

AWADHĪ SKELETON GRAMMAR.

I.—NOUNS.

Three forms.	Short. ghor, a horse, nāri, a woman,	Long. ghor <sup>wa</sup> , nāriyā.	Redundant. ghorasū. nāriwā.
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Declension.

Sing.	Nom.	ghor <sup>wa</sup> , a horse,	ghar, a house.	nāri, a woman.
	Obl.	ghor <sup>wa</sup>	{ ghar gharaki, gharai, gharē.	nāri. nārihi.
Plur.	Nom.	{ ghor <sup>wa</sup> . ghor <sup>was</sup> .	{ ghar <sup>na</sup> . gharan.	{ nārin. nārin.
	Obl.	ghor <sup>was</sup> .	gharan.	nārin.

Postpositions.  
kā, kē, ka, to, also denotes accusative;  
barē, for.  
sē, sēni, son, from, by.  
kē, kar, ke, of; obl. kē; fem. kēi.  
mē, ma, in.  
pā, on.

An instrumental singular is formed in an, as bhūkhan, by hunger.

Adjectives change for gender. Thus āpan, own, fem. āpani; ais, such, aisi; ō-kar, his, ō-kari. The change is, however, frequently neglected.

II.—PRONOUNS.

	I.	Thou.	Your honour.	This.	That.	Who	That.	Who ?	
Sing.	Nom.	maī.	taī, tē.	āpu.	i, yā.	ā, wai.	{ jē, juwan. jawn.	sē, tawan. tawn.	kē, kawn. kawn.
	Obl.	mō.	tō.	āpu.	ē, eh, ehi.	ō, oh, ohi.	jē.	tē.	kē.
	Gen.	mō.	tō.	...	ē-kar (obl. e <sup>k</sup> rē)	ō-kar (obl. o <sup>k</sup> rē)	jē-kar (obl. je-k <sup>r</sup> rē)	tē-kar (obl. te-k <sup>r</sup> rē)	kē-kar (obl. ke-k <sup>r</sup> rē)
Plur.	Nom.	ham.	tum.	āp.	in, ē.	on, un, ō.	jē.	tē.	kē.
	Obl.	{ ham. ham <sup>r</sup> rē.	tum. tum <sup>r</sup> rē. tumār (obl. tum <sup>r</sup> rē.)	{ āp. āp.	in.	on, un.	{ jen. jenk.	ten. tenā.	kē. ken. kenā.
	Gen.	hamār (obl. ham <sup>r</sup> rē)	tumār (obl. tum <sup>r</sup> rē.) tohar (obl. toh <sup>r</sup> rē)	āp-kar.	in-kar (obl. in-k <sup>r</sup> rē)	on-kar, (obl. on-k <sup>r</sup> rē)	jen-kar (obl. jen-k <sup>r</sup> rē)	ten-kar (obl. ten-k <sup>r</sup> rē)	ken-kar (obl. ken-k <sup>r</sup> rē)

(Ehi is often spelt yahi, and ohi wahi.)  
What ? is kā, kāw; obl. kayi, kai, kēhe.  
Any-one, some one, is kēh, kēū, keū, kaunō, kaw<sup>n</sup>nan; obl. kēū or kēhū.  
Anything, something, is kuchh. Āpu is 'self'; 'own' is āpan, obl. ap<sup>n</sup>nē.

III.—VERBS. A. Auxiliary Verbs, and Verbs Substantive.

Present, I am, etc.

FORM I.				FORM II.				
SING.		PLUR.		SING.		PLUR.		
Masc.	Fem.	Masc.	Fem.	Masc.	Fem.	Masc.	Fem.	
1	bātyē.	bātyē.	bāṭi.	bāṭin.	ahē.	ahī.	ahi.	ahin.
2	{ bāṭē, bāṭan. bāṭes, bāṭ.	{ bāṭis.	{ bāṭew. bāṭyō. bāṭyē.	{ bāṭiw.	{ ahē. ahas, ahasi. ahas.	{ ahis.	{ ahew. ahyō, aha. ahē.	{ ahin.
3	bāṭai, bāṭai.	bāṭai.	bāṭē.	bāṭē.	ā, ahai, kai, āy.	ahai.	{ ahē. ahē.	{ ahē.

Past, I was, etc.

SING.		PLUR.	
Masc.	Fem.	Masc.	Fem.
1	rahe.	rahi.	{ rahē. rahē.
2	{ rahes. rahis.	{ rahis.	{ rahew. rahē.
3	{ rahes. rahis.	{ rahis.	{ rahen. rahin. rahē, rahai.

**B. Finite Verb. Transitive.**

Infinitive.	<i>dēkhab.</i>
Pres. Part. Act.	<i>dēkhat ; dēkhit, dekh'ā.</i>
Past. Part. Pass.	<i>dēkha.</i>
Fut. Part. Pass.	<i>dēkhab.</i>
Conjunctive Participle.	<i>dēkh-hī,-ke.</i>

Throughout the verb (including the tenses formed from the Past Participle), the Active construction is used.

Pres. Conj. (if) I see, etc.		Imperative, see thou, etc.	Future, I shall see, etc.		
Sing.	Plur.		Sing.	Plur.	
1	<i>dēkhaū.</i>	<i>dēkhi.</i>	2 sg. <i>dēkh, dēkhas.</i>	1 <i>dekh'ā.</i>	<i>dēkhab.</i>
2	{ <i>dēkh.</i> <i>dēkhas.</i>	{ <i>dēkhaū.</i> <i>dēkhab.</i>	} 2. plur. <i>dēkhā, dēkhas, dēkhab.</i>	2 { <i>dēkh'ā.</i> <i>dēkh'ās.</i>	} <i>dēkh'ās.</i>
3	<i>dēkhaī.</i>	<i>dēkhaī.</i>		3 <i>dēkhē, dekhisai.</i>	

Past, I saw, etc.				Past Conditioned (If) I had seen, etc.				
Sing.		Plur.		Sing.		Plur.		
Masc.	Fem.	Masc.	Fem.	Masc.	Fem.	Masc.	Fem.	
1	<i>dēkhaū.</i>	<i>dēkhiū.</i>	{ <i>dēkhā, dēkhas, dēkhen.</i>	<i>dēkhī.</i>	<i>dēkhi.</i>	<i>dēkhit.</i>	<i>dēkhit.</i>	
2	{ <i>dēkhas.</i> <i>dēkhis.</i>	{ <i>dēkhiū.</i> <i>dēkhiī.</i>	{ <i>dēkha.</i> <i>dēkhā.</i>	} <i>dēkhī.</i>	{ <i>dēkh'tā.</i> <i>dēkh'tis.</i>	} <i>dēkh'tis.</i>	{ <i>dēkh'taha.</i> <i>dēkh'tou.</i>	} <i>dēkh'tin.</i>
3	{ <i>dēkhas.</i> <i>dēkhis, dēkhisī.</i> <i>dēkhai.</i>	{ <i>dēkhi.</i> <i>dēkhisī.</i>	{ <i>dēkhen.</i> <i>dēkhin.</i> <i>dēkhā, dēkhaī.</i>		} <i>dēkhī.</i>		} <i>dēkhat.</i>	

Present, I see, etc. *dēkhat ahaū.*, etc. ; Imperfect, I was seeing, *dēkhat rāhaū.*, etc.

Perfect, I have seen, etc.

Sing.		Plur.		
Masc.	Fem.	Masc.	Fem.	
1	<i>dēkhaū-haū.</i>	<i>dēkhiū-haū.</i>	<i>dēkha-ahī.</i>	<i>dēkhi-ahī.</i>
2	{ <i>dēkhas-hai.</i> <i>dēkhis-hai.</i>	{ <i>dēkhi-hai.</i> <i>dēkhisī-hai.</i>	} <i>dēkha-haī.</i>	<i>dēkhi-haī.</i>
3	{ <i>dēkhas-hai.</i> <i>dēkhis-hai.</i>	{ <i>dēkhi-hai.</i> <i>dēkhisī-hai.</i>		
			<i>dēkhis-haī.</i>	

In the case of Intransitive Verbs, the Past is conjugated like *rāhaū.*

**Irregular Verbs.** The Past Participle of *jāb*, to go, is *ga, gā, gai* or *gay* (fem. *gai*) or *gawā* (fem. *gai*). That of *lāb*, to become is *bā, bhā, bhay* or *bhai* (fem. *bhai*), or *bhawā* (fem. *bhai*). Those of *karāb*, to do ; *dēb*, to give, and *lāb*, to take, etc., are *kīnā, dīnā,* and *līnā*, respectively. The Past of these verbs may also be *kīnis, he gave ; dīnis, he gave ; and līnis, he took, respectively.*

Verbs whose roots end in vowels generally take *w* not *y* as the junction letter. Thus, *banāwā*, not *banāyā*, made ; *āb* to come has its past *āy*, he came. Verbs whose roots end in *ā*, often form the past in *ā*, as in *dayā*, he felt pity ; *visiā*, he was angry.

In other respects, the grammar closely follows Standard Hindi.

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