ಖೀ	ಗೀ	ಘೀ	ಜೀ
ು	ಕು	ಖು	ಗು	ಘು	ಜು
ೂ	ಕೂ	ಖೂ	ಗೂ	ಘೂ	ಜೂ
್ರ	ಕ್ರ	ಖ್ರ	ಗ್ರ	ಘ್ರ	ಜ್ರ
ೃ	ಕೃ	ಖೃ	ಗೃ	ಘೃ	ಜೃ
ಂ	ಕಂ	ಖಂ	ಗಂ	ಘಂ	ಜಂ
ಂ	ಕಂ	ಖಂ	ಗಂ	ಘಂ	ಜಂ
ೆ	ಕೆ	ಖೆ	ಗೆ	ಘೆ	ಜೆ
ೇ	ಕೇ	ಖೇ	ಗೇ	ಘೇ	ಜೇ
ೈ	ಕೈ	ಖೈ	ಗೈ	ಘೈ	ಜೈ
ೊ	ಕೊ	ಖೊ	ಗೊ	ಘೊ	ಜೊ
ೋ	ಕೋ	ಖೋ	ಗೋ	ಘೋ	ಜೋ
ೌ	ಕೌ	ಖೌ	ಗೌ	ಘೌ	ಜೌ
ೌ	ಕೌ	ಖೌ	ಗೌ	ಘೌ	ಜೌ

## Consonant and Mātrā combinations Set 2

This set is in continuation of set 1 which shows consonant and Matra combinations.

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### Consonant and Mātrā combinations Set 3

This set is in continuation of set 2 which shows consonant and Matra combinations.

	ಛ	ಠ	ಡ	ಢ	ಣ
ಠಾ	ಛಾ	ಠಾ	ಡಾ	ಢಾ	ಣಾ
ಠಿ	ಛಿ	ಠಿ	ಡಿ	ಢಿ	ಣಿ
ಠೀ	ಛೀ	ಠೀ	ಡೀ	ಢೀ	ಣೀ
ಠು	ಛು	ಠು	ಡು	ಢು	ಣು
ಠೂ	ಛೂ	ಠೂ	ಡೂ	ಢೂ	ಣೂ
ಠ್ರ	ಛ್ರ	ಠ್ರ	ಡ್ರ	ಢ್ರ	ಣ್ರ
ಠ್ರಾ	ಛ್ರಾ	ಠ್ರಾ	ಡ್ರಾ	ಢ್ರಾ	ಣ್ರಾ
ಠಂ	ಛಂ	ಠಂ	ಡಂ	ಢಂ	ಣಂ
ಠಂ	ಛಂ	ಠಂ	ಡಂ	ಢಂ	ಣಂ
ಠಃ	ಛಃ	ಠಃ	ಡಃ	ಢಃ	ಣಃ
ಠೀ	ಛೀ	ಠೀ	ಡೀ	ಢೀ	ಣೀ
ಠ್ರೀ	ಛ್ರೀ	ಠ್ರೀ	ಡ್ರೀ	ಢ್ರೀ	ಣ್ರೀ
ಠ್ರಿ	ಛ್ರಿ	ಠ್ರಿ	ಡ್ರಿ	ಢ್ರಿ	ಣ್ರಿ
ಠ್ರೂ	ಛ್ರೂ	ಠ್ರೂ	ಡ್ರೂ	ಢ್ರೂ	ಣ್ರೂ
ಠ್ರೋ	ಛ್ರೋ	ಠ್ರೋ	ಡ್ರೋ	ಢ್ರೋ	ಣ್ರೋ
ಠಾ	ಛಾ	ಠಾ	ಡಾ	ಢಾ	ಣಾ
ಠ್	ಛ್	ಠ್	ಡ್	ಢ್	ಣ್

### Consonant and Mātrā combinations Set 4

This set is in continuation of set 3 which shows consonant and Matra combinations.

	ತ	ಥ	ದ	ಧ	ನ
ಾ	ತಾ	ಥಾ	ದಾ	ಧಾ	ನಾ
ಿ	ತಿ	ಥಿ	ದಿ	ಧಿ	ನಿ
ೀ	ತೀ	ಥೀ	ದೀ	ಧೀ	ನೀ
ು	ತು	ಥು	ದು	ಧು	ನು
ೂ	ತೂ	ಥೂ	ದೂ	ಧೂ	ನೂ
್ಮ	ತ್ಮ	ಥ್ಮ	ದ್ಮ	ಧ್ಮ	ನ್ಮ
್ಯಾ	ತ್ಯಾ	ಥ್ಯಾ	ದ್ಯಾ	ಧ್ಯಾ	ನ್ಯಾ
ಂ	ತಂ	ಥಂ	ದಂ	ಧಂ	ನಂ
ಂ	ತಂ	ಥಂ	ದಂ	ಧಂ	ನಂ
ೆ	ತೆ	ಥೆ	ದೆ	ಧೆ	ನೆ
ೇ	ತೇ	ಥೇ	ದೇ	ಧೇ	ನೇ
ೈ	ತೈ	ಥೈ	ದೈ	ಧೈ	ನೈ
ೊ	ತೊ	ಥೊ	ದೊ	ಧೊ	ನೊ
ೋ	ತೋ	ಥೋ	ದೋ	ಧೋ	ನೋ
ೌ	ತೌ	ಥೌ	ದೌ	ಧೌ	ನೌ
್	ತ್	ಥ್	ದ್	ಧ್	ನ್

## Consonant and Mātrā combinations Set 5

This set is in continuation of set 4 which shows consonant and Matra combinations.

	ಪ	ಫ	ಬ	ಭ	ಮ
ಾ	ಪಾ	ಫಾ	ಬಾ	ಭಾ	ಮಾ
ಿ	ಪಿ	ಫಿ	ಬಿ	ಭಿ	ಮಿ
ೀ	ಪೀ	ಫೀ	ಬೀ	ಭೀ	ಮೀ
ು	ಪು	ಫು	ಬು	ಭು	ಮು
ೂ	ಪೂ	ಫೂ	ಬೂ	ಭೂ	ಮೂ
ೃ	ಪೃ	ಫೃ	ಬೃ	ಭೃ	ಮೃ
ೄ	ಪೄ	ಫೄ	ಬೄ	ಭೄ	ಮೄ
ಂ	ಪಂ	ಫಂ	ಬಂ	ಭಂ	ಮಂ
ಁ	ಪಁ	ಫಁ	ಬಁ	ಭಁ	ಮಁ
ೇ	ಪೇ	ಫೇ	ಬೇ	ಭೇ	ಮೇ
ೈ	ಪೈ	ಫೈ	ಬೈ	ಭೈ	ಮೈ
ೌ	ಪೌ	ಫೌ	ಬೌ	ಭೌ	ಮೌ
ೠ	ಪೠ	ಫೠ	ಬೠ	ಭೠ	ಮೠ
ೡ	ಪೡ	ಫೡ	ಬೡ	ಭೡ	ಮೡ

## Consonant and Mātrā combinations Set 6

This set is in continuation of set 5 which shows consonant and Matra combinations.

	ಯ	ರ	ಱ	ಲ	ವ
ಂ	ಯಾ	ರಾ	ಱಾ	ಲಾ	ವಾ
ಿ	ಯಿ	ರಿ	ಱಿ	ಲಿ	ವಿ
ೀ	ಯೀ	ರೀ	ಱೀ	ಲೀ	ವೀ
ು	ಯು	ರು	ಱು	ಲು	ವು
ೂ	ಯೂ	ರೂ	ಱೂ	ಲೂ	ವೂ
ೃ	ಯೃ	ರೃ	ಱೃ	ಲೃ	ವೃ
ೄ	ಯೄ	ರೄ	ಱೄ	ಲೄ	ವೄ
ಂ	ಯಂ	ರಂ	ಱಂ	ಲಂ	ವಂ
ಂ	ಯಂ	ರಂ	ಱಂ	ಲಂ	ವಂ
ಿ	ಯಿ	ರಿ	ಱಿ	ಲಿ	ವಿ
ೀ	ಯೀ	ರೀ	ಱೀ	ಲೀ	ವೀ
ೃ	ಯೃ	ರೃ	ಱೃ	ಲೃ	ವೃ
ೂ	ಯೂ	ರೂ	ಱೂ	ಲೂ	ವೂ
ೀ	ಯೋ	ರೋ	ಱೋ	ಲೋ	ವೋ
ೃ	ಯೌ	ರೌ	ಱೌ	ಲೌ	ವೌ
ಃ	ಯ್	ರ್	ಱ್	ಲ್	ವ್

## Consonant and Mātrā combinations Set 7

This set is in continuation of set 6 which shows consonant and Matra combinations.

	ಶ	ಷ	ಸ	ಹ	ಳ	ಱ
ಾ	ಶಾ	ಷಾ	ಸಾ	ಹಾ	ಳಾ	ಱಾ
ಿ	ಶಿ	ಷಿ	ಸಿ	ಹಿ	ಳಿ	ಱಿ
ೀ	ಶೀ	ಷೀ	ಸೀ	ಹೀ	ಳೀ	ಱೀ
ು	ಶು	ಷು	ಸು	ಹು	ಳು	ಱು
ೂ	ಶೂ	ಷೂ	ಸೂ	ಹೂ	ಳೂ	ಱೂ
ೃ	ಶ್ರ	ಷ್ರ	ಸ್ರ	ಹ್ರ	ಳ್ರ	ಱ್ರ
ೄ	ಶ್ರ	ಷ್ರ	ಸ್ರ	ಹ್ರ	ಳ್ರ	ಱ್ರ
ಂ	ಶಂ	ಷಂ	ಸಂ	ಹಂ	ಳಂ	ಱಂ
ಂ	ಶಂ	ಷಂ	ಸಂ	ಹಂ	ಳಂ	ಱಂ
ೆ	ಶೆ	ಷೆ	ಸೆ	ಹೆ	ಳೆ	ಱೆ
ೇ	ಶೇ	ಷೇ	ಸೇ	ಹೇ	ಳೇ	ಱೇ
ೈ	ಶೈ	ಷೈ	ಸೈ	ಹೈ	ಳೈ	ಱೈ
ೊ	ಶೊ	ಷೊ	ಸೊ	ಹೊ	ಳೊ	ಱೊ
ೋ	ಶೋ	ಷೋ	ಸೋ	ಹೋ	ಳೋ	ಱೋ
ಾ	ಶಾ	ಷಾ	ಸಾ	ಹಾ	ಳಾ	ಱಾ
ಿ	ಶಿ	ಷಿ	ಸಿ	ಹಿ	ಳಿ	ಱಿ

### 6.3.2.2 Consonant and Mātrā +Nasal combinations. Set 1

This set refers to a Consonant and Mātrā + Nasal marker combinations.

	ಕ	ಖ	ಗ	ಘ	ಙ
ಂ	ಕಂ	ಖಂ	ಗಂ	ಘಂ	ಙಂ
ಂ	ಕಾಂ	ಖಾಂ	ಗಾಂ	ಘಾಂ	ಙಾಂ
ಂ	ಕಿಂ	ಖಿಂ	ಗಿಂ	ಘಿಂ	ಜಿಂ
ಂ	ಕೀಂ	ಖೀಂ	ಗೀಂ	ಘೀಂ	ಜೀಂ
ಂ	ಕುಂ	ಖುಂ	ಗುಂ	ಘುಂ	ಙುಂ
ಂ	ಕೂಂ	ಖೂಂ	ಗೂಂ	ಘೂಂ	ಙೂಂ
ಂ	ಕೃಂ	ಖೃಂ	ಗೃಂ	ಘೃಂ	ಙೃಂ
ಂ	ಕೃಂ	ಖೃಂ	ಗೃಂ	ಘೃಂ	ಙೃಂ
ಂ	ಕಂ	ಖಂ	ಗಂ	ಘಂ	ಙಂ
ಂ	ಕಂ	ಖಂ	ಗಂ	ಘಂ	ಙಂ
ಂ	ಕೆಂ	ಖೆಂ	ಗೆಂ	ಘೆಂ	ಜೆಂ
ಂ	ಕೇಂ	ಖೇಂ	ಗೇಂ	ಘೇಂ	ಜೇಂ
ಂ	ಕೈಂ	ಖೈಂ	ಗೈಂ	ಘೈಂ	ಜೈಂ
ಂ	ಕೊಂ	ಖೊಂ	ಗೊಂ	ಘೊಂ	ಜೊಂ
ಂ	ಕೋಂ	ಖೋಂ	ಗೋಂ	ಘೋಂ	ಜೋಂ
ಂ	ಕೌಂ	ಖೌಂ	ಗೌಂ	ಘೌಂ	ಙೌಂ



## Consonant and Mātrā +Nasal combinations Set 2

This set is in continuation of set 1 which shows consonant and Matra combinations.

	ಚ	ಛ	ಜ	ಝ	ಞ
ಂ	ಚಂ	ಛಂ	ಜಂ	ಝಂ	ಞಂ
ಂ	ಚಾಂ	ಛಾಂ	ಜಾಂ	ಝಾಂ	ಞಾಂ
ಂ	ಚಿಂ	ಛಿಂ	ಜಿಂ	ಝಿಂ	ಞಿಂ
ಂ	ಚೀಂ	ಛೀಂ	ಜೀಂ	ಝೀಂ	ಞೀಂ
ಂ	ಚುಂ	ಛುಂ	ಜುಂ	ಝುಂ	ಞುಂ
ಂ	ಚೂಂ	ಛೂಂ	ಜೂಂ	ಝೂಂ	ಞೂಂ
ಂ	ಚ್ರಂ	ಛ್ರಂ	ಜ್ರಂ	ಝ್ರಂ	ಞ್ರಂ
ಂ	ಚ್ಚಂ	ಛ್ಚಂ	ಜ್ಜಂ	ಝ್ಜಂ	ಞ್ಜಂ
ಂ	ಚ್ಚಂ	ಛ್ಚಂ	ಜ್ಜಂ	ಝ್ಜಂ	ಞ್ಜಂ
ಂ	ಚೆಂ	ಛೆಂ	ಜೆಂ	ಝೆಂ	ಞೆಂ
ಂ	ಚೇಂ	ಛೇಂ	ಜೇಂ	ಝೇಂ	ಞೇಂ
ಂ	ಚೈಂ	ಛೈಂ	ಜೈಂ	ಝೈಂ	ಞೈಂ
ಂ	ಚೊಂ	ಛೊಂ	ಜೊಂ	ಝೊಂ	ಞೊಂ
ಂ	ಚೋಂ	ಛೋಂ	ಜೋಂ	ಝೋಂ	ಞೋಂ
ಂ	ಚೌಂ	ಛೌಂ	ಜೌಂ	ಝೌಂ	ಞೌಂ

### Consonant and Mātrā +Nasal combinations Set 3

This set is in continuation of set 2 which shows consonant and Matra combinations.

	ಟ	ಠ	ಡ	ಢ	ಣ
ಂ	ಟಂ	ಠಂ	ಡಂ	ಢಂ	ಣಂ
ಂ	ಟಾಂ	ಠಾಂ	ಡಾಂ	ಢಾಂ	ಣಾಂ
ಂ	ಟಿಂ	ಠಿಂ	ಡಿಂ	ಢಿಂ	ಣಿಂ
ಂ	ಟೀಂ	ಠೀಂ	ಡಿಂ	ಢೀಂ	ಣೀಂ
ಂ	ಟುಂ	ಠುಂ	ಡುಂ	ಢುಂ	ಣುಂ
ಂ	ಟೂಂ	ಠೂಂ	ಡೂಂ	ಢೂಂ	ಣೂಂ
ಂ	ಟ್ರಂ	ಠ್ರಂ	ಡ್ರಂ	ಢ್ರಂ	ಣ್ರಂ
ಂ	ಟ್ರಾಂ	ಠ್ರಾಂ	ಡ್ರಾಂ	ಢ್ರಾಂ	ಣ್ರಾಂ
ಂ	ಟ್ರಿಂ	ಠ್ರಿಂ	ಡ್ರಿಂ	ಢ್ರಿಂ	ಣ್ರಿಂ
ಂ	ಟ್ರೀಂ	ಠ್ರೀಂ	ಡ್ರೀಂ	ಢ್ರೀಂ	ಣ್ರೀಂ
ಂ	ಟ್ರೂಂ	ಠ್ರೂಂ	ಡ್ರೂಂ	ಢ್ರೂಂ	ಣ್ರೂಂ
ಂ	ಟ್ರೋಂ	ಠ್ರೋಂ	ಡ್ರೋಂ	ಢ್ರೋಂ	ಣ್ರೋಂ
ಂ	ಟ್ರೌಂ	ಠ್ರೌಂ	ಡ್ರೌಂ	ಢ್ರೌಂ	ಣ್ರೌಂ

### Consonant and Mātrā +Nasal combinations Set 4

This set is in continuation of set 3 which shows consonant and Matra combinations.

	ತ	ಥ	ದ	ಧ	ನ
ಂ	ತಂ	ಥಂ	ದಂ	ಧಂ	ನಂ
ಂ	ತಾಂ	ಥಾಂ	ದಾಂ	ಧಾಂ	ನಾಂ
ಂ	ತಿಂ	ಥಿಂ	ದಿಂ	ಧಿಂ	ನಿಂ
ಂ	ತೀಂ	ಥೀಂ	ದೀಂ	ಧೀಂ	ನೀಂ
ಂ	ತುಂ	ಥುಂ	ದುಂ	ಧುಂ	ನುಂ
ಂ	ತೂಂ	ಥೂಂ	ದೂಂ	ಧೂಂ	ನೂಂ
ಂ	ತ್ಯಂ	ಥ್ಯಂ	ದ್ಯಂ	ಧ್ಯಂ	ನ್ಯಂ
ಂ	ತ್ಯಾಂ	ಥ್ಯಾಂ	ದ್ಯಾಂ	ಧ್ಯಾಂ	ನ್ಯಾಂ
ಂ	ತೃಂ	ಥೃಂ	ದೃಂ	ಧೃಂ	ನ್ಯಂ
ಂ	ತೃಂ	ಥೃಂ	ದೃಂ	ಧೃಂ	ನ್ಯಂ
ಂ	ತೇಂ	ಥೇಂ	ದೇಂ	ಧೇಂ	ನೇಂ
ಂ	ತೇಂ	ಥೇಂ	ದೇಂ	ಧೇಂ	ನೇಂ
ಂ	ತೈಂ	ಥೈಂ	ದೈಂ	ಧೈಂ	ನೈಂ
ಂ	ತೈಂ	ಥೈಂ	ದೈಂ	ಧೈಂ	ನೈಂ
ಂ	ತೌಂ	ಥೌಂ	ದೌಂ	ಧೌಂ	ನೌಂ

### *Consonant and Mātrā +Nasal combinations Set 5*

This set is in continuation of set 4 which shows consonant and Matra combinations.

	ಪ	ಫ	ಬ	ಭ	ಮ
ಂ	ಪಂ	ಫಂ	ಬಂ	ಭಂ	ಮಂ
ಾಂ	ಪಾಂ	ಫಾಂ	ಬಾಂ	ಭಾಂ	ಮಾಂ
ೀಂ	ಪಿಂ	ಫಿಂ	ಬಿಂ	ಭಿಂ	ಮಿಂ
ೀಂ	ಪೀಂ	ಫೀಂ	ಬೀಂ	ಭೀಂ	ಮೀಂ
ುಂ	ಪುಂ	ಫುಂ	ಬುಂ	ಭುಂ	ಮುಂ
ೂಂ	ಪೂಂ	ಫೂಂ	ಬೂಂ	ಭೂಂ	ಮೂಂ
್ಯಂ	ಪ್ಯಂ	ಫ್ಯಂ	ಬ್ಯಂ	ಭ್ಯಂ	ಮ್ಯಂ
್ಯಾಂ	ಪ್ಯಾಂ	ಫ್ಯಾಂ	ಬ್ಯಾಂ	ಭ್ಯಾಂ	ಮ್ಯಾಂ
ಂ	ಪಂ	ಫಂ	ಬಂ	ಭಂ	ಮಂ
ಂ	ಪಂ	ಫಂ	ಬಂ	ಭಂ	ಮಂ
ೆಂ	ಪೆಂ	ಫೆಂ	ಬೆಂ	ಭೆಂ	ಮೆಂ
ೇಂ	ಪೇಂ	ಫೇಂ	ಬೇಂ	ಭೇಂ	ಮೇಂ
ೈಂ	ಪೈಂ	ಫೈಂ	ಬೈಂ	ಭೈಂ	ಮೈಂ
ೊಂ	ಪೊಂ	ಫೊಂ	ಬೊಂ	ಭೊಂ	ಮೊಂ
ೋಂ	ಪೋಂ	ಫೋಂ	ಬೋಂ	ಭೋಂ	ಮೋಂ
ೌಂ	ಪೌಂ	ಫೌಂ	ಬೌಂ	ಭೌಂ	ಮೌಂ

### *Consonant and Mātrā +Nasal combinations Set 6*

This set is in continuation of set 5 which shows consonant and Matra combinations.

	ಯ	ರ	ಱ	ಲ	ವ
ಂ	ಯಂ	ರಂ	ಱಂ	ಲಂ	ವಂ
ಾಂ	ಯಾಂ	ರಾಂ	ಱಾಂ	ಲಾಂ	ವಾಂ
ೀಂ	ಯಿಂ	ರಿಂ	ಱಿಂ	ಲಿಂ	ವಿಂ
ೀಂ	ಯೀಂ	ರೀಂ	ಱೀಂ	ಲೀಂ	ವೀಂ
ುಂ	ಯುಂ	ರುಂ	ಱುಂ	ಲುಂ	ವುಂ
ೂಂ	ಯೂಂ	ರೂಂ	ಱೂಂ	ಲೂಂ	ವೂಂ
್ಮಂ	ಯ್ಮಂ	ರ್ಮಂ	ಱ್ಮಂ	ಲ್ಮಂ	ವ್ಮಂ
್ಯಾಂ	ಯ್ಯಾಂ	ರ್ಯಾಂ	ಱ್ಯಾಂ	ಲ್ಯಾಂ	ವ್ಯಾಂ
ಂ	ಯಂ	ರಂ	ಱಂ	ಲಂ	ವಂ
ಂ	ಯಂ	ರಂ	ಱಂ	ಲಂ	ವಂ
ೆಂ	ಯೆಂ	ರೆಂ	ಱೆಂ	ಲೆಂ	ವೆಂ
ೇಂ	ಯೇಂ	ರೇಂ	ಱೇಂ	ಲೇಂ	ವೇಂ
ೈಂ	ಯೈಂ	ರೈಂ	ಱೈಂ	ಲೈಂ	ವೈಂ
ೊಂ	ಯೊಂ	ರೊಂ	ಱೊಂ	ಲೊಂ	ವೊಂ
ೋಂ	ಯೋಂ	ರೋಂ	ಱೋಂ	ಲೋಂ	ವೋಂ
ೌಂ	ಯೌಂ	ರೌಂ	ಱೌಂ	ಲೌಂ	ವೌಂ

### Consonant and Mātrā +Nasal combinations Set 7

This set is in continuation of set 6 which shows consonant and Matra combinations.

	ಶ	ಷ	ಸ	ಹ	ಳ	ಱ
ಂ	ಶಂ	ಷಂ	ಸಂ	ಹಂ	ಳಂ	ಱಂ
ಂಂ	ಶಾಂ	ಷಾಂ	ಸಾಂ	ಹಾಂ	ಳಾಂ	ಱಾಂ
ಂಂ	ಶಿಂ	ಷಿಂ	ಸಿಂ	ಹಿಂ	ಳಿಂ	ಱಿಂ
ಂಂ	ಶೀಂ	ಷೀಂ	ಸೀಂ	ಹೀಂ	ಳೀಂ	ಱೀಂ
ಂಂ	ಶುಂ	ಷುಂ	ಸುಂ	ಹುಂ	ಳುಂ	ಱುಂ
ಂಂ	ಶೂಂ	ಷೂಂ	ಸೂಂ	ಹೂಂ	ಳೂಂ	ಱೂಂ
ಂಂ	ಶೃಂ	ಷೃಂ	ಸೃಂ	ಹೃಂ	ಳೃಂ	ಱೃಂ
ಂಂ	ಶ್ಚಂ	ಷ್ಚಂ	ಸ್ಕಂ	ಹ್ಚಂ	ಳ್ಚಂ	ಱ್ಚಂ
ಂಂ	ಶ್ಞಂ	ಷ್ಞಂ	ಸ್ತಂ	ಹ್ಞಂ	ಳ್ಞಂ	ಱ್ಞಂ
ಂಂ	ಶೇಂ	ಷೇಂ	ಸೇಂ	ಹೇಂ	ಳೇಂ	ಱೇಂ
ಂಂ	ಶೀಂ	ಷೀಂ	ಸೀಂ	ಹೀಂ	ಳೀಂ	ಱೀಂ
ಂಂ	ಶೈಂ	ಷೈಂ	ಸೈಂ	ಹೈಂ	ಳೈಂ	ಱೈಂ
ಂಂ	ಶೋಂ	ಷೋಂ	ಸೋಂ	ಹೋಂ	ಳೋಂ	ಱೋಂ
ಂಂ	ಶೋಂ	ಷೋಂ	ಸೋಂ	ಹೋಂ	ಳೋಂ	ಱೋಂ
ಂಂ	ಶೌಂ	ಷೌಂ	ಸೌಂ	ಹೌಂ	ಳೌಂ	ಱೌಂ

### 6.3.3. The Ligature Set of Kannada.

Kannada has a large set of ligatural forms. These are combinations of Consoanant+Halanta+Consonant (CHC) or CHCHC or even rarer CHCHCHC. The CHC combinations which are the most frequent are arranged in the shape of a matrix: the abscissa or horizontal axis refers to the Consonant which constitutes the ligature and the ordinate or vertical axis shows the consonant which forms the ligature and which is followed by a halanta.

As in 6.3.2. the ligature sets are divided into the following

6.3.3.1 CHC (in a matrix)

6.3.3.2 CHCHC

6.3.3.3. CHCHCHC

#### 6.3.3.1. CHC (combination of two consonants)

These ligatures are presented as in the earlier case of Consonant+Mātrā combinations in three sets. A lot of “slots” have an X marked, showing that the experts have deemed that such a ligature is not possible in the language. However in these cases, the font developer is to assume that the ligature is linear in nature.

The following set shows a combination of two consonants. To know how particular combinations forms, **select one consonant from the first column and second from first row**. For e.g. Combination of consonant “ಕ” and “ಛ” is ligature “ಕಛ”.

The **Unicode version 6.0.0** gives following description on the cluster formation in Kannada script:

In Kannada, conjunct formation tends to be graphically regular, using the following pattern:

- The first consonant of the cluster is rendered with the implicit vowel or a different dependent vowel appearing as the terminal element of the cluster.
- The remaining consonants (consonants between the first consonant and the terminal vowel element) appear in conjunct consonant glyph forms in phonetic order. They are generally depicted directly below or to the lower right of the first consonant. (Unicode 6.0.0 – Ch. 09 pp. 305).

**Description:** In the  $C_1 + H + C_2$  clusters all the **thirty six consonants** (inclusive of ಠ /ra/ = 0CB0) which participate in the  $C_1$  position will take the full form and the  $C_2$  take sub-base allograph forms and they are generally depicted directly below or to the lower right of the full form of first consonant in the same order. The allograph of the vowel that terminates the cluster is added to the full form of the  $C_1$  consonant. If the vowel allograph of the terminating vowel is a two-part allograph of the vowel then, the second part of the two-part allograph is placed after the  $C_2$  sub-base allograph form. All the sub-base form of the consonants are given in **Appendix I**.

Since the consonant ಠ /ra/ = 0CB0 is a **partially exceptional consonant** which produce **two sets of ligatures, complementation of two types has been presented in the Appendix II**. The alternative set of the ligatures for the CHC pattern ಠ /ra/ = 0CB0 in  $C_1$  position have been presented in the sub-section 6.3.3.1.1.

### CHC (combination of two consonants) - Set 1

	ಕ	ಖ	ಗ	ಘ	ಜ
ಕ್	ಕಕ	ಕಖ	ಕಗ	ಕಘ	ಕಜ
ಖ್	ಖಕ	ಖಖ	ಖಗ	ಖಘ	ಖಜ
ಗ್	ಗಕ	ಗಖ	ಗಗ	ಗಘ	ಗಜ
ಘ್	ಘಕ	ಘಖ	ಘಗ	ಘಘ	ಘಜ
ಜ್	ಜಕ	ಜಖ	ಜಗ	ಜಘ	ಜಜ
ಚ್	ಚಕ	ಚಖ	ಚಗ	ಚಘ	ಚಜ
ಛ್	ಛಕ	ಛಖ	ಛಗ	ಛಘ	ಛಜ
ಝ್	ಝಕ	ಝಖ	ಝಗ	ಝಘ	ಝಜ
ಞ್	ಞಕ	ಞಖ	ಞಗ	ಞಘ	ಞಜ
ಟ್	ಟಕ	ಟಖ	ಟಗ	ಟಘ	ಟಜ
ಠ್	ಠಕ	ಠಖ	ಠಗ	ಠಘ	ಠಜ
ಡ್	ಡಕ	ಡಖ	ಡಗ	ಡಘ	ಡಜ
ಢ್	ಢಕ	ಢಖ	ಢಗ	ಢಘ	ಢಜ
ಣ್	ಣಕ	ಣಖ	ಣಗ	ಣಘ	ಣಜ
ತ್	ತಕ	ತಖ	ತಗ	ತಘ	ತಜ
ಥ್	ಥಕ	ಥಖ	ಥಗ	ಥಘ	ಥಜ
ದ್	ದಕ	ದಖ	ದಗ	ದಘ	ದಜ
ಧ್	ಧಕ	ಧಖ	ಧಗ	ಧಘ	ಧಜ
ನ್	ನಕ	ನಖ	ನಗ	ನಘ	ನಜ
ಪ್	ಪಕ	ಪಖ	ಪಗ	ಪಘ	ಪಜ
ಫ್	ಫಕ	ಫಖ	ಫಗ	ಫಘ	ಫಜ
ಬ್	ಬಕ	ಬಖ	ಬಗ	ಬಘ	ಬಜ
ಭ್	ಭಕ	ಭಖ	ಭಗ	ಭಘ	ಭಜ
ಮ್	ಮಕ	ಮಖ	ಮಗ	ಮಘ	ಮಜ
ಯ್	ಯಕ	ಯಖ	ಯಗ	ಯಘ	ಯಜ
ರ್	ಕರ್	ಖರ್	ಗರ್	ಘರ್	ಜರ್
ಠ್	ಠಕ	ಠಖ	ಠಗ	ಠಘ	ಠಜ
ಲ್	ಲಕ	ಲಖ	ಲಗ	ಲಘ	ಲಜ
ವ್	ವಕ	ವಖ	ವಗ	ವಘ	ವಜ
ಶ್	ಶಕ	ಶಖ	ಶಗ	ಶಘ	ಶಜ
ಷ್	ಷಕ	ಷಖ	ಷಗ	ಷಘ	ಷಜ
ಸ್	ಸಕ	ಸಖ	ಸಗ	ಸಘ	ಸಜ
ಹ್	ಹಕ	ಹಖ	ಹಗ	ಹಘ	ಹಜ
ಳ್	ಳಕ	ಳಖ	ಳಗ	ಳಘ	ಳಜ
ಠ್	ಠಕ	ಠಖ	ಠಗ	ಠಘ	ಠಜ



## CHC (combination of two consonants) - Set 2

	ಚ	ಛ	ಜ	ಝ	ಞ
ಕ್	ಕಚ	ಕಛ	ಕಜ	ಕಝ	ಕಞ
ಖ್	ಖಚ	ಖಛ	ಖಜ	ಖಝ	ಖಞ
ಗ್	ಗಚ	ಗಛ	ಗಜ	ಗಝ	ಗಞ
ಘ್	ಘಚ	ಘಛ	ಘಜ	ಘಝ	ಘಞ
ಙ್	ಙಚ	ಙಛ	ಙಜ	ಙಝ	ಙಞ
ಚ್	ಚಚ	ಚಛ	ಚಜ	ಚಝ	ಚಞ
ಛ್	ಛಚ	ಛಛ	ಛಜ	ಛಝ	ಛಞ
ಜ್	ಜಚ	ಜಛ	ಜಜ	ಜಝ	ಜಞ
ಝ್	ಝಚ	ಝಛ	ಝಜ	ಝಝ	ಝಞ
ಞ್	ಞಚ	ಞಛ	ಞಜ	ಞಝ	ಞಞ
ಟ್	ಟಚ	ಟಛ	ಟಜ	ಟಝ	ಟಞ
ಠ್	ಠಚ	ಠಛ	ಠಜ	ಠಝ	ಠಞ
ಡ್	ಡಚ	ಡಛ	ಡಜ	ಡಝ	ಡಞ
ಢ್	ಢಚ	ಢಛ	ಢಜ	ಢಝ	ಢಞ
ಣ್	ಣಚ	ಣಛ	ಣಜ	ಣಝ	ಣಞ
ತ್	ತಚ	ತಛ	ತಜ	ತಝ	ತಞ
ಥ್	ಥಚ	ಥಛ	ಥಜ	ಥಝ	ಥಞ
ದ್	ದಚ	ದಛ	ದಜ	ದಝ	ದಞ
ಧ್	ಧಚ	ಧಛ	ಧಜ	ಧಝ	ಧಞ
ನ್	ನಚ	ನಛ	ನಜ	ನಝ	ನಞ
ಪ್	ಪಚ	ಪಛ	ಪಜ	ಪಝ	ಪಞ
ಫ್	ಫಚ	ಫಛ	ಫಜ	ಫಝ	ಫಞ
ಬ್	ಬಚ	ಬಛ	ಬಜ	ಬಝ	ಬಞ
ಭ್	ಭಚ	ಭಛ	ಭಜ	ಭಝ	ಭಞ
ಮ್	ಮಚ	ಮಛ	ಮಜ	ಮಝ	ಮಞ
ಯ್	ಯಚ	ಯಛ	ಯಜ	ಯಝ	ಯಞ
ರ್	ರಚ	ರಛ	ರಜ	ರಝ	ರಞ
ಲ್	ಲಚ	ಲಛ	ಲಜ	ಲಝ	ಲಞ
ವ್	ವಚ	ವಛ	ವಜ	ವಝ	ವಞ
ಶ್	ಶಚ	ಶಛ	ಶಜ	ಶಝ	ಶಞ
ಷ್	ಷಚ	ಷಛ	ಷಜ	ಷಝ	ಷಞ
ಸ್	ಸಚ	ಸಛ	ಸಜ	ಸಝ	ಸಞ
ಹ್	ಹಚ	ಹಛ	ಹಜ	ಹಝ	ಹಞ
ಳ್	ಳಚ	ಳಛ	ಳಜ	ಳಝ	ಳಞ
ಠ್	ಠಚ	ಠಛ	ಠಜ	ಠಝ	ಠಞ

### CHC (combination of two consonants) - Set 3

	ಟ	ठ	ड	ढ	ण
क	क॒ट	क॒ठ	क॒ड	क॒ढ	क॒ण
ख	ख॒ट	ख॒ठ	ख॒ड	ख॒ढ	ख॒ण
ग	ग॒ट	ग॒ठ	ग॒ड	ग॒ढ	ग॒ण
घ	घ॒ट	घ॒ठ	घ॒ड	घ॒ढ	घ॒ण
ङ	ङ॒ट	ङ॒ठ	ङ॒ड	ङ॒ढ	ङ॒ण
च	च॒ट	च॒ठ	च॒ड	च॒ढ	च॒ण
छ	छ॒ट	छ॒ठ	छ॒ड	छ॒ढ	छ॒ण
ज	ज॒ट	ज॒ठ	ज॒ड	ज॒ढ	ज॒ण
झ	झ॒ट	झ॒ठ	झ॒ड	झ॒ढ	झ॒ण
ञ	ञ॒ट	ञ॒ठ	ञ॒ड	ञ॒ढ	ञ॒ण
ट	ट॒ट	ट॒ठ	ट॒ड	ट॒ढ	ट॒ण
ठ	ठ॒ट	ठ॒ठ	ठ॒ड	ठ॒ढ	ठ॒ण
ड	ड॒ट	ड॒ठ	ड॒ड	ड॒ढ	ड॒ण
ढ	ढ॒ट	ढ॒ठ	ढ॒ड	ढ॒ढ	ढ॒ण
ण	ण॒ट	ण॒ठ	ण॒ड	ण॒ढ	ण॒ण
त	त॒ट	त॒ठ	त॒ड	त॒ढ	त॒ण
थ	थ॒ट	थ॒ठ	थ॒ड	थ॒ढ	थ॒ण
द	द॒ट	द॒ठ	द॒ड	द॒ढ	द॒ण
ध	ध॒ट	ध॒ठ	ध॒ड	ध॒ढ	ध॒ण
न	न॒ट	न॒ठ	न॒ड	न॒ढ	न॒ण
प	प॒ट	प॒ठ	प॒ड	प॒ढ	प॒ण
फ	फ॒ट	फ॒ठ	फ॒ड	फ॒ढ	फ॒ण
ब	ब॒ट	ब॒ठ	ब॒ड	ब॒ढ	ब॒ण
भ	भ॒ट	भ॒ठ	भ॒ड	भ॒ढ	भ॒ण
म	म॒ट	म॒ठ	म॒ड	म॒ढ	म॒ण
य	य॒ट	य॒ठ	य॒ड	य॒ढ	य॒ण
र	र॒ट	र॒ठ	र॒ड	र॒ढ	र॒ण
ल	ल॒ट	ल॒ठ	ल॒ड	ल॒ढ	ल॒ण
व	व॒ट	व॒ठ	व॒ड	व॒ढ	व॒ण
श	श॒ट	श॒ठ	श॒ड	श॒ढ	श॒ण
ष	ष॒ट	ष॒ठ	ष॒ड	ष॒ढ	ष॒ण
स	स॒ट	स॒ठ	स॒ड	स॒ढ	स॒ण
ह	ह॒ट	ह॒ठ	ह॒ड	ह॒ढ	ह॒ण
ळ	ळ॒ट	ळ॒ठ	ळ॒ड	ळ॒ढ	ळ॒ण
ॠ	ॠ॒ट	ॠ॒ठ	ॠ॒ड	ॠ॒ढ	ॠ॒ण

### CHC( combination of two consonants) - Set 4

	ತ	ಥ	ದ	ಧ	ನ
ಕ್	ಕ್ತ	ಕ್ಥ	ಕ್ದ	ಕ್ಧ	ಕ್ನ
ಖ್	ಖ್ತ	ಖ್ಥ	ಖ್ದ	ಖ್ಧ	ಖ್ನ
ಗ್	ಗ್ತ	ಗ್ಥ	ಗ್ದ	ಗ್ಧ	ಗ್ನ
ಘ್	ಘ್ತ	ಘ್ಥ	ಘ್ದ	ಘ್ಧ	ಘ್ನ
ಙ್	ಙ್ತ	ಙ್ಥ	ಙ್ದ	ಙ್ಧ	ಙ್ನ
ಚ್	ಚ್ತ	ಚ್ಥ	ಚ್ದ	ಚ್ಧ	ಚ್ನ
ಛ್	ಛ್ತ	ಛ್ಥ	ಛ್ದ	ಛ್ಧ	ಛ್ನ
ಜ್	ಜ್ತ	ಜ್ಥ	ಜ್ದ	ಜ್ಧ	ಜ್ನ
ಝ್	ಝ್ತ	ಝ್ಥ	ಝ್ದ	ಝ್ಧ	ಝ್ನ
ಞ್	ಞ್ತ	ಞ್ಥ	ಞ್ದ	ಞ್ಧ	ಞ್ನ
ಟ್	ಟ್ತ	ಟ್ಥ	ಟ್ದ	ಟ್ಧ	ಟ್ನ
ಠ್	ಠ್ತ	ಠ್ಥ	ಠ್ದ	ಠ್ಧ	ಠ್ನ
ಡ್	ಡ್ತ	ಡ್ಥ	ಡ್ದ	ಡ್ಧ	ಡ್ನ
ಢ್	ಢ್ತ	ಢ್ಥ	ಢ್ದ	ಢ್ಧ	ಢ್ನ
ಣ್	ಣ್ತ	ಣ್ಥ	ಣ್ದ	ಣ್ಧ	ಣ್ನ
ತ್	ತ್ತ	ತ್ಥ	ತ್ದ	ತ್ಧ	ತ್ನ
ಥ್	ಥ್ತ	ಥ್ಥ	ಥ್ದ	ಥ್ಧ	ಥ್ನ
ದ್	ದ್ತ	ದ್ಥ	ದ್ದ	ದ್ಧ	ದ್ನ
ಧ್	ಧ್ತ	ಧ್ಥ	ಧ್ದ	ಧ್ಧ	ಧ್ನ
ನ್	ನ್ತ	ನ್ಥ	ನ್ದ	ನ್ಧ	ನ್ನ
ಪ್	ಪ್ತ	ಪ್ಥ	ಪ್ದ	ಪ್ಧ	ಪ್ನ
ಫ್	ಫ್ತ	ಫ್ಥ	ಫ್ದ	ಫ್ಧ	ಫ್ನ
ಬ್	ಬ್ತ	ಬ್ಥ	ಬ್ದ	ಬ್ಧ	ಬ್ನ
ಭ್	ಭ್ತ	ಭ್ಥ	ಭ್ದ	ಭ್ಧ	ಭ್ನ
ಮ್	ಮ್ತ	ಮ್ಥ	ಮ್ದ	ಮ್ಧ	ಮ್ನ
ಯ್	ಯ್ತ	ಯ್ಥ	ಯ್ದ	ಯ್ಧ	ಯ್ನ
ರ್	ರ್ತ	ರ್ಥ	ರ್ದ	ರ್ಧ	ರ್ನ
ಠ್	ಠ್ತ	ಠ್ಥ	ಠ್ದ	ಠ್ಧ	ಠ್ನ
ಲ್	ಲ್ತ	ಲ್ಥ	ಲ್ದ	ಲ್ಧ	ಲ್ನ
ವ್	ವ್ತ	ವ್ಥ	ವ್ದ	ವ್ಧ	ವ್ನ
ಶ್	ಶ್ತ	ಶ್ಥ	ಶ್ದ	ಶ್ಧ	ಶ್ನ
ಷ್	ಷ್ತ	ಷ್ಥ	ಷ್ದ	ಷ್ಧ	ಷ್ನ
ಸ್	ಸ್ತ	ಸ್ಥ	ಸ್ದ	ಸ್ಧ	ಸ್ನ
ಹ್	ಹ್ತ	ಹ್ಥ	ಹ್ದ	ಹ್ಧ	ಹ್ನ
ಳ್	ಳ್ತ	ಳ್ಥ	ಳ್ದ	ಳ್ಧ	ಳ್ನ
ಝ್	ಝ್ತ	ಝ್ಥ	ಝ್ದ	ಝ್ಧ	ಝ್ನ

**CHC (combination of two consonants) - Set 5**

	ಪ	ಫ	ಬ	ಭ	ಮ
ಕ್	ಕಪ	ಕಫ	ಕಬ	ಕಭ	ಕಮ
ಖ್	ಖಪ	ಖಫ	ಖಬ	ಖಭ	ಖಮ
ಗ್	ಗಪ	ಗಫ	ಗಬ	ಗಭ	ಗಮ
ಘ್	ಘಪ	ಘಫ	ಘಬ	ಘಭ	ಘಮ
ಙ್	ಙಪ	ಙಫ	ಙಬ	ಙಭ	ಙಮ
ಚ್	ಚಪ	ಚಫ	ಚಬ	ಚಭ	ಚಮ
ಛ್	ಛಪ	ಛಫ	ಛಬ	ಛಭ	ಛಮ
ಜ್	ಜಪ	ಜಫ	ಜಬ	ಜಭ	ಜಮ
ಝ್	ಝಪ	ಝಫ	ಝಬ	ಝಭ	ಝಮ
ಞ್	ಞಪ	ಞಫ	ಞಬ	ಞಭ	ಞಮ
ಟ್	ಟಪ	ಟಫ	ಟಬ	ಟಭ	ಟಮ
ಠ್	ಠಪ	ಠಫ	ಠಬ	ಠಭ	ಠಮ
ಡ್	ಡಪ	ಡಫ	ಡಬ	ಡಭ	ಡಮ
ಢ್	ಢಪ	ಢಫ	ಢಬ	ಢಭ	ಢಮ
ಣ್	ಣಪ	ಣಫ	ಣಬ	ಣಭ	ಣಮ
ತ್	ತಪ	ತಫ	ತಬ	ತಭ	ತಮ
ಥ್	ಥಪ	ಥಫ	ಥಬ	ಥಭ	ಥಮ
ದ್	ದಪ	ದಫ	ದಬ	ದಭ	ದಮ
ಧ್	ಧಪ	ಧಫ	ಧಬ	ಧಭ	ಧಮ
ನ್	ನಪ	ನಫ	ನಬ	ನಭ	ನಮ
ಪ್	ಪಪ	ಪಫ	ಪಬ	ಪಭ	ಪಮ
ಫ್	ಫಪ	ಫಫ	ಫಬ	ಫಭ	ಫಮ
ಬ್	ಬಪ	ಬಫ	ಬಬ	ಬಭ	ಬಮ
ಭ್	ಭಪ	ಭಫ	ಭಬ	ಭಭ	ಭಮ
ಮ್	ಮಪ	ಮಫ	ಮಬ	ಮಭ	ಮಮ
ಯ್	ಯಪ	ಯಫ	ಯಬ	ಯಭ	ಯಮ
ರ್	ರಪ	ರಫ	ರಬ	ರಭ	ರಮ
ಲ್	ಲಪ	ಲಫ	ಲಬ	ಲಭ	ಲಮ
ವ್	ವಪ	ವಫ	ವಬ	ವಭ	ವಮ
ಶ್	ಶಪ	ಶಫ	ಶಬ	ಶಭ	ಶಮ
ಷ್	ಷಪ	ಷಫ	ಷಬ	ಷಭ	ಷಮ
ಸ್	ಸಪ	ಸಫ	ಸಬ	ಸಭ	ಸಮ
ಹ್	ಹಪ	ಹಫ	ಹಬ	ಹಭ	ಹಮ
ಳ್	ಳಪ	ಳಫ	ಳಬ	ಳಭ	ಳಮ
ಠ್	ಠಪ	ಠಫ	ಠಬ	ಠಭ	ಠಮ

**CHC (combination of two consonants) - Set 6**

	ಯ	ರ	ಱ	ಲ	ವ
ಕ್	ಕ್ಯ	ಕ್ರ	ಕ್ಱ	ಕ್ಲ	ಕ್ವ
ಖ್	ಖ್ಯ	ಖ್ರ	ಖಱ	ಖಲ	ಖವ
ಗ್	ಗ್ಯ	ಗ್ರ	ಗಱ	ಗಲ	ಗವ
ಘ್	ಘ್ಯ	ಘ್ರ	ಘಱ	ಘಲ	ಘವ
ಙ್	ಙ್ಯ	ಙ್ರ	ಙಱ	ಙಲ	ಙವ
ಚ್	ಚ್ಯ	ಚ್ರ	ಚಱ	ಚಲ	ಚವ
ಛ್	ಛ್ಯ	ಛ್ರ	ಛಱ	ಛಲ	ಛವ
ಜ್	ಜ್ಯ	ಜ್ರ	ಜಱ	ಜಲ	ಜವ
ಝ್	ಝ್ಯ	ಝ್ರ	ಝಱ	ಝಲ	ಝವ
ಞ್	ಞ್ಯ	ಞ್ರ	ಞಱ	ಞಲ	ಞವ
ಟ್	ಟ್ಯ	ಟ್ರ	ಟಱ	ಟಲ	ಟವ
ಠ್	ಠ್ಯ	ಠ್ರ	ಠಱ	ಠಲ	ಠವ
ಡ್	ಡ್ಯ	ಡ್ರ	ಡಱ	ಡಲ	ಡವ
ಢ್	ಢ್ಯ	ಢ್ರ	ಢಱ	ಢಲ	ಢವ
ಣ್	ಣ್ಯ	ಣ್ರ	ಣಱ	ಣಲ	ಣವ
ತ್	ತ್ಯ	ತ್ರ	ತ್ಱ	ತ್ಲ	ತ್ವ
ಥ್	ಥ್ಯ	ಥ್ರ	ಥಱ	ಥಲ	ಥವ
ದ್	ದ್ಯ	ದ್ರ	ದಱ	ದಲ	ದವ
ಧ್	ಧ್ಯ	ಧ್ರ	ಧಱ	ಧಲ	ಧವ
ನ್	ನ್ಯ	ನ್ರ	ನ್ಱ	ನ್ಲ	ನ್ವ
ಪ್	ಪ್ಯ	ಪ್ರ	ಪಱ	ಪಲ	ಪವ
ಫ್	ಫ್ಯ	ಫ್ರ	ಫಱ	ಫಲ	ಫವ
ಬ್	ಬ್ಯ	ಬ್ರ	ಬಱ	ಬಲ	ಬವ
ಭ್	ಭ್ಯ	ಭ್ರ	ಭಱ	ಭಲ	ಭವ
ಮ್	ಮ್ಯ	ಮ್ರ	ಮಱ	ಮಲ	ಮವ
ಯ್	ಯ್ಯ	ಯ್ರ	ಯಱ	ಯಲ	ಯವ
ರ್	ರ್ಯ	ರ್ರ	ರ್ಱ	ರ್ಲ	ರ್ವ
ಷ್	ಷ್ಯ	ಷ್ರ	ಷಱ	ಷಲ	ಷವ
ಲ್	ಲ್ಯ	ಲ್ರ	ಲ್ಱ	ಲ್ಲ	ಲ್ವ
ವ್	ವ್ಯ	ವ್ರ	ವಱ	ವಲ	ವವ
ಶ್	ಶ್ಯ	ಶ್ರ	ಶಱ	ಶಲ	ಶವ
ಷ್	ಷ್ಯ	ಷ್ರ	ಷಱ	ಷಲ	ಷವ
ಸ್	ಸ್ಯ	ಸ್ರ	ಸಱ	ಸಲ	ಸವ
ಹ್	ಹ್ಯ	ಹ್ರ	ಹಱ	ಹಲ	ಹವ
ಳ್	ಳ್ಳ	ಳ್ಳ	ಳ್ಱ	ಳ್ಲ	ಳ್ವ
ಝ್	ಝ್ಯ	ಝ್ರ	ಝಱ	ಝಲ	ಝವ

**CHC( combination of two consonants) - Set 7**

	ಶ	ಷ	ಸ	ಹ	ಳ	ಲಿ
ಕ್	ಕ <sub>ತಿ</sub>	ಕ್ಷ	ಕ <sub>ನಿ</sub>	ಕ <sub>ಯ</sub>	ಕ <sub>ಳ</sub>	ಕ <sub>ಲಿ</sub>
ಖ್	ಖ <sub>ತಿ</sub>	ಖ <sub>ಷ</sub>	ಖ <sub>ನಿ</sub>	ಖ <sub>ಯ</sub>	ಖ <sub>ಳ</sub>	ಖ <sub>ಲಿ</sub>
ಗ್	ಗ <sub>ತಿ</sub>	ಗ <sub>ಷ</sub>	ಗ <sub>ನಿ</sub>	ಗ <sub>ಯ</sub>	ಗ <sub>ಳ</sub>	ಗ <sub>ಲಿ</sub>
ಘ್	ಘ <sub>ತಿ</sub>	ಘ <sub>ಷ</sub>	ಘ <sub>ನಿ</sub>	ಘ <sub>ಯ</sub>	ಘ <sub>ಳ</sub>	ಘ <sub>ಲಿ</sub>
ಙ್	ಙ <sub>ತಿ</sub>	ಙ <sub>ಷ</sub>	ಙ <sub>ನಿ</sub>	ಙ <sub>ಯ</sub>	ಙ <sub>ಳ</sub>	ಙ <sub>ಲಿ</sub>
ಚ್	ಚ <sub>ತಿ</sub>	ಚ <sub>ಷ</sub>	ಚ <sub>ನಿ</sub>	ಚ <sub>ಯ</sub>	ಚ <sub>ಳ</sub>	ಚ <sub>ಲಿ</sub>
ಛ್	ಛ <sub>ತಿ</sub>	ಛ <sub>ಷ</sub>	ಛ <sub>ನಿ</sub>	ಛ <sub>ಯ</sub>	ಛ <sub>ಳ</sub>	ಛ <sub>ಲಿ</sub>
ಜ್	ಜ <sub>ತಿ</sub>	ಜ <sub>ಷ</sub>	ಜ <sub>ನಿ</sub>	ಜ <sub>ಯ</sub>	ಜ <sub>ಳ</sub>	ಜ <sub>ಲಿ</sub>
ಝ್	ಝ <sub>ತಿ</sub>	ಝ <sub>ಷ</sub>	ಝ <sub>ನಿ</sub>	ಝ <sub>ಯ</sub>	ಝ <sub>ಳ</sub>	ಝ <sub>ಲಿ</sub>
ಞ್	ಞ <sub>ತಿ</sub>	ಞ <sub>ಷ</sub>	ಞ <sub>ನಿ</sub>	ಞ <sub>ಯ</sub>	ಞ <sub>ಳ</sub>	ಞ <sub>ಲಿ</sub>
ಟ್	ಟ <sub>ತಿ</sub>	ಟ <sub>ಷ</sub>	ಟ <sub>ನಿ</sub>	ಟ <sub>ಯ</sub>	ಟ <sub>ಳ</sub>	ಟ <sub>ಲಿ</sub>
ಠ್	ಠ <sub>ತಿ</sub>	ಠ <sub>ಷ</sub>	ಠ <sub>ನಿ</sub>	ಠ <sub>ಯ</sub>	ಠ <sub>ಳ</sub>	ಠ <sub>ಲಿ</sub>
ಡ್	ಡ <sub>ತಿ</sub>	ಡ <sub>ಷ</sub>	ಡ <sub>ನಿ</sub>	ಡ <sub>ಯ</sub>	ಡ <sub>ಳ</sub>	ಡ <sub>ಲಿ</sub>
ಢ್	ಢ <sub>ತಿ</sub>	ಢ <sub>ಷ</sub>	ಢ <sub>ನಿ</sub>	ಢ <sub>ಯ</sub>	ಢ <sub>ಳ</sub>	ಢ <sub>ಲಿ</sub>
ಣ್	ಣ <sub>ತಿ</sub>	ಣ <sub>ಷ</sub>	ಣ <sub>ನಿ</sub>	ಣ <sub>ಯ</sub>	ಣ <sub>ಳ</sub>	ಣ <sub>ಲಿ</sub>
ತ್	ತ <sub>ತಿ</sub>	ತ <sub>ಷ</sub>	ತ <sub>ನಿ</sub>	ತ <sub>ಯ</sub>	ತ <sub>ಳ</sub>	ತ <sub>ಲಿ</sub>
ಥ್	ಥ <sub>ತಿ</sub>	ಥ <sub>ಷ</sub>	ಥ <sub>ನಿ</sub>	ಥ <sub>ಯ</sub>	ಥ <sub>ಳ</sub>	ಥ <sub>ಲಿ</sub>
ದ್	ದ <sub>ತಿ</sub>	ದ <sub>ಷ</sub>	ದ <sub>ನಿ</sub>	ದ <sub>ಯ</sub>	ದ <sub>ಳ</sub>	ದ <sub>ಲಿ</sub>
ಧ್	ಧ <sub>ತಿ</sub>	ಧ <sub>ಷ</sub>	ಧ <sub>ನಿ</sub>	ಧ <sub>ಯ</sub>	ಧ <sub>ಳ</sub>	ಧ <sub>ಲಿ</sub>
ನ್	ನ <sub>ತಿ</sub>	ನ <sub>ಷ</sub>	ನ <sub>ನಿ</sub>	ನ <sub>ಯ</sub>	ನ <sub>ಳ</sub>	ನ <sub>ಲಿ</sub>
ಪ್	ಪ <sub>ತಿ</sub>	ಪ <sub>ಷ</sub>	ಪ <sub>ನಿ</sub>	ಪ <sub>ಯ</sub>	ಪ <sub>ಳ</sub>	ಪ <sub>ಲಿ</sub>
ಫ್	ಫ <sub>ತಿ</sub>	ಫ <sub>ಷ</sub>	ಫ <sub>ನಿ</sub>	ಫ <sub>ಯ</sub>	ಫ <sub>ಳ</sub>	ಫ <sub>ಲಿ</sub>
ಬ್	ಬ <sub>ತಿ</sub>	ಬ <sub>ಷ</sub>	ಬ <sub>ನಿ</sub>	ಬ <sub>ಯ</sub>	ಬ <sub>ಳ</sub>	ಬ <sub>ಲಿ</sub>
ಭ್	ಭ <sub>ತಿ</sub>	ಭ <sub>ಷ</sub>	ಭ <sub>ನಿ</sub>	ಭ <sub>ಯ</sub>	ಭ <sub>ಳ</sub>	ಭ <sub>ಲಿ</sub>
ಮ್	ಮ <sub>ತಿ</sub>	ಮ <sub>ಷ</sub>	ಮ <sub>ನಿ</sub>	ಮ <sub>ಯ</sub>	ಮ <sub>ಳ</sub>	ಮ <sub>ಲಿ</sub>
ಯ್	ಯ <sub>ತಿ</sub>	ಯ <sub>ಷ</sub>	ಯ <sub>ನಿ</sub>	ಯ <sub>ಯ</sub>	ಯ <sub>ಳ</sub>	ಯ <sub>ಲಿ</sub>
ರ್	ರ <sub>ತಿ</sub>	ರ <sub>ಷ</sub>	ರ <sub>ನಿ</sub>	ರ <sub>ಯ</sub>	ರ <sub>ಳ</sub>	ರ <sub>ಲಿ</sub>
ಲ್	ಲ <sub>ತಿ</sub>	ಲ <sub>ಷ</sub>	ಲ <sub>ನಿ</sub>	ಲ <sub>ಯ</sub>	ಲ <sub>ಳ</sub>	ಲ <sub>ಲಿ</sub>
ವ್	ವ <sub>ತಿ</sub>	ವ <sub>ಷ</sub>	ವ <sub>ನಿ</sub>	ವ <sub>ಯ</sub>	ವ <sub>ಳ</sub>	ವ <sub>ಲಿ</sub>
ಶ್	ಶ <sub>ತಿ</sub>	ಶ <sub>ಷ</sub>	ಶ <sub>ನಿ</sub>	ಶ <sub>ಯ</sub>	ಶ <sub>ಳ</sub>	ಶ <sub>ಲಿ</sub>
ಷ್	ಷ <sub>ತಿ</sub>	ಷ <sub>ಷ</sub>	ಷ <sub>ನಿ</sub>	ಷ <sub>ಯ</sub>	ಷ <sub>ಳ</sub>	ಷ <sub>ಲಿ</sub>
ಸ್	ಸ <sub>ತಿ</sub>	ಸ <sub>ಷ</sub>	ಸ <sub>ನಿ</sub>	ಸ <sub>ಯ</sub>	ಸ <sub>ಳ</sub>	ಸ <sub>ಲಿ</sub>
ಹ್	ಹ <sub>ತಿ</sub>	ಹ <sub>ಷ</sub>	ಹ <sub>ನಿ</sub>	ಹ <sub>ಯ</sub>	ಹ <sub>ಳ</sub>	ಹ <sub>ಲಿ</sub>
ಳ್	ಳ <sub>ತಿ</sub>	ಳ <sub>ಷ</sub>	ಳ <sub>ನಿ</sub>	ಳ <sub>ಯ</sub>	ಳ <sub>ಳ</sub>	ಳ <sub>ಲಿ</sub>
ಲಿ	ಲಿ <sub>ತಿ</sub>	ಲಿ <sub>ಷ</sub>	ಲಿ <sub>ನಿ</sub>	ಲಿ <sub>ಯ</sub>	ಲಿ <sub>ಳ</sub>	ಲಿ <sub>ಲಿ</sub>

### 6.3.3.1.1 CHC - འ /ra/ in C<sub>1</sub> – Regular type in Syllable-I of a word – With Full Form

The consonant འ /ra/ = **0CB0** in C<sub>1</sub> position also produce the ligatures of regular types in which C<sub>1</sub> takes the full form of the འ = **0CB0**, C<sub>2</sub> takes sub-based form, allograph of the terminating vowel of the syllable attached to full form of the འ = **0CB0**. If the vowel allograph of the terminating vowel is a two-part allograph of the vowel then the second part of the two-part allograph is placed after the C<sub>2</sub> & C<sub>3</sub> sub-base allograph forms. This is exactly identical to the script rules of forming conjoining ligatures of remaining 35 consonants as exemplified in the previous sub-section 6.3.3.1.

#### Set 1

	ཀ	ཁ	ག	ཁྱ	ཁྲ
འ	རྒྱ	རྒྱ	རྒྱ	རྒྱ	རྒྱ

#### Set 2

	ཁ	ཁ	ཁ	ཁྱ	ཁྲ
འ	རྒྱ	རྒྱ	རྒྱ	རྒྱ	རྒྱ

#### Set 3

	ཁ	ཁ	ཁ	ཁྱ	ཁྲ
འ	རྒྱ	རྒྱ	རྒྱ	རྒྱ	རྒྱ

#### Set 4

	ཁ	ཁ	ཁ	ཁྱ	ཁྲ
འ	རྒྱ	རྒྱ	རྒྱ	རྒྱ	རྒྱ

#### Set 5

	ཁ	ཁ	ཁ	ཁྱ	ཁྲ
འ	རྒྱ	རྒྱ	རྒྱ	རྒྱ	རྒྱ

#### Set 6

	ཁ	ཁ	ཁ	ཁྱ	ཁྲ
འ	རྒྱ	རྒྱ	རྒྱ	རྒྱ	རྒྱ

#### Set 7

	ཁ	ཁ	ཁ	ཁྱ	ཁྲ	ཁླ
འ	རྒྱ	རྒྱ	རྒྱ	རྒྱ	རྒྱ	རྒྱ

### 6.3.3.2 CHCHC ( combination of three consonants)

These are not as frequent as the CHC combinations. Only the major examples are listed below. The CHCHC clusters having ರ /ra/ = 0CB0 in C<sub>1</sub> position are dealt separately in the sub-sections 6.3.3.2.1 & 6.3.3.2.2.

C <sub>1</sub> + Halant + C <sub>2</sub> + Halant + C <sub>3</sub>	Clustered ligature	Transcription
ಕ + ಾ + ಟ + ಾ + ರ	ಕ್ರಾ	kṛa
ಕ + ಾ + ದ + ಾ + ರ	ಕ್ರಾ	kdra
ಕ + ಾ + ದ + ಾ + ಲ	ಕ್ರಾ	kdla
ಕ + ಾ + ದ + ಾ + ವ	ಕ್ರಾ	kdwa
ಕ + ಾ + ಸ + ಾ + ತ	ಕ್ರಾ	ksta
ಕ + ಾ + ಸ + ಾ + ದ	ಕ್ರಾ	ksda
ಕ + ಾ + ಸ + ಾ + ಲ	ಕ್ರಾ	ksla
ಕ + ಾ + ಸ + ಾ + ಮ	ಕ್ರಾ	ksma
ಕ + ಾ + ಷ + ಾ + ಮ	ಕ್ರಾ	kṣma
ಕ + ಾ + ಷ + ಾ + ಣ	ಕ್ರಾ	kṣṇa
ಕ + ಾ + ಷ + ಾ + ರ	ಕ್ರಾ	kṣra
ಕ + ಾ + ಸ + ಾ + ಟ	ಕ್ರಾ	kṣṭa
ಗ + ಾ + ಮ + ಾ + ರ	ಗ್ರಾ	gmra
ತ + ಾ + ಕ + ಾ + ರ	ತ್ರಾ	tkra
ತ + ಾ + ಸ + ಾ + ಯ	ತ್ರಾ	tsya
ನ + ಾ + ಷ + ಾ + ಯ	ನ್ಯಾ	nṣya
ಣ + ಾ + ಗ + ಾ + ರ	ಣ್ರಾ	ṇgra
ಣ + ಾ + ಸ + ಾ + ದ	ಣ್ರಾ	ṇsda
ಪ + ಾ + ತ + ಾ + ಮ	ಪ್ರಾ	ptma
ಯ + ಾ + ಸ + ಾ + ದ	ಯ್ರಾ	ysda
ಲ + ಾ + ಪ + ಾ + ಸ	ಲ್ಪಾ	lpsa
ಲ + ಾ + ಸ + ಾ + ದ	ಲ್ಪಾ	lsda
ವ + ಾ + ನ + ಾ + ಗ	ವ್ರಾ	wnga
ವ + ಾ + ರ + ಾ + ಗ	ವ್ರಾ	wrga
ವ + ಾ + ಳ + ಾ + ಗ	ವ್ರಾ	wlga
ಷ + ಾ + ಟ + ಾ + ಕ	ಷ್ರಾ	ṣṭka



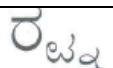
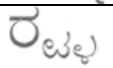






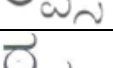
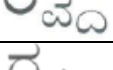
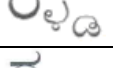

$C_1 + \text{Halant} + C_2 + \text{Halant} + C_3$	Clustered ligature	Transcription
ಸ + ಾ + ಕ + ಾ + ರ	ಸಕ್ರ	skra
ಸ + ಾ + ಕ + ಾ + ವ	ಸಕ್ವ	skwa
ಸ + ಾ + ತ + ಾ + ಕ	ಸ್ತಕ್	stka
ಸ + ಾ + ತ + ಾ + ರ	ಸ್ತ್ರ	stra
ಸ + ಾ + ಟ + ಾ + ರ	ಸ್ಟ್ರ	sṭra
ಸ + ಾ + ಪ + ಾ + ರ	ಸ್ಪ್ರ	spra
ಸ + ಾ + ಪ + ಾ + ಯ	ಸ್ಪ್ಯ	spya
ಸ + ಾ + ಮ + ಾ + ರ	ಸ್ಮ್ರ	smra
ಸ + ಾ + ದ + ಾ + ರ	ಸ್ದ್ರ	sdra
ಸ + ಾ + ದ + ಾ + ಲ	ಸ್ದಲ್	sdla
ಸ + ಾ + ದ + ಾ + ವ	ಸ್ದ್ವ	sdwa
ಳ + ಾ + ಗ + ಾ + ದ	ಲ್ಗದ	lgda
ಳ + ಾ + ಸ + ಾ + ದ	ಲ್ಸದ	lsda

### 6.3.3.2.1 CHCHC clusters - ರ /ra/ in $C_1$ – Regular type with Full Form

This section deals with the triple consonant clusters or CHCHC sequences which are having ರ /ra/ in  $C_1$  position, which also produce the ligatures of regular types in which  $C_1$  takes the full form of the ರ,  $C_2$  &  $C_3$  takes sub-based forms, depicted to the lower right of the full form respectively, and allograph of the terminating vowel of the syllable attached to full form of the ರ. If the vowel allograph of the terminating vowel is a two-part allograph of the vowel then the second part of the two-part allograph is placed after the  $C_2$  &  $C_3$  sub-base allograph forms. This is **exactly identical to the script rules** of forming ligatures of triple clusters as exemplified in the previous sub-section.

The ligatures thus formed according to the above rule could participate in all the three possible position of a syllable in the word, i.e., **word initial, word medial, and word final script based syllables**.

$C_1 + \text{Halant} + C_2 + \text{Halant} + C_3$	Clustered ligature	Transcription
ರ + ಾ + ಕ + ಾ + ದ	ರಕ್ದ	rkda
ರ + ಾ + ಗ + ಾ + ದ	ರಗ್ದ	rgda
ರ + ಾ + ಚ + ಾ + ದ	ರಚ್ದ	rcda

$C_1 + \text{Halant} + C_2 + \text{Halant} + C_3$	Clustered ligature	Transcription
ರ + ಾ + ಟ + ಾ + ನ		rṭna
ರ + ಾ + ಟ + ಾ + ಳ		rṭla
ರ + ಾ + ಟ + ಾ + ರ		rṭra
ರ + ಾ + ಟ + ಾ + ವ		rṭwa
ರ + ಾ + ಡ + ಾ + ತ		rḍta
ರ + ಾ + ಡ + ಾ + ಸ		rḍsa
ರ + ಾ + ಣ 3 + ಾ + ಸ		rṇsa
ರ + ಾ + ಪ + ಾ + ಸ		rpsa
ರ + ಾ + ವ + ಾ + ದ		rwda
ರ + ಾ + ಳ + ಾ + ಡ		rḷda
ರ + ಾ + ಸ + ಾ + ದ		rsda
ರ + ಾ + ಲ + ಾ + ಸ		rlsa

#### 6.3.3.2.2 CHCHC - ರ /ra/ in $C_1$ – Exceptional type with Side Rakar [೦೯]

Along with the regular rule explained in the previous sub-sections ರ in the  $C_1$  position undergoes alternative or exceptional rule in which it takes the allograph ‘Side Rakar [೦೯]’,  $C_2$  takes the full ligature,  $C_3$  takes sub-base allograph (placed directly below or to the lower right of the  $C_2$ ), allograph of the terminating vowel added to the  $C_2$  full ligature, and the allograph of  $C_1$  ‘Side Rakar [೦೯]’ follows it. If the vowel allograph of the terminating vowel is a two-part ligature then the second part of the two-part allograph is placed after the ‘Side Rakar [೦೯]’.

Here, one must note that, the allograph of the  $C_1$  has been displaced from the original position and placed at the end of the conjoining ligature of the syllable. If the two-part vowel allograph is participating in the syllable then, second part of the two-part allograph of the vowel is placed after it and the ‘Side Rakar [೦೯]’ occupies the penultimate position.

The conjoining ligatures formed according to the above rule could participate only in the word non-initial position of a syllable in the word, i.e., **word medial, and word final script based syllables**. The ligatures produced according to this rule **CANNOT participate in the word initial script based syllables**.

The sequences of the CHCHC conjoining ligatures, given in the table below, are of the sequences given in the sub-section. The same order has been maintained.

<b>C<sub>1</sub> + Halant + C<sub>2</sub> + Halant + C<sub>3</sub></b>	<b>Clustered ligature</b>	<b>Transcription</b>
ರ + ಣ್ + ಕ + ಣ್ + ದ	ಕೞ್	rkda
ರ + ಣ್ + ಗ + ಣ್ + ದ	ಗೞ್	rgda
ರ + ಣ್ + ಚ + ಣ್ + ದ	ಚೞ್	rcda
ರ + ಣ್ + ಟ + ಣ್ + ನ	ಟೞ್	rṭna
ರ + ಣ್ + ಟ + ಣ್ + ಳ	ಟೞ್ಲ	rṭla
ರ + ಣ್ + ಟ + ಣ್ + ರ	ಟೞ್ರ	rṭra
ರ + ಣ್ + ಟ + ಣ್ + ವ	ಟೞ್ವ	rṭwa
ರ + ಣ್ + ಡ + ಣ್ + ತ	ಡೞ್	rḍta
ರ + ಣ್ + ಡ + ಣ್ + ಸ	ಡೞ್ಸ	rḍsa
ರ + ಣ್ + ಣ + ಣ್ + ಸ	ಣೞ್ಸ	rṇsa
ರ + ಣ್ + ಪ + ಣ್ + ಸ	ಪೞ್ಸ	Rpsa
ರ + ಣ್ + ವ + ಣ್ + ದ	ವೞ್	Rwda
ರ + ಣ್ + ಳ + ಣ್ + ಡ	ಳೞ್	rḷḍa
ರ + ಣ್ + ಸ + ಣ್ + ದ	ಸೞ್	Rsda
ರ + ಣ್ + ಲ + ಣ್ + ಸ	ಲೞ್ಸ	Rlsa

### 6.3.3.3 CHCHCHC ( Combination of four Consonants)

This is rare and is found only in the following:

<b>C<sub>1</sub> + Halant + C<sub>2</sub> + Halant + C<sub>3</sub> + Halant + C<sub>4</sub></b>	<b>Clustered ligature</b>	<b>Transcription</b>
ಕ + ಣ್ + ಸ + ಣ್ + ಟ + ಣ್ + ರ	ಕೞ್ಲೞ್ರ	kṣṭra
ಕ + ಣ್ + ಸ + ಣ್ + ದ + ಣ್ + ಯ	ಕೞ್ಲೞ್ಢ	kṣḍya
ಕ + ಣ್ + ಸ + ಣ್ + ದ + ಣ್ + ರ	ಕೞ್ಲೞ್ರ	kṣdra
ಕ + ಣ್ + ಸ + ಣ್ + ದ + ಣ್ + ಲ	ಕೞ್ಲೞ್ಲ	kṣḍla
ಕ + ಣ್ + ಸ + ಣ್ + ದ + ಣ್ + ವ	ಕೞ್ಲೞ್ವ	kṣḍwa
ಗ + ಣ್ + ಳ + ಣ್ + ದ + ಣ್ + ರ	ಗೞ್ಲೞ್ರ	gḷḍra

#### 6.3.3.3.1 CHCHCHC ཐ /ra/ = 0CB0 in C<sub>1</sub> – Regular type with Full Form

C <sub>1</sub> + Halant + C <sub>2</sub> + Halant + C <sub>3</sub> + Halant + C <sub>4</sub>	Clustered ligature	Transcription
ཐ + འ + ར + འ + ཅ + འ + ཐ	ཐཅའ	rckra

#### 6.3.3.3.2 CHCHCHC ཐ /ra/ = 0CB0 in C<sub>1</sub> – Exceptional type with Side Rakar

C <sub>1</sub> + Halant + C <sub>2</sub> + Halant + C <sub>3</sub> + Halant + C <sub>4</sub>	Clustered ligature	Transcription
ཐ + འ + ར + འ + ཅ + འ + ཐ	ཐཅའ་	rckra

### 6.3.4 The Collation Order of Kannada.

The collation order refers to the order in which the characters in a given language are sorted. In the case of Kannada the following is the traditional sort order as determined by the experts. Unlike Hindi, Kannada treats ಕ್ಷ, ಜ as individual characters and these come at the end of the list. The order as given below is pertinent to sorting by a computer program and is compliant with CLDR as laid down by Unicode and W3C.

ಂ ೆ : ಅ ಆ ಇ ಈ ಉ ಊ ಯ ಮೂ ನು ಸಾ ವ ಏ ಐ ಒ ಓ ಕ ಖ ಗ ಘ ಬ ಚ ಛ ಜ ಝ ಞ ಟ ಠ ಡ ಢ ತ ಥ ದ ಧ ನ ಪ ಫ ಬ ಭ ಮ ಯ ರ ಱ ಲ ವ ಶ ಷ ಸ ಹಳ ಟಿ ಂ ೇ ೈ ೉ ೊ ೋ ೌ ್ಲ

ಂ ೀ ು ೂ ೃ ೄ ೅ ೆ ೇ ೈ ೉ ೊ ೋ ೌ ್ಲ

For computable and exhaustive ordering of the Kannada Unicode characters for a sorting machine see the **Appendix IV**.



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## **17. ANNEXURES**

**Annexure 1: Names of experts who have contributed to the script grammar**



## Annexure 2: Unicode Table of Kannada <sup>5</sup>

**Link: <http://unicode.org/charts/PDF/U0C80.pdf>**

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<sup>5</sup> The Unicode chart provided is for version 5.1 since the Script Grammar was prepared at that time. No considerable change in the script grammar can be seen in the updated versions of Unicode, with the possible addition of the Rupee Sign U+02B9

## APPENDIX I

### Allographs of the consonants

All the thirty six consonants produce sub-base forms or allographs for C<sub>2</sub>, C<sub>3</sub>, & C<sub>4</sub>, positions in clusters. The forms of the consonants given in the second column below are same for the positions C<sub>2</sub>, C<sub>3</sub>, C<sub>4</sub>... C<sub>n</sub> etc. Even the consonant ് /r/ (0CB0) in these positions obeys the above mentioned regular rule. All the thirty six consonants listed above retain full ligatures when they occupy the C<sub>1</sub> positions in the double, triple and tetra consonantal clusters, irrespective of the cluster's position in the word (i.e. word initial cluster or non-initial cluster (word medial or word final)). Other than that the consonant ് /r/ (0CB0) in C<sub>1</sub> position of the word medial syllables, optionally takes allograph which is given in the column third below.

Since all the allographs of consonants do not carry inherent ് ‘a’ sound, the consonants are given with halant ‘0CCD’.

Consonant + Halant	C <sub>2</sub> sub-base form or allograph	C <sub>1</sub> variant form or allograph, post-based to C <sub>2</sub>
ക 0C95 + 0CCD	ക	nil
ഖ 0C96 + 0CCD	ഖ	nil
ഗ 0C97 + 0CCD	ഗ	nil
ഘ 0C98 + 0CCD	ഘ	nil
ങ 0C99 + 0CCD	ങ	nil
ച 0C9A + 0CCD	ച	nil
ഛ 0C9B + 0CCD	ഛ	nil
ജ 0C9C + 0CCD	ജ	nil
ഝ 0C9D + 0CCD	ഝ	nil
ഞ 0C9E + 0CCD	ഞ	nil

Consonant + Halant	C <sub>2</sub> sub-base form or allograph	C <sub>1</sub> variant form or allograph, post-based to C <sub>2</sub>
ಕ್ 0C9F + 0CCD	◌_ಬ	nil
ಠ 0CA0 + 0CCD	◌_ಠ	nil
ಡ 0CA1 + 0CCD	◌_ಡ	nil
ಢ 0CA2 + 0CCD	◌_ಢ	nil
ಣ 0CA3 + 0CCD	◌_ಣ	nil
ತ 0CA4 + 0CCD	◌_ತ	nil
ಥ 0CA5 + 0CCD	◌_ಥ	nil
ದ 0CA6 + 0CCD	◌_ದ	nil
ಧ 0CA7 + 0CCD	◌_ಧ	nil
ನ 0CA8 + 0CCD	◌_ನ	nil
ಪ 0CAA + 0CCD	◌_ಪ	nil
ಫ 0CAB + 0CCD	◌_ಫ	nil
ಬ 0CAC + 0CCD	◌_ಬ	nil
ಭ 0CAD + 0CCD	◌_ಭ	nil
ಮ 0CAE + 0CCD	◌_ಮ	nil
ಯ 0CAF + 0CCD	◌_ಯ	nil

Consonant + Halant	C <sub>2</sub> sub-base form or allograph	C <sub>1</sub> variant form or allograph, post-based to C <sub>2</sub>
ರ್ 0CB0 + 0CCD	◌_	OF
ಝ 0CB1 + 0CCD	◌_ಜ	nil
ಞ 0CB2 + 0CCD	◌_ಞ	nil
ವ್ 0CB5 + 0CCD	◌_ವ	nil
ಶ್ 0CB6 + 0CCD	◌_ಶ	nil
ಷ್ 0CB7 + 0CCD	◌_ಷ	nil
ಸ್ 0CB8 + 0CCD	◌_ಸ	nil
ಹ್ 0CB9 + 0CCD	◌_ಹ	nil
ಳ್ 0CB3 + 0CCD	◌_ಳ	nil
ಠ್ 0CDE + 0CCD	◌_ಠ	nil

## APPENDIX II

### ಠ /ra/ = 0CB0 in C<sub>1</sub> - Complementation of two types of ligatures

The Consonant ಠ /ra/ = 0CB0 in C<sub>1</sub> in consonant clusters (CHC, CHCHC, & CHCHCHC) behave in two ways and hence producing two sets of ligatures.

1. Type 1. ಠ /ra/ = 0CB0 retains full form in C<sub>1</sub> position, as like remaining 35 consonants in Kannada, and the C<sub>2</sub> (and C<sub>3</sub>, C<sub>4</sub>...C<sub>n</sub>) take/s sub-base forms which are depicted either below or lower right to the full form of the consonant ಠ /ra/ = 0CB0 and the terminating vowel of the syllable is attached to the full form of ಠ /ra/ = 0CB0.
  - a. The ligatures thus formed **can occur** in all the **word initial, word medial and word final script based syllables**.
  - b. This is **exactly identical** to the formation of ligatures with other 35 consonants.
  - c. In the word initial syllables ligatures of this type only can occur.
  - d. See the sections 6.3.3.1.1, 6.3.3.2.1, & 6.3.3.3.1.
2. Type 2. ಠ /ra/ = 0CB0 takes the allograph ‘Side Rakar [ಠ̣]’, C<sub>2</sub> takes the full form, C<sub>3</sub> C<sub>4</sub>...C<sub>n</sub> take sub-base forms, and terminating vowel if the syllable is attached to the full form of C<sub>2</sub>, and the allograph ‘Side Rakar [ಠ̣]’ of the ಠ /ra/ = 0CB0 is placed after to it. This is an exceptional type of ligature formation.
  - a. If the terminating vowel is a two-part vowel then the **second part of the vowel allograph follows the ‘Side Rakar [ಠ̣]’**.
  - b. The ligatures thus formed can occur only in **non-initial (script based) syllables**.
  - c. These ligatures **cannot occur** in the word initial script based syllables.
  - d. See the 6.3.3.1 (Row 28 in all the tables), 6.3.3.2.2, & 6.3.3.3.2.

Both the types of ligatures can occur in the non-initial script based syllables. However, when the ligatures of regular type or Type 1 and the ligatures with ‘Side Rakar [ಠ̣]’ which is an exceptional type or Type 2 should be used are not predictable in the non-initial (script based) syllables.

However, general practice is that most of the non-native words to Kannada which possess a cluster in a non-initial position in which ಠ = 0CB0 is in C<sub>1</sub> position are written with exceptional type ligatures with the allograph ‘Side Rakar [ಠ̣]’. The non-native words may include words from Saṃskṛta, Prakṛta, Pāli, Urdu, Perso-Arabic, English, French, German etc.

E.g. 1 /karma/ - Saṃskṛta ಕರ್ಮ

2 /ārkiṭekcar/ - English ಆರ್ಕಿಟೆಕ್ಚರ್ ‘architecture’

3 /kharcu/ - Urdu کھارو

- 4 /farḍinyand/ - Swiss ಫರ್ಡಿನಾಂಡ್ (Proper name **Ferdinand** de Saussure)
- 5 /arkāwattu/ - Saṁskṛta and Kannada Blend - ಅರ್ಕಾವತ್ತು (Name of the Side Rakar [೦೯] in Kannada)

Usually the native repertoire of Kannada words and word level constructions take Type 1 ligatures for non-initial script based syllables.


E.g. 6 /bartēne/ - ಬರ್ದೇನೆ bar- + -t- + ēne  
(come + present tense + I per. Sg.)

It should be mentioned that one can chose to write the examples 1 to 5 in Type 1 and the example 6 with exceptional Type 2 ligatures. The above mentioned rule is a sociologically constrained rule and not a formal rule. This allows **a lot of subjective variation** in the choice of the users of the Kannada script.

Bottom Rakar [೦೮] is the allograph of the consonant ರ = 0CB0 in C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>n</sub> position and we need not to deal it separately. However, it should be specifically mentioned that in Modern Kannada writings from 1900 A.D. to till date the **doublet** of the consonant ರ = 0CB0 yield regular type and the consonant ರ = 0CB0 in C<sub>2</sub> position yield sub-based allograph the Bottom Rakar [೦೮].

Therefore ರ = 0CB0 + ಂ = 0CCD + ರ = 0CB0 → 

ರ = 0CB0 + ಂ = 0CCD + ರ = 0CB0 → ರ೯ → **INVALID** in Modern Kannada writings.

However, it is used in the texts from the 450 AD inscriptional texts to the end of the 19<sup>th</sup> century AD. The historical and classical texts if they contain this ligature the modern publications also carry them in printing. This ligature could be called on demand with the help of ZWJ function. The **default doublet formation should be** .

Therefore the regular rule C<sub>1</sub> + **halant** + C<sub>2</sub> → C<sub>1</sub> **full form** and the C<sub>2</sub> sub-based form should be applicable for the consonant ರ = 0CB0 in C<sub>1</sub> position as well.

The exceptional type could be called with the sequences

C<sub>1</sub> + ZWJ + **halant** + C<sub>2</sub> + **Marta** → C<sub>2</sub> **full form** + **Matra** + **Side Rakar**

In case of the two-part allograph or matra the resulting sequence will be as follows:

C<sub>1</sub> + ZWJ + **halant** + C<sub>2</sub> + **Marta** → C<sub>2</sub> **full form** + Matra<sup>P1</sup> + **Side Rakar** [೦೯] + Matra<sup>P2</sup>

## APPENDIX III

### Zero Width Joiner - ZWJ

The ZWJ function for Kannada script has been already specified in the Unicode Version 6.0.0 of the Unicode (pp. 306), with a specific focus on the  $\varnothing = 0CB0$ , based on the modifications proposed by the Peter Constable (PRI – 37).

The function of the ZWJ which has already been proposed for the  $\varnothing = 0CB0$ , in the Unicode Version are as follows:

- 1  $\varnothing = 0CB0 \text{ ra} + \circ^{\text{f}} = 0CCD \text{ halant} + \text{ಃ} = 0C95 \text{ ka} \rightarrow \text{ಃ}^{\text{f}} \text{ rka}$
- 2  $\varnothing = 0CB0 \text{ ra} + \mathbf{ZWJ} + \circ^{\text{f}} = 0CCD \text{ halant} + \text{ಃ} = 0C95 \text{ ka} \rightarrow \text{ಃ}^{\text{f}} \text{ rka}$
- 3  $\text{ಃ} = 0C95 \text{ ka} + \circ^{\text{f}} = 0CCD \text{ halant} + \varnothing = 0CB0 \text{ ra} \rightarrow \text{ಃ}^{\text{f}} \text{ kra}$

The above said specification of the Unicode presumes that the  $\varnothing = 0CB0$  is altogether exceptional. However, it must be noted that the consonant  $\varnothing = 0CB0$  obeys the regular rule for forming cluster ligatures. Along with that it also obeys another rule which makes that consonant partially exceptional. Complementation of the two types of the ligatures has been given in the Appendix II.

In the light of the facts mentioned above, **I propose the function of the ZWJ** as for the  $\varnothing = 0CB0$  as given below.

- 1  $\varnothing = 0CB0 \text{ ra} + \circ^{\text{f}} = 0CCD \text{ halant} + \text{ಃ} = 0C95 \text{ ka} \rightarrow \text{ಃ}^{\text{f}} \text{ rka}$
- 2  $\varnothing = 0CB0 \text{ ra} + \circ^{\text{f}} = 0CCD \text{ halant} + \mathbf{ZWJ} + \text{ಃ} = 0C95 \text{ ka} \rightarrow \text{ಃ}^{\text{f}} \text{ rka}$

Since the  $\varnothing = 0CB0$  in  $C_1$  position undergoes or obeys the regular rule of cluster formation, it is better to allow the same rule to be applied for the  $\varnothing = 0CB0$  in  $C_1$  position.

Since the default rule  $C_1 + \text{halant} + C_2$  results into  $C_1$  full form and the  $C_2$  sub-based form the **same rule should be applied** for the  $\varnothing = 0CB0$  in  $C_1$  position. But this sequence by default generate the cluster ligatures of the exceptional rule with the displaced allograph the ‘Side Rakar [ $\circ^{\text{f}}$ ]’. **This supposes to be rectified.**

If this modification accommodated, then **only function of the ZWJ remains** to derive the cluster ligatures with the displaced allograph the ‘Side Rakar [ $\circ^{\text{f}}$ ]’ of the consonant  $\varnothing = 0CB0$  in  $C_1$  position. In the Appendix II it has already been mentioned that, usage of the cluster ligatures with regular type and the exceptional types, in the word medial position, are lexically conditioned and leads to rigorous subjective decision of the users. There is no consistently predictable rule to restrict or to prioritize the usage of one type versus other in the word medial and word final positions.

On the other hand, the cluster with  $\varnothing = 0CB0$  in  $C_1$  position in the word initial syllable should **obligatorily undergo** the regular rule i.e.,  $C_1 + \text{halant} + C_2 \rightarrow C_1$

**full form** and the C<sub>2</sub> sub-based form. There is **no exception for this complementation rule in Kannada script rule.**

Further, the report PRI – 37 describes other functions of the ZWJ which is used to get an allograph of a consonant in isolation which are as follows:

- 1 For a C1-conjoining consonant, the sequence < C, VIRAMA, ZWJ > can be used to display the half form of C in isolation.
- 2 For a C2-conjoining consonant, the sequence < SPACE, ZWJ, VIRAMA, C > can be used to display the sub- or post-base form of C in isolation. (PRI – 37. pp.14)

These functions of the ZWJ are necessary for the Kannada script.

### **Zero Width Non-Joiner - ZWNJ**

The function of ZWNJ is to allow the consonants in a cluster with overt halant. This function is already specified in the Unicode report too. This function is accepted as it is.

E.g.  $C_1 + \text{halant} + \text{ZWNJ} + C_2 + \text{halant} + \text{ZWNJ} + C_3 + \text{Marta}$   
 $\rightarrow C_1^{\text{halant}} + C_2^{\text{halant}} + C_3^{\text{Marta}}$

However, because of the nature of Alpho-syllabry, whenever necessary we can **use our scripts like alphabetic scripts.**

In the year 2003, there is publication of a classical text by name /**siribhūwalaya**/ in Kannada, in which the whole text published with **alphabetic mode in Kannada script**. This text is a mysterious and mathematically constrained technical text (Śāstra grantha) in Kannada. Even for writing linguistic research articles in Kannada we utilize the alphabetic mode of the Kannada script. To achieve this we expect the data entry in the regular mode, select the required text, and requesting for alphabetic mode.