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USEFUL PHRASES

TERM	FIJIAN	ENGLISH	FIJI-HINDI	ENGLISH
Greeting	Bula	Hello	Namaste	Hello (formal)
	Yadra	Good morning	Kaise (he)	How are you? (informal)
Response to Greeting	Bula	Hello	Namaste	Hello
	Yadra	Good morning	Thik hai	Fine
Appreciation	Vinaka (vakalevu)	Thank you (very much)	Acha	Thank you
Apology	Vosoti au Tilou/jilou	I'm sorry	Maf karo	Forgive me
Farewell	Moce	Goodbye	Acha Fir milega	Goodbye We'll meet again

Adapted from [Cultural Etiquette in the Pacific, 2020](#)

OFFICIAL LANGUAGES

English, Vosa Vakaviti (Fijian),
Fiji Hindi

OTHER LANGUAGES

- Rotuman
- Banaban
- Urdu
- Fiji Sign Language
- Chinese
- Vaitupu (Tuvaluan)

VIDEOS

<https://www.spc.int/tok-pasifika>



LANGUAGE FACT

Fiji Hindi contains words from Hindi, Urdu and Tamil as well as English and Fijian. Fijian (Vosa Vakaviti or the Bau dialect) has 23 letters of the Latin script with no h, x or z.

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LANGUAGE SERVICE PROVIDERS

<https://www.spc.int/tok-pasifika/registry>

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