

Statement of Interest for the IDN Variant TLDs Issues Project

1. **Your Name:** Mahesh D. Kulkarni

2. **Current employer and position:** Associate Director and Head. Gist Research Labs.
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3. **Type of work performed:** Heading RnD in a large number of areas with reference to Indian Languages
Standardisation
Localisation

4. **Identify any financial ownership and/or senior management/leadership that are interested parties in IDN Variant TLDs related topics:**
NONE

5. **Identify any type of commercial or non-commercial interest in IDN Variant TLDs related topics. Are you representing other parties? Describe any arrangements/agreements between you and any other group, constituency or person(s) regarding your nomination/selection as a team member:**
NONE

6. **IDN Variant Case Study Team members are expected to demonstrate knowledge or expertise in aspects related to the IDN Variants. Please, identify any knowledge, expertise or experience you have that would be relevant to the work on IDN Variant TLDs Issues Project:**
Over two decades of experience in Indian Language technology and have been closely working with the Government of India for IDN ccTLD's for India

7. **Describe any tangible or intangible benefit that you receive from participation in such processes, for example, if you are an academic or NGO and use your position to advance your ability to participate, this should be a part of the statement of interest, just as should employment by an organization that has an interest in IDN Variant TLDs:**
None. Am working since the project is of national importance to the Government of India.