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Localization in e-Governance Perspective



Outline

- Importance of localization
- Internationalization / localization
- The game changer Standards
- Indian standards GIGW, e-governance localization best practices, (RFP)
- Various standards in context of Indian languages
- Surface level localization what it takes
- Deeper level localization what it takes (example of databases)

CDAC offering :

- Localization Framework
- Leveraging on prior knowledge collaborative model



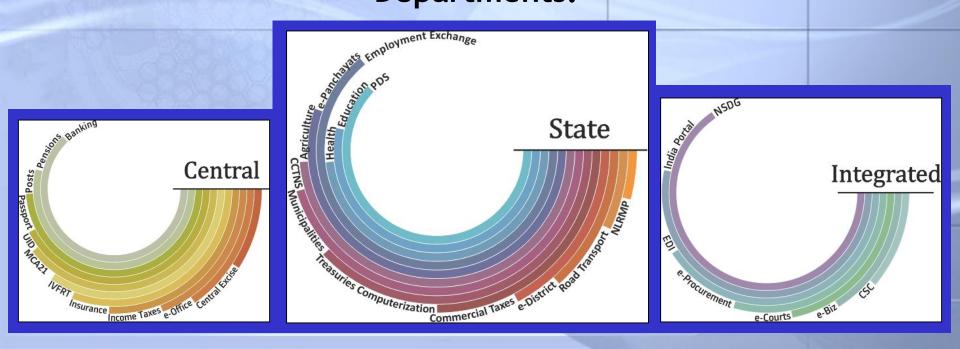
Mission Mode Projects

NeGP comprises of 31 Mission Mode Projects (MMPs)

encompassing 11 Central MMPs, 13 State MMPs and 7

Integrated MMPs spanning multiple Ministries/

Departments.



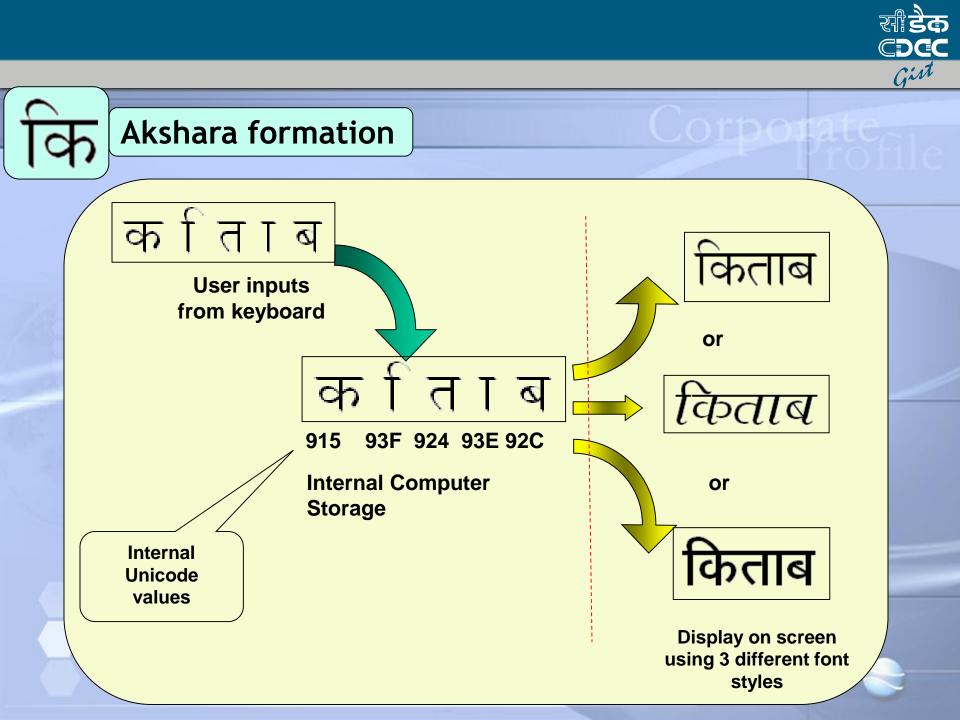
Hence Indian language interface becomes crucial for easy access

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Language nuances

- One script Many language (Devanagari script - Hindi, Marathi, Konkani, Nepali, Sindhi, Kashmiri, Dogri, Boro, Santali)
- Many language one script (Santali language Devanagari, OlChiki

Alternate forms

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What needs to be done

Follow internationalization best practices which will help

- To build globally acceptable software
- Isolate translatable and non-translatable resources
- Universal encoding
- Interoperability
- Easy localisation

At MMP Level

- Include best practices in RFP
- Ensure adherence of these standards at every stage of MMP development
- Train stakeholders / developers in "localisation"



Best practices to be included RFP

- GIGW Government of Indian guidelines for Web
- e-Governance localization guidelines
- W3C standards
- WCAG
- Translation style guides



Internationalization & Localization

Internationalization

 Internationalization is the process of designing a software application so that it can be adapted to various languages and regions by reducing engineering efforts

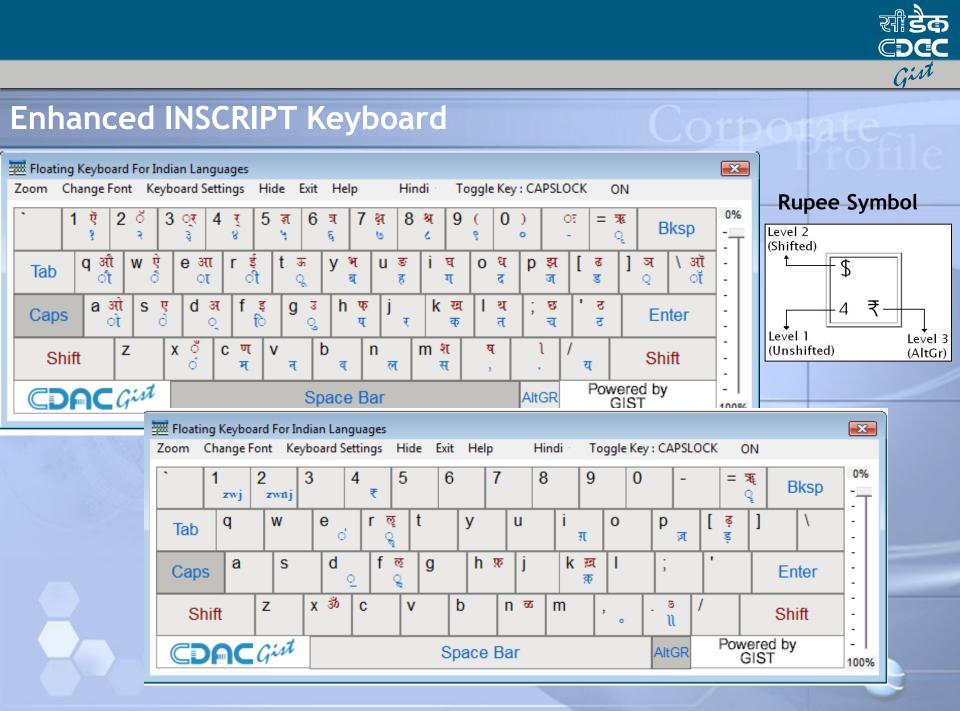
Localization :

- Adaptation of a product, application or document content to meet the language, cultural and other requirements of a specific region (a "locale").
- Apart from translation of the UI and documentation, it covers
 - Numbers, date, time formats, currency, keyboard, Collation, Symbols, icons, colors and many more.



Standards

- Inputting standards Enhanced INSCRIPT Keyboard. (Onscreen Keyboard for apps)
 - Stylus based devices (tablets / mobiles) either INSCRIPT keyboard and or 12 keys Virtual Keyboard
 - Non-stylus based devices (tablets / mobiles) physical INSCRIPT or 12 keys keyboard.
- Storage (Universal encoding UTF8 / Unicode)
- Display Unicode compliant "Open Font Format" on lines of SakalBharati.
- FUEL Frequently Used Entry List
- Term banks, Domain specific terms
- CLDR Common Locale Data Repository
- Roman phonetic equivalents.
- W3C / WCAG(Web Content Accessibility Guidelines)
- Desirable to have Content Management System at backend for all the MMPs for ease of localization.



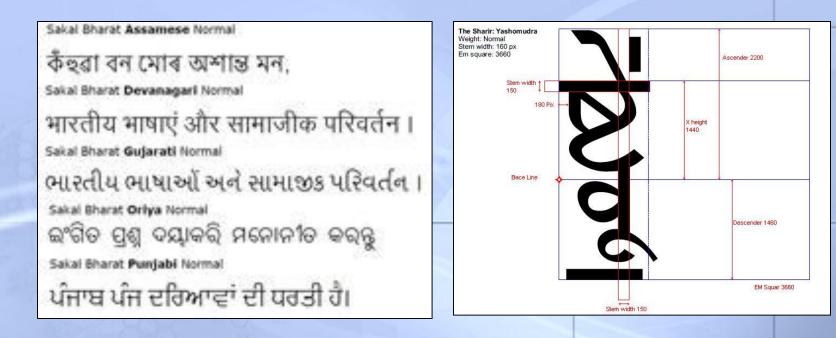
Unique representation globally - Unicode



Example of a multilingual Web page encoded in UTF-8 (Source: Microsoft).

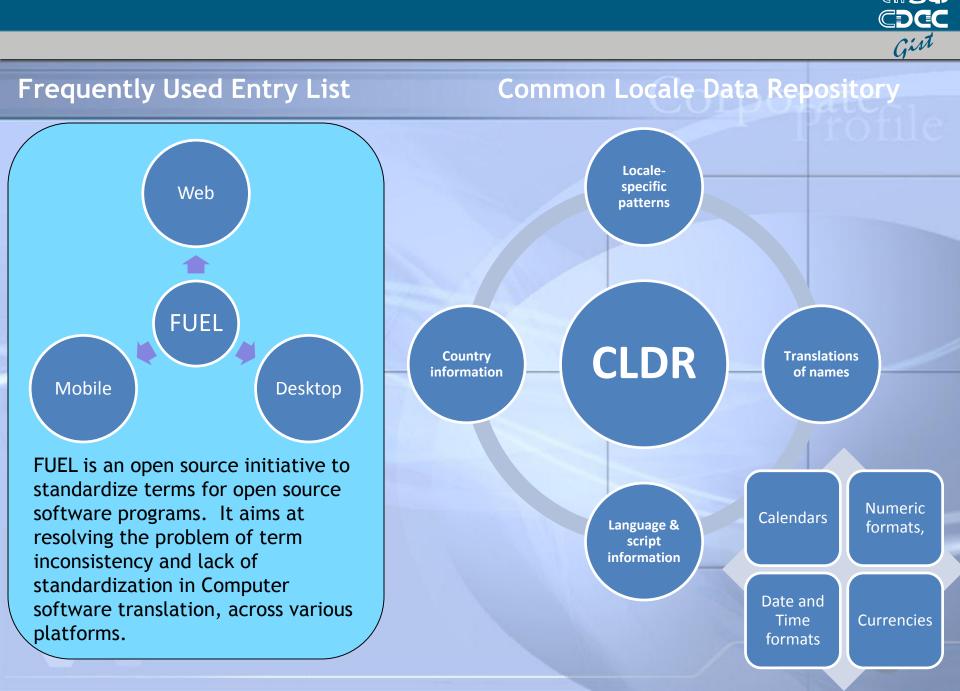


Unicode compliant "Open Font Format" - SakalBharati



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Common Locale Data Repository - Example



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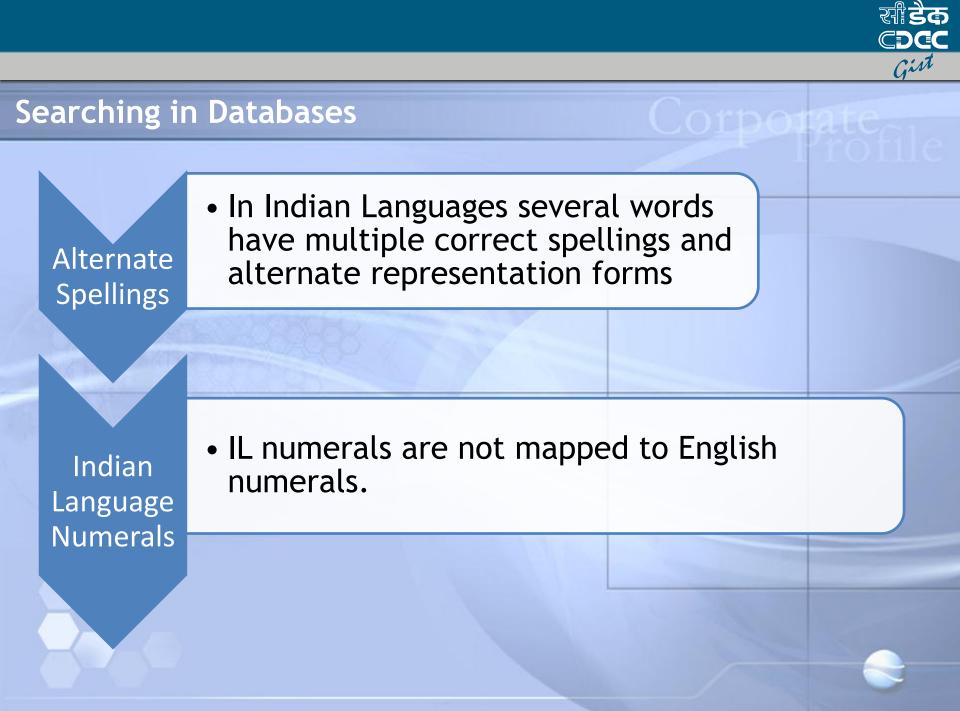
For further details please refer: <u>http://cldr.unicode.org/</u>

Languages & Databases

Storing Multilingual Data

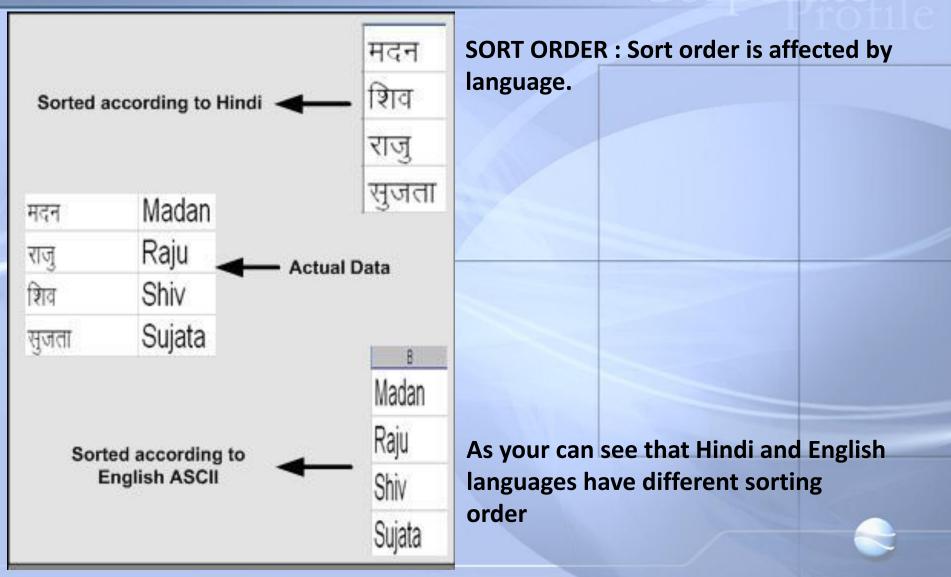
On the fly Transliteration / Translation सडैक

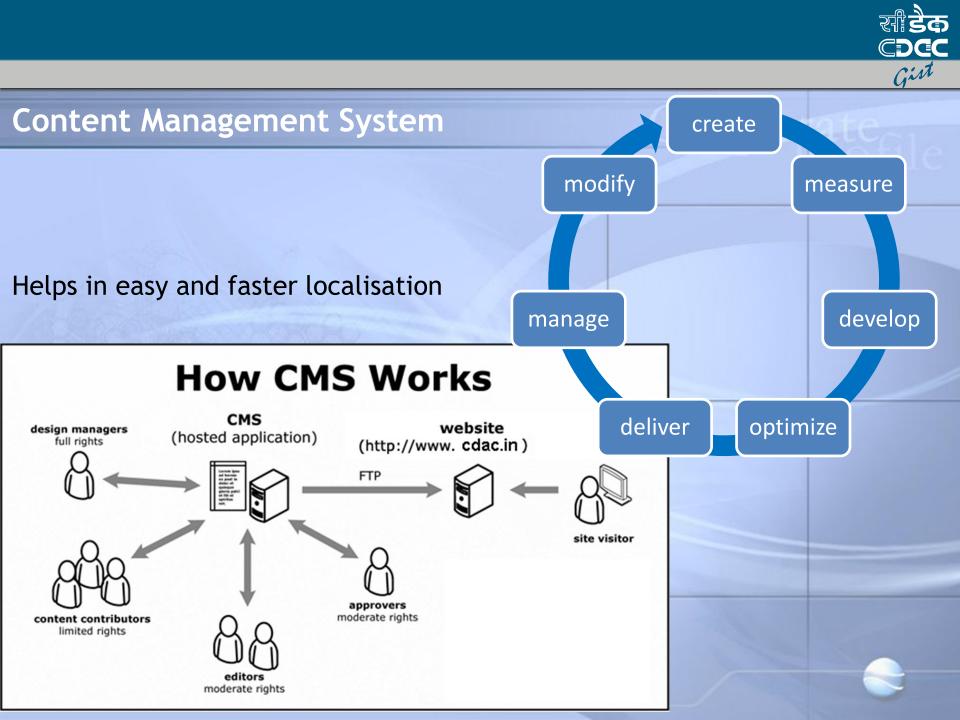
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Sort order







Search engine - Relevancy

- Provide Relevant titles for WebPages
- Main / summarized information of activity to appear in index page
- Images, pdfs, video, audio files should have proper naming convention and names should be appropriate to the contents of the images / pdf.
- Use of Search Engine optimization techniques.





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Applications and services for effective Localization

Training

Tools and Technologies



Need of LPMF on Cloud platform

- Hurricane task to enable all the MMPs with region specific Indian languages if the architecture is not internationalized.
- Difficult to have seamless access to information without standards and process flow
- For SIM (SIMultaneous) release in multiple languages, application developers, translators, evaluators need to work in tandem.
- Volume, last minute localization
- Non-availability of skilled manpower, especially in the field of language translation

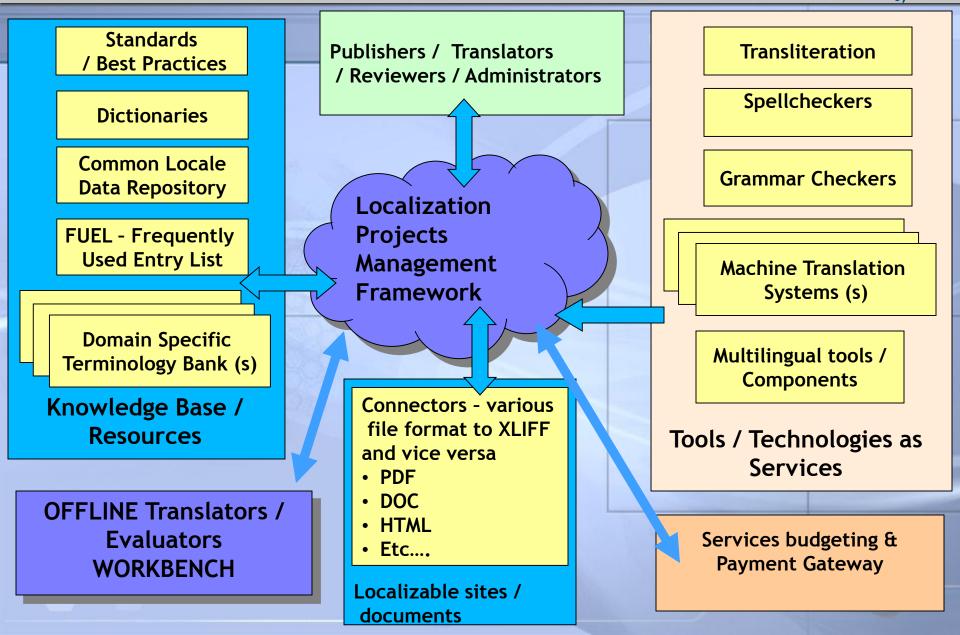
Workflow software can greatly streamline the localization process by managing the sequence of review/edit tasks, providing the status of tasks and processes, and notifying participants of changes in state, new work, or other information

What is needed ?

- Unified standards Unicode, XLIFF, TMX, SBX, CLDR, etc
- Localization Projects Management Framework offered as CLOUD service.
- Linguistic tools and resources
 - Term Banks, Dictionaries, CLDR, FUEL
 - Spellchecker, grammar Checker, Transliteration tools
 - Search engines, Machine Translation System
 - **Entire Work Flow Management**
 - Publisher, Translator, evaluator, administrators modules managements
- Services offering and budgeting
 - Document, books, applications localization services
- Community participation
 - Crowd sourcing, knowledge sharing, chat, RSS feeds, etc
- Payment Gateways
 - For payments to translators, evaluators, etc
- Facility to plug-in Third party tools / technologies.

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Benefits

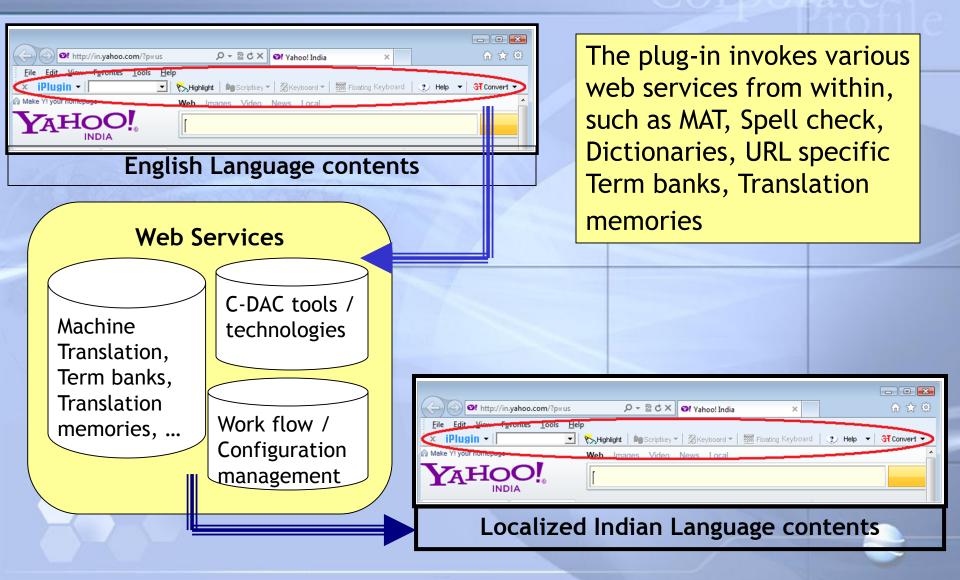
- Workflow optimization
- Knowledge Repository
- Standards usage XLIFF
- Machine Translation System (Consortia MT engine)
- Synchronization of various components
- For surface localization no need of source code (on the fly)
- Bringing translators, evaluators, Project Managers, publishers, tools provider on a single platform.
- Workflow saves money, time and infrastructure.
- Believes on leveraging prior / existing knowledge

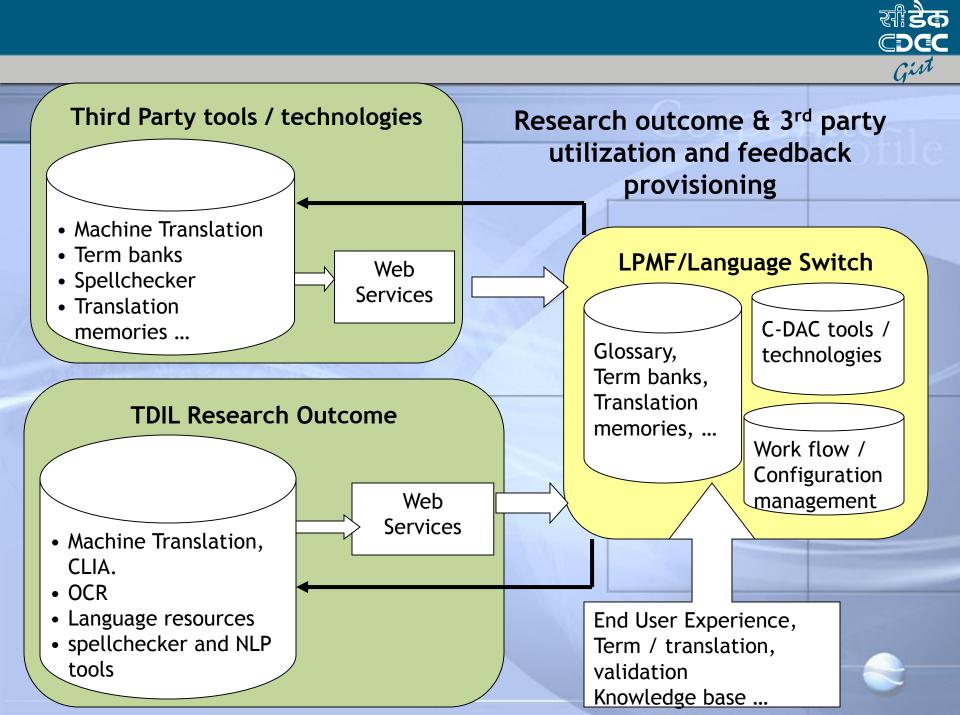






Surface localizer plug-in for various browsers







Community participation - Improving the Translations

Validating and improving the translations of NROP I using public voting system

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Localization of most of the popular FOSS

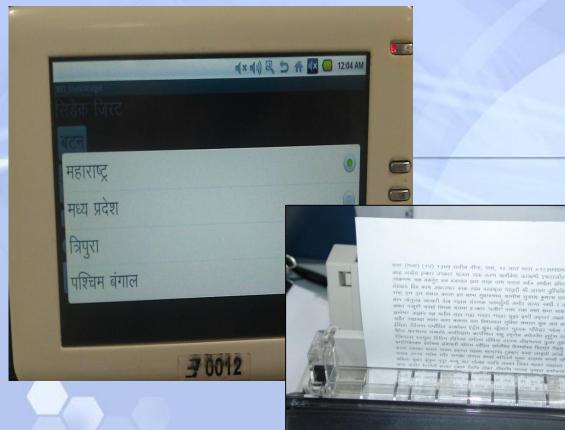
Localization of most of the popular FOSS in all the 22 Indian languages, with their alternate script:

- Libre / Open Office which is an entire office suite and includes
- ThunderBird (E-mail client)
- Firefox (Web-Browser)
- GAIM (Multiprotocol messenger for chatting)
- Linux Operating system (BOSS Bharat Operating System and Solutions)
- Joomla
- And many more

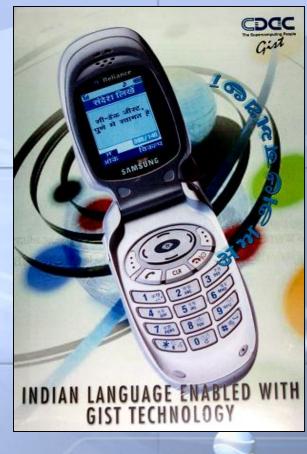


Localization - mobiles / PDAs

Indian language support on Android platform for use under MNREGA scheme



Indian language support to Mobiles



Dot / Line Matrix Printer

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Conclusions

- Standards adherence is crucial (especially Unicode, INSCRIPT keyboard, Open Font Format, Script Grammar-Sort order, GIGW, Localization Guidelines, CLDR, FUEL, W3C and WCAG, Term banks)
- Compliance testing / Validation as per the guidelines / best practices.
- Localization Project management framework for SIM release and updates of e-governance applications.
- Use of content management system at backend is crucial.
- MMP specific term bank creation and sharing with developers.

Localization Guidelines Minimal Set

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Guidelines

- Point 1: Default Homepage in Local Language
- Point 2: All Subsequent Web-Pages in Local Language.
 - The subsequent linked pages should be in Local Language. Many of the pages, pdf files linked are in English.
- Point 3: All Menu titles of the web pages in Local Language.
- Point 4: All Web-pages should be developed using UTF-8 encoding.
- **Point 5:** Lang attributes lang="mr" should be specified (replace "mr" with local language).
- Point 6: Meta tags should be defined in Local Language.
- Point 7: Image ALT/Captions, titles and text should be in Local Language.

Point 8: Font for the website should be provided through latest HTML5 Font SRC provisions.

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Guidelines

- **Point 9:** All Downloads (PDF, DOC, Excel, etc.) should be in Local Language with Unicode compliance.
- Point 10: All page titles in Local Language.
- **Point 11:** Numbers should be in Local Language on all pages, Documents, PDFs, Images, etc.
- Point 12: Contact us information given in Local Language.
- Point 13: All user defined alert/error/pop-up messages are in Local Language.
- Point 14: Feedback form should be available in Local Language.
- Point 15: Typing facility in Local Language should be given for Interactive Website.
- Point 16: Typing should support INSCRIPT layout.

Guidelines

- Point 17: Onscreen Floating keyboard should be made available.
- Point 18: Provision for increasing font size is available.
- Point 19: In-site search support is available for Local Language .
- Point 20: Website works on Hand held devices.
- Point 21: Site map of website is in Local Language.

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