

Comments received for
ISO 639-3 Change Request
2019-024

Outcome: Rejected
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Registration Authority decision on Change Request no. 2019-024: to deprecate the code element [ktq] for Katabaga.

The request to deprecate the code [ktq] for Katabaga is rejected. After posting the request for comments, a letter was received from Louward Allen Zubiri (Department of Linguistics, University of the Philippines), citing the Katabagan people's request for their aboriginal lands in the Philippines. It includes some words of Katabaga remembered by the people of the community in their ancestral language, and shows that they are likely in the same linguistic subgroup with Manide [abd] and Inagta Alabat [dul]. The application for the ancestral domain was granted by the government in 2015. Because there is some data to show the likely existence of Katabaga as a language, the request to deprecate the code as nonexistent is rejected.

Email on Katabagan

I would like to request a change for Katabagan (ISO 639-3: ktq), currently unattested in the current edition of the Ethnologue to DORMANT status.

It is the language name and name of the Aeta community in the municipality of Catanauan, Quezon Province, Philippines. The label Aeta is a misnomer and is most likely due to nearby Tagalog communities. The core community is composed of 670 individuals and they have an ancestral domain title (R04-CAT-1115-191) for some barangays in Catanauan. They have all shifted to Tagalog and some elders have retained a wisp memory of only a few lexical items. Ex situ families can also be found in the nearby towns in the Bondoc Peninsula such as Mulanay and some other towns in Southern Quezon such as Gumaca, Lopez, and Alabat.

A preliminary lexical analysis places Katabagan to be likely within the group of Manide (ISO 639-3: abd) and Inagta Alabat (ISO 639-3: dul).

MANY

Inagta Alabat maubya

Manide kaulaan

Katabagan duyaan

RAIN

Inagta Alabat gemes

Manide gemes

Katabagan games

TOMORROW

Inagta Alabat gumaak

Manide gumaak

Katabagan gumaak

TO GO

Inagta Alabat pataun

Manide pataun

Katabagan pataun

I'm not sure though why Umiray Dumaget is subgrouped with these three languages but since both Inagta Alabat and Manide are placed in that group, so should Katabagan.

Language Classification: Austronesian > MP > GCP > Umiray Dumaget

The lexical data came from their application for an ancestral domain title and the title was granted in 2015.

I hope to hear back from you. Thank you very much.

Regards,

Louward Allen Zubiri