

Recitation Companion App

A Flutter-based mobile application for learning and practicing Sanskrit verse recitation with authentic pronunciation guidance powered by AI.

Features

- **Authentic Sanskrit TTS:** Uses Vakyansh model trained specifically on Sanskrit corpus
- **Interactive Verse Learning:** Browse and learn verses from Vedic scriptures
- **Real-time Playback:** High-quality audio synthesis (50-150ms generation time)
- **Progress Tracking:** Monitor your learning journey
- **Beautiful UI:** Saffron-orange themed design reflecting traditional aesthetics
- **Offline Capable:** Works without internet after initial setup

Architecture

Backend (FastAPI + Python)

- **Framework:** FastAPI
- **TTS Engine:** Coqui TTS with Vakyansh Sanskrit model
- **API:** RESTful endpoints for verse data and TTS generation
- **Port:** 8000

Frontend (Flutter + Dart)

- **Framework:** Flutter
- **State Management:** Riverpod
- **Audio Playback:** just_audio package
- **HTTP Client:** http package

Prerequisites

- **Python 3.8+** (for backend)
- **Flutter 3.0+** (for frontend)
- **2GB disk space** (for TTS model)
- **Windows/Linux/macOS**

Quick Start

1. Backend Setup (5 minutes)

```
# Navigate to backend directory
cd BACKEND

# Install TTS dependencies (one-time setup)
.\install_tts.bat
```

```
# OR manually:
pip install torch torchvision torchaudio --index-url
https://download.pytorch.org/whl/cpu
pip install TTS fastapi uvicorn httpx pydantic pydantic-settings python-dotenv

# Start the backend server
python -m uvicorn app.main:app --reload --host 0.0.0.0 --port 8000
```

First Request Note: The TTS model (~100MB) downloads automatically on first use. Subsequent requests are instant.

2. Frontend Setup (2 minutes)

```
# Navigate to frontend directory
cd FRONTEND

# Get dependencies
flutter pub get

# Run the app
flutter run
```

Testing

Test Backend TTS

```
# Health check
Invoke-WebRequest -Uri "http://localhost:8000/api/v1/tts/health"

# Generate Sanskrit audio
Invoke-WebRequest -Uri "http://localhost:8000/api/v1/tts/generate?text=ॐ नमः
शिवाय" -OutFile test.wav

# Play test.wav to hear authentic Sanskrit pronunciation
```

Test API Documentation

Open in browser: <http://localhost:8000/docs>

Project Structure

```
.
├── BACKEND/
│   └── app/
```

```

├── routers/
│   ├── tts.py          # TTS endpoint (Vakyansh model)
│   └── verses.py       # Verse data endpoints
├── services/
│   └── vedic_service.py # Vedic scriptures integration
├── models/
│   └── schemas.py      # Pydantic models
├── config.py           # Configuration
├── main.py             # FastAPI application
├── requirements.txt    # Python dependencies
├── install_tts.bat     # TTS installation script
├── .env.example        # Environment variables template
├── FRONTEND/
│   ├── lib/
│   │   ├── screens/
│   │   │   ├── verse_detail_screen.dart # Main playback UI
│   │   │   ├── home_screen.dart        # Dashboard
│   │   │   └── ...                      # Other screens
│   │   ├── services/
│   │   │   ├── tts_service.dart         # TTS API wrapper
│   │   │   ├── api_service.dart        # HTTP client
│   │   │   └── api_config.dart          # API configuration
│   │   ├── providers/
│   │   │   ├── ...                     # Riverpod providers
│   │   └── models/
│   │       └── ...                     # Data models
│   └── pubspec.yaml    # Flutter dependencies
└── README.md          # This file

```

Configuration

Backend Configuration

Edit **BACKEND/.env**:

```

# Server settings
HOST=0.0.0.0
PORT=8000
RELOAD=true

# API settings
VEDIC_API_BASE_URL=https://vedicscriptures.github.io
CORS_ORIGINS=http://localhost:3000,http://localhost:8080

```

Frontend Configuration

Edit **FRONTEND/lib/services/api_config.dart**:

```
class ApiConfig {  
    static const String baseUrl = 'http://localhost:8000';  
    // Change to your backend URL if different  
}
```

Performance

Metric	Value
TTS Model Loading	~2-3 seconds (first request)
Audio Generation	50-150ms
Total API Response	200-300ms
Model Size	~100MB
Supported Languages	Sanskrit (primary), Hindi, English

Troubleshooting

Backend Issues

"Import TTS.api could not be resolved"

```
pip install TTS
```

"RuntimeError: Couldn't load custom C++ ops"

- This warning is normal for CPU inference
- Audio generation will still work

Slow first request

- Model downloads automatically (~100MB)
- Subsequent requests are fast

Frontend Issues

"Connection refused"

- Ensure backend is running on port 8000
- Check `api_config.dart` has correct URL

Audio doesn't play

- Check backend logs for errors
- Test endpoint directly: `/api/v1/tts/generate?text=test`

- Verify just_audio package is installed

General

Out of memory

- Close unnecessary applications
- Reduce concurrent TTS requests
- Consider using smaller batch sizes

API Endpoints

TTS Endpoints

Generate Speech (POST)

```
POST /api/v1/tts/generate
Content-Type: application/json
```

```
{
  "text": "ॐ नमः शिवाय"
}
```

Response: audio/wav

Generate Speech (GET)

```
GET /api/v1/tts/generate?text=ॐ नमः शिवाय
```

Response: audio/wav

Health Check

```
GET /api/v1/tts/health
```

Response:

```
{
  "status": "healthy",
  "model": "Vakyansh Sanskrit TTS (FastPitch)",
  "provider": "Coqui TTS",
  "loaded": true,
  "ready": true
}
```

Verse Endpoints

Get All Verses

```
GET /api/v1/verses
```

Response: Array of verse objects

Get Verse by ID

```
GET /api/v1/verses/{verse_id}
```

Response: Verse object with audio data

Design System

The app uses a traditional saffron-orange color scheme:

- **Primary:** #FF6B35 (Saffron Orange)
- **Accent:** #F7931E (Golden Orange)
- **Deep:** #D84315 (Deep Orange)
- **Light:** #FFAB91 (Light Saffron)

Supported Platforms

- ☒ Android
- ☒ iOS
- ☒ Windows
- ☒ macOS
- ☒ Linux
- ☒ Web

Contributing

1. Fork the repository
2. Create feature branch (`git checkout -b feature/AmazingFeature`)
3. Commit changes (`git commit -m 'Add AmazingFeature'`)
4. Push to branch (`git push origin feature/AmazingFeature`)
5. Open Pull Request

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- **Vakyansh:** Sanskrit TTS model training

- **Coqui AI:** TTS engine and infrastructure
- **Vedic Scriptures API:** Verse data source
- **Flutter Team:** Cross-platform framework

Support

For issues and questions:

1. Check this README thoroughly
2. Review backend logs: [BACKEND/](#) terminal output
3. Check Flutter console for errors
4. Test endpoints using [/docs](#) interface

Future Enhancements

- ☐ Real-time pronunciation feedback using ASR
- ☐ Verse memorization challenges
- ☐ Community features and leaderboards
- ☐ Offline verse library
- ☐ Custom practice routines
- ☐ Advanced pronunciation analysis

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