1. Record Nr. UNINA9910788812603321 Autore David Anne Boyle Titolo Descriptive grammar of Bangla / / Anne Boyle David; edited by Thomas J. Conners, Dustin A. Chacon Pubbl/distr/stampa Berlin, [Germany]:,: De Gruyter Mouton,, 2015 ©2015 **ISBN** 1-5015-0083-X 1-61451-229-9 Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (354 p.) Collana Mouton-CASL Grammar Series; Volume 2 Disciplina 491.445 Soggetti Bengali language - Grammar Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Note generali Description based upon print version of record. Includes bibliographical references and index. Nota di bibliografia Front matter -- Foreword -- Series Editors' Preface -- Preface --Nota di contenuto Contents -- List of Figures. List of Tables -- 1 About this Grammar --2 The Bangla Language -- 3 Phonology and Orthography -- 4 Bangla as a South Asian Language -- 5 Nouns -- 6 Pronouns and Other Proforms -- 7 Noun Modifiers -- 8 Other Word Classes and Processes -- 9 Verbs -- 10 Syntax / Conners, Thomas J. / Chacón, Dustin A. --References Cited -- A The Digital Grammar / Maxwell, Michael / Conners. Thomas / Boyle David. Anne -- B Unicode Representation --Index Sommario/riassunto Bangla is spoken as the majority language in Bangladesh and the state of West Bengal in India, and as a minority language in several other Indian states. With almost 200 million native speakers, it ranks among the top ten languages in the world in number of speakers. Based on both primary and secondary materials, the CASL Bangla grammar provides comprehensive coverage of the phonology, orthography, morphology, and syntax of Bangla. Plentiful examples of naturallyoccurring sentences provide native orthography, Romanization, and morpheme-by-morpheme glossing along with free translations. Unlike many Romanizations of Bangla, our system eschews Sanskritic

influence and instead reflects actual Bangla phonology. We also offer comparative information of use to linguists, highlighting features of

Bangla shared with the South Asian sprachbund, such as light verb constructions, as well as those that differentiate Bangla from its Indo-Aryan relatives; for example, its unique NP structure. Written in an accessible style from a theory-neutral perspective, this work will be of use to linguistic researchers, language scholars, and students of Bangla. A formal grammar focusing on the morphology is an available companion work.