

Grammatical Feature: {Genitive 1st and 2nd person singular}

The genitive is an adnominal case whose core function is to mark a nominal whose referent (possessor) is connected by a possessive relation to the individual expressed by the phrase within which the genitive phrase is embedded (possessum) (Lander 2008: 581). Hence genitive construction is a kind of possessive construction. For example, in the standard Marathi sentence, *hi maj^{hi} baṭli ahe* (this I-of bottle is ‘This is my bottle’) the inflection [-j^h-] marks the possessive relation between the possessor *mi* ‘I’ and the possessum *baṭli* ‘bottle’.

1.0 Grammatical variation in marking the {Genitive 1st and 2nd person singular}

Four variant forms were observed in the various regional dialects of Marathi for indicating the genitive function of 1st and 2nd person singular possessors: (1) [-j/j^h/j̃/j̃^h-], (2) [Oblique form of possessor adnominal], (3) [-l-], (4) [-n-]. The geographical distribution and examples of the variant forms are given below.

1.1 Variant 1: [-j/j^h/j̃/j̃^h-]

The variant [-j/j^h/j̃/j̃^h-] indicates the genitive function of 1st and 2nd person singular possessors in all the sampled districts in the state of Maharashtra.

1.1.1 Example (District Latur, taluka Latur, village Tandulja, M45, Mang, 12th)

माझे सद्याचे छंद काय नाही

maj^{he} sadyače č^hənd kay nahi

ma-^j^h-e sadya-č-e č^hənd kay nahi

I.OBL-GEN-3PL current-GEN-3PL hobby.PL what NEG

Currently I don't have any hobbies.

1.2 Variant 2: [Oblique form of the possessor adnominal]

The oblique form of the first or second person possessor pronominal form is used as the genitive. The vowel (ə/a/i/o) following the genitive agrees with the gender of the possessed adnominal. This variant was noted in twenty-six of the 34 districts in the state of Maharashtra sampled for the SDML. The geographical spread of this variant and examples are given below:



District	Taluka and Village
Chandrapur	Chandrapur - Chaknimbala and Datala, Rajura - Kadholi (Budruk) and Koshtala, Brahmapuri - Torgaon (Budruk)
Gadchiroli	Gadchiroli - Khursa and Shioni
Gondia	Gondia - Tedhwa
Bhandara	Bhandara - Dhargaon and Mujbi, Tumsar - Lobhi
Nagpur	Nagpur - Yerla and Sonegaon (Lodhi), Bhiwapur - Botezari, Ramtek - Karwahi and Bhojapur, Narkhed - Umri and Pandhari
Wardha	Ashti - Khadka and Thar, Selu - Wadgaon Jangli
Yavatmal	Ghatanji - Khapri and Kurli, Ner - Kolura and Dagad Dhanora
Amravati	Amravati - Malkapur, Daryapur - Bhambora, Jitapur and Bhamod, Dharni - Kawdaziri
Akola	Akola - Yeota
Washim	Washim - Shirputi, Risod - Ghonsar, Karanja - Girda and Donad (Budruk)
Buldhana	Buldhana - Palaskhed Bhat and Warwand, Jalgaon-Jamod - Wadgaon Patan and Nimkarad, Shegaon - Shirajgaon (Nile) and Padsul
Hingoli	Hingoli - Karwadi
Nanded	Nanded - Limbgaon and Pangri, Kinwat - Maregaon (Khalche), Deglur - Ramtapur
Parbhani	Palam - Kapsi, Sonpeth - Tiwthana, Parbhani - Takalgavhan
Beed	Beed - Budukwadi
Jalna	Jalna - Dhawedi, Mantha - Uswad and Talni
Aurangabad	Aurangabad - Pimpalkhunta, Paithan - Pachod (Budruk), Soegaon - Ghosla and Palaskheda
Ahmednagar	Akole - Brahmanwad and Dongargaon, Newasa - Khalalpimpri and Morgavhan, Ahmednagar - Kamargaon and Narayan Doho, Jamkhed - Sawargaon
Pune	Haveli - Kesnand, Mulshi - Nive, Junnar - Bori (Budruk) and Dhamankhel
Jalgaon	Jalgaon - Dhamangaon and Wadli, Jamner - Wakod and Waghari, Raver - Nirul and Mangalwadi, Chalisgaon - Hatle and Dahiwad, Chopda - Tandalwadi
Dhule	Dhule - Songir and Khede, Shirpur - Ambe and Boradi

Nandurbar	Nandurbar - Ghotane, Shahada - Prakasha
Nashik	Malegaon - Kalwadi and Kaulane (GA), Nashik - Palase, Surgana - Kathipadaa, Triambakeshwar - Zarwad (Khurd), Yeola - Bokte
Palghar	Vasai - Wagholi, Kalamb and Nirmal, Dahanu - Bordi, Jawhar - Hateri, Mokhada - Karegaon
Raigad	Karjat - Salokh, Roha - Nagothane
Kolhapur	Chandgad - Chandgad

1.2.1 Example (District Nagpur, taluka Bhiwapur, village Botejhari, F70, Khaire Kunbi, Illiterate)

माइ तब्बेत ठिक होती नाइ म्हनुन मी यात्रेला गेलो नाइ

mai tæbbet t̪hik hoti nai mʰənun mi yatrela gelo nai

ma-i tæbbet t̪hik hot-i nai mʰənun mi yat-re-la ge-l-o nai

I.OBL-GEN.3SGF health.3SGF ok be.PST-3SGF NEG therefore I
festival.OBL-LOC go-PFV-1SG NEG

I did not go to the festival because my health was not good.

1.2.2 Example (District Nagpur, taluka Narkhed, village Pandhri, F70, OBC, Illiterate)

येम्पीची बॉडर मा वावरापासून तिकडे आय

yempiči bōḍər ma wawrapasun tikḍe ay

yempi-č-i bōḍər ma wawra-pas-un tikḍe ay

M.P.-GEN-3SGF border I.OBL.GEN.OBL farm.OBL-PP.LOC-ABL there
be.PRS

The Madhya Pradesh border is in that direction of my farm.

1.2.3 Example (District Yavatmal, taluka Ghatanji, village Khapri, F18, Buddhist, F.Y.)

तुया बापाची ज़ागा आय का

tuya bapači jagā ay ka

tu.a bap-a-č-i jagā ay ka

you.OBL.GEN.OBL father-OBL-GEN-3SGF place.3SGF be.PRS what

Is this your father's place? (Does your father own this place?)



1.2.4 Example (District Hingoli, taluka Hingoli, village Karwadi, M61, Maratha, 4th)

मी म्हनलं तुइ इच्छा नाइ ना नको फवारू

mi m^hənlə tui ič^ha nai na nəko p^həwaru

mi m^hən-l-ə tu-i ič^ha nai na nəko p^həwar-u

I say-PFV-3SGN you-GEN.3SGF wish.3SGF NEG DM PROH spray-NON.FIN

I said, “Don't spray if you don't want to.”

1.2.5 Example (District Pune, taluka Haveli, village Kesnand, F50, Maratha, 5th)

मायं लग्नं चौऱ्यांशीला झालं

mayə ləgnə cəuryanšila j^halə

ma-ə ləgnə cəuryanši-la j^ha-l-ə

I.OBL-GEN.3SGN marriage.3SGN eighty-four-LOC happen-PFV-3SGN

I got married in 1984.

1.2.6 Example (District Beed, taluka Beed, village Bedukwadi, M46, Maratha, 9th)

हा हितत्र झाला ना बाई मा जन्म

ha hitəc j^hala na bai ma jənmə

ha hitə-c j^ha-l-a na bai ma jənmə

yes here-EMPH happen-PFV-3SGM DM VOC I.OBL.GEN.3SGM birth.3SGM

Yes, I was born here.

1.3 Variant 3: [-l-]

The variant [-l-] marks the genitive function of the first or second person singular pronominal possessor in nine of the sampled 34 districts in the state of Maharashtra. The geographical spread of this variant and examples are given below:

District **Taluka and Village**

Amravati Warud - Gadegaon



Washim	Risod - Ghonsar
Buldhana	Buldhan - Palaskhed Bhat and Warwand, Shegaon - Shirajgaon (Nile)
Hingoli	Hingoli - Karwadi, Kalamnuri - Morwad
Jalna	Jalna - Dhawedi
Aurangabad	Aurangabad - Pimpalkhunta
Beed	Beed - Bedukwadi, Shirur-Kasar - Takalwadi
Ahmednagar	Ahmednagar - Kamargaon and Narayan Doho, Newasa - Morgavhan and Khalalpimpri, Jamkhed - Jawalke
Pune	Junnar - Dhamankhel

1.3.1 Example (District Jalna, taluka Jalna, village Dhawedi, F65, Maratha, Illiterate)

आता सद्द्या मपलं एक पोरगं शाळेतए

ata səddya məplə ek porgə šəlete

ata səddya məp-l-ə ek porgə šəle-t e

now currently I.OBL-GEN-3SGN one child.3SGN school.OBL-LOC be.PRS

Now one of my children is in school.

1.4 Variant 4: [-n-]

The variant [-n-] marks the genitive function of the first or second person singular pronominal possessor in six of the sampled 34 districts in the state of Maharashtra. The geographical and social spread of this variant and examples are given below:

District	Taluka and Village
Jalgaon	Jalgaon - Dhamngaon and Wadli, Raver - Mangalwadi, Chalisgaon - Hatle and Dahiwad, Chopda - Tandalwadi
Dhule	Dhule - Laling, Songir, Khede and Khordad, Shirpur- Ambe, Shingave and Boradi, Sakri - Dighave and Dhadne
Nandurbar	Nandurbar - Ghotane and Dhanora, Navapur - Khandbara and Chinchpada, Shahada - Prakasha and Shahada
Nashik	Malegaon - Kalwadi and Kaulane (GA), Surgana - Kathipada, Satana - Daregaon



Palghar Dahanu - Veti (Katkari community)
Raigad Karjat - Salokh (Katkari), Roha - Chinchwali (Katkari),
Mahad - Bheloshi (Katkari)

1.4.1 Example (District Dhule, taluka Dhule, village Khordad, M68, Kunbi Patil, 8th)

जन्म मना आठे खोरदडले

ǰənmə mənə aṭʰe kʰordəd̪le

ǰənmə mə-n-a aṭʰe kʰordəd̪-le

born.3SGM I.OBL-GEN-3SGM here Khordad-LOC

I was born in Khordad.

Reference

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