# Final Proposal to Encode the Khojki Script in ISO/IEC 10646

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#### 1 Introduction

This is a proposal to encode the Khojki script in the Universal Character Set (ISO/IEC 10646). It replaces the following documents:

- L2/08-201: "Towards an Encoding for the Khojki Script in ISO/IEC 10646"
- N3596 L2/09-101 "Proposal to Encode the Khojki Script in ISO/IEC 10646"
- N3883 L2/10-326 "Revised Proposal to Encode the Khojki Script in ISO/IEC 10646"

This document is a revision of N3883 L2/10-326. Major changes from the previous proposal include the removal of some vowel and consonant letters, the reassignment of glyphs for some consonant letters, revision of the code chart, and the inclusion of new specimens. The ISO proposal summary form is enclosed.

#### 2 Overview

Khojki is a writing system used by the Nizari Ismaili community of South Asia for recording religious literature. It was developed in Sindh, now in Pakistan, for representing the Sindhi language. The script spread to surrounding regions and was used for writing Gujarati, Punjabi, and Siraiki, as well as several languages allied with Hindi. It was also used for writing Arabic and Persian. The name 'Khojki' (भोजभा khojakī, Devanagari खोजकी khojakī) is derived from the Persian honorific title خواجه khwājah ''master, lord''. It is a translation of the Sanskrit ठाकुर thākura, which was used as a title of address by the Lohāṇā community, who were were among the early Hindu converts to the Nizari Ismaili tradition in South Asia. ¹

Khojki is a Brahmi-based script of the Sindhi branch of the Landa family, which is a class of mercantile scripts related to Sharada.<sup>2</sup> It is considered to be a refined version of the Lohāṇākī script that was developed as a liturgical script for recording Ismaili literature. Popular Nizari Ismaili tradition states that Khojki was invented and propagated by Pir Sadruddin (Ṣadr al-Dīn), an Ismaili missionary actively working with the Lohāṇā community. Khojki is one of two Landa scripts that were developed into formal liturgical scripts for

use by religious communities; the other is Gurmukhi, which was developed for writing the sacred literature of the Sikh tradition (see tables 2–4 for a comparison). Khojki is also called 'Sindhi' and 'Khwajah Sindhi'.

Khojki was in use by the 16th century CE, as attested by manuscript evidence.<sup>3</sup> It was used primarily for recording literature known as *ginān* (**जिंगा)** < Sanskrit ज्ञान *jñāna* 'knowledge'). These compositions, which were originally transmitted orally, are attributed to Pir Sadruddin, Pir Shamsuddin, and others, and expound upon several mystical, mythological, didactic, cosmological and eschatological themes, and some contain hagiographic accounts of Ismaili saints.<sup>4</sup> The majority of *ginān* literature exists in manuscript form, but beginning in the 19th century, hundreds of lithographs and books containing these compositions were produced. The printing of Khojki books flourished after Laljibhai Devraj produced metal types for Khojki in Germany for use at his Khoja Sindhi Printing Press in Mumbai.<sup>5</sup>

Khojki materials are archived at several institutions throughout the world. The first collection of Khojki manuscripts belongs to the Ismaili Tariqa and Religious Education Board (formerly the Ismailia Association).<sup>6</sup> A large collection of manuscripts and books are housed at the Institute of Ismaili Studies in London. Smaller collections are held at Harvard University and the National Archives of Pakistan. Sizeable private collections are also maintained by members of the Ismaili community.

While usage of Khojki has declined over the past century, it is used wherever Nizari Ismaili Muslims of South Asian origin reside. The largest communities are found in Pakistan, India, Canada, United States, United Kingdom, Kenya, Tanzania, and Uganda. Khojki primers continue to be published in Pakistan for teaching the script. Khojki manuscripts and books are used in Ismaili ceremonies not only in South Asia, but in east and south Africa, where large diaspora communities had formed by the 19th century. The script was also used by communities related to the Nizari Ismailis, such as the Imamshahis of Gujarat. Moreover, there are specialists around the globe who study the script, as well as Ismaili history, literature, and culture. An encoding for Khojki in the UCS will provide a means for the Ismaili community and specialists to preserve literature in the script and to advance the study of Ismaili and South Asian religious and literary culture.

# 3 Proposed Characters

The proposed character repertoire and names list for Khojki is given in Figure 1 and Figure 2. The script is currently allocated to the Supplementary Multilingual Plane (SMP) at the range U+11200..U+1124F.

#### 3.1 Establishing the Character Repertoire

The proposal aims to provide a character set that may be used to encode any Khojki document. This task is somewhat difficult because of the absence of a standard for Khojki and the differences in the historical and modern usage and meaning of several characters. The character repertoire and glyph assignments proposed here are based upon an analysis of Khojki characters presented in primary sources, such as Tajddin (1989), and secondary sources, such as Allana (1969), Asani (1992), Grierson (1905), Shackle and Moir (1992), and Stack (1849). Also used are script charts from various other sources.

The presence of characters with which readers of Khojki may not be familiar should not distract, but rather should be understood as an element of the script that at some historical period and within a particular region was used in a Khojki document, and therefore, as belonging to the broader Khojki repertoire.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Daftary 2008: 24.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Daftary 2008: 23.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Tajddin 2003.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Asani 2002: 130.

#### 3.2 Issues With Character-Glyph Assignments

There are many issues related to the assignment of glyphs for certain consonant letters for Khojki. One is the use of a single glyph for representing multiple phonemes. A reason for such ambiguity is the use of Khojki outside of Sindh by scribes unfamiliar with the Sindhi language. When non-Sindhi speakers wrote Khojki, certain characters that represented sounds specific to Sindhi, such as the implosive consonant letters (GGA, JJA, DDDA, BBA) lost their original phonetic values. As a result of this neutralization, the original glyphs for these letters were reassigned to other consonants within the same articulation class.

The phonetic neutralization and shifts in glyph assignments is evidenced in charts for Khojki published over the years. For example, as shown in Figure 8, the glyph was used originally for /b/, h for /b/, and h for /b/. However, as illustrated in the Khojki primer by Tajddin (1989), given in Figure 9, the Sindhi implosive /b/ ceased to be representing using a unique letter and the original glyph h assigned to it became conflated with /b/. In turn, was dissociated from its original value /b/ and was used for writing /b/h, which was already written as h. Glyphs assignments for other groups of consonants letters, such as A DA and DDDA also shifted in a similar way. These changes were part of a reform of Khojki that took place in the 1930s.

The difficulty of developing a standard for Khojki in the UCS lies in determining if the character-glyph assignments should be made according to historical or modern usage. Historical usage offers a means for resolving the ambiguous assignments of glyphs to characters by reverting to the original Khojki repertoire. On the other hand, the modern assignments may be more familiar to current readers of Khojki and are used in primers that are currently in circulation, as exemplified by the specimen in Figure 9.

The historical Khojki repertoire offers the most practical means for representing the broadest range of Khojki records. Of particular importance is the unique representation of characters used for the Sindhi implosive consonants, which as noted above, are not accommodated with uniformity in several modern Khojki materials. The glyphs and names for these characters are assigned based upon the phonetic values originally used in Sindh, since it was in areas outside of Sindh where these letters were neutralized. A list of the different attested uses of particular glyphs is documented in Section 4.5.

Given the multiple ways in which certain Khojki letters have been used historically, the proposed glyph assignments and character names should be viewed simply as a practical means to standardize the technical representation of Khojki. That the glyph  $\Re$  is assigned the named BBA instead of BA, or that  $\Im$  is named JJA instead of ZA, does not restrict their usage to any particular phoneme. This approach to the Khojki repertoire permits each attested Khojki character, whether historical or modern, to be uniquely identified in the UCS.

#### 3.3 Source for Character Glyphs

The font used here was originally developed by Pyarali Jiwa and is titled 'Khojki Jiwa'. Several glyphs in the font have been revised and new ones added by the present author.

The glyphs for the digitized Khojki font are based upon the metal fonts developed by Laljibhai Devraj in 1903. Devraj produced the first printed editions of *ginān*-s and other Ismaili literature at his Khoja Sindhi Printing Press in Bombay. Although there were several Khojki printers in Sindh, Gujarat, and Bombay, the majority of books were printed by Devraj, and his typefaces is universally recognized by readers of Khojki.

Glyphs for characters that were not originally part of Devraj's fonts have been designed with the spirit of Devraj's style. It is hoped this faithfulness to Devraj's work will mirror the 'standard' appearance of Khojki to which the Nizari Ismaili community is accustomed.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> Shafique Virani, personal correspondence, February 2009.

### 4 Implemention Details

#### 4.1 Structure

The general structure (phonetic order, *mātrā* reordering, use of *virāma*, etc.) of Khojki is similar to that of other Indic scripts based upon the Brahmi model. It is written from left-to-right.

#### 4.2 Virāma

The Khojki • VIRAMA is identical in function to corresponding characters in other Indic scripts. It is written to the right of a consonant letter. The form • is attested in a few printed books, eg. Sindhī pahelī copadī (Bombay: Khoja Sindhi Printing Press, 1910), but it is an attempt to mimic the form of the sign in Devanagari. In some texts, VIRAMA may be represented as •, but this practice was very limited.

#### 4.3 Vowels

Khojki has a smaller repertoire of independent vowel letters than other Brahmi-based scripts. The letters u and u u are used for writing both short and long forms of u and u, respectively.

The letters  $\stackrel{\bullet}{\longrightarrow}$  AI and  $\stackrel{\bullet}{\longrightarrow}$  AU represent diphthongs. Although they are attested in manuscripts and books, Khojki originally did not have unique letters for these vowels. In early Khojki records, diphthongs are generally represented as diagraphs, eg.  $\stackrel{\bullet}{\longrightarrow}$  A +  $\stackrel{\bullet}{\bullet}$  E  $\stackrel{\bullet}{\longrightarrow}$   $\stackrel{\bullet}{\longrightarrow}$  AI;  $\stackrel{\bullet}{\longleftarrow}$  A +  $\stackrel{\bullet}{\bullet}$  > U  $\stackrel{\bullet}{\longrightarrow}$   $\stackrel{\bullet}{\longrightarrow}$  AU.

Several variant forms of vowel letters are attested:  $\overrightarrow{v} = \mathbf{V}$  E;  $\overrightarrow{v}$ ) and  $\overrightarrow{o}$ ) = 6 o. Although several charts show unique letters for \*II and \*UU, the actual use of such forms is rarer and the characters are not proposed for encoding (see Section 5 for more details).

Some independent vowel letters may be represented using a combination of a base vowel letter and a dependent vowel sign. This practice is not recommended. Independent characters should be used instead:

RECOMMENDED	NOT RECOMMENDED
Y) VOWEL LETTER AA	Y vowel letter a + ○ vowel sign aa
VOWEL LETTER AI	❤ vowel letter a + ੈ vowel sign ai
vowel letter au	<b>&gt;&gt;</b> vowel letter $a + \hat{i}$ vowel sign au

If a variant form of a vowel letter must be represented, it is advised that it be managed at the font level through the creation of a new glyph for the letter, rather than producing by using encoded forms as character primitives. For example, the  $\stackrel{\sim}{\longrightarrow}$  variant of 6 o should not be represented as  $\stackrel{<\sim}{\longrightarrow}$  A +  $\stackrel{>}{\longrightarrow}$  vowel sign o>.

#### 4.4 Vowel Signs

The repertoire of dependent vowel signs is larger than that of independent vowel letters. There are separate signs for I and II, but no form for \*UU, the single sign © being used for both short and long forms. The vowel signs I, II, and U have contextual variant forms (see Section 4.6 for details).

The i vowel sign o is often written by placing the element above the consonant letter, eg. in.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> Asani 1987: 449.

#### 4.5 Consonant Letters

As discussed in Section 3.2, there is considerable variation in character-glyph assignments for consonant letters. The table below shows the proposed assignment of glyphs to characters, along with other phonemes the glyph is attested as representing:

GLYPH	ARABIC EQUIVALENT	ORIGINAL PHONEME	CHARACTER NAME	OTHER USES
ວາ	گ	/g/	GA	/g/, /g <sup>fi</sup> /
의	ڳ	/g/	GGA	/g/, /gr/
EA	<i>ڳ</i> گھ	$/g^{\hat{\mathrm{h}}}/$	GHA	/g/, /g/
31	ج	/ʤ/	JA	/f/, /d3 <sup>h</sup> /
અ	<u>ح</u>	/ <b>f</b> /	JJA	$/d_3/, /d_3^h/, /z/$
(m)	ڊ	/d/	DDA	/η/, /τ/
μ	ڻ	/η/	NNA	/d/, /t/
વ	د	/d/	DA	$/d^{\mathrm{fi}}/$
દ	ڏ	/q/	DDDA	$/d/$ , $/d^{fi}/$
31	ڌ	$/d^{\rm fi}/$	DHA	$/d/$ , $/d3^h/$
707	ب	/b/	BA	$/6/, /b^{fi}/$
91	$\boldsymbol{ec{\psi}}$	/6/	BBA	$/b/$ , $/b^{fi}/$
ઞ	ڀ	$/b^{\rm fi}/$	BHA	/6/
<b>ಹ</b>	ڙ	/ŋ/	LLA	/[/

Several consonant letters have attested variant forms. These forms are shown in figures 16–19.

#### 4.6 Consonant-Vowel Combinations

Several combinations of consonant letters and vowel signs are represented as ligatures. Some vowel signs take contextual forms when combined with certain consonant letters. These behaviors are observed with the following vowel signs:

- Of vowel sign I This is written to the right of the consonant. It has the contextual form  $^{\circ}$ . The regular sign of is written with characters that have right descenders:  $^{\circ}$  CA  $\rightarrow$   $^{\circ}$  Ci,  $^{\circ}$  VA  $\rightarrow$   $^{\circ}$  Vi, etc.; and those that possess a final right stroke that terminates at the baseline:  $^{\circ}$  KA  $\rightarrow$   $^{\circ}$  KA  $\rightarrow$   $^{\circ}$  KA  $\rightarrow$   $^{\circ}$  CHA  $\rightarrow$   $^{\circ}$  CHA  $\rightarrow$   $^{\circ}$  HA  $\rightarrow$   $^{\circ}$  Ni. The variant  $^{\circ}$  is used with characters that have rounded right edges:  $^{\circ}$  CHA  $\rightarrow$   $^{\circ}$  Chi,  $^{\circ}$  NGA  $\rightarrow$   $^{\circ}$   $^{\circ}$
- Source Sign U This sign is generally written as an extension of the basic final stroke of a character:  $ka \rightarrow ku$ ,  $ka \rightarrow ku$ , ka

the terminus of the descender:  $\neg d$  CA  $\rightarrow \neg d$  CU,  $\neg d$  GHA  $\rightarrow \neg d$  ghu,  $\neg d$  YA  $\rightarrow o d$  ghu, etc. It attaches to the bottom of the glyph for characters with rounded shapes:  $\neg d$  TTHA  $\rightarrow \neg d$  ghu.

#### 4.7 Consonant Conjuncts

Consonant clusters are typically limited to two consonants and are represented in three ways.

1. **Atomic Ligatures** There are four consonant conjuncts that are written in Khojki as atomic ligatures. They are represented as  $< C_1 + \text{VIRAMA} + C_2 >$ :

- 2. Full-Form of Consonant + Visible Virama This is the most common method for writing consonant conjuncts, eg.  $\aleph / \lozenge \circ 0$  kya. Such conjuncts are represented as  $< C_1 + \text{VIRAMA} + \boxed{\lozenge \lor \lor} \lor \lor \lor \lor \lor$ .
- 3. Full-Form of Consonant + Reduced Form of Final Consonant This type of conjunct is represented as  $< C_1 + \frac{1}{2}$  zwJ + VIRAMA +  $C_2 >$ . It is typically used for writing clusters involving  $\mathbf{k}$  RA as the second element:

The conjunct /gr/ is represented as **2** (GA + VIRAMA + RA); this is the same glyph for GGA.

In some cases,  $\circ \circ \circ$  YA also appears as the second element in a conjunct using the reduced form  $\circ \circ$ , eg.  $\times \circ \circ kva$ .

#### 4.8 Geminate Consonants

Geminate consonants are marked by the sign shadda. The sign is written above the consonant letter that is doubled. In the example below, the consonant sequence /lla/ is represented as (LA + SHADDA), not as a conjunct using VIRAMA. This practice is similar to that in Gurmukhi, where the U+0A71 GURMUKHI SIGN ADDAK is used to denote doubled consonants, and also in the Arabic script, where the U+0651 ARABIC SHADDA is used.

When SHADDA occurs with other combining signs, the positioning of the sign changes. If it occurs with vowel sign e and vowel sign at, the SHADDA is written to the right of the vowel sign. If SHADDA occurs with NUKTA, the two signs are stacked vertically with NUKTA above SHADDA.

#### 4.9 Nasalization

Nasalization is indicated by the sign of anusvara. It is written to the right of the letter or sign with which it combines, as shown below. Also shown is the character of, which is written centered above the combining base. It is regarded as a variant form of anusvara and is attested in several manuscripts and lithographs.

It is possible that it may be represent a contextual variant of ANUSVARA or a character similar to the CANDRABINDU found in other Indic scripts. In the specimen, the form on appears only in conjunction with Nowell Sign AA, which may affirm its Candrabindu-like function of vowel nasalization. Further analysis is required to determine if there is any true semantic distinction between the forms.

#### 4.10 NUKTA

The NUKTA is used for producing characters to represent sounds not native to Sindhi. The sign may be written with vowel letters, vowel signs, and consonant letters. The Khojki NUKTA is written above a letter:

It has a variant shape, which is the inverted form  $\ddot{\circ}$ .

In Khojki, NUKTA is used primarily to represent Arabic letters and sounds. This is done by writing NUKTA above a Khojki character whose phonetic value most closely matches that of the foreign sound being accommodated. The list of attested NUKTA letters in Khojki is:

		КНОЈКІ		ARABIC
(	ंं।	vowel sign a + nukta	ع	U+0639 ARABIC LETTER AIN
C	بہ	LETTER A + NUKTA	ع	U+0639 ARABIC LETTER AIN
(	Ÿ	LETTER E + NUKTA	ع	U+0639 ARABIC LETTER AIN
qa	'n	KA + NUKTA	ق	U+0642 ARABIC LETTER QAF
<u>kh</u> a	ŵ	kha + nukta	خ	U+062E ARABIC LETTER KHAH
ġa	ວິ່າ	GA + NUKTA	غ	U+063A ARABIC LETTER GHAIN
za	જૌ	JA + NUKTA	ذ	U+0630 ARABIC LETTER THAL
za	જૌ	ja + nukta	ز	U+0632 ARABIC LETTER ZAIN
za	ઝૌ	JA + NUKTA	ض	U+0636 ARABIC LETTER DAD
za	જૌ	$_{\rm JA}$ + $_{\rm NUKTA}$	ظ	U+0638 ARABIC LETTER ZAH
<u>.</u> ta	ń	TA + NUKTA	ط	U+0637 ARABIC LETTER TAH
fa	х̈́	PHA + NUKTA	ف	U+0641 ARABIC LETTER FEH
śa	ŵ	sa + nukta	ش	U+0634 ARABIC LETTER SHEEN
sa	ŶŶ	sa + nukta	ص	U+0635 ARABIC LETTER SAD
ḥа	ૹ૽	ha + nukta	ح	u+062D arabic letter hah

In some cases, the NUKTA is used for marking abbreviations for common Arabic benedictions:

- 1. عليه السلام = الله 'alai-hi as-salām 'peace be upon him'.
- 2. جاله عليه و سلّم = بالله عليه و سلّم sallā allāhu 'alai-hi wa sallam 'God bless him and grant him salvation'. It corresponds to التُهْمِيّةُ U+FDFA ARABIC LIGATURE SALLALLAHOU ALAYHE WASALLAM.

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Foreign paper, watermark: made in England for Shaik Ahmad Shaik Dawood of Bombay; 190 folios; 376; 21 x 17 (16 x 13); 12 - 13 lines; multiple sections, stab-sewn; binding in poor condition; covers missing; black ink.

Same scribe as Ms Ism K 6, Ms Ism K 8, Ms Ism K 11 and Ms Ism K 12;  = û, o;  = j;  = shaddah;  = abbreviation for Arabic benediction for Arabic benediction for Arabic benediction salla allahu falai-hi wa sallam food bless him and grant him salvation.
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When NUKTA occurs with other combining signs, the positioning of the sign changes. If it occurs with over sign e and over sign at, the NUKTA is written to the right of the vowel sign. If NUKTA occurs with SHADDA, the two signs are stacked vertically with NUKTA above SHADDA.

#### 4.11 Punctuation

Word Boundaries Khojki separates words using: WORD SEPARATOR:

The WORD SEPARATOR may appear at the beginning and end of a line. It resembles characters such as 0: U+0903 DEVANGARI SIGN VISARGA; Khojki does not use VISARGA.

**Sentence Boundaries** The 1 DANDA and 11 DOUBLE DANDA are used to mark the end of sentences.

DOUBLE DANDA is also used to mark verse sections. Typically, DOUBLE DANDA is written with WORD SEPARATOR to the left and right of verse numbers:

**Section Marks** The characters — SECTION MARK and  $\rightleftharpoons$  DOUBLE SECTION MARK appear frequently in Khojki manuscripts as punctuation that delimit the end of a section or another larger block of text. Both section marks are found in manuscripts. The SECTION MARK is generally used to mark the end of a sentence, while DOUBLE SECTION MARK is used to delimit larger blocks of text, such as paragraphs. Both generally extend to the margin of the text-block.

**Other Punctuation** Latin punctuation marks are used in printed Khojki:

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પડા મામ મામ મુખ મુન્લા,
બત્મ દાત્રાપ કું દશે,
બદા મામ પ્રાપ;
ત્રા મામ મામ મુખ મુન્લા,
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#### 4.12 Abbreviations

The • ABBREVIATION SIGN is used for marking abbreviations. In the example below, the abbreviations indicate verse repetition:

#### 4.13 Verse Numbering

Verse numbers are often marked in Khojki texts using an overline. The overline spans all of the digits in a number and indicates that they belong to a set. This overline should be managed at the presentation level. The use of  $\overline{\circ}$  U+0305 COMBINING OVERLINE is not recommended because while it visually represents a 'verse marker', it does not possess any semantic properties of such a marker.

#### 4.14 Digits

Khojki digits generally resemble Gujarati forms — ૦ ૧૨૩૪૫૬૭૮૯ — and may be unified with Gujarati digits (U+0AE6..U+0AEF). See Figure 6 for an example of Gujarati digits in printed Khojki text.

#### 4.15 Number Forms and Unit Marks

Number forms and unit marks are found in Khojki documents (see Figure 3). The most common characters are signs for writing fractions: eg. ~ U+A833 NORTH INDIC FRACTION ONE SIXTEENTH, II U+A831 NORTH INDIC FRACTION ONE HALF, etc.; placeholding marks: eg. • U+A836 NORTH INDIC QUARTER MARK; and currency marks: eg. • U+A838 NORTH INDIC RUPEE MARK.

In the specimen below, the parenthesis-like character represents  $\int U^{+}A838$  NORTH INDIC RUPEE MARK. The number form represents the currency value of '8  $\bar{a}n\bar{a}$ '.



These characters may be represented using those already encoded in the 'Common Indic Number Forms' block (U+A830...U+A83F). 10

#### 4.16 Collation

The collating order for Khojki is as follows:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> See Pandey (2007) for more information on these characters.

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" A > " ) AA > 37 I > 6 U > 1 E > " AI > 6 O > " ) AU > 70 KA > 10 KHA > 57 GA > 21 GGA > 50 GHA > 35 NGA > 17 CA > 24 CHA > 37 JA > 27 JJA > 25 NYA > 25 TTA > 25 TTHA > 100 DDA > 29 DDHA > 100 NNA > 17 TA > 14 THA > 16 DDA > 1
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Combinations of letters with "NUKTA and "SHADDA are sorted with the base letter.

#### 4.17 Linebreaking

Khojki has the following linebreaking requirements:

- All vowel letters, vowel signs, and consonant letters behave as in Devanagari.
- The VIRAMA, ANUSVARA, and NUKTA behave as in Devanagari.
- The SHADDA behaves like U+0A71 GURMUKHI SIGN ADDAK.
- The DANDA and DOUBLE DANDA behave like the corresponding characters in Devanagari.
- The SECTION MARK and DOUBLE SECTION MARK behave like the corresponding characters in Kaithi.
- The WORD SEPARATOR may appear at the beginning and end of a line.
- The ABBREVIATION SIGN may not appear at the beginning of a line.

#### 4.18 Character Properties

The properties for Khojki characters in the Unicode Character Database format are:

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11200; KHOJKI LETTER A; Lo; 0; L;;;;; N;;;;;
11201; KHOJKI LETTER AA; Lo; 0; L;;;;; N;;;;
11202; KHOJKI LETTER I; Lo; 0; L;;;;; N;;;;
11203; KHOJKI LETTER U; Lo; 0; L;;;;; N;;;;
11204; KHOJKI LETTER E; Lo; 0; L;;;;; N;;;;
11205; KHOJKI LETTER AI; Lo; 0; L;;;;; N;;;;;
11206; KHOJKI LETTER O; Lo; 0; L; ; ; ; ; N; ; ; ;
11207; KHOJKI LETTER AU; Lo; 0; L;;;;; N;;;;
11208; KHOJKI LETTER KA; Lo; 0; L;;;;; N;;;;;
11209; KHOJKI LETTER KHA; Lo; 0; L;;;;; N;;;;;
1120A; KHOJKI LETTER GA; Lo; 0; L;;;;; N;;;;;
1120B; KHOJKI LETTER GGA; Lo; 0; L;;;;; N;;;;
1120C; KHOJKI LETTER GHA; Lo; 0; L;;;;; N;;;;;
1120D; KHOJKI LETTER NGA; Lo; 0; L;;;;; N;;;;
1120E; KHOJKI LETTER CA; Lo; 0; L; ;; ;; N; ;; ;;
1120F; KHOJKI LETTER CHA; Lo; 0; L;;;;; N;;;;;
11210; KHOJKI LETTER JA; Lo; 0; L;;;;; N;;;;
11211; KHOJKI LETTER JJA; Lo; 0; L;;;;; N;;;;
11212; < reserved>
11213; KHOJKI LETTER NYA; Lo; 0; L;;;;; N;;;;
11214; KHOJKI LETTER TTA; Lo; 0; L;;;;; N;;;;
11215; KHOJKI LETTER TTHA; Lo; 0; L;;;;; N;;;;;
11216; KHOJKI LETTER DDA; Lo; 0; L;;;;; N;;;;
11217; KHOJKI LETTER DDHA; Lo; 0; L;;;;; N;;;;
11218; KHOJKI LETTER NNA; Lo; 0; L;;;;; N;;;;
11219; KHOJKI LETTER TA; Lo; 0; L;;;;; N;;;;
1121A; KHOJKI LETTER THA; Lo; 0; L;;;;; N;;;;;
1121B; KHOJKI LETTER DA; Lo; 0; L;;;;; N;;;;
1121C; KHOJKI LETTER DDDA; Lo; 0; L;;;;; N;;;;
1121D; KHOJKI LETTER DHA; Lo; 0; L;;;;; N;;;;
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1121E; KHOJKI LETTER NA; Lo; 0; L;;;;; N;;;;
1122F; KHOJKI LETTER PA; Lo; 0; L;;;;; N;;;;
11220; KHOJKI LETTER PHA; Lo; 0; L; ; ; ; ; N; ; ; ;
11221; KHOJKI LETTER BA; Lo; 0; L;;;;; N;;;;
11222; KHOJKI LETTER BBA; Lo; 0; L;;;;; N;;;;
11223; KHOJKI LETTER BHA; Lo; 0; L;;;;; N;;;;
11224; KHOJKI LETTER MA; Lo; 0; L;;;;; N;;;;
11225; KHOJKI LETTER YA; Lo; 0; L;;;;; N;;;;;
11226; KHOJKI LETTER RA; Lo; 0; L;;;;; N;;;;;
11227; KHOJKI LETTER LA; Lo; 0; L;;;;; N;;;;
11228; KHOJKI LETTER VA; Lo; 0; L;;;;; N;;;;
11229; KHOJKI LETTER SA; Lo; 0; L;;;;; N;;;;
1122A; KHOJKI LETTER HA; Lo; 0; L;;;;; N;;;;;
1122B; KHOJKI LETTER LLA; Lo; 0; L;;;;; N;;;;;
1122C; KHOJKI VOWEL SIGN AA; Mn; 0; NSM; ;; ;; ;N; ;; ;;
1122D; KHOJKI VOWEL SIGN I; Mc; 0; L;;;;; N;;;;
1122E; KHOJKI VOWEL SIGN II; Mc; 0; L; ;; ;; N; ;; ;;
1122F; KHOJKI VOWEL SIGN U; Mn; 0; NSM; ; ; ; ; N; ; ; ;
11230; KHOJKI VOWEL SIGN E; Mn; 0; NSM; ;; ;; N; ;; ;;
11231; KHOJKI VOWEL SIGN AI; Mn; 0; NSM;;;;; N;;;;;
11232; KHOJKI VOWEL SIGN O; Mn; 0; L;;;;; N;;;;
11233; KHOJKI VOWEL SIGN AU; Mn; 0; L; ;; ;; N; ;; ;;
11234; KHOJKI SIGN ANUSVARA; Mn; 0; NSM; ;; ;; ;N; ;; ;;
11235; KHOJKI SIGN VIRAMA; Mc; 9; NSM; ;; ;; N; ;; ;;
11236; KHOJKI SIGN NUKTA; Mn; 7; NSM; ; ; ; ; N; ; ; ;
11237; KHOJKI SIGN SHADDA; Mn; 0; NSM;;;;; N;;;;;
11238; KHOJKI DANDA; Po; 0; L;;;;; N;;;;
11239; KHOJKI DOUBLE DANDA; Po; 0; L;;;;; N;;;;
1123A; KHOJKI WORD SEPARATOR; Po; 0; L;;;;; N;;;;
1123B; KHOJKI SECTION MARK; Po; 0; L;;;;; N;;;;
1123C; KHOJKI DOUBLE SECTION MARK; Po; 0; L;;;;; N;;;;
1122D; KHOJKI ABBREVIATION SIGN; Po; 0; L;;;;; N;;;;;
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#### 4.19 'Confusable' Characters

Below is a list of Khojki characters that are 'confusable' with those in other script blocks in the UCS:

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1120E KHOJKI LETTER CA ; 091C DEVANAGARI LETTER JA
11223 KHOJKI LETTER BHA ; 091E DEVANAGARI LETTER NYA
1123F KHOJKI WORD SEPARATOR ; 0903 DEVANAGARI SIGN VISARGA
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# 5 Characters Not Proposed

The proposed repertoire does not include some characters that are shown in some of the above sources, such as \*II, \*UU, \*JHA. The decision not to encode these characters is based upon the lack of evidence that attests their use. There is sufficient space in the Khojki block for including these characters should additional research suggest the need to encode them.

Although the character set proposed for Khojki is an idealized inventory intended to enable the complete encoding of Khojki documents, there are some characters that appear in Khojki script charts, but are not proposed for encoding at present for one or more of the following reasons: (a) insufficient information regarding the characters and their properties; (b) the possibility of representing a character with another of similar or equal function; (c) unattested use outside of a script chart.

- 1. II Independent forms of I and II are generally not distinguished and both are represented by 37 I. However, Figure 14 shows the glyph 32 for II. This glyph may be a variant of 37 I or 99 YA.
- 2. UU Independent forms of U and UU are generally not distinguished and both are represented by **9** U. However, Figure 14 shows the glyph **9** used for UU. This glyph may be a variant form of **9** U or **6** O.
- 3. **JHA** Several sources show /dʒ<sup>fi</sup>/ represented using the seemingly unique letter **37**, cf. Allana (1969), Asani (1992). This letter may simply be a form of **37** JA. In fact, JA and **39** JJA are attested for writing /dʒ<sup>fi</sup>/. Space has been reserved for JHA should additional research prove that a unique letter exists.
- 4. **SHA** The glyph is used for writing SHA, but it is also used for representing any non-native Sindhi sibilant, eg. عن U+0635 ARABIC LETTER SAD. It may be composed using the sequence **પ** SA + i NUKTA.
- 5. QA Some sources show the character ♥ used for representing /q/ ( U+0642 ARABIC LETTER QAF):

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P Ism K 14

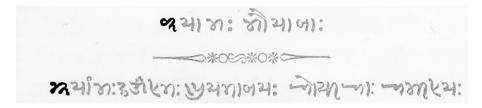
Bombay 1962 s./1905

Elam sar sangrah rag mala

Publisher: Laljibhai Devraj, Khoja Sindhi Chapakhanu; 147 pp. in three paginations; 23 x 16; hardboard covers, binding in poor condition; pages in fair condition; frontispiece: full portrait of Aga Khan III in official regalia; preface on the necessity of publishing this book (pp. 1.1-3); tavsilo (index): pp. 2.135-138; list of publications of the Khoja Sindhi Printing Press pp. 3.1-6.

\mathcal{A} = \underline{gaf}; \quad \Rightarrow_{\lambda} = g, gr; \quad \Rightarrow_{\lambda} = \underline{ain}; \quad \Rightarrow_{\lambda} = 1?; \quad = vowel-less consonant.
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The following specimen from a printed book shows KA represented with both א and א. Both glyphs are used to write the word  $kal\bar{a}ma$  (אורא / אורא) and are semantically identical:



Below, the glyph \( \sigma \) is shown as a variant form of KA:

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P Ism K 11

Bombay 1959 s./1902

Arti:dhûa:vakhat:treji:sañjija:ćogaḍia:5

Publisher: Khoja Laljibhaî Devraj, Khoja Siñdhi Ćhapakhanû for the Imami Ismaili school (nisal). 64 pp.; 16 x 12; covers missing; binding in poor condition; tafsīlo (index): pp. 63-64; reverse side of title page includes list of sale publications of the Khoja Siñdhī Printing Press and an announcement of the publication of other works.

Si = z; >> = j; << = k; = (ain; >) = gain; shaddah for doubled consonant or emphasis.
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6. Characters for kṣa, jña, tra, dra Khojki charts traditionally show the characters ♦ kṣa, ♠ jña, ◄ tra, and 禹 dra as part of the alphabetic repertoire. The inclusion of these four characters in traditional character charts for Khojki is analogous to the inclusion of the conjuncts ਖ਼ kṣa, ব tra, and ব jña in

- charts of Devanagari for languages such Hindi. They are enumerated as characters of various scripts on account of their unique shapes, which masks the consonant characters that constitute them. They are not atomic characters, but consonant conjuncts, and they should be handled as such.
- 7. **VOWEL SIGN VOCALIC R** Authors of Khojki instructional books often attempted to extend the script by borrowing orthographic practices from Devanagari. As shown below, one such script primer, *Sindhī pahelī copaḍī*, introduces the character  $\varsigma$ , the dependent form of  $\mp$  U+090B DEVANAGARI LETTER VOCALIC R, for transcribing words of Sanskrit origin. The book also specifies diacritic marks for representing conjunct with RA.

#### P Ism K 17

Bombay 1966 s./ 1910

Sifidhi paheli ćopadi. 1st edition.

Publisher: Mûkhī Lāljībhāî Devrāj, Manager of the Bombay Shia Imami Ismaili Khoja Jamat Dept of Education, for the Sifidhī Textbook Committee at the Khoja Sifidhī Printing Press; 2000 copies; 92 pp. in various paginations; 17 x 13; covers missing; binding in fair condition; paper in good condition; safikadīūfi (table of contents): 2.1-3.

According to publisher's note (pp. 1.3-4), since the Khojki script lacks the facility to make "true" conjunct characters, the publication uses Sanskrit ones. Teachers are requested to familiarize themselves with these forms before proceeding with instruction. Special uses: (1) " " under the first member of a conjunct consonant suppresses the implicit short "a" vowel; (2) if the letter "r" is the second member of a conjunct, the superscript sign "^" is used on the first member i.e. "Y' for "pr"; (3) Subscript " " with the consonant "r" indicates "r" as the first member of the conjunct i.e. "Y' for "purva"; (4) the vowel "ru" is indicated by subscript " "; (5) the following conjuncts introduced: " = Gujarati (1) "; " = Gujarati (1) ; " = Gujarati (2) ; " = Gujarati (3) ; " = Gujarati (4) ; " = Gujarati (4) ; " = Gujarati (5) ; " = Gujarati (6) ; " = Gujarati (7) ; " = Gujarati

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Table 1: Correspondences between Khojki and Sindhi-Arabic letters. See Section 4.10 for correspondences produced using NUKTA.

	кнојкі	KHUDAWADI	GURMUKHI	DEVANAGARI		кнојкі	KHUDAWADI	GURMUKHI	DEVANAGARI
KA	ね	n	ਕ	क	DA	૧	ð	ਦ	द
KHA	¥	9	ਖ	ख	DDDA	E	Σ	_	<u>ड</u>
GA	ગ	Ø	ਗ	ग	DHA	31	a	ਧ	ध
GGA	এ	91	_	ग	NA	9	~	ਨ	न
GHA	Ð	Ð	щ	घ	PA	ч	٦	ਪ	प
NGA	3:	₹.	হ	ङ	РНА	፠	カ	ਫ	फ
CA	<b>J</b>	8	ਚ	च	BA	m	W	ਬ	ब
СНА	<b>ચ</b> ૄ	દ	ਛ	छ	BBA	91	ત્ક	_	ब्र
JA	31	જ	ਜ	ज	ВНА	4	W	ਭ	भ
JJA	27	ne	_	ত্র	MA	જા	n	ਮ	म
JHA	_	ഒ	ਝ	झ	YA	007	$\mathfrak{A}$	ਯ	य
NYA	₹:	3,	ਞ	স	RA	ષ	२	ਰ	र
TTA	S	ح	ਟ	ट	LA	ય	፟፟፟፟፟	ਲ	ल
TTHA	8	e	ਠ	ਠ	VA	9	0	₹	व
DDA	(m)	3	ਡ	ड	SHA	_	हर	ਸ਼	श
DDHA	29	ರ	ਢ	ढ	SA	w	π	ਸ	स
NNA	W	Ų	ਣ	ण	НА	፠	Э	ਹ	ह
TA	M	3	ਤ	त	LLA	ಹ	_	ਲ਼	ळ
THA	ખ	m	ਥ	थ	RRA	_	3	ੜ	_

Table 2: Consonant letters of Khojki, Khudawadi, Gurmukhi, and Devanagari.

	кнојкі	KHUDAWADI	GURMUKHI	DEVANAGARI		кнојкі	KHUDAWADI	GURMUKHI	DEVANAGARI
A	الم	m	ਅ	अ	-A	_	_	_	_
AA	الح	mı	ਆ	आ	-AA	ା	ା	ОТ	ा
I	<b>ü</b> ʔ	σ	ਇ	इ	-I	্র	ি	ਿ	ি
II	_	જ	ਈ	र्द्ध	-II	ા	ി	ী	ी
U	ره	Э	₿	उ	-U	ુ	ુ	ō	ુ
UU		9	ਊ	ऊ	-UU		្វ	ੂ	्
E	4	Ŵ	ਏ	ए	<b>-</b> E	े	े	े	9
AI	Å	พิ	ਐ	ऐ	-AI	े	ै	ै	ै
O	6	M	£	ओ	-О	ો	៊	ੋ	ो
AU	الْد	Ŵ	ਔ	औ	-AU	ੈ।	្វិ	ੌ	ौ

Table 3: Vowel letters and signs of Khojki, Khudawadi, Gurmukhi, and Devanagari.

	кнојкі	KHUDAWADI	GURMUKHI	DEVANAGARI		кнојкі	KHUDAWADI	GURMUKHI	DEVANAGARI
0	_	0	0	0	5	_	પ	ч	4
I	_	٩	9	8	6	_	ε	Ę	६
2	_	२	2	२	7	_	હ	9	9
3	_	3	Э	Ą	8		د	t	2
4	_	૪	8	8	9	_	L	بخ	9

Table 4: Digits of Khojki, Khudawadi, Gurmukhi, and Devanagari. Khojki uses Gujarati digits.



Figure 1: Proposed code chart for Khojki.

1123C = KHOJKI DOUBLE SECTION MARK

1123D • KHOJKI ABBREVIATION SIGN

#### Independent vowels

- 11200 🥆 KHOJKI LETTER A 11201 YN KHOJKI LETTER AA
- 11202 37 KHOJKI LETTER I
- 11203 **9** KHOJKI LETTER U
- 11204 Y KHOJKI LETTER E
- 11205 🥱 KHOJKI LETTER AI
- 11206 **6** KHOJKI LETTER O
- 11207 🦈 KHOJKI LETTER AU

#### Consonants

- 11208 🥦 KHOJKI LETTER KA
- 11209 Y KHOJKI LETTER KHA
- 1120A 51 KHOJKI LETTER GA
- 1120B 🔋 KHOJKI LETTER GGA
- 1120C **V** KHOJKI LETTER GHA
- 1120D **3:** KHOJKI LETTER NGA
- 1120E J KHOJKI LETTER CA
- 1120F **4** KHOJKI LETTER CHA
- 11210 31 KHOJKI LETTER JA
- 11211 >> KHOJKI LETTER JJA
- 11212 <reserved>
- 11213 **\*** KHOJKI LETTER NYA
- 11214 **2** KHOJKI LETTER TTA
- 11215 **3** KHOJKI LETTER TTHA
- 11216 km KHOJKI LETTER DDA
- 11217 **29** KHOJKI LETTER DDHA
- 11218 **b** Khojki letter nna
- 11219 Y KHOJKI LETTER TA
- 1121A **4** KHOJKI LETTER THA
- 1121B **%** KHOJKI LETTER DA
- 1121C **&** KHOJKI LETTER DDDA
- 1121D 🕶 KHOJKI LETTER DHA
- 1121E KHOJKI LETTER NA
- 1121F **4** KHOJKI LETTER PA
- 11220 KHOJKI LETTER PHA
- 11221 **M** KHOJKI LETTER BA
- 11222 😘 KHOJKI LETTER BBA
- 11223 **4** KHOJKI LETTER BHA
- 11224 😿 KHOJKI LETTER MA 11225 OO KHOJKI LETTER YA
- 11226 **\Colon KHOJKI LETTER RA**
- 11227 Y KHOJKI LETTER LA
- 11228 9 KHOJKI LETTER VA
- 11229 🥆 KHOJKI LETTER SA
- 1122A 🔧 KHOJKI LETTER HA
- 1122B & KHOJKI LETTER LLA

#### Dependent vowel signs

- 1122C J KHOJKI VOWEL SIGN AA
- 1122D ்∕ KHOJKI VOWEL SIGN I
- € KHOJKI VOWEL SIGN U 1122F
- 11230 KHOJKI VOWEL SIGN E
- 11231 KHOJKI VOWEL SIGN AI
- 11232
- NO KHOJKI VOWEL SIGN O
  NO KHOJKI VOWEL SIGN AU

#### Various signs

- 11234 ° KHOJKI SIGN ANUSVARA
- 11235 🦼 KHOJKI SIGN VIRAMA
- 11236
- KHOJKI SIGN NUKTA
  KHOJKI SIGN SHADDA 11237

#### **Punctuation**

- 11238 **1** KHOJKI DANDA
- 11239 N KHOJKI DOUBLE DANDA
- 1123A : KHOJKI WORD SEPARATOR
- 1123B KHOJKI SECTION MARK

Figure 2: Proposed names list for Khojki.

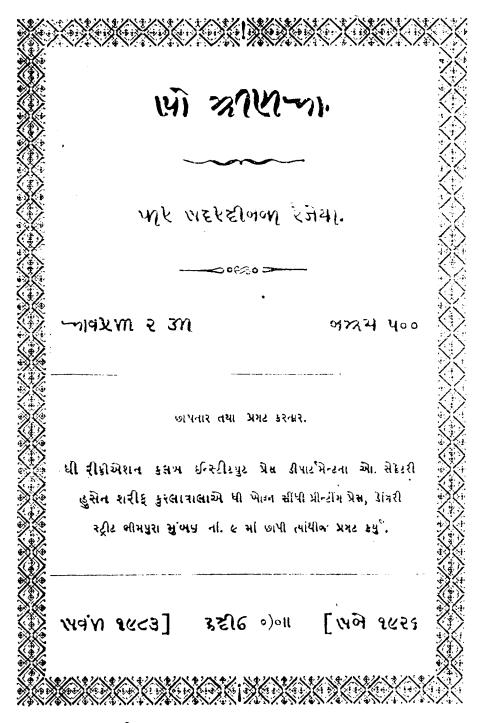


Figure 3: Title page of the (So Kīrīā) printed in Khojki and Gujarati (from Shackle and Moir 1992: 33). North Indic number forms and the U+A838 NORTH INDIC RUPEE MARK are used to indicate the price of the item.

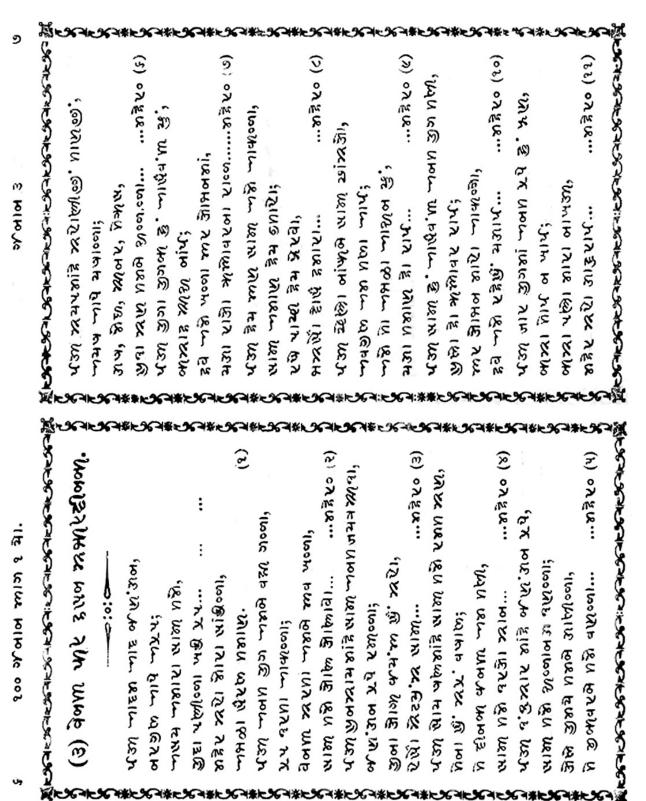


Figure 4: Pages from a Khojki book printed with the metal fonts cut by Laljibhai Devraj

नार एडेम एडेमाल नम मा रहम खरांजे,

प्या गन मन वन गर नारपल स्वाम

:

नाप एडेम एडेमान...

का अप्रवास अप्रवास अप्रवास-जन्मका.

हाज एष्यायम द्वरत्य स्थाप्त. भा हामे हामे हाम-णममाः

(६१) जीयाय द्वायाय भ्रेयम्

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# પ્રાધામાં માર્યા માથી છે.

પડ્યા ત્ર કેમ ક્ષમાં મેં ગમ ત્રાપા પણ ૫ ફલ ભાષા કા,

ध्यमाम क्षमाम क्षमाम-जमामा.

प्या यम गर पत्र म रहेमान हीसे,

मा हाम हाम हाल- नममा.

Fig. A Imam Begam: āe rahem rahemān [02: 4]

Figure 5: (from Shackle and Moir 1992: 31).

Fig. B Sayyid Nar Muhammad Shah: pir samas kā unc men ānā [02: 4]

Figure 6: (from Shackle and Moir 1992: 32)

Ms Ism K 1	[Bhadneshwar] [192-?]	11-13 (same rag)	manhe:varasete:abharat:nûrake れず: くんずが: っつかんい:可んだ
Foreign wove paper; watermark: E.R	rmark: E.R. & Co., Made in Austria,		18 verses, G, Pir Shams
chariot; 96 follos; 184; 20 x 16 (stab/sewn binding laced on hard bo with decorative paper; black ink.	chariot; 96 follos; 184; 20 x 16 (17 x 13); 12 - 16 lines; stab/sewn binding laced on hard board with half-cloth covering with decorative paper; black ink.	13-15 (same rāg)	tame:ramajo:dhanane:rātake イダ:ヒカゴ:タイヴ: にいぶ
Scribe: Khoja bhaî Ladhû Devjî (65; 179-80); doe	Devji (65; 179-80); does not use short		19 verses, G, Pīr Shams
Pp. 41-43 torn, no other	significant damage; tafsilo: p. 182 [f.	15-18 (same rag)	tame:japajo:dhanane:rātake ハガ:コイゴ: 2イヴ: 2イヴ:
otvij collected from bhadneshwar Jamac, izen of works from pp. 70-102 corresponds to that	dnesnwar Jamat, 12th July 1970; sequence corresponds to that in P Ism K 27, pp.		22 verses, G, Pir Shams
		18-20 (rāg ćaltī)	bhûlo:bhûlo:te:bhamarano カポーツギーザーカスペー
[Garbis P 300]	bis. Ref: D 61-64 I 177 N 9,44,81,100		22 verses, G, Pir Shams
1-2 (a.t.) <pre>cjī:</pre>	eji:ād:gûr:samas:mûnivar:jā:ņ ~57(:~11E:j)<	20-22 (rāg ţhāl/ḍhāl?)	sat:marg:samas:pirake
10 v	10 verses, G, Pir Shams		18 verses, G, Pir Shams
2-4 aj:a (rag ćal) m(v	āj:ānañd:pāmeā:manke:sat:gûr でいか: ついね: イ! カールカイや? ペペ:シス	22-25 (same rag)	sate:pavar:pio:dhanane:ratke
18 v	18 verses, G, Pir Shams		21 verses, G, Pir Shams
gûr:āveā:bījī: (same rāg as above) جائز:ھر	āveā:bījī:rātke:āvī miðm: 4/5M:king: 714/	25 <u>-</u> 26 (rāg ćaltī)	Seto: seto: te: sansal: set jārelol Shi: Shi!: h: sisty; simmer?
18 v	18 verses, G, Pir Shams		18 verses, G, Pir Shams
6-8 (same rāg as above) $\mathfrak{D}_{\mathcal{K}}$ :	gûr:āvatā:sarve:rātake:ganān DK:midyn:wud:kiyik;slotiof	26-29 (rāg ţhāl/ḍhāl?)	gûrû:āveā:sātmī:rātake 의사: + IQ-n::খ!저 러: ٢!저치
18 v	18 verses, G, Pir Shams		18 verses, G, Pir Shams
ke:t (same rāg as above) ₹∵V	ke:tame:amīras:pijo:dhanane:rātake above) そいずーー・アルル・ハゴのようのがにいる	29-31 (rag dohra)	satgûr: samas:kaere:gāfalo Mojy:, vary; vark:jilazi
18 v	18 verses, G, Pir Shams		18 verses, G, Pir Shams
		31 <u>-</u> 32 (rāg ćaltī)	gûr:kahere:gāfalo:sābharo gk:kgbk: olly41:41mm
			18 verses, G, Pir Shams
		33-35 (rāg thāl/dhāl?)	tathī:āthamī:āveā:gāmanā:lokake vol: 108/:nld-nl:plidell: 202

Figure 7: Khojki text written by Ali S. Asani for his The Harvard Collection of Ismaili Literature in Indic Languages (1992: 56-57).

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ててるいか Cerebrals と
n y 2 3 の Dental
ご き ン ろ い
الله محیدار Fricatives هم ش
     نیمستر روان Semi-vowels, liquids تر ل and flaps پاقترافتر دارا
          Rhotacised Consonants بناحرف محيح
     حرف علت Vowels کی کی کی آو اُ اِی اِ
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Figure 8: Chart of the Khojki script (from Allana 1969: 26)

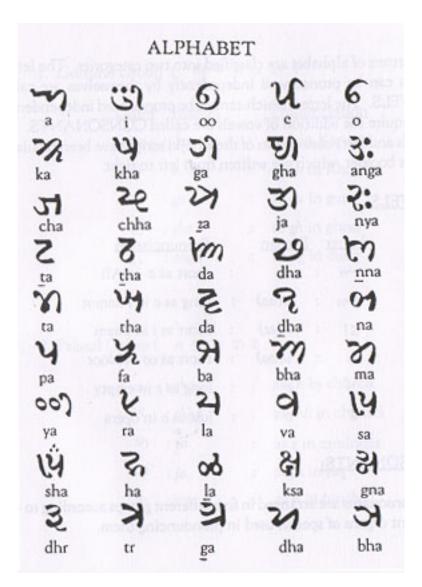


Figure 9: Chart of Khojki printed in a modern primer (from Tajddin 1989: 10).

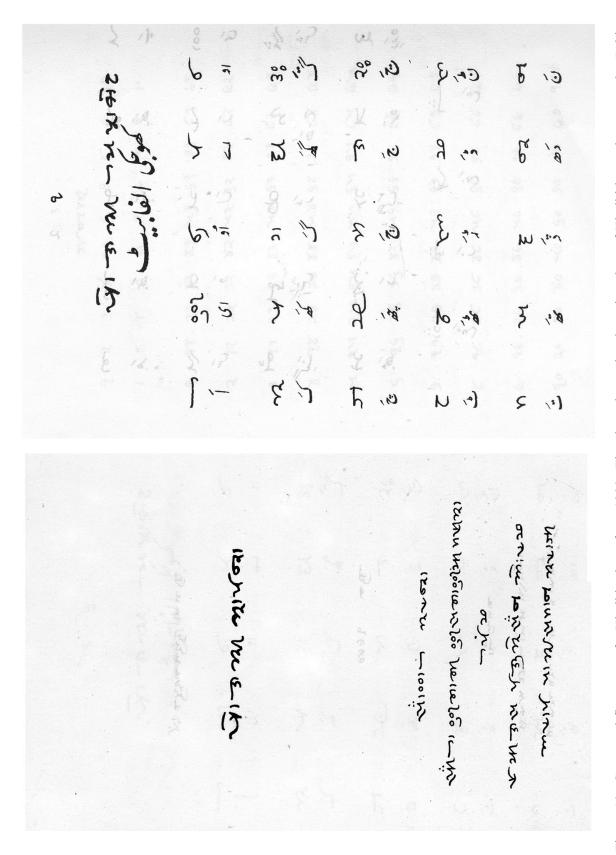


Figure 10: Cover and first page of a Khojki primer from 1990. The chart shows the phonetic values of Khojki letters in present-day Pakistan. Images courtesy of Shafique Virani.

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ters.					ŢĸĸŢ	γλι.					MAIN	OMS.	hir <b>ie.</b>	
Roman characters.	Dēvan <b>āgari.</b>	Khudawāļi.•	Shikarpari.	Sakkar.	Luhanss.	Bhațias.	La <sub>r</sub> ti.	Wangil.	Reijer.	Khwejās.	Thatta.	Haidarābād	Sewhapi Bhabhirae.	Southern Lahnds.
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ā	आ	൝	וננ	m	"A	m	VN	٦.	n	<b>-</b> ) '	~	7	חו	**
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ī	ф <b>у</b> .	<b>†</b> 6	<b>†</b> 6	† 6	9,0}	n	R	દ્રા		<i>j</i> i	لا	•9	-	6
u	3	m	γ'n	m	6	٦	6	6	۴	<b>13</b>	~	6	6	w
ü	ক	m.	m	m	6	6	6	٢	٢	C		•	ઉ	~
<b>8</b>	₹	m	m	m	7	ور	4	ح	ધ	8	દ	3	ın	6
ai	<del>ऐ</del> ओ	m	w	m	#n	, יטע	ma	189.	ກະ	74	つジ	ر د د	מו	W
ō	ओ	m	m	m	6	6	6		(	65	,	6	חו	w
au	ओ	m	m	m	6	6	6	6	6	y by by	40	76	≀n	m

<sup>\*</sup> The Khudāwēdi is the character used at Haidarābād and by most of the respectable merchants throughout the country. That of the Shikārpur and Sakkar merchants differs but little from it.

Figure 11: Inventory of Khojki ('Khwājās') vowel letters from Grierson (1905: 15).

<sup>†</sup> These are, however, never written in commencing a word. In lieu of them Mi is used.

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Roman characters.	Dēvanāgari.	Khuda wadi.	Shikarpari.	Sakkar.	Labsnie.	Bhația.	Lapsi	Wangal.	Rajjet.	Khwajie.	Tratts.	Haidarabād.	Sewhänī Bhabhires.	Southern Lahnda.
ka	ৰ	٥	n	'n	عي	n	7	٤.	An a	رمر	22	1, 4	3	2
kha	ख	م4′ور	Ŋ	ч	ئ	ď	y	4	7	78	4	<i>L</i>	5	્રે
ga	ग	<b>برد</b>	73	))	اد	اد.	G)	91	21	اد	<b>2:</b>	21	21	าน
gga	រា	31	. 21	21	<b>72</b>	23	<b>2</b> 7)	7)	ZC.	ップ	اد	カ	71	71
gha	घ	23)	έ¢	22	2 l·	21	اد	91	ગ	35	າ:	וג	uī	m
na	g.	2,2:	3.	31	2.	2.	₹.	ર:	२०	<b>a</b> .	2:	3:	21	ኢ'
cha	च	8	8	39	ઝ	. <del>2</del> 4	₩.	મ	n	1	a	9	n	5
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ja	ज	५,उा	ત	31	ىد	2	ત્રા	Μ	3/1	א	η	7	••	3.0
jja	ज़	લ્ડ	KS	4	લ્ડ	W	uz	بي	351	24	w	3:	Ø.	31
jha	झ	१,ज	2	ਗ	21	2	21	n	372	7)	૧	1	60	જાગ
ña	ञ	2:3:	ત્ર	n	m	est.	200	٦٠	2.0	ર:	3:	3:	67	3:
ţa	र	2	2	2	2	ઠ	2	2	4	<b>3,</b> C	っ	ح	3	<b>C</b>
ļra	Ş	3	3	3	ß	Ն	2	2	ı	7,2	B	~	3	9)
ţha	ठ	2	ъ	٦	ъ	ઠ	2	2	٤	۲	ζ.	7	3	c
ra	इ	3,11	3	2	21	3)~	8,=	)H.	=	m:	7	n	2	दे
<b>Ģ</b> ḍ <b>a</b>	ड़	2	بر	4	E	દ	2	4	W	ત્ર્રહ	3	Ŧ	3	V
dra	ड	3	3	1	Ն	10	ν	2.	ુ	محر	U	33	w	3)
dha	2	u	ی	5	70	હ	v	20	ಶ	20	IJ	7,3	214	บ
ņa	ण	<b>NL</b>	ıu	ot	225	~	Y,=	111	=	ીખ:	7	15	ואו	111

Figure 12: Inventory of Khojki ('Khwājās') consonant letters from Grierson (1905: 16).

ý.					Тна	JTXI.		•	-		MAII	KONB.	īrās.	ui.
Roman character.s.	Dēvanāgarī.	Khudawadi.	Shikarpuri.	Sakkar.	Luhanas.	Bhatigs.	Laraī.	Wangal.	Rājjaī.	Khwājās.	Ţĥaţţs.	Haidarābād.	Sewhāņī Bhābhirās.	Southern Lahnds.
ta	त	و	C	و	v	J	9	א	9	·n	ر	9	n	3
tha	थ	ખ	ωş	W <sub>4</sub>	યદ	w	·w	ખ	¥	~	w	<b>7</b>	ΰζ	4.4
$d\boldsymbol{a}$	द	2	ધ	ህ	نده	ą	ર	2	3	र	ર	3	લ્લ	n
dha	ध	2	2	プ	જ	જ	વ	2	3	30	ત્ર	3	er .	11
na	न	~	~	<b>&gt;</b>	6	6	60	و	65	5	~	3	•	7
pa	प	મ	પ	٦	کر	٦	کی	4	प्र	٠ ٧	٦	4	ч,	در
pha	4	7	رز .	π	۵	A	کر	ž	3	كمر	⋨	3	ત્ર	8
ba	ब	4	n	m	30	,	,	<b>Y</b> V	<u>۲</u>	22	•	7	か	3
bba	ब	3	પ્ડ	બુ	પક	36	3	46	30)	34	ય	3	مو	Eq.
bha	ਮ	5	30	W	. JO	`	٦	n	,	7)	٥	}	'n	က
ma	म	'n	n	77	30	<b>ئ</b>	η	η	n	J.	η	ۍ	אר	74
ya	य	v	37	<i>3</i> 1	<b>3</b> 7	20	21	· M	का	カ	Ą	^	6	Œ
ra	₹ .	11	2	2	રા	34	כנ	۶.	у	٧	<b>*</b>	it	2	~
la	ल	٦	ス	オ	૧	ઈ	0	6	٥	ਮ	9	4	n	+
va	व	٥,٦٦	8	0	مر	20	574	ે પ્	3	q	•	<i>⇔</i>	ų	દ
<b>l</b> a	श	74	امحو	14	m	30	14	<b>)</b>	१५	بك	υ,	15	m	3
<b>s</b> ha	ष	14	امو	ių	m	٠٠٠	૧ન	w.	14	اممر	178	1~	m	3
<b>8</b> 4	Ħ	14	14	14	സ	12	١٧	w	34	رح	١૫	17	m	32
ha	ह	7	カ	7	٤٦	کی	ゝ	ح .	२	35	2	3	3	5
	Nume	rals		٩	1	رد	3	8	٦	٤	G	U	6	90
				1	2		3	4	5	6	7	8	.9	10

Figure 13: Inventory of Khojki ('Khwājās') consonant letters from Grierson (1905: 17).

#### Table showing correspondence of intial vowels in the Roman, Urdu, Sindhi, Gujarati and Khojki scripts

Roman	<u>Urđu</u>	Sindhi	Gujarati	Khojki#
a	}	1	24	<del>_</del> , <del>_</del>
ā	Ĩ	ĩ	આ	<b>→</b> 1, <b>→</b> 1
i *	1	Ļ	ઈ	•ેવે દઃ•] (ન્ત ત્તડ)
ī*	·>	1	ઈ	ુન (વન) (૧૯?)
	اي ر	<sup>ا</sup> ي ا <sup>و</sup>	G	9 [6]
u *	ا	1	_	G [6] (G?)
ū*	اوُ	او	<b>ા</b>	92.3
0	او	او	ઓ	६ [-ते, द्वीटार्ड ?)
e	ر 2ا	ای	એ	<b>イ[一ゴ](人;)</b>
· ·	_	3	સ્ત્ર	(
ai	اہے	ای	_	
au	او	او	ઔ	[-45,-4]

\*On account of ambiguities in the Khojki script, initial and independent short or long "i" vowels in Khojki texts are transliterated as "î". Similarly, short or long "u" vowels are transliterated as "û".

#[ ] documented variant; (?) variant listed by G. Allana in Sindhī Şūratkhatī (Hyderabad, Pakistan: Sindhī Zaban Publications, 1964) or G. Stack in A Grammar of the Sindhi Language (Bombay, 1849); ( ) alternate sound employed.

Figure 14: Inventory of Khojki independent vowel letters (from Asani 1992: 678).

#### Table showing correspondence of non-initial vowels in the Roman, Urdu, Sindhi, Gujarati and Khojki scripts

Roman	Urdu	Sindhi	Gujarati	Khojki#
bad	بُد	بُد.	બદ	4 E [WE]
bad	باد	باد	બાદ	HIE
din	,دن	ردن	દિન	<b>ह</b> न
dīn	<b>د</b> ین	د بن	દીન	ઇ/ન
but*	بنُن	يث.	બુત	. મુંપ
būt*	بوت	بوت.	બૂત સો	44
so	سو	سو	સો	네 [46]
be	بے	<i>હ</i> .	બે	मे [भ]
hai	<u>~</u>	ر حر	<u>s</u> "	[24], 2-14]
nau	، نو	نو	નો	[oil], or 76]

Figure 15: Inventory of Khojki dependent vowel signs (from Asani 1992: 679).

<sup>\*</sup>On account of ambiguities in the Khojki script, short and long "u" vowels in Khojki texts are transliterated as "û".

<sup>#[ ]</sup> documented variant; (?) variant listed by Allana or Stack; ( ) alternate sound employed.

#### Table showing correspondence of consonants in the Roman, Urdu, Sindhi, Gujarati and Khojki scripts

Roman	Urdu	<u>Sindhi</u>	<u>Gujarati</u>	Khojki#
b	ب	·	બ	91 [m,#]
þ		· ·		મ
bh	-8√.	·;·	<b>લ</b>	અ, ખ [ <sub>81</sub> ]
t	<u>~</u>	ت .	ત	M
th	نعر	<i>:</i> :	થ	4 [M]
ţ	رطی	ت	2	(!ド), 5, ブ
ţh	طو	ىك	8	که
ន្ន		· ··	(H)	(٧4)
р	<u> </u>	$\overset{\smile}{\mathcal{C}}$	Ч	4 (4?)
ph	بیجر	<i>ق</i>	£	×
j	ح	<del>ر</del>	У	31, 24, <u>2</u> 2 (22.5)
dу		₹		2h (3?)

<sup>#[ ]</sup> documented variant; (?) variant listed by Allana or Stack;
( ) alternate sound employed.

Figure 16: Inventory of Khojki consonants: b to dy (from Asani 1992: 680).

Roman	Urdu	Sindhi	<u>Gujarati</u>	Khojki#
jh '	R.	<i>x</i> 2.		יכ
ny		<b>T</b>	ત્ર <sup>ા</sup>	२: (७३?)
ć	<u>e</u>	€	ચ	ব, (৮ং)
ćh	≉;	ত	છ	24, (4?)
<b>ņ</b>	7	2	(৫,)	(2)
<u>kh</u>	t	ż	(ખ)	પં (૫)
đ	ک	<b>ک</b>	ε	E,2
đh	دو	ڌ	ધ	21,2,(3?)
d.		3		E
<b>ā</b>	کے	ڊ	S	ا ( الار ( ( ( ( الله الله الله الله الله الله ا
<b>đ</b> h	ځو	ي	ઢ	ر ( ( د ( ( ( ( ( ( ( ( ( ( ( ( ( ( ( (
ź	ذ	ذ	(٦٢)	(前,24)
r	J	J	3	<b>L</b>
ţ	٦	ÿ	V	[س] که <sub>ب</sub> س
ŗh	<b>ر</b> ھ			
z	j	j	<b>&gt;</b> -<	क्रं [27]
s	٣	س	સ	14

Figure 17: Inventory of Khojki consonants: *jh* to *s* (from Asani 1992: 681).

Roman	Urdu	<u>Sindhi</u>	Gujarati	Khojki#
sh	ش	ம்	રા	<b>ं</b> पं
s.	G	(%	(સ)	(৬৮) ূ
z	Ġ	Ġ	(24)	(গ্ৰাঁ,ফ)
t.	ط	ط	(ત,ટ)	(M, Z)
Z.	ظ	ظ	(२४)	(र्ड़ों , ट५)
c	٤	E	( W)	٠ <u>٠</u> ; ﴿ (٣٠)
ģ	ڋ	έ	(၁()	ગેં (ગ)
f	ف	ف	ફ્	Z
đ	ڨ	ر <b>ق</b>	(8)	<b>ર્</b> ષ્ટ (ષ)
<b>k</b>	ک	ڪ	(8)	& [m]
k h	کھ	ر ک	ખ	4,4 (5)
g	گ	گ	ગ	ગ [ત્ર,ત્રી]
nģ		ڳ		پر
gh	- گھ	- L.	ઘ	ध (रः!)
ng		گ	ડે∙	3: (२:?)
1	J	J	લ	4 [4]

Figure 18: Inventory of Khojki consonants: *sh* to *l* (from Asani 1992: 682).

Roman	Urdu	<u>Sindhi</u>	<u>Gujarati</u>	Khojki#
m	۴	6	મ	প
n	$\odot$	$\omega$	ol	ન,બ
ņ		ප්	કા	(نا:س) سر
w/v	و	و	વ	d [9]
h	8	δ	رفح	<u> ፈ ( ጂ )</u>
У	ي	<u>چ</u> "	ય	هوا <sup>'</sup> •ه۱٬ (٤٤)
ksh			<b>હ</b> મ	क्षे (क्षे ३)
gn			ફ્રી	સ
tr			×	7 (5, K) K
dhr			घ	રૂ

Nasalization is indicated by fi or  $\mathring{\mathtt{m}}$ 

Figure 19: Inventory of Khojki consonants: *m* to *dhr* (from Asani 1992: 683).

(a) Init	ial and	(a) Initial and Independent	ıdent								
e l		ie i	<b>G</b>	<u> </u>	n	ũ o		υ <b>}</b>	an	ay	
<b>}</b>	<b>-</b>	ŕ	<del>,</del>	<del>,</del>	\$	• /F <\$		-	î 17	F 1F	
(b) Me (with th	(b) Medial and Final (with the Consonant	<ul><li>(b) Medial and Final</li><li>(with the Consonant ς)</li></ul>	$\overline{}$								
в <b>!</b>		'e ;	}	,_ <b>3</b>	z \$	ū 0			an ?	a'r	
<b>S</b> ~		<u>5</u> -	À	के		æ &^	e-	<b>~</b>	j.	<b>š</b> -	
				Khojkī Scrip	Table 2 t: Consonants (	Table 2           Khojkī Script: Consonants (early 20th century)	century)				
2		7	kh	7, 기, 턴	ad	ਤ <sup>'</sup> ਨ	gh	m	ng	ゕ゙	nġ
দ	C	W	ch	S	J/jh	គេ	j/jh	۴	ny	z	γ́ρ
2	- نسد	ь	<del>4</del> 5.	2 · M · W	p.	2 °L	άh	E	ц·		
۶	<b>+</b>	र्र	th	<i>လ</i> ယ်	р	જે જે	dh	۲	· =	m	p
7	d	ぉ	ph	<b>አ</b> . እ	Р	ላ. <u>ጞ</u> . ፠	bh	দ	E	*	ą.
7	×	У	<u>.</u>	ਜ	_	ਓ	÷	इ	s	团	sh
ત્ત્ર	dr	*	Ţ	n <b>š</b>	h	8 £	ŗ/ļ				

Figure 20: (from Asani 1992).

	1		2		3		4		5
7	а	2-))	lā	الغ	to	ומצ	hā	Z	r
71	ā	<u>ુ</u> ગ	i	65	и	યદ	e	ગ	$g^2$
æ	k	፞፞፞፞፞፞፞፞	kh	એ	$g^I$	દ્ય	gh	3%	ň
<b>ড</b> 1	c	ze.	ch	か	$j^{I}$	37	$j^2$	૨ુ	ñ
2	ţ	3	ţh	سک	ạ	مح	фh	w	ņ
n	t	ખ	th	E	$d^{I}$	જ	dh	<b>જ</b> ા	n
ਪ	p	X	ph	9	$b^I$	m	bh	رو	m
00)	у	γ	r	2)	l	વ	v	·27	$d^2/dh$
સ	S	3	dr	×	tr	જા	h	27)	$b^2/bh$

Figure 21: Traditional arrangement of Khojki characters, beginning with the traditional Sindhi invocation אוגּוֹמוּ allā tohār (from Shackle and Moir 1992: 35).

<b>7</b> a	つ) ā	•ુગ i	<b>5</b> u	rk e
6 0	R $k$	<b>Ϥ</b> kh	<sup>2</sup> / <b>ધ</b> <sup>g</sup>	ع/در gh
<b>3</b> % n	of c	re ch	<b>3</b> ) j/jh	j/jh
₹3 ñ	<b>Z</b> !	<b>6</b> <i>th</i>	j or/m	m/codh
Jen ij	Υ t	≯ tr	<b>∨t</b> th	<b>E/92</b> d
<b>3</b> . dr	<b>E/</b> 92 dh	<b>6)</b> п	<b>4</b> p	<b>X</b> ph
<b>H/m</b> b	91/m bh	<b>71</b> m	00) y	ų r
24 1	<b>4</b> v	3 's	<b>3</b> 0 h	

Figure 22: Arrangement of Khojki characters based on the traditional Indic phonological pattern (from Shackle and Moir 1992: 36).

Khojaki Primer 1932	7	Z	10	ہ	5	ನ	٣		λ	م	Lux.
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D MS 1815	ಕ	Ý	٦ <sub>c</sub>	な	व	5	टि	14	N	N	(3.3
Sindhi	Ŋ	٦.	<i>"</i>	T. D	W	NJ	N	ė	9	.)	٦٠
Gujarati	υh	፟ጟ	7c	ょ	ત	٦	<b>}</b> -		N	· ′•	Ŋ
Devana- gari	18	Ø	ন	द	<b> p</b>   "	93	टा	lt	Ю	Ь	tv3
Roman	ᄊ	kh	50	gh	U	ch		цĹ	٠٠	t.	ත.

Figure 24: Comparison of Khojki with other scripts: *ka* to *da* (from Khakee 1981).

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D MS 1815	H	म्	ھر	দ	۴	1	М		俳	供品
Sindhi		<b>}</b> —	5	5	م	• •	Ŋ	٩	ري _	او
Gujarati	7	भ	હ	છ	ဖ	ල	শ্বে	রে	43	4 दू
Devana- gari	1-6	11-6	fvr	fr	دا	15	*F	保	1/2	仁
Roman	ಹ	la	***	i •r•1	n	۱a	σ	0	ai	S &

Figure 23: Comparison of Khojki with other scripts: *a* to *au* (from Khakee 1981).

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D MS 1815	x	×	7	7	4	याद	ช	12		٦٤	گ
Sindhi	٦٠	٦	ي	<i>(</i>	1	ل	1	نئی	نثى	3 3:0	<b>B</b>
Gujarati	દ	x	ね	7		H	J	12	رو	કા	り
Devana- gari	ĸ	д	य	4		उ	চ	₩.	A	¥	M
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Figure 26: Comparison of Khojki with other scripts: *bha* to *ha* (from Khakee 1981).

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Sindhi	<b>٠</b>	ع	3	ij	٨	٠٩:	5	):-	.3	::၅	J.
Gujarati	ર	อ	દ	2,	w	£.	τ	٦	Ur,		ક
Devana- gari	Ю	Þ	巾	৯	h	द	5	4	#		혀
Roman	цр	t,	ή,	th	Ö	dh	ď	Сı	41	ųď	q

Figure 25: Comparison of Khojki with other scripts: dha to ba (from Khakee 1981).

Khojaki Primer 1932  $\boldsymbol{\beta}$ な ನ ಗ M ۶ ۲ ۲ 15 11 ৯ ٤ M  $\chi'$ √) D MS 1815 2 ょ æ ను ۶. ۱۰ Sindhi ::7 N NJ ۍ د. Gujarati त्र ረ ላ শ പ്യ ょ ೭ Devana-gari ば 阳 1 **b** Roman dhr ХS g ţr ny ďγ ď√ Sr N Н

Figure 27: Comparison of Khojki with other scripts: (ra to sra (from Khakee 1981).

	lo	lealized Kho	ojki Transliteration <sup>-</sup>	Table		
		Sha	ifique N. Virani			
		Last upd	lated: June 3, 2008	1		
			Stops			Nasals
	Unvoi	ced		Voiced		
	Unaspirated	Aspirated	Implosive	Unaspirated	Aspirated	
Velar Khojki	ね	¥	<b>5)</b> 1	<b>5</b> )	<b>E</b> N	3:
Transliteration <sup>2</sup>	ka	kha	ga³ ALA-LC g with diaeresis above	ga	gha	'nа
Sindhi (Arabic)	ڪ	ک	ڳ	گ	گھ	ڲ
Sindhi (Dev)	क	ख	U + 097b <u>ग</u>	ग	घ	ङ
Gujarati	ક	ખ		ગ	ઘ	Ś
Palatal Khojki	<b>J</b>	<b>2</b> 6	31	3)		₹:
Transliteration	ca <sup>4</sup>	cha	? ALA-LC j with diaeresis above, replacing tittle (maybe use U + 0135 or U + 01F0?)	ja		ña
Sindhi (Arabic)	<b>હ</b>	Œ	€	<b>E</b>		હ
Sindhi (Dev)	च	छ	U + 097c	ज		স

Figure 28: A transliteration for Khojki proposed by Shafique Virani (from Virani 2008). Continued in Figure 29.

			<u>ज</u>			
Gujarati	ચ	છ		જ		ઞ
Cerebral Khojki	2	8		fon	29	B
Transliteration	ţa	ṭha		фа	ḍha	ņа
Sindhi (Arabic)	ݖ	ٺ		خ	ž	ڻ
Sindhi (Dev)	<u> </u>	<u> </u>		ड	ढ	ण
Gujarati	S	δ		3	\$	ણ
Dental Khojki	V	ખ	E	૧	37	9
Transliteration	Та	tha	da ALA-LC d with diaeresis below	da	dha	na
Sindhi (Arabic)	ت	ت	ڏ، ڏ	د	ڌ	ن
Sindhi (Dev)	त	थ	द (ALA-LC)  ड (U + 097e)  (Lekhwani's CIIL publication - used for Unicode)	द	ម	न
Gujarati	ત	થ		ε	ધ	ન
Labial Khojki	પ	<b>%</b>	9)	ווד	0)	প
Transliteration	ра	pha	<ul><li>ba</li><li>ALA-LC b</li><li>diaeresis below</li></ul>	ba	bha	ma

Figure 29: A transliteration for Khojki proposed by Shafique Virani (from Virani 2008). Continued in Figure 30.

Sindhi (Arabic)		ڦ			( )	
Silidili (Alabic)	پ		<u>ب</u>	ب	ڀ	م
Sindhi (Dev)	प	फ	U+097F	ब	भ	म
			<u>ब</u>			
Gujarati	પ	ફ		બ	ભ	મ
Semivowels	007	ષ	24	ග්	9	•
Khojki			_		·	
Transliteration	ya	ra	la	ļa	va	
Sindhi (Arabic)	ي	ر	J		و	
Sindhi (Dev)	य	र	ल		व	
Gujarati	ય	ર	લ	Ŋ	વ	
Sibilants Khojki	13					
Transliteration	sa					
Sindhi (Arabic)	س					
Sindhi (Dev)	स					
Gujarati	સ					
Aspirant Khojki	3					
Transliteration	ha					
Sindhi (Arabic)	٥					
Sindhi (Dev)	ह					
Gujarati	હ					

Figure 30: A transliteration for Khojki proposed by Shafique Virani (from Virani 2008). Continued in Figure 31.

Conjuncts	<b>ર</b>	31	क्ष	K
Khojki				
Transliteration	dra <sup>5</sup>	j ña <sup>6</sup>	kṣa <sup>7</sup>	tra <sup>8</sup>
Sindhi (Arabic)				
Sindhi (Dev)				
Gujarati				
Diacritic Letters	ŵ			
Khojki				
Transliteration	sha			
Sindhi (Arabic)				
Sindhi (Dev)				
Gujarati				

transliteration, and also to have a separate character for this in Unicode.

Figure 31: A transliteration for Khojki proposed by Shafique Virani (from Virani 2008).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Characters in red are incorrectly represented in this chart.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> The International Phonetic Alphabet (IPA) has never been used, to the best of my knowledge, for transcribing Khojki, and it doesn't make sense to use it when most scholars working with the script have been using systems closer to the ALA-LC standards.

 $<sup>^3</sup>$  Asani transliterates (oddly?) as ngʻ - find out if any standard transliteration system for Sindhi uses this, or whether it's his own invention.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> TDIL recommends cha and chha, as opposed to ALA-LC ca and cha. http://tdil.mit.gov.in/. The Department of Information Technology initiated the TDIL (Technology Development for Indian Languages) with the objective of developing Information Processing Tools and Techniques to facilitate human-machine interaction without language barrier; creating and accessing multilingual knowledge resources; and integrating them to develop innovative user products and services.

 $<sup>^{5}</sup>$  Asani changes from dhra (thesis) to dra (Ecstasy), Shackle and Moir give dra (pp. 35-36)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Omitted by Shackle and Moir. Asani has it in thesis and transcribes as gn, but omits in Ecstasy.

 $<sup>^7</sup>$  This letter, in Sankrit and the NIA languages, is  $\overline{\Phi} + \overline{\Psi}$ , the latter representing the retroflex sound sha. Khojki does not have separate character to distinguish this retroflex sibilant from the more common palatal. To differentiate it, however, from a possible ka + halant + sha combination, it may be best to adopt kSa as the

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> This may have originally designated a ta sound.

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1.	Title: Final Proposal to Encode the Khojki Script in ISO/IEC 10	646					
	Requester's name: Script Encoding Initiative (SEI) / Anshuman Pandey <pandey @ur<="" td=""><td>nich.edu&gt;</td></pandey>	nich.edu>					
3.	Requester type (Member body/Liaison/Individual contribution): Liaison contribution	tion					
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6.	Choose one of the following:						
	This is a complete proposal:	Yes					
	. Technical – General						
1.	Choose one of the following:						
	a. This proposal is for a new script (set of characters):	Yes					
	Proposed name of script: Khojki						
	b. The proposal is for addition of character(s) to an existing block:						
	Name of the existing block:						
2.	Number of characters in proposal:	61					
3.	Proposed category (select one from below - see section 2.2 of P&P document):						
	A-Contemporary X B.1-Specialized (small collection) B.2-Specialized (large coll	ection)					
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	F-Archaic Hieroglyphic or Ideographic G-Obscure or questionable usage	symbols					
4.	Is a repertoire including character names provided?	Yes					
	a. If YES, are the names in accordance with the "character naming guidelines"						
	in Annex L of P&P document?	Yes					
	b. Are the character shapes attached in a legible form suitable for review?	Yes					
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	standard?						
	Anshuman Pandey						
	b. Identify the party granting a license for use of the font by the editors (include address, e-mail						
6.	References:	\					
	a. Are references (to other character sets, dictionaries, descriptive texts etc.) provided?						
	b. Are published examples of use (such as samples from newspapers, magazines, or other s of proposed characters attached? Yes	ources)					
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7.	Special encoding issues:  Does the proposal address other aspects of character data processing (if applicable) such as	innut					
	presentation, sorting, searching, indexing, transliteration etc. (if yes please enclose information						
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	ubmitters are invited to provide any additional information about Properties of the proposed Chara at will assist in correct understanding of and correct linguistic processing of the proposed charact						
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	Collation behaviour, relevance in Mark Up contexts, Compatibility equivalence and other Unicode normalization						
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#### C. Technical - Justification

Has this proposal for addition of character(s) been submitted before?	No					
If YES explain						
2. Has contact been made to members of the user community (for example: National Body,						
user groups of the script or characters, other experts, etc.)?	Yes					
If YES, with whom? Shafique Virani <shafique.virani@utoronto.ca></shafique.virani@utoronto.ca>						
Irfan Gowani < irfango@exchange.microsoft.com> If YES, available relevant documents:  See citations in text of proposal						
3. Information on the user community for the proposed characters (for example:	Voc					
size, demographics, information technology use, or publishing use) is included?	Yes					
Reference: See text of proposal.						
4. The context of use for the proposed characters (type of use; common or rare)	Common					
Reference: See text of proposal.	<u>-</u>					
5. Are the proposed characters in current use by the user community?	Yes					
If YES, where? Reference: See text of proposal.						
6. After giving due considerations to the principles in the P&P document must the proposed character	rs be entirely					
in the BMP?	No					
If YES, is a rationale provided?						
If YES, reference:						
7. Should the proposed characters be kept together in a contiguous range (rather than being scattered	ed)? Yes					
8. Can any of the proposed characters be considered a presentation form of an existing	,					
character or character sequence?	No					
If YES, is a rationale for its inclusion provided?						
If YES, reference:						
9. Can any of the proposed characters be encoded using a composed character sequence of either						
existing characters or other proposed characters?	No					
If YES, is a rationale for its inclusion provided?						
If YES, reference:						
10. Can any of the proposed character(s) be considered to be similar (in appearance or function)						
to an existing character?	Yes					
If YES, is a rationale for its inclusion provided?	Yes					
If YES, reference: See text of proposal.						
11. Does the proposal include use of combining characters and/or use of composite sequences?	Voo					
If YES, is a rationale for such use provided?	Yes Yes					
Is a list of composite sequences and their corresponding glyph images (graphic symbols) provi	aea?					
If YES, reference:	<del>-</del>					
12. Does the proposal contain characters with any special properties such as	\/aa					
control function or similar semantics?	Yes					
If YES, describe in detail (include attachment if necessary)	Virama;					
see text of proposal	<b>-</b>					
	No					
If YES, is the equivalent corresponding unified ideographic character(s) identified?						
If YES, reference:						