

8. CD DISTRIBUTION PROFILE

C-DAC, GIST, Pune under the leadership of TDIL, DIT has released the CD of Software & Tools for all 22 constitutionally recognized Indian languages viz. Assamese, Bangla, Bodo, Dogri, Gujarati, Hindi, Kannada, Kashmiri, Konkani, Maithili, Manipuri, Malayalam, Marathi, Nepali, Oriya, Punjabi, Sanskrit, Santali, Sindhi, Tamil, Telugu and Urdu.

CD Distribution Mechanism

To get the free Indian Language Software & Tools CD, user need to fill a simple registration form on <http://ildc.in> or <http://ildc.gov.in> . Then CD is dispatched to users address free of cost. Apart from registration and waiting for CD, user may directly download the Tool of own interest from <http://ildc.in> or <http://ildc.gov.in>.

The popularity of these CDs is indicated by the number of CD dispatched and number of downloads. As of now about 729673 software tools and Fonts CDs have been distributed to the masses and about 42 lakh downloads have happened from the ILDC websites.



Indian Language Software Tools CD Distribution

Assamese	36968
Bangla	7021
Bodo	1760
Dogri	1851
Gujarati	29567
Hindi	118355
Kannada	45237
Kashmiri	2028
Konkani	3026
Maithili	2753
Manipuri	1998
Malayalam	53842
Marathi	70295
Nepali	2371
Oriya	34927
Punjabi	46943
Sanskrit	8993
Santali	1801
Sindhi	3001
Tamil	115203
Telugu	104656
Urdu	37077
Total	729673



Indian Language Software Tools Downloaded
from <http://ildc.in> and <http://ildc.gov.in>

Assamese	75816
Bangla	4841
Bodo	1418
Dogri	1449
Gujarati	173820
Hindi	1402415
Kannada	146583
Kashmiri	1085
Konkani	1070
Maithili	3272
Malayalam	349824
Manipuri	1208
Marathi	177797
Nepali	1935
Oriya	94100
Punjabi	82574
Sanskrit	14404
Santali	1281
Sindhi	1466
Tamil	1345590
Telugu	211523
Urdu	116337

Grand Total 4209808



Language CD Bundled with Magazines

Following the release of Free Software Tools and Fonts in all Indian languages, several Magazine and Newspapers have carried the fruits of the initiative to masses. Besides carrying news and information about release, availability and download of various CDs, they have also bundled the CDs along with the magazine issues. Centre for Development of Advanced Computing (C-DAC) has facilitated bundling of the CDs with Linux for You, Kairali magazine (Tamil, Malayalam & Hindi).

C-DAC has also been approached by other popular magazines such as PC-Quest, Data-Quest for the feasibility of bundling the Software Tools and Fonts CD with their regular issues.