

The **Kannada script** (Kannada: ಕನ್ನಡ ಲಿಪಿ) is an alpha syllabary (sometimes called an abugida) of the Brahmic family, used primarily to write the Kannada language, one of the Dravidian languages of southern India and also Sanskrit in the past. The Telugu script is derived from Old Kannada, and resembles Kannada script. Kannada script evolved primarily from stone carving, hence most of the characters are round, curvy and symmetric with straight strokes/wedges. The Kannada script is second only to the Devanagari script in the number of languages using it in the Indian subcontinent. This script is also used to write the Telugu language (script derived form Old Kannada | Halegannada), Tulu Language, Banada Language, Konkani by the Konkani Diaspora in coastal Karnataka. Similarly, *Goykanadi*, a variant of Halekannada and *Kadamba lipi* has been historically used to write Konkani in the state of Goa.

Proto-Kannada is said to have evolved after separating from its source around c. 1500 BCE, while its script evolved during Ashokan times around the 4th or 3rd century BCE from ancient Brahmi. **Halegannada** (Kannada: ಹಳಗನ್ನಡ) is the Kannada language which has transformed from the 5th century CE during the reign of the Kadambas of Banavasi (ancient royal dynasty of Karnataka 345-525 CE). The Modern Kannada language has evolved in four phases over the years. From the Purva Halegannada in the 5th century (as per early epigraphic records), to the Halegannada (Old Kannada) between the 9th and 14th century, the Nadugannada (Middle Kannada) between the 14th and 18th century, it has evolved to the present day Hosagannada (Modern Kannada) from 1800 to present. Hosagannada (Modern Kannada) is the official language of the state of Karnataka and is one of the 22 official national languages of the Republic of India and is the native language of approximately 65% of Karnataka's population.

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(ಈ ಪಂಕ್ತಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ಭಾಷಾ ಗೋಷ್ಠಿಗಳ ಉದ್ಭವಿಸಿದುದನ್ನು ಕಂಡು ಬರುತ್ತದೆ)

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