

Homework assigned on 19-Dec-09

a) Identify the instances of the following 5 vowel sandhis in Gita verses and also exceptions to these - where you expect a sandhi but it has not happened.

1. सवर्ण-दीर्घ-सन्धि - When अक् is followed by a सवर्ण अक् the single replacement for both the preceding and succeeding, is the सवर्ण दीर्घ (2 matras in length) अक् letter.

अकः सवर्णे दीर्घः ॥ ६.१.१०१

हिम आलय = हिमालय, गौरि इच्छति = गौरीच्छति

बाला आलय = बालालय = बालाऽऽलय = बालाऽलय

2 गुण सन्धि - When अ/आ is followed by इक् (इ,ई,उ,ऊ,ऋ,ॠ,ऌ), then the single replacement for both the preceding and the succeeding is the corresponding (गुण) Guna letter, which is determined based on the place of enunciation of the preceding and following letters.

(The letters अ, ए, ओ are called by the name *guṇa*, ऋ,ॠ become अर् & ऌ becomes अल् )

आद् गुणः ॥ ६.१.८७

हर इ = हरे , सूर्य उदय = सूर्योदय, क ऋ = कर्

3. वृद्धि सन्धि - When अ / आ is followed by एच् (ए,ओ,ऐ,औ) , then the single replacement for both the preceding and the following letter is the corresponding vrddhi (वृद्धि ) letter determined on the place of enunciation of the preceding and following letters.

वृद्धिरेचि ॥ ६.१.८८

अ ए -> ऐ, अ ओ = औ, अ ऐ = ऐ, अ औ = औ

4 . यण् सन्धि - When an इक् (इ,ई,उ,ऊ,ऋ,ॠ,ऌ) is followed by अच् (any dissimilar vowel) the letters are replaced by the corresponding यण् letter (य्,व्,र्,ल्) i.e. In the subject matter of *sandhi*, यण् is the replacement for इक् when अच् follows.

इको यणचि ॥ ६.१.७७

5. अय्-अव्-आय्-आव् or (अयाव्) सन्धि - When एच् (ए,ओ,ऐ,औ) letters are followed by अच् (any vowel) then the letter is replaced respectively by अय्-अव्-आय्-आव्. In other words: In the subject matter of sandhis, ए,ओ,ऐ and औ are replaced by अय्, अव्, आय् and आव् respectively when followed by any vowel.

एचोऽयवायावः ॥ ६.१.७८