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In the past decade, the Indian state of Gujarat state has flourished economically. A lot of corporations want to conduct business in Gujarat. As a result there is a growing demand for Gujarati translations.

Considered as the 26th most spoken language in the world, Gujarati is an Indo-Aryan language. Gujarati is also part of the family of the greater Indo-European languages. Spoken by around 65 million people worldwide, Gujarati is used in the Indian state of Gujarat as the main language. Gujarati also finds its speakers in the Indian Union Territories of Daman and Diu, Dadra and Nagar Haveli and various other states adjoining Gujarat such as Maharashtra, Madhya Pradesh and Rajasthan. In India, Gujarati is one of the 22 official languages, recognized by the Government of India and 14 regional languages.

Outside India, Gujarati is used widely by the Gujarati diaspora in Tanzania, Fiji, Bangladesh, South Africa, Uganda, Pakistan, Kenya, Mauritius, Oman, Singapore, the UK, Canada and the USA. Gujarati is derived from the Old Gujarati.

Native language of prominent personalities

Some of the prominent speakers of the Gujarati language include Mohandas Karamchand Gandhi regarded as the "Father of the Nation of India", Vallabhbhai Patel well known as the "Iron Man of India", Muhammad Ali Jinnah, Swami Dayananda Saraswati, J. R. D. Tata, Dhirubhai Ambani and Morarji Desai. It can be said that these notable personalities have contributed to the popularity of Gujarati language.

Script & vocabulary

The Gujarati script is derived from the Devanagari script. All consonants have an inherent vowel which can either be written as independent letters or be used as a diacritical mark which is written below, above, after or before the consonant. As far as Gujarati vocabulary is concerned, it contains various loanwords from Sanskrit, Persian, Arabic and English too.

Gujarati dialects

Just like most of the languages, Gujarati too contains various regional dialects and sub-dialects. Standard dialect which is spoken in the Ahmedabad city in Gujarat contains various sub-dialects such as Nagari, Bombay Gujarati and Patnuli. Then there is Kathiawadi dialect which is used in the Kathiawadi region of Gujarat and its subdivisions include Holadi, Sorathi, and Bhavnagari, Jhalawadi and more. Similarly Gamthi dialect includes Patani, Charotari, Gramya, Surti, Vadodari and Brathela sub-dialects. Besides there is also Parsi Gujarati which is used by Parsis living in Gujarat. Unlike Standard Gujarati, Parsi Gujarati contains various words from Persian, Arabic and Urdu language.

Every dialect differs from other dialects in terms of vocabulary, grammar and pronunciation. While some dialects have borrowed words from Persian or Arabic language; other dialects have taken words from Hindi and Portuguese.

Because of its large number of speakers, the demand for Gujarati translations is very high. Considering there are notable differences between the way Gujarati language is used in various

parts of India is different from how it is used in other countries say Kenya or the USA.

Hence it is important that you try and find a reliable translation agency be it translation Vancouver company or Montreal translation services provider where translators have outstanding linguistic backgrounds and where translations are done and proof-read by experts. Before you hand over your translation project make sure that the translator is experienced and has in-depth understanding of the Gujarati language and can provide hugest quality translations according to your target audience.

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