Hero stone at Basinikoṇḍa

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〈1〉 (sva)sti śrī l̤ōṅkuḷa[ca. 3*]〈2〉 [ca. 1*]l̤ki kumbandukala celvu[ca. 3*]〈3〉 [ca. 1*](ppa)na (ve)ggeḍaḷ ādityana〈4〉 prabhugaḷa gōṣṭi (bi)rakayi(lō)〈5〉 [ca. 2*]vikramarāmanamaḷuvakkadhū〈6〉(r)ttaN A[ca. 1*]nabaladakaya l̤ō〈7〉ṅkuḷaprākara[ca. 1*]mavumuḍuvuka〈8〉yyaṁbuḷōna Ēnugu taṇki〈9〉 poḍici paḍiye(N)

Commentary

The text follows the edition of J. Ramayya Pantulu in 1948, p. 338, № 623 in absence of a picture. The dots used in the edition to indicate lost or unintelligible characters can not clearly be attributed to a certain quantity of characters (one dot may indicate one or more lost or unintelligible characters). Sastri gives a summary of the content:

> Sastri 1969, p. 337, № 77
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> The inscription refers to the l̤ōṅkuḷa family, and a discussion (goṣṭhi) between the minister Āditya, and the king. States that a certain person

attacked an elephant in the battle of Mavumaḍuvu (i.e. Mudumaḍuvu), and having fought with it fell.

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The inscription was noted in A. R. No. 294 of 1905 and first published by J. Ramayya Pantulu in 1948, p. 338, № 623 with few metadata and without translation. K. M. Sastry 1969, p. 337 provides a short summary while relying on J. Ramayya Pantulu's edition.

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