



Information and Communication Technology Agency of Sri Lanka

**Procurement of Sinhala and Tamil Unicode Fonts  
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The Information and Communication Technology Agency of Sri Lanka (ICTA), which functions under the purview of the Ministry of Telecommunication and Digital Infrastructure, has been addressing issues relating to enabling ICT in local languages, such as the development of relevant standards, Unicode fonts, keyboard layouts and keyboard drivers etc, in collaboration with stakeholders. ICTA intends to procure several Sinhala and Tamil working Unicode fonts that are already available, to ensure the availability of more local language Unicode fonts.

The Sinhala fonts should be clear and accurate with aesthetically correct strokes for all characters in commonly used point sizes and should include all Sinhala consonants and vowels and all combinations of consonants with vowels. The fonts should include the 12 conjunct letters and their combinations with strokes. The Sinhala fonts should conform to Level 3 in the *Sri Lanka Standard Sinhala Character Code for Information Interchange SLS 1134: 2004, Part 2, Requirements and Methods of Test*.

The Tamil fonts should be in line with the *Sri Lanka Tamil Character Code for Information Interchange, SLS 1326 : 2008* and should be clear and accurate for all characters with aesthetically correct strokes in commonly used point sizes and should include all Tamil vowels, consonants and Grantha letters. Tamil symbols encoded in the Unicode standard should be included. The two glyphs for “Shri” should be included; ஸ்ரீ and ஸ்ரீ

The license should be such that it should allow ICTA to modify the fonts and also give it out free of charge to the country-at –large under the license Creative Commons Attribution.

The decision to procure the most suitable fonts shall be based on the review and recommendation of an expert panel.

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Interested owners / developers of Sinhala and Tamil Unicode fonts are requested to submit their proposals together with the fonts in a CD to be received by the ICTA at the following address on or before July 14, 2016. Envelope containing the containing the proposal and CD, should be marked **“Procurement of Sinhala and Tamil Unicode Fonts”**

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