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# Nativization of Biblical Names in Manipuri

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#### **Abstract**

The translators must leave no stone unturned in order to get across the thoughts and ideas to the TL from the SL in the process of translation. Therefore, every word, phrase, and sentence must not be left untranslated. In this paper I would like to deal not only words, phrase, and sentence but the proper nouns, especially the biblical names. In dealing with the proper nouns, a translator cannot just leave them by transliterating, otherwise it would be so unnatural and foreign to the TL audience. Nativization of those proper nouns is extremely important. So, in this paper I would like to deal with the process of nativization of biblical names by analysing and comparing the phonological and the syllabic patterns of the SL and TL.

**Keywords**: Manipuri, translation, translation, nativization, phonological pattern, syllabic pattern.

#### Introduction

The Bible in its original untranslated form is a collection of ancient writings; the New Testament in Greek, the Old Testament in Hebrew and Aramaic, spanning many cultures and more than a thousand years. The 66 books into which the Bible is divided represent "a greater variety of literary styles, e.g., historical narrative, prophecy, poetry, instructions and exhortation etc. than any other piece of literature in the history of mankind" (Snell-Hornby, et al., 1998; 275). This variety of text types makes Bible translation a hard task for the translator, especially when translating into language like Manipuri which does not have a long written literary tradition. However, the Bible is the most translated book in the world.

Manipuri is a Tibeto-Burman language. It is the predominant language and lingua franca in the south-eastern Himalayan state of Manipur, in north-eastern India. It is the official language in government offices in the state. Although the state of Manipur is small, the total population of Manipuri speaking people all over the world is 1,500,000 (one million five hundred thousand/15 lakhs). Even though Manipuri native speakers mostly reside in the state of Manipur, there are native speakers in the neighbouring north-eastern states of India, notably in Assam and Tripura. It is also spoken in some parts of Bangladesh and Myanmar.

It is said that the original Manipuri Bible was printed in 1827 at Serampore (West Bangal) and revised in 1984. However, there are many problems with the current translation particularly in the Old Testament. The translators therefore started from scratch shortly after the last edition was printed to retranslate it. At last the most awaited second version of Manipuri Bible was

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published in the year 2011 by the Bibles International. Even then there are still some flaws in this latest version.

The books of the Bible are written in a variety of literary genres. There are numerous unbridgeable gaps between two languages which a translator needs to tackle very wisely. Some of those gaps may be mentioned as *Cultural gap*, *grammatical gap*, *geographical gap*, *literary gap or linguistic gap*, etc. Thus, translating the Bible either from its original language or from English version to other languages is not an easy task. Manners and customs of the Bible are poles apart from that of ours. Since language of a speech community is interrelated to its culture, Bible is most accurately translated within its Jewish cultural context. One of the primary rules of Biblical interpretation is to understand what the original readers would have understood. This necessarily implies an awareness of the culture that would have affected that understanding. In other words, in order to understand the meaning of words from a different culture, we must understand the culture of the people using that language.

## **Focus of This Paper**

The present paper particularly seeks to deal with the change of phonological shape of a loan word, viz., proper noun (Biblical names) when it is transferred in the target language from the source language. For example, Biblical names like James, Matthew, and Eve in English are transferred into Manipuri as Jakob, Mathi, Hawa respectively. Whenever any word is taken as loan word from a source language into a target language, the word always experiences a change in its phonological shape.

# **Three Issues Relating to Nativization**

In this present paper I deal with three aspects or issues on the process of nativization of Biblical names in Manipuri. Firstly, the process of retention of the original pronunciation of the names with only slight changes; secondly, the influence of Hindi Bible in Manipuri translation; and finally, the issue of phonological gap between English and Manipuri. When it comes to translate a text a translator not only translates the meaning of the text, but the name of individuals and places has to be also transferred into the target language in the phonological pattern of the target language. For the sake of analysis for my present study, I have taken each of the first book of the Old and the New Testament of the Bible, namely Genesis and Matthew respectively.

#### **Biblical Names**

Biblical names from both OT (Genesis) and NT (Matthew) are given in Appendices 1 and 2 respectively to see how much the English Biblical names have undergone a change in their phonological shape in Manipuri.

In the above-mentioned appendices, altogether 64 Biblical names (37 Hebrew names from the Old Testament and 27 Greek names from the New Testament) have been taken and analysed. And the following table shows that in both M1 and M2 the Biblical names are transliterated more by the influence of Hindi language:

	Biblical names transliterated by the influence of Hindi in %	Biblical names transliterated by the influence of English in %	Biblical names transliterated by the influence of Hebrew/Greek	Biblical names transliterated by the overlapping influence of all the languages in
			in %	<b>%</b> 0
M1	51.56 %	46.87 %	14.06 %	14.06 %
M2	46.87 %	42.18 %	21.87 %	12.50 %

Table 1

In the above table, it is found out that in M1, 51.56 % of the Biblical names are transliterated by the influence of Hindi, 46.87 % are done by the influence of English, 14.06% are done by the influence of the original language and other 14.06 % of them are done by the influence of all the languages. And in M2, 46.87 % of the Biblical names are transliterated by the influence of Hindi, 42.18 % are done by the influence of English, 21.87 % are done by the influence of the original language and other 12.50 % of them are done by the influence of all the languages.

When it comes to translating a text, a translator translates the meaning of the text. But as far as names of individuals and of places are concerned, the translator translater according to the phonological pattern of the target language. And while transferring the sounds of the names, there is always a change in the phonological shape in the target language.

### Reason/s for the Change of Phonological Shape of Biblical Names

Why the phonological shape of the biblical names is changed when it is transferred in the process of translation?

From Appendices 1 and 2, we find that there is not even a single name that has been totally replaced by a native word/name. One or the other part is retained. But every name has undergone a change in their phonological shape. Therefore, one of the processes of nativisation of Biblical names is done by retaining the original phonological shape with just slight changes to adapt the phonological pattern of the target language. However, the degree of change varies from one to another. This variation can be discussed on the issues of *influence of the Hindi translation* and *the variation between the Manipuri phonological patterns and that of English*.

In the above given Table 1, the Biblical names are transliterated into Manipuri more by the influence of Hindi language than any other languages in both the versions of Manipuri translations, M1 and M2. The advent of Hinduism during the reign of Maharaj Garibniwaj (1709-1748 AD) brought a lot of changes in Manipuri society. And since society is so much interrelated with the language, it had a great effect in the Manipuri language also. During those times Hindu philosophies were ingrained in the heart and mind of the people that subsequently effected language they used. Therefore, the people have more affinity towards Indo-Aryan languages,

Hindi/ Bengali than the English language even today also. This, therefore, influenced the translation of the Bible into Manipuri language. Especially when it comes to introducing a new concept like Baptism, Holy Communion, etc., translators seemed to be more comfortable to do so by using Hindi/Bengali words with slight changes. This happened not only for the introduction of a new concept to the target language, i.e. Manipuri, but also while transferring the names of the individual.

The most accurate example that can be cited here is the translation of the word *Lord*. It is translated as *Prabhu* in Manipuri 1 which is very much a Hindi word. To cite some more examples from the above given list of names: Satan, Isaac, David, Ruth, Judas, Elijah, etc. These names are transliterated under the influence of Hindi language/Bible.

#### **Process of Nativisation**

Let us see the process of nativisation of Biblical names due to the variation between the Manipuri phonological patterns and those of English.

## Manipuri Phonological Parameters

Manipuri consonant system:

According to Shobhana L. Chelliah (1997), there is a set of 25 Manipuri consonantal phonemes. Out of the 25 phonemes, 15 phonemes, viz. /p, t, č, k,  $p^h$ ,  $t^h$ ,  $k^h$ , m, n,  $\mathfrak{g}$ , s, h, l, y, w/ are found to occur at the initial position of native words whereas 10 consonants, viz. /b, d, č<sup>h</sup>,  $\mathfrak{g}$ ,  $\mathfrak$ 

All the 25 Manipuri consonantal phonemes are tabulated below:

		Bilabial	Alveolar	Palatal	Velar	Laryngeal
Stops	Unaspirated	p b	t d		k g	
	Aspirated	p <sup>h</sup> b <sup>h</sup>	t <sup>h</sup> d <sup>h</sup>		k <sup>h</sup> g <sup>h</sup>	
Affricates	Unaspirated			čj		
	Aspirated			Č <sup>h</sup> j <sup>h</sup>		
Fricatives			S			h
Nasals		m	n		ŋ	
Laterals			1			
Trills (flap	)		r			
Semi-vowe	els	W		у		

**Table 2:** Table of Manipuri consonants based on Shobhana L. Chelliah (1997)

NB: Where symbols appear in pairs, the one to the right represents a voiced consonant. English language has 24 consonants and all the consonants are tabulated below:

	Bil	labi	La	bio-	De	ntal	Al	veol	Post-	Palatal	V	elar	Glottal
	a	al	de	ntal				ar	Alveol				
									ar				
Plosives/stop	p	b					t	d			k	g	
S													
Nasal		m						n				ŋ	
Fricatives			f	V	θ	ð	S	Z	∫ 3				h
Affricates									t∫ dʒ				
Central		W						r					
Approximants										j			
Lateral								1					
Approximants													

Table 3: Table of English Consonants based on Daniel Jones, 15th Edition 1997

**Note**: Where symbols appear in pairs, the one to the right represents a voiced consonant. As we compare these two tables (Tables 2 and Table 3), there is a big difference between the consonant systems of English and Manipuri. The following English consonants are not found in Manipuri: /f, v,  $\theta$ ,  $\delta$ , z,  $\int$ ,  $\zeta$ ,  $\zeta$ ,  $\zeta$ , d $\zeta$ /. However, there are some consonants that are not found in English. They are: /p $^h$ , b $^h$ , t $^h$ , d $^h$ , k $^h$ , g $^h$ ,  $\dot{c}$ ,  $\dot{c}$ ,  $\dot{c}$ 

So, when there is a name with the consonant(s) [either in the initial or middle or final position] that is not found in Manipuri, then the particular consonant(s) needs to be substituted by a consonant that is found in Manipuri.

The substitutions of English sounds to the native Manipuri sounds are discussed below:

	E.P	M.P	Gloss
$/\theta/>/t^{\rm h}/$	/0smas/	/t <sup>h</sup> oma/	"Thomas"
	/mæθju:/	/mat <sup>h</sup> t <sup>h</sup> i/	"Matthew"
	$/se\theta/$	/sait <sup>h</sup> /	"Seth"
>/t/	/ru:θ/	/rut/	"Ruth"
	/dʒeifεθ/	/j̃ap <sup>h</sup> et/	"Japheth"
/v/ > /b/	/leivi/	/leibi/	"Levi"
	/iv/	/ib/	"Eve"
	/dævid/	/dabid/	"David"
/f/ > /p/	/neftali/	/nəptali/	"Nephtali
>/p <sup>h</sup> /	/dʒeifεθ/	/j̆ap <sup>h</sup> et/	"Japheth"
	/filip/	/pʰilip/	"Philip"
$/\int/>/_{\rm S}/$	/enoʃ/	/enos/	"Enosh"
	/ʃem/	/sem/	"Shem"
$/d_3/ > /j/$	/dʒeifεθ/	/j̆ap <sup>h</sup> et/	"Japheth"
	/dʒudə/	/jihuda/	"Judah"

/dʒan/ /johan/ "John"

(Where E.P is English Pronunciation and M.P is Manipuri Pronunciation)

## Manipuri Syllabic Pattern

The syllabic pattern of Manipuri varies from that of English. This variation restricts transferring a name from English Bible into Manipuri without changing its phonological shape. The variation between syllabic patterns of Manipuri and English needs to be analysed very minutely and it is one of the most important steps for the process of nativization of Biblical names from English to Manipuri.

There are only six syllabic patterns in Manipuri whereas in English there are nine syllabic patterns as shown in the following table:

Syllabic patterns of Manipuri	Ex	amples	Syllabic patterns of English	Examples
V	i	'blood'	V	I, eye, oh!
	u	'tree'		
VC	in	'fishing net'	VC	all, up, ass
	un	'ice'		
CV	li	'cane'	CV	potato, matter,
	wa	'bamboo'		remember
CCV	kwa	'betal nut'		
CVC	mit	'eye'	CVC	come, gone, boat
	k <sup>h</sup> ut	'hand'		
CCVC	k <sup>h</sup> waŋ	'waist'	CCVC	prize, school, spin
	kwak	'crow'		
			CCCVC	scream, stream,
				screen
			CVCC	box, band, bold
			CVCCC	tents, tenths, bands
			CVCCCC	tempts, texts

**Table 4:** Comparison between the syllabic patterns of English and Manipuri

The process of nativization of Biblical names involves the transliteration of the names in the syllabic patterns in the target language. For example, the syllabic pattern of *John* is CVCC which Manipuri language does not have a CVCC syllabic pattern. Therefore, the Manipuri translator nativised *John* as /johan/ which has CVC syllabic pattern in the last syllable which Manipuri language permits. Here /dʒ/ changes into /j̄/. The Manipuri translators must have nativised it as /j̄on/ which has also CVC syllabic pattern. However, they made a very good decision in retaining the phoneme /h/ making it /j̄ohan/ since the Greek name from which the English translators adapted *John* reads as /j̄ok<sup>h</sup>anan/.

Another example that I want to analyse here is *James*. Its phonological shape is /dʒeims/. Manipuri does not have the consonant /dʒ/. Therefore, it is replaced by /j/. Moreover, its syllabic

pattern is CVCC which Manipuri language does not permit. Therefore it is nativised as /j̄akob/ because the Greek name from which English translators adapted reads as /i:akobos/.

#### Conclusion

In the original Hebrew/Greek Bible, the name of the individuals has its meaning. Every names sound a particular word which has a particular meaning. However, when the names are transferred from the source language to the target language the transliterated names do not have any meaning in the target language. Hence even if the transferring of the sound of the names of individual is possible with a slight change in the phonological shape in the target language however the transferring of the meaning is absolutely impossible. From the above analysis it is concluded that the process of nativization of Biblical names into Manipuri involves: the process of retention of the original pronunciation of the names with only slight changes; the influence of Hindi Bible in Manipuri translation; and the issue of phonological gap between English and Manipuri. And among these three processes the process of nativization by bridging the phonological gap between English and Manipuri found out to be the most important one.

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Reference	Hebrew	Gender	English	Н	Iindi	Mar	nipuri 1	Man	ipuri 2	Remarks
Gen 2:19	אָרָם ' <b>adam</b> (aw-dawm')	М	Adam	आदम	adəm	আদম	adəm	আদম	adəm	Both M1 and M2 are influenced by Hindi translation.
Gen 3:20	חֵנְהּ <b>Chavvah</b> (khav-vaw')	F	Eve	हव्वा	həwa	ইব	ib	হবা	həwa	M1 is transliterated from English whereas M2 is transliterated from Hebrew/Hindi
Gen 4:1	קין <b>Qayin</b> (kah'-yin)	М	Cain	कैन	kəin	কৈইন	kəin	কায়িন	kəjin	M1 is transliterated from Hindi/English whereas M2 is transliterated from Hebrew.
Gen 4:2	הֶבֶל <b>Hebel</b> (heh'-bel)	M	Abel	हाबिल	habil	অবেল	əbel	অবেল	əbel	Both M1 and M2 have been transliterated from English.
Gen 4:17	קוֹוֹן <b>Chanowk</b> (khan-oke')	M	Enoch	हनोक	hənok	এনোক	enok	হলোক	hənok	M1 is transliterated from English whereas M2 from Hindi.
Gen 4:25	שׁת <b>Sheth</b> (shayth)	М	Seth	शेत	set	শেখ	set <sup>h</sup>	শেখ	set <sup>h</sup>	Both M1 and M2 are transliterated from English by adopting it into Manipuri phonemic system. $\theta > t^h$
Gen 4:26	אַנוֹשׁ ' <b>Enowsh</b> (en-ohsh')	M	Enosh	एनोश	eno∫	এনোশ	enos	এনোশ	enos	Both M1 and M2 are transliterated from Hindi however the phoneme voiceless post-alveolar fricative /ʃ/ is not included in the Manipuri consonantal phoneme. /ʃ/ should have been replaced by voiceless alveolar fricative /s/. এনোশ > এনোস

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Gen 5:29	תַּוֹ <b>Noach</b> (no'-akh)	M	Noah	न्ह nuha	নোহা nohα	নোহা nohα	Both M1 and M2 are translated by the influence of Hindi
Gen 5:32	¤ <b>Shem</b> (shame)	M	Shem	शेम ∫am	শেম sem	শেম sem	Both M1 and M2 are transliterated from Hindi however the phoneme voiceless post-alveolar fricative /ʃ/ is not included in the Manipuri consonantal phoneme. /ʃ/ should have been replaced by voiceless alveolar fricative /s/.
Gen 5:32	חָהָ <b>Cham</b> (khawm)	M	Ham	हाम ham	হেম hem	হাম ham	Both M1 and M2 are translated by the influence of Hindi
Gen 5:32	יֶבֶּת <b>Yepheth</b> (yeh'-feth)	M	Japheth	येपेत yapat	যাগেখ japet <sup>h</sup>	যেকেত jap <sup>h</sup> et	M1 is transliterated by the influence of Hebrew with slight change. However M2 by the influence of Hindi.
Gen 11:26	אַבְרָם <b>'Abram</b> (ab-rawm')	M	Abram	अब्राम əbram	অব্রাম əbram	অব্রাম əbram	Both Hebrew and Hindi are same and M1 and M2 are transliterated from both.
Gen 17:5	אַבְרָהָם ' <b>Abraham</b> (ab-raw- hawm')	M	Abraham	इब्राहीम ibrahim	অব্রাহাম əbraham	অব্রাহাম əbrahɑm	Both M1 and M2 are translated by the influence of English.
Gen 11:29	שֶׂרֵי <b>Saray</b> (saw-rah'-ee)	F	Sarai	सारै sarei	সারাই Sarai	সারাই <b>S</b> arai	Both Hebrew and Hindi are same and M1 and M2 are transliterated from both.
Gen 17:15	שָׂרָה <b>Sarah</b> (saw-raw')	F	Sarah	सारा Sara	সারাহ Sarah	সারা Sara	Both Hebrew and Hindi are same and M1 and M2 are transliterated from both.

Gen 16:11	יַשְׁמָעֵאל <b>Yishma`e'l</b> (yish-maw-ale')	M	Ishmael	इश्माएल	i∫mayəl	ইসমায়েল ismayel		ইস্মায়েল ismayel	Both M1 and M2 are translated by the influence of English and Hindi; only /ʃ/ is replaced by voiceless alveolar fricative /s/.
Gen 17:19	יְצְחָק <b>Yitschaq</b> (yits-khawk');	M	Isaac	इसहाक	ishak	ইসহাক	ishak	ইসাক isak	M1 is translated by the influence of Hindi however M2 is not.
Gen 22:23	רְבְקָה <b>Ribqah</b> (rib-kaw');	F	Rebekah	रिबका	ribka	রিবেকাহ ri	i <b>bek</b> a	রেবেকা rebeka	Both M1 and M2 are translated by the influence of Hebrew with a slight change.
Gen 25:26	יַעַקּב <b>Ya`aqob</b> (yah-ak-obe');	M	Jacob	याकूब	jakub	য়াকোব j	akob	য়াকোব jakob	Both M1 and M2 are translated by the influence of Hebrew.
Gen 29:6	רָחֵל <b>Rachel</b> (raw-khale');	F	Rachel	राहेल	rahel	রাচেল r	ačel	রাহেল rahel	M1 is translated by the influence of Hebrew whereas M2 by Hindi.
Gen 29:16	לֵאָה <b>Le'ah</b> (lay- aw');	F	Leah	लिआ	liya	लिर li	h	লেয়া liya	M1 is translated by the influence of both Hindi and English whereas M2 by Hebrew.
Gen 25:25	ּ אֵשֶׁו <b> `Esav</b> (ay-sawv');	M	Esau	एसाव	esav	ইসো is	so	এসৌ esəw	M1 is influenced by English whereas M2 is influenced slightly by Hindi.
Gen 29:32	רְאוּבֵן <b>Re'uwben</b> (reh-oo-bane')	M	Reuben	रुबेन	ruben	রুবেন rı	uben	রুবেল ruben	Both M1 and M2 are translated by the influence of Hindi.

Gen 29:33	שׁמְעוֹן <b>Shim`own</b> (shim-one')	M	Simeon	शिमोन	simon	সিমেওল simeon	শিমোন simon	M1 is influenced by English whereas M2 is influenced by Hindi.
Gen 29:34	לֵנִי <b>Leviy</b> (lay-vee')	M	Levi	लेवी	levi	লেবি lebi	লেবী lebi	Both M1 and M2 are translated by the influence of Hindi as well as English.
Gen 29:35	יְהוּדָה <b>Yehuwdah</b> (yeh-hoo-daw')	M	Judah	यह्दा	yəhuda	য়হুদাহ yəhudah	যিহূদা jihuda	Both M1 and M2 are translated by the influence of Hebrew and Hindi.
Gen 14:14	דָן <b>Dan</b> (dawn)	M	Dan	दान	dan	দাৰ dan	দান dan	Both M1 and M2 are translated by the influence of Hindi.
Gen 30:8	נְפְּחָלִי <b>Naphtaliy</b> (naf-taw-lee')	M	Naphtali	नप्ताली	neptali	নপতালি nəptali	নপতালী nəptali	Both M1 and M2 are translated by the influence of Hindi.
Gen 30:11	נְּד <b>Gad</b> (gawd)	M	Gad	गाद	gad	গাদ gad	গাদ gad	Both M1 and M2 are translated by the influence of Hindi.
Gen 30:13	אָשֵׁר ' <b>Asher</b> (aw-share')	M	Asher	आशेर	aser	অশের əser	অশের əser	Both M1 and M2 are translated by the influence of Hindi.
Gen 30:18	יַשָּׁשׁכָּר <b>Yissaskar</b> (yis- saw-kawr')	M	Issachar	इस्साका	τ isakar	ইসাকার isakar	ইসাখার isak <sup>h</sup> ar	M1 is influenced by Hindi whereas M2 by English.

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Gen 30:20	זְבוּלוּן <b>Zebuwluwn</b> (zeb-oo-loon');	M	Zebulun	जबूलून jebulun	জেবুলুন jebulun	জেবুলুন jebulun	Both M1 and M2 are translated by the influence of Hindi as well as English.
Gen 30:24	יוֹמֵך <b>י Yowceph</b> (yo-safe');	M	Joseph	यूसुफ़ yusup <sup>h</sup>	য়োসেফ yosep <sup>h</sup>	যোসেফ josep <sup>h</sup>	Both M1 and M2 are translated by the influence of English.
Gen 35:18	בּנְיָמֵין <b>Binyamiyn</b> (bin-yaw- mene')	M	Benjamin	बिन्यामीन binyamin	বেঞ্জামিন benjamin	বেঞ্জামিন benjamin	Both M1 and M2 are translated by the influence of English.
Gen 30:21	דִּינָה <b>Diynah</b> (dee-naw')	F	Dinah	दीना dina	দিনাহ dinah	দীনা dina	M1 is influenced by English whereas M2 by Hindi.
Gen 41:52	אֶפְרֵיִם <b>'Ephrayim</b> (ef- rah'-yim)	M	Ephraim	एफ्रेम ep <sup>h</sup> rayəm	ইফ্রেম ip <sup>h</sup> rem	ইফ্রায়িম ip <sup>h</sup> ayim	M1 is influenced by English whereas M2 by Hebrew.
Gen 41:51	מְנַשֶּׁה <b>Menashsheh</b> (men-ash- sheh')	M	Manasseh	मनश्शे mənəsseh	মনাসেহ mənaseh	মনাসে mənase	Both M1 and M2 are translated by the influence of English.

Appendix 1: List of biblical names from the Old Testament along with their phonological shape in Hindi, Manipuri 1 and Manipuri 2

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[Manipuri 1: Manipuri version of the Bible printed in 1984; Manipuri 2: Manipuri version of the Bible printed in 2011. Hindi version that is used is *Pavithra Bible* published in 2003 by GFA Bible Society]

Reference	Greek	Gender	English	Hindi	Manipuri 1	Manipuri 2	Remarks
Mt 1:1	Δαβίδ <b>Dabid</b> (dab-eed')	M	David	दाऊद dayud	দায়ুদ dayud	দেবিদ debid	M1 is influenced by Hindi whereas M2 by English and Greek.
Mt 1:1	'Ιησοῦς <b>Iesous</b> (ee-ay-sooce')	M	Jesus	यीशु yisu	যীশু jisu	যীশু jisu	Both M1 and M2 are translated by the influence of Hindi.
Mt 1:5	Βοόζ <b>Booz</b> (bo- oz')	M	Boaz	बोअज boaj	বোয়েস boyes	বোৱাজ bowaj	M2 is translated by the influence of Hindi however M1 is not.
Mt 1:5	`Ραχάβ <b>Rhachab</b> (hrakh-ab')	F	Rahab	राहब rahəb	রাহাব rahab	রাহাব rahab	Both M1 and M2 are translated by the influence of English
Mt 1:5	Pούθ <b>Rhouth</b> (hrooth)	F	Ruth	रुत rut	রুৎ rut	রং rut	Both M1 and M2 are translated by the influence of Hindi.
Mt 1:5	'Ιεσσαί <b>Iessai</b> (es-es-sah'-ee)	M	Jesse	यिशै yisei	যিশা্য j̃isay	যেশী jesi	M2 is influenced by English whereas M1 is influenced by Hindi with a slight change.

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Mt 1:16	Μαρία <b>Maria</b> (mar-ee'-ah)	F	Mary	मरियम məriyəm	মারিয়ম mariyəm	মেরি meri	M1 is influenced by Hindi whereas M2 is influenced slightly by English.
Mt 1:16	'Ιωσήφ <b>Ioseph</b> (ee-o-safe')	M	Joseph	यूसुफ़ yusup <sup>h</sup>	যৌষফ j̃əwsəp <sup>h</sup>	যোসেফ josep <sup>h</sup>	Both M1 and M2 are translated by the influence of English.
Mt 2:1	'Ηρώδης <b>Herodes</b> (hay- ro'-dace)	M	Herod	हेरोदेस herodes	হেরোদ herod	হেরোদ herod	Both M1 and M2 are translated by the influence of English.
Mt 2:17	ʿΙερεμίας <b>Hieremias</b> (hee- er-em-ee'-as)	F	Jeremiah	यिर्मयाह yirəmyah	যিরমিয়া jirmiya	যিরেমিয়া jiramiya	Both M1 and M2 are translated by the influence of English.
Mt 3:1	'Ιωάννης <b>Ioannes</b> (ee-o- an'-nace)	M	John	यूहन्ना yuhənna	যোহান johan	যোহান johan	None of the M1 and M2 is influenced by any of the translations.
Mt 4:10	Σατανᾶς <b>Satanas</b> (satanas')	M	Satan	शैतान seitan	সৈতাৰ səitan	সৈতাৰ səitan	Both M1 and M2 are translated by the influence of Hindi.
Mt 4:18	Πέτρος <b>Petros</b> (pet'-ros)	M	Peter	पतरस pətrəs	পিতর pitər	পিতর pitər	Both M1 and M2 are translated by the influence of English.

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Mt 4:18	' Ανδρέας <b>Andreas</b> (andreh'-as)	M	Andrew	अन्द्रियास andriyas	আন্দ্ৰিয়া andriya	আন্দ্রিয়ু andriyu	M1 is influenced by Hindi and Hebrew whereas M2 is influenced by English.
Mt 4:21	Ζεβεδαῖος <b>Zebedaios</b> (dzeb-ed-ah'- yos)	M	Zebedee	जब्दी jॅəbdi	সেবেদী sebedi	জেবেদি jebedi	Both M1 and M2 are translated by the influence of English.
Mt 4:21	'Ιάκωβος <b>Iakobos</b> (ee- ak'-o-bos)	M	James	याकूब yakub	যাকোব jakob	যাকোব jakob	Both M1 and M2 are translated by the influence of English.
Mt 9:9	Ματθαῖος  Maththaios (math-thah'- yos) or  Matthaios (mat-thah'-yos)	M	Matthew	मती mətti	মাখি mat <sup>h</sup> t <sup>h</sup> i	মাত্থি mat <sup>h</sup> t <sup>h</sup> i	Both M1 and M2 are translated by the influence of Hindi.
Mt 10:3	Φίλιππος <b>Philippos</b> (fil'-ip-pos)	M	Philip	फ़िलिप्पुस p <sup>h</sup> ilippus	ফিলিপ p <sup>h</sup> ilip	ফিলিপ p <sup>h</sup> ilip	Both M1 and M2 are translated by the influence of English.
Mt 10:3	Βαργολομαῖος <b>Bartholomaios</b> (bar-thol-om-ah'-yos)	M	Bartholomew	बरतुल्मै bərtulmei	বার্খোলোম্য bart <sup>h</sup> oloməy	বর্খোলোমী bart <sup>h</sup> olomi	Both M1 and M2 are translated by the influence of English.

Mt 10:3	θωμᾶς <b>Thomas</b> (tho-mas')	M	Thomas	थोमा t <sup>h</sup> oma	থোমা t <sup>h</sup> oma	খোমাস t <sup>h</sup> omas	M1 is influenced by Hindi whereas M2 is influenced by English and Greek.
Mt 10:3	Θαδδαῖος <b>Thaddaios</b> (thad-dah'-yos)	M	Thaddaeus	तद्दै təddei	খাদ্দিয়া t <sup>h</sup> addiya	থাদিয়াস t <sup>h</sup> addiyas	Both M1 and M2 are translated by the influence of English.
Mt 10:4	'Ιουδάς <b>Ioudas</b> (ee-oo-das')	M	Judas	यह्दा yəhuda	যিহূদা jihuda	যিহূদা jihuda	Both M1 and M2 are translated by the influence of Hindi.
Mt 14:3	ʿ Ηρωδιάς <b>Herodias</b> (hay- ro-dee-as')	M	Herodias	हेरोदियास herodias	হেরোদিয়া herodiya	হেরোদি <u>য়া</u> herodiya	Both M1 and M2 are translated by the influence of Greek, English and Hindi but a slight change.
Mt 16:14	'Ηλίας <b>Helias</b> (hay-lee'-as)	M	Elijah	एलिय्याह eliyyah	এলিয়া eliya	এলিজা elija	M1 is influenced by Hindi whereas M2 is not.
Mt 26:3	Καϊάφας <b>Kaiaphas</b> (kah-ee-af-as)	M	Caiaphas	काइफ़ा kaip <sup>h</sup> a	কায়াফা kayap <sup>h</sup> a	কা্যাফা kayap <sup>h</sup> a	Both M1 and M2 are translated by the influence of Hindi.
Mt 27:2	πιλάτος <b>Pilatos</b> (pil-at'-os)	M	Pilate	पिलातुस pilatus	शीला९ pilat	পিলাৎ pilat	Both M1 and M2 are translated by the influence of English.
Mt 27:16	Βαραββᾶς <b>Barabbas</b> (bar- ab-bas')	M	Barabbas	बरअब्बा bərabba	বারাবা baraba	বারাবাস barabas	M1 is influenced by Hindi whereas M2 is influenced by English and Greek.

Appendix 2: List of biblical names from the New Testament along with their phonological shape in Hindi, Manipuri 1 and Manipuri 2

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