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**Part 4 : Preparing for field work**

1. My language is *Urdu* and my speaker is *Saba Gul*, who is a friend studying at MIT.
2. Urdu is the national language of Pakistan and the native language of roughly 70 millions people. Urdu is an Indo-Aryan language of the Indo-Iranian branch of the Indo-European family. Like Hindi, Urdu is a standardized register of Hindustani, but, unlike Hindi, Urdu draws its vocabulary more heavily from Persian than Sanskrit and is written in the Nastaliq Perso-Arabic script.