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HP Labs develops gesture-based keyboard:

Researchers at HP Labs India have developed a gesture-based keyboard (GKB), a pen-based technology that the company said is a path-breaking innovation that could revolutionise communication in Indian scripts. Executives of HP, a technology solutions provider to consumers, businesses and institutions globally, said the technology could potentially open up the power of computing to vast numbers of new users, all in their own language and without prior knowledge of English or typing. "The gesture-based keyboard can help bridge the digital divide by simplifying the use of it," said Dick Lampman, HP senior vice-president, research and director, HP Labs, at a news conference. Company executives said GKB also holds the potential for Indic languages derived from the Devanagari and Tamil scripts to be used in a similar manner. That could benefit more than 1.5 billion non-English speaking people and other phonetic script users. FTI