# Oriya

The United Nations recommended system was approved in 1972 (II/11) and amended in 1977 (III/12), based on a report prepared by D. N. Sharma. The tables and their corrections were published in volume II of the conference reports<sup>1,2</sup>.

There is no evidence of the use of the system either in India or in international cartographic products.

Oriya uses an alphasyllabic script whereby each character represents a syllable rather than one sound. Vowels and diphthongs are marked in two ways: as independent characters (used syllable-initially) and in an abbreviated form, to denote vowels after consonants. The romanization table is unambiguous. The system is mostly reversible but there may exist some ambiguities in the romanization of vowels (independent vs. abbreviated characters) and consonants (combinations with subscript consonants vs. character sequences).

#### Romanization

In the romanization system below the table of subscript and adscript consonants and the list of ligatures has been added.

#### I. Independent vowel characters

1	ଅ	a	5	ଉ	u	9	ď	ai
2	ଆ	ā	6	ଊ	ū	10	ß	$\mathbf{o}^{\mathbf{B}}$
3	ଇ	i	7	ର	ŗ <sup>A</sup>	11	ঐ	au
4	ଈ	ī	8	4	e			

A Rarely used characters that are positioned between characters 7 and 8:  $\Re \bar{r}$ , & 1.

#### II. Abbreviated vowel characters (କ stands for any consonant character)

1	କ	a	5	କୁ	u	9	କୈ (କି)	ai
2	କା	ā	6	କୂ	ū	10	କୋ	0
3	କି	$i^A$	7	କୃ	ţ	11	କୌ (କୀ)	au
4	କୀ	ī	8	କେ	e			

A Variations: 김 thi, 싱 dhi.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>B</sup> Special form: <sup>a</sup> va (not given in the original table).

# III. Other symbols (କ stands for any consonant character)

1  $\hat{\theta}$   $\dot{m}$  3  $\hat{\theta}$   $\dot{h}$  4  $\hat{\theta}$   $\hat{\phi}$ 

### IV. Consonant characters

କ 13 ଡ da<sup>A</sup> 25 ମ 1 ka ma ଖ 14 ଢ dha<sup>A</sup> 26 ଯ ya<sup>B</sup> 2 kha 3 ଗ 15 ଶ 27 ର na ga ra ଲ 16 ত 28 ଘ ta la 4 gha ଙ 17 ව 29 ଳ 5 'nа tha la 18 ଦ 30 ଶ 6 ଚ cha da sha 19 7 ଛ chha ଧ dha 31 ଷ șha ସ 8 ଜ 20 ନ 32 ja na sa ଝ 21 ପ ହ 9 jha pa 33 ha 22 ଫ 10 🖁 pha 34 Ø ksha ña 23 ବ 11 ଟ ba ţa 12 0 24 ଭ bha tha

### V. Subscript and adscript consonant characters

Character numbers correspond to those in Table IV (ন stands for any base character)

କ୍କ 11 କ୍ଟ 19 କୃ dh 1 k ţ 12 କୃ 20 କ୍ନ 2 କ୍ଲ ţh kh n 3 କ୍ଲ d 21 କ୍ସ କ୍କ 13 g p କୃ କୁ 4 କ୍ଯ 14 dh 22 ph gh କ୍ଲ 23 କୁ b କୃ 15 6 ch ņ 7 chh 16 କ୍ତ t 24 କୁ bh କୃ କ୍ନ କ୍କ 17 25 8 j th m 26 କ୍ୟ 9 କ୍ଟ 18 କ୍ଲ d jh y

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>A</sup> Pronunciation without a vowel: બ k.

A Dotted variants of the characters: @ ra, @ rha.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>B</sup> Special form: ♀ ya.

27	କ୍ର	r	29	କ୍ଲ	ļ
28	କ୍ଲ	1	32	କ୍ସ	S

### **VI. Ligatures** (the list is not complete)

କ୍କ	କ୍ତ	କ୍ଲ	Ø	ୟ୍ଷ୍ଟ	କ୍ସ	ଙ୍କ	୍ଥର୍ଗ୍ର ଅ	ଙ୍ଗ	ଙ୍ଗ	ଘଂ	ଚ୍ଚ
kka	kta	kļa	kṣha	kṣhṇa	ksa	ṅka	ṅkṣha	ṅkha	ṅga	ṅgha	chcha
ଚ୍ଛ	ଜ	ଜ୍ଲ	SE C	<b>න</b>	<b>වූ</b>	ଞା	81	ଚ୍ଚ	ଞ୍ଚ	ණ්	ଶ
chchha*	jja	jjha	jña	ñcha	ñchha	ñja	ñjha	ţţa	ḍḍa	ņţa	ṇṭha
<b>ඩ</b>	ණි	ଣ୍ଡ	କୁ	ଉ	ପ୍	ତ୍ର	ତ୍ସ	ଫ୍ଷ	ଜ	ଦ୍ଧ	ଭ
ṇḍa	ṇḍha	ṇṇa	tka	tta	tpa	tra	tsa	dga	dda	ddha	dbha
ନ୍ତ	ନ୍ତ	ୟ	ନ୍ଦ	ନ୍ଧ	ନ୍ନ	ପ୍ତ	ପ୍ସ	ଘ	ଜ	ያ	<b>ም</b>
nta	ntra	ntha	nda	ndha	nna	pta	psa	bda	bba	mpa	mpha
ମ୍ବ	ୟ	ନ୍ନ	ଲ୍କ	ଳ୍ପ	ଳ୍କ	ଚ୍ଛ	ଣ୍ଟ	ଶ୍ଚ	Ø.	ଷ୍ଟ	ଷ୍ଠ
mba	mbha	mma	ļka	lpa	lpha	ļbha	shcha	shchha	ṣhka	șhța	șhțha
ଷ୍ପ	ଷ୍ପ	8ª	ପ୍ଲ	ପ୍ଷ	ସ୍ତ	ପ୍ତ	ସ୍ଥ	ୟ	ୟୁ	ହ୍ନ	ହ୍ଲ
șhņa	shpa	shpha	ska	skha	sta	stra	stha	spa	spha	hna	hla

Combinations with r as the first component are written with a special superscript symbol, e.g. ର୍ଚ୍ଚ rka.

### Other systems of romanization

For differences between the UN system and the **ISO transliteration standard ISO 15919: 2001** see the section on the romanization of Hindi.

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