

## 19. Reader's feedback

Dear colleagues,

As you know, we have followed your advances over the past few years with a great deal of interest and admiration.

Here in Bolivia, we are currently engaged in a strategic exercise with the Ministry of Education to plan how to tailor our Secondary Level of Education to a wider Strategic Programme of Technological Advances, on the lines of TDIL, particularly in language technology. We are taking into account the 20 language groups in the country, and, in particular, we seek how to develop strategies to incorporate the corpus of cultural and linguistic repertoires of the 37 indigenous groups that live in Bolivia.

In this sense, we are keen to make more formal links with you through the Bolivian Ministry of Education, initially to:

- i) See and hear your own experience in this field, and to seek your advice as to how to initiate such a programme in Bolivia, initially with an educational emphasis.
- ii) We wish to know whether you have integrated secondary level learning into TDIL from the start, or at what stage you have begun to do this. At present, the plan here is to initiate a Language and Culture Institute in each main language group, but at a local level. We have to now expand on this.
- iii) Seek ways in which we might collaborate more closely in the future. For example how some 2 or 3 members of the Indigenous Unit in the Ministry (who have fluent English) might collaborate more directly in courses in India, which lay out the principles of your initiative in technological development, particularly in language technologies.

I would be most grateful if you would pass this message on to the persons responsible in TDIL.

I would also be most grateful if you would arrange to have your TDIL journal: Language Technology

Flash-Quarterly, sent directly to our colleagues in the Ministry.

Thank you so much,

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Thanking you,

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Humble Gratitude for Encouraging TDIL  
Team

Dear friends,

There is overwhelming response to the free-to-use IT tools for Hindi. R&D efforts under the TDIL program are being consolidated into user-friendly IT tools and linguistic resources. Release of these core-technologies for Indian languages will propel India from the Catch-up phase into the Competitive phase of the emerging knowledge based society of an advanced nation.

TDIL team, humbly, expresses sincere gratitude to all those who have been constantly encouraging to contribute innovatively.

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