

OMAYITYO NOMUNYOLELO GWOKATUNGITHI ‘BANTU’ MOSHIWAMBO

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Abstract

This paper examines the meanings of the morpheme ‘Bantu’ and the reasons why authors write it differently in the Oshiwambo language. The paper further analyses the morphological and phonological changes that occur during borrowing the morpheme ‘Bantu’, investigates noun classes in which it is found, as well as its orthography in the Oshiwambo language. The study adopts the Natural Generative Phonology (NGP) theory, as proposed by Hooper (1976), along with Word Formation theory and the Use Theory of Meaning (UTM), as its theoretical framework. This study adopted a qualitative approach, and data were collected through documented texts, text analysis, daily texts and utterances. After the analysis and interpretation of data, it has become evident that the morpheme ‘Bantu’ is a polysemic word in the Oshiwambo language. Data reveals that the author’s level of education, knowledge of other languages, geographical location, meaning and the noun class in which the author allocates the morpheme ‘Bantu’ are the reasons authors write it differently in Oshiwambo. The finding reveals that the morpheme ‘Bantu’ undergoes various morphological and phonological changes such as prefixation, nasalisation, free variation and modern trend to be integrated into the Oshiwambo speech system. Furthermore, it has been found that the orthography of the morpheme ‘Bantu’ in the Oshiwambo language is: Mbantu, Mbanhu, Banhu, Bantu, Aambantu, Ovambanhu, Aambanhuaabantu, or Ovabantu, and Oshimbantu, Oshimbanhu, Otshimbanhu, or Oshibantu. These words are in Oshiwambo noun class 1.a., 2 and 7 respectively (cf. Oshiwambo 18 noun classes). Teachers, lecturers, learners, students, authors, journalists, and lexicographers could utilise knowledge acquired through this study.

Keywords: Bantu, phonology, morphology, meanings, language, dialects, Oshiwambo, orthography

Engongo

Ombapila ndjika oya lalakanene okwiilonga omayito gokatungithi ‘Bantu’ nokukonakona omatompelo kutya omolwashike aanyoli haye ka nyola sha yooloka mElaka lyOshiwambo. Ombapila oya sinasina wo omalunduluko gopamofolohi nopafonolohi ngoka ga holoka mokuhehela okatungithi ‘Bantu’ mElaka lyOshiwambo, oya konakona wo oongundutyadhina dhOshiwambo moka taka adhika nomunyolelo gwako gwomondjila mElaka mOshiwambo. Oshinyolwakonakono oshi iwega kOmadhiladhiyukitho gOpafonolohi yElaka ngoka ga andjaganekwa nokuyambulwa po kuHooper (1976), Omadhiladhiyukitho gEndulukopo lylitya nosho wo Omadhiladhiyukitho gEityo lyOshitya mokundjandjukununa uuyelete. Oshinyolwa shika osha longitha omukalo gwomadhiladhiyukitho gomuule nuuyelete owa gongelwa okupitila mokulesha iinyolwa ya nyanyangidhw, okusinasina iinyolwa, omishangwa dhakehe esiku nosho wo omatumbulo ga popiwa. Konima yokusinasina nokundjandjukununa uuyelete wa gongelwa, osha kolekwa kutya okatungithi ‘Bantu’ oshipolisemitya mOshiwambo. Uuyelete otawu ulike kutya okatungithi ‘Bantu’

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ohaka pangwa sha yooloka pamofolohi nopalofolohi ngaashi momukalo: gwokunkotseka ko oshitetekeli, gwokukwamayupaleka, gwokupingenapo okanyolo/uunyolo nokanyolo/nuunyolo uukwawo nogwopashinanena okutambiwa ko momutumbulilo gwOshiwambo. Kakele kaashono, okwa monika wo kutya omunyolelo gwokatungithi ‘Bantu’ mOshiwambo ogwo: Mbantu, Mbanhu, Banhu, Bantu, Aambantu, Ovambanhu, Aambanhu, Aabanhua, Aabantua, nenge Ovabantua, nosho wo Oshimbantu, Oshimbanhu, Otshimbanhu, Otshibantu, nenge Oshibantu. Iitya mbyoka otayi adhika mongundutyadhina 1.a., 2, nosho wo 7 yOshiwambo (cf. [mekwatathano] noongundutyadhina 18 dhOshiwambo). Aalongisikola, aalongiputudhilolongo, aanasikola, aalongwaputudhilolongo, aanyoli, aatolinkundana naanyolimambwiitya otaya vulu okulongitha uunongo wa gongelwa okupitila moshinyolwakonakono shika. Hugunina, oshinyolwasinasino shika otashi thaneke kutya oompata dha li pokati komulungi gwOshindonga nomulungi gwoshilongwa shOmayilongo gOnkalathano osho dha yi pehulilo.

Iisimanitya: *Bantu, ofonolohi, omofolohi, omayityo, elaka, oonyapilaka, Oshiwambo, omunyolelo*

Efalomo

Opwa kala oompata olule pokati kaanyoli naapopi oyendji Kombinga yeiyito lyokatungithi ‘Bantu’. Okatungithi ‘Bantu’ oka tungwa po kuumofema uyali; oshitetekeli *ba-* nekotata *-ntu*. Maho (1998) naMcCormack (2007) otaya hokolola muShikesho (2021, ep. 2) kutya okatungithi ‘Bantu’ oka za koshitya shOshizulu “*abantu*” shoka tashi ti aantu. Okatungithi *ba-* oke li pawuwindji notaka ti oyendji. Uushona (2019, ep. 74) ota fatulula kutya ‘-ntu’ otashi ti omuntu. Maho (1998) naHaacke et al. (2009) otaya hokolola kutya Wilhelm Bleek mekonakonohitululo lye moka a li a yelekanitha omalaka gOshimbantu nOshihotentonta (Hottentot) okwe shi koleke kutya omalaka gOshimbantu ngaashi Oshizulu (*isiZulu*), Oshikosa (*isiXhosa*), Oshisotho (*Sesotho*), Oshitswana (*Setswana*), Oshipendi (*Sepedi*), Oshivenda (*Tshivenda*) nosho wo omalaka galwe oge na omofolohi yi ili popepi, unene iityadhina niitya oyindji muuyambiitya womalaka ngoka oyonziililo yimwe.

Molwuukwashili wa tetekela, aantu mbaka ya yoolokathana kaya li ye na ontseyo Kombinga yayakwawo na kaya li ye na edhina ndyoka taya vulu okwiithana omalaka ngoka agehe ga pambathana. Onkene, Bleek (1862) okwe ya po nedhina mokutongolola ezimo ndyoka kwali ta ndjondjomona. Okwa hogolola oshitya shoka tashi holoka momalaka agehe gOshimbantu momukalo gumwe nenge gulwe, shi ikolela komutungilo gwomutumbulilo gwelaka. Okwa hogolola nduno oshitya *abantu*, shoka tashi ti aantu ngaashi sha tolokwa okuza mOshizulu. Ezimo ndyoka okwe li luku nee nduno ‘Bantu’ (Haacke et. al. 2009; Maho, 1998).

Okatungithi oko tuu haka oka li taka dhana onkandangala pethimbo lyEpengelo lyOkatongotongo kOshipa mo-South Africa nosho wo moNamibia. McCrack (2007) naWills (2011) otaya hokolola kutya pethimbo lyEpangelo lyOkatongotongo mo-South Africa, okatungithi ‘Bantu’ oka li ka humbata omayiyovo omawinayi ongoshitya itashi holola esimaneko. Okatungithi ‘Bantu’ oka longithilwe mElongo lyOshimbantu mo-South Africa mOkatokolitho kElongo lyAambantu (1953) mokwaahasimaneka Aasathafulika aaludhe. Shi ikolelela kuWills (2011), elalakano lyElongo lyAambantu olya li ashike okugandja ontseyo yopetameko yiilonga yokoonyala, iiilonga yoondondo dhopevi nosho wo iiilonga yoondjambi dhopevi.

Sho Oveta yOkatongotongo kOshipa ye ende tayi andjakana, iigwana oya tameke yi li ompinge noshe eta okatungithi haka kakale inaka taambiba ko we. Elongitho lyokatungithi haka olya tameke tali shuna pevi okuza petameko lyomimvo eyuvi limwe omathele omugoyi nomilongo hetatu (1980s) okuya komeho noka li ka pingewa po noshitya “*omuluudhe*” (Der Waal, 2011). Kombinga onkwawo, oompata dha li pokati komulungi gwOshindonga ngoka e li omunyoli gwoshinyolwa shika nosho wo omulungi gwoshilongwa shOmayilongo gOnkalathano ngoka e li omulungi pamwe nomunyoli gwoshinyolwa shika odha li othika omukaakena gwomumvo

noomwedhi ndatu, omolwompumbwe yomambwiitya nosho wo omambonziililotya (omambo gonzililo yiitya) moonyapilaka dhElaka lyOshiwambo. Oompata dhodhene odha li ngeyi: Omulongi gwOshindonga ota ti okatungithi ‘Bantu’ otaka ti ongundu yomalaka, omanga omulongi gwOmayilongo gOnkalathano ta hokolola kutya otaka ti aantu aaluudhe. Elongitho lyoshitya mondjila mokupopya nomokunyola mElaka lyOshiwambo otali pula omuntu kehe a kale e shi eyityo/omayityo goshitya nosho wo omunyolelo gwOshiwambo. Elongitho lyokatungithi ‘Bantu’ mOshiwambo otali limbilike, oshoka kehe gumwe ohe ka longitha mpoka e wete taka opalele. Kakele kaashono, omunyolelo gwokatungithi oko tuu hoka mElaka lyOshiwambo inagu yela, shoka tashi eta kehe gumwe e ka nyole momukalo ngoka e wete shi li mondjila.

Aanyoli otaya nyola okatungithi ‘Bantu’ sha yooloka mElaka lyOshiwambo. Mbenzi (2008, ep. 1) naShifela (2022, ep. 26) oye ka nyola “*Oshibantu*” mOshindonga, nosho wo Shikesho naJoseph (2020, ep. 27) mOshikwanyama. Kombinga onkwawo, Shifela (2024) okwe ka nyola “*Oshimbantu*” mOshindonga. Mbenzi (2021, ep. 1) okwe ka nyola wo “*Aabantu*” mOshindonga. Osha simana nduno okuyeleva kutya uuna oshihehelwaty tashi ya melaka lyontumba ohashi ya mo naana nomofolohi nosho wo ofonolohi yelaka hoka shi na omidhi dhasho, onkee osha simana aluhe omunyolelo gwasho gu talike (n)omeho omanene metaambolaka/mehehelilaka (elaka ndyoka tali taamba, ano ndyoka tali hehele). Shika otashi kwatha, opo oshitya shoka shi iyuthe kuunyolo welaka ndyoka; niitya yilwe, shi iyuthe kuuyitumbuli nuugwedhwa welaka ndyoka, opo pwaaha kale omwaka pokati komutumbulilo noonanda ndhoka dha kalela po omutumbulilo shoka tatu ti omunyolelo ngaashi tashi kolekwa kuFinnegan ngoka ta hokolola muDube (2021, ep. 42) kutya omunyolelo omukalo gwokunyola hagu longithwa okwaadha etsokumwe pokati kepopiwalaka nuunyolo wowalufambeta mboka we wu kalela po pakunyola. Omunyoli oye tuu nguka okwa tsikile ta hokolola kutya omalaka ngoka omunyolelo dhago itaadhi tsu kumwe nomitumbulilo dhago odha talika ko kaadhi na (o)ngushu.

Eyilongo lyehelohelo lyiitya mOshiwambo olya kala oshitsa shopokati momahitululosinasino ngaashi Steinbergs (1985), Uushona (2019) nosho wo Mbenzi, Nghisheenhapo naJoseph (2024). Osha simana shili kutya omahitulokonakono ngaka oga sinasina omikalo dhokuhehela iitya pamofolohi nopafonolohi. Nonando oongawo, ehitululokonakono ndika olya simana oshoka otali gwedha ko kuunongo weyilongo nosho wo kuuyambiitya wOshiwambo. Kakele kaashono, Steinbergs (1985) okwi ilongo ehehelo lyiitya yOshilingilisa, yOshimbulu noyOshindowishi pafonolohi mOshikwanyama, omanga Uushona (2019) okwa sinasina omalunduluko gopafonolohi nopamofolohi mokuhehela iitya yOshindowishi mOshiwambo. Kombinga onkwawo, Mbenzi et al. (2024) oyi ilongo okuwambopaleka omadhina guukilisite moka ya tala omalunduluko gopafonolohi nopamofolohi ngoka haga holoka mokuwambopaleka omadhina guukilisite ga taambiwe ko momutumbulilo gOshiwambo. Kapu na nando ogumwe a pekapeka ehehelo lyoshitya shOshizulu mElaka lyOshiwambo ngaashi ehitululokonakono ndika. Ehitululokonakono ndika olya tala ko wo omofolohi nofonolohi ongekuvu nela, onkee osha simana nduno omofolohi nofonolohi yokatungithi ‘Bantu’ yi ilongewe pamwe, opo ku sinasinwe omunyolelo gwokatungithi hoka mElaka lyOshiwambo. Ongoshizemo shika, osha thiminike omunyoli gwoshinyolwa shika a ninge ehitululokonakono okuyamukula omapulo taga landula:

1. Okatungithi ‘Bantu’ otaka ti ngiini?
2. Omolwashike aanyoli haya longitha omunyolelo gwa yoolokathana mokushanga okatungithi ‘Bantu’?
3. Omalunduluko geni gopamofolohi nopafonolohi ga holoka mokuhehela okatungithi ‘Bantu’ mOshiwambo?
4. Okatungithi ‘Bantu’ oke li moongundutyadhina dhini dhOshiwambo nohaka nyolwa ngiini pamunyolelo gwOshiwambo?

Onkalo yOshiwambo

Oshiwambo osho elaka limwe lyomomalaka gomezimo lyOshimbantu. Oshiwambo ohashi popiwa moNamibia nosho wo mo-Angola. Osha tungwa po koonyapilaka omulongo nayimwe ngaashi tadhi landula: Oshindonga, Oshikwanyama, Oshikwambi, Oshingandjera, Oshikwaluudhi, Oshikolonkadhi, Oshimbalantu, Oshiunda, Oshimbadja, Oshikwanka nOshindombodhola (Mbenzi et al. 2024, ep. 60). Oonyapilaka dhOshiwambo odha shandjuka wo moonyapilakagona. Ngaashi Oshimbuga, Oshinamayongo, nOshikoha odhi li oonyapilakagona dhOshindonga, Oshikwanka oshi li onyapilakagona yOshikwanyama, sho Oshinaanda onyapilakagona yOshikwambi.

Oshiwambo moNamibia ohashi longithwa ongetaambathanwalaka lyuuyelele moongeleka, miikundaneki nomoosikola. Omolwenethemo lyAasoomi mboka ya li ya kala mOndonga (ehala mpoka aapopi yOshindonga haya zi), aapopi yoonyapilaka dhilwe dhOshiwambo dhomuuninginino waNamibia, ngaashi Oshikwaluudhi, Oshikolonkadhi, Oshimbalantu nOshingandjera ohaya longitha Oshindonga mokuuvitha oohapu dhaKalunga nosho wo moosikola. Aakwambi ohaya longitha Oshindonga moosikola, omanga mokwaandjaganeka ohapu yaKalunga haya longitha Oshikwambi. Oshikwambi ohashi longithwa wo mokunyola nokupopya mOngeleka yaKatoolika (*Catholic Chuch*) moNamibia, ihe ihashi longithwa mosikola. Kombinga onkwawo, aapopi yOshimbadja ohaya longitha Oshikwanyama mokwaandjaganeka ohapu yaKalunga nosho wo moosikola.

Muuyuni wonena Oshiwambo ohashi longithwa miifokundaneki okwaandjaganeka uuyelete. Oshiwambo ohashi longithwa wo moolandiyo nosho wo koo-TV ongetambathanwalaka lyuuyelele mwa kwatelwa okulesha oonkundana. Nonando oongawo, mokati koonyapilaka omulongo nayimwe dhOshiwambo Oshindonga nOshikwanyama ashike ya taambiwa ko pambelewa okulongithwa mosikola.

Oshiwambo nasigo onena kashi na omunyolelo. Nonando oongawo, ohashi longwa ashike ko-University of Namibia (UNAM) nelalakano ku yambulwe po oonyapilaka dhOshiwambo nokuyanda okatongotongo kopamihoko, omanga mosikola yongula nokiiputudhilolongo yilwe ngaashi International University of Management (IUM), Nambian College of Open Learning (NAMCOL), Triumphant College, Institute for Open Learning (IOL) hashi longwa moonyapilaka dhasho mbali Oshindonga nOshikwanyama. Epulo oli li nduno mpaka kutya: Shi tashi longwa ko-UNAM Oshiwambo nenge elongelomwumwe lyOshindonga nOshikwanyama molwomatompelo gi ili nogi ili? Okuyamukula kepulo lya tetekeli, omunyoli gwoshinyolwa shika oku wete ota ku vulu ku tiwe shoka tashi longwa ko-UNAM elongelomumwe ashike lyOshindonga nOshikwanyama, tali eta komatompelo gi ili nogi ili ndyoka limwe lyomugo tali vulu li kale ompumbwe yaanawinolaka ya pyokoka notaya vulu moonyapilaka ndhoka. Osha simana nduno aanawinolaka ya ninge omahitululokonananakono ku nyolwe omishangelo dhoonyapilaka dhilwe dhOshiwambo dhi ye pamuthika gwOshindonga nOshikwanyama, ko ku ndulukwe omunyolelo gwOshiwambo ngoka tagu kala okatengelelo koonyapilaka adhihe dhOshiwambo.

Esimano lyoshinyolwa shika

Oshinyolwa shika otashi gwedha ko keyilongo nosho wo kuuyambiitya wOshiwambo. Oshinyolwahitululokonakono shika otashi longo aalongisikola, aalongiputudhilolongo, aanasikola, aalongwaputudhilolongo, aapopi yElaka lyOshiwambo naayehe mboka ye na ohokwe yokwiilonga Oshiwambo nkene ye na okulongitha okatungithi 'Bantu' nosho wo oku ka nyola mondjila mElaka lyOshiwambo. Aatolinkundana nayo otaya ilongele ko wo okulongitha nokunyola okatungithi 'Bantu' mondjila pamunyolelo gwOshiwambo. Aanyolimambwiitya nosho wo aanyolimamboniiliotya otaya ilongele ko omayityo gokatungihi 'Bantu' nankene haka nyolwa pamunyolelo gwOshiwambo. Omambwiitya nosho wo omamboniiliotya ogo gamwe gomomambo ga simana melaka, oshoka ohaga longo omayityo giitya nosho wo okusipela iity

mondjila. Aanyoli mboka ya kala nokulongitha nosho wo okunyola okatungithi ‘Bantu’ epuko miinyolwa yawo ya tetekele otayi ilongele ko wo omunyolelo gwokatungithi haka gomondjila notaya ka vula okupukulula epuko ndyoka miinyolwa yawo komeho.

Omukalo gwa longithwa mokugongela uuyelete

Ehitululokonakono ndika olya longitha omukalo gwokulesha iinyolwa ya nyanyangidhwa, okusinasina iinyolwa, omishangwa dhakehe esiku nosho wo omatumbulo ga popiwa mokugongela uuyelete. Ehitululosinasino ndika olya longitha omukalo gwokusimomonona oshitya pawutungithi nosho wo palongitho momatumbulo ku monike eyityo lyokatungithi ‘Bantu’. Oshinyolwa shika osha longitha wo omukalo gwokusinasina iinyolwa, omishangwa dhakehe esiku nosho wo oohapu dha popiwa okumona omunyolelo gwomondjila gokatungithi ‘Bantu’ mekwatathano nuunyolo wOshiwambo nelalakano ku gongelwe uuyelete womondjila. Oshinyolwahitululokonakono shika osha longitha wo omukalo gwokulesha oondokumente (omishangwa) ndhoka tadhi hokolola onziililo yokatungithi ‘Bantu’, iinyolwa mbyoka tayi hokolola omunyolelo gwOshiwambo nosho wo iinyolwa mbyoka tayi hokolola ehehelo lyiitya mElaka lyOshiwambo. Shika osha ningwa nelalakano (opo) ku gongelwe uuyelete wothaathaa.

Omukalo gwendjandjukununo lyuuyelete

Ehitululokonakono ndika olya vongokonona uuyelete tali longitha omukalo gwevongokonono lyoshikalimo li ikankamekela komapulo go odhekewa ehitululokonakono ndika, opo shi ningilile oshipu omuhitululikonakono okutongolola uuyelete wa gongelwa.

Omadhiladhiloyukitho

Oshinyolwakonakono shika oshi iwega *kOmadhiladhiloyukitho gOpafonolohi yElaka* ngoka ga andjaganekwa nokuyambulwa po kuHooper (1976), *Omadhiladhiloyukitho gEndulukopo lylitya* nosho wo *Omadhiladhiloyukitho gEyityo lyOshitya* mokundjandjukununa uuyelete. *Omadhiladhiloyukitho gOpafonolohi yElaka* oga longithwa okuuva ko elongitho lyuumofema, omutungilo guuntokotya nomutungilo gwomawi gOshiwambo mokumona omikalo dhopamofolohi nopafonolohi dha longithwa mokutaamba ko okatungithi ‘Bantu’ mOshiwambo. Shika otashi kwatha omuhitululikonakono okumona omunyolelo gwako gwomondjila mOshiwambo. Kombinga onkwawo, *Omadhiladhiloyukitho gEndulukopo lylitya* ogi iwegwa kugo wo okuuva ko omikalo dha longithwa okunduluka po iitya yOshiwambo okuza mokatungithi ‘Bantu’. *Omadhiladhiloyukitho gEyityo lyOshitya* oga longithwa okukonakona omayito gokatungithi ‘Bantu’ mOshiwambo.

Enonganono lyipambelenyolwa

Kapu na naana omambo taga hokolola eyityo/omayito gokatungithi ‘Bantu’. Kakele kwaashoka omambo niinyolwa tayi hokolola nkene iihelwatya yi na okunyolwa mElaka lyOshiwambo otaga nyangwanyangwa wo. Oshitopolwa shika otashi nonganona iinyolwa tayi hokolola onziililo yokatungithi ‘Bantu’, eyityo nosho wo omunyolelo gwOshiwambo mekwatathano niihehelwatya.

Onziililo, omofolohi nofonolohi yokatungithi ‘Bantu’

McCormack (2007, ep. 25) ota hokolola kutya okatungithi ‘Bantu’ oka longithilwe tango okundjondjomona ongundu yomalaka pokati komimvo eyuvi limwe omathele omugoyi nomilongo ntano (1950s) kuWilhem Bleek manga a li ta sholondondeke omambo mongulumambo gaSir George Grey. Bleek (1862) ota hokolola kutya oshitya ‘bantu’ osha longithilwe pokati komimvo eyuvi limwe nomathele omugoyi dha ka pita komunawinolaka Omundowishi mOkapa gwedhina Wilhelm Bleek mehitululokonakono lyotango mokuyelekanitha omalaka gOshimbantu nOshihotentota.

Maho (1998) naMcCormack (2007) otaya ti kutya oshitya ‘Bantu’ osha za koshitya shOshisizulu “*abantu*” shoka tashi ti aantu. Oshitya ‘Bantu’ osha tungwa po kuutungithi uyali: oshitetekeli ‘ba-’ nekota ‘-ntu’. Okatungithi ‘ba-’ oke li pawuwindji notaka ti oyendji. Uushona (2019, ep. 74) ota

yelitha kutya '-ntu' otashi ti omuntu. Shika okwe shi koleke niiholelwa oyindji mbyoka kekota '-ntu' a nkotseka ko iitetekeli yOshindonga ya nyolwa ye endeka ngaashi tashi landula:

*oshintu- tashi ti oshiwinayi, ano oshinima shaahne na (o)ngushu nenge inashi tambiwa ko.
okantu- tashi ti okanima okashona.
entu- tashi ti omunene.
oluntu- tashi ti oshishonelela noshile.*

Ngaashi tashi monika miiholelwa ya tetekela ekota '-ntu' olyo lya humbata omayito miitya mbyoka. Otaku vulu nduno ku tiwe kutya okatungithi 'Bantu' otaka ti aantu oyendji. Maho (1998) noHaacke et al. (2009) otaya ti Wilhelm Bleek mekonakonohitululo lye moka a li a yelekanitha omalaka gOshimbantu nOshihotentonta okwe shi koleke kutya omalaka gOshimbantu ngaashi Oshizulu, Oshikosa, Oshisotho, Oshitswana, Oshipendi, Oshivenda nosho wo omalaka galwe oge na uukwaty womofolohi yi ili popepi, unene iityadhina niitya oyindji muuyambiitya womalaka ngoka oyonzililo yimwe. Aantu mbaka ya yoolokathana kaya li ye na owino kombinga yayakwawo na kaya li ye na edhina ndyoka taya vulu okwiithana omalaka ngaka agehe ga yamathana. Onkee Bleek (1862) okwe ya po nedhina 'Bantu' mokutongolola ezimo ndika kwali ta ndjondjomona. Okwa hogolola oshitya shoka tashi holoka momalaka agehe gOshimbantu momukalo gumwe nenge gulwe, shi ikolela komutungilo gwomutumbulilo gwelaka. Okwa hogolola nduno oshitya shOshizulu *abantu* shoka tashi ti aantu (Haacke et. al. 2009; Maho, 1998).

Maho (1998) nosho wo Shikesho najJoseph (2020, ep. 27) otaya fatulula kutya oshitya 'Bantu' otashi ti ashike ezimo lyomalaka. Nonando oongawo aanyoli mbaka inaya yeleka kutya okatungithi haka otaka longithwa okwiithana ezimo lyomalaka lyuukwaty wunipo. McCormack (2007, ep. 25) ota yeleke kutya oshitya 'Bantu' otashi ti ashike ongundu yomalaka nAambantu otashi longithwa meyukililo aalongithi yongundu yomalaka ngoka. Shikesho (2021, ep. 3) ota gwedha po wo ta ti edhina 'Bantu' olya li lya gandja kongundu yomalaka gomezimo lyOshimbantoyinda (Bantoid) ndyoka tali adhika kohi yezimo enene IyoNindjakongo (Niger-Congo) shi ikolela kuukwaty we faathano wekota "-ntu" ndyoka tali adhika momalaka ngoka agehe.

Haacke et. al. (2009) otaya hokolola kutya oshitya 'Bantu' osha longithilwe kEpangelo lya-South Africa ongosinonime yoshytia Omwaafulika nenge omuntu omuluudhe momumbwalangandjo. Oya gwedha po kutya moNamibia Aanama oya tindi okwiithanwa ongAambantu, oshoka oya li ye li kohi yetonatelo lyOshikondo shlikumungu yAayelete, Aalehombotha nAanama (sigo omo-1980). Aandamala oye ke ya kohi yOshikondo shElongo lyOshimbantu nonando haya popi elaka limwe nAanama. Aanyoli oyo tuu mbaka oya thamuna kutya oshitya 'Bantu' melongitho lyomondjila itashi ti uukwamuhoko, ihe oshitya shopawulingwisitika shoka tashi ithanwa ezimo alihe lyomalaka. Aanyoli oyo tuu mbaka nayo inaye shi yeleka kutya okatungithi 'Bantu' otaka ithanwa ezimo linipo lyomalaka.

Onkalo ndjoka yAanama ya tindi okwiithanwa Aambantu otayi holola eyityo lyokatungithi 'Bantu'. Aanama nAandamala ohaya popi Oshikoyikoyi (*Khoeckhoeegawab*) shoka tashi adhika mezimo lyOshikoyisana (*Khoesaan*) ndyoka inali yama kezimo lyOshimbantu nando okashona. Shika osha yela kutya okatungithi 'Bantu' otaka longithwa okwiithana Aafulika aaluudhe mbyoka ya yama omalaka gOshimbantu, ihe haaludhe momumbwalangandjo.

Omunyolelo gwOshiwambo

Oshiwambo kashi na omunyolelo nosha thikama po moonyapilaka omulongo nayimwe. Nonando oongawo ohashi longwa ko-UNAM nelalakano ku yambulwe po oonyapilaka dhOshiwambo nosho wo okuyanda okatongotongo kopamihoko, omanga ko-IUM, ko-NAMCOL, IOL, Triumpnent College nosho wo mosikola yongula hashi longwa moonyapilaka dhasho mbali:

Oshindonga nOshikwanyama ndhoka odho awike dhi na ominyolelo mokati koonyapilaka omulongo nayimwe dhOshiwambo.

Shika osha hala kutya ngiini mbela? Osha hala kutya ngiika shoka tashi longwa ko-UNAM elongelomumwe ashike lyOshindonga nOshikwanyama tashi etwa komatompelo gi ili nogi ili ndyoka limwe tali vulu okukala ompumbwe yaanawinolaka ya pyokoka moonyapilaka ndhoka mbali, oshoka itaku vulu ku longwe Oshiwambo shahe na omunyolelo. Osha simana wo kuyelekwe kutya Oshindonga nOshikwanyama kayi shi omalaka ihe oonyapilaka; elaka lyolyene Oshiwambo. Osha yela nduno kutya otaku vulu ku tiwe oshitya ‘*elaka*’ otashi longithwa pambambo mokwiithana oonyapilaka ndhoka omalaka. Aanawinolaka oya pumbwa nduno ya yambule po Oshiwambo okupitila mokutoloka iinyolwa, okunyola ominyolelo dhoonyapilaka dhilwe dhOshiwambo nosho wo iinyolwa yilwe ko ku ndulukwe omunyolelo gwOshiwambo ku wape ku kale taku longwa Oshiwambo shoshene mosikola yongula nosho wo miiputudhilolongo. Manga inatu tala komunyolelo gwOshiwambo muule, natu tale nduno koompatolona ndhoka dha tunga po okatungithi ‘Bantu’ mekwatathano nomunyolelo gwOshiwambo. Okatungithi ‘Bantu’ oka thikama po muuntokotya uyali ngaashi tawu landula: ‘Ba-ntu.’ Okatungithi haka oka tameka nokanyolo b/b/. MOshindonga nomOshikwanyama kamu na oshitya hashi tameke na b/b/. Kombinga onkwawo, mOshikwanyama ihamu holoka onkwambalindanda -nt-. Oshayela nduno kutya okatungithi ‘Bantu’ itaka tsu kumwe nomutungilo gwokantokotya koshitya mOshindonga nOshikwanyama.

Natango mOnyapilaka yOshindonga kamu na okantokotya haka tameke nompatolona b/b/, ihe mOshikwanyama okantokotya ohaka vulu okutameka nokagwedhwa b/b/ unene mOveta yOshikwanyama. Niitya yilwe, uuna moshitya shOshindonga mu na uuntokotya uyali wi ilandula mwa longithwa onkwamayulundanda ndele mokantokotya okatiyali ondanda ndjoka ya landula onkwamayulundanda oyi na ewi, onkwamayulundanda mokantokotya okatiyali ohayi ekelwahi moshitya shOshikwanyama ngaashi shu ulikwa (tala mOkakololo 1 pevi) miiholelwa yi li pevi moka okantokotya okatine nokatitatu miitya yOshikwanyama wa tameka nompatolona b/b/.

Okakololo 1 Oveta yOshikwanyama

Oshindonga	Oshikwanyama
O-ka-mbe- mbe	O-ka-mbe- be
o-ndo- mbe	o-ndo- be

Fivaz (1986) ota fatulula kutya okagwedhwa komutopo kopokati komilungu ke na engelengendjo [b] ohaka holoka membwindakanitho nuugwedhwa uukwawo [^mb], [^mbw], [^bwy]. Shifela (2024) ota gwedha po wo ta ti mElaka lyOshindonga ondanda b/b/ ihayi holoka mo ongonkwayimwendanda kakele petameko lyomahehelwadhina (ngaashi Benjamin), ihe ohayi holoka mo wala monkwambalindanda ngaashi (-)mb- nosho wo moonkwandatundanda ngaashi (-)mbw-. liholelwa yi li mOkakololo 2 pevi oya kalela po efatululo lya tetekile:

Okakololo 2 Embwindakanitho lyokanyolo b/b/ noondanda onkwawo mOshindonga

Oshimbombo
embwalu
mbyoka

Nonando oongawo, ehitululokonakono ndika oli li ompinge nompango yOshiwambo yokunyola omahehelwadhina ngaashi haga nyolwa molaka ngoka ge na onziililo ndjoka tayi hokololwa kuShifela (2024) kutya mElaka lyOshindonga okanyolo b/b/ ohaka holoka mo petameko

Iyomahehelwadhina ngaashi **Benjamin**, oshoka omahehelwadhina nago iihehelwaty naana ngaashi iihehelwaty yilwe, onkene oyi na naana okwiyutha kofonolohi yOshiwambo nosho wo kompango yokunyola iihehelwaty mOshiwambo. Osha simana nduno ompango ndjika yi talululwe mOshiwambo, opo ihe uudhindoli wElaka lyOshiwambo wu longe momusinda wago. Mbenzi et al. (2024, ep.62) mehitilulokonakono lyawo moka yi ilongo okuwambopaleka omadhina guukilisite otaya hokolola kutya mOshiwambo ewi /b/ ohali holoka mo ashike membwindakanitho nomawi galwe ngaashi [m^b] noye shi koleke niiholelwa tayi landula:

Okakololo 3

Ekwamayupaleko momadhina (Mbenzi et al., 2024, ep.71)

Bertha	Mbeelita	[mbε:ita]
Benjamin	Mbenyameni	[mbεnameni]
Bartholomeus	Mbatolomewusa	[mbatɔtɔɔmewusa]
Blasius	Mbalasiyusa	[mba asijusa]
Brakias	Mbalakiyasa	[mba akijasa]

Ehitulukonakono ndika itali tsu kumwe naashoka Mbenzi et al. (2024, ep. 62) taya hokolola, oshoka mOshikwanyama okagwedhwa b/b/ ohaka holoka mo ongonkwayimwendanda melongitho lyOmpango yOshikwanyama ngaashi shu ulikwa pombanda mokakololo 1. Mbenzi et al. (2024, ep. 71) oya tsikile taya hokolola kutya ekwamayupaleko ihal holoka mo mOshinaanda, onyapilakagona yOshikwambi. Aapopi yOshinaanda ohaya kutha po onkwamayulundanda miitya mbyoka ya tameka na [d], [γ] nenge [b]. Mompito ndjika, omadhina agehe ge li mOkakololo 3 pombanda itaga vulu okukwamayupalekwa kaapopi yOshinaanda. Shika osha hala okutya edhina **Bertha** aapopi yOshinaanda otaye li tumbula **Beelita**, ihe ha**Mbeelita**, lyo edhina **Benjamin** otaye li tumbula **Benyameni** ihe ha**Mbenyameni**. Tala niishewe kOveta yOshinaanda miitya yOshindonga tayi landula mOkakololo 4:

Okakololo 4

Oveta yOshinaanda

Oshindonga	Oshinaanda
ombibeli	obibeli
ombumbo	obubo
okambwa	okabwa

Miiholelwa yi li mOkakololo 4 pombanda [m^b] miitya yOshindonga okwa lundulukile mu[b] miitya yOshiinaanda. Shika otashi ti kutya [m^b] oha lundulukile mu [b] mOshinaanda. Niitya yilwe, [b] oha holoka mo ongonkwayimwendanda mOshinaanda, ihe hamembwindakanitho nonkwamayulundanda [m].

Aawambo yoombwiti, Aawambo mboka haya zi moondoolopa nomiilando nenge mboka ye na eyuvoko lyomalaka gOshiyewulopa, ohaya vulu okutumbula /b/ ina tetekelwa kekwamayuluwi. Aawambo mboka haya tumbula b/b/ ina kwamayupalekwa oyo mba b/b/ iha holoka mo moonyapilaka dhawo ongonkwayimwendanda. Iiholelwa tayi landula mOkakololo 5 pevi oya kalela po shoka sha zi nokufatululwa pombanda:

Okakololo 5

Etumbulo lyewi /b/ ina kwamayupalekwa

Oshindonga	Oshikwanyama
obiila	obiila
obooloha	obooloha

Okatungithi ‘Bantu’ oke na onziililo yOshizulu notaka ti aantu oyendji. Oshitetekeli *ba*- mElaka lyOshizulu oshi li pawundji notashi ti oyendji. Pawushimwe oshitekeli *ba*- mOshizulu otashi nyolwa *umu*-, omanga mOshindonga nomOshikwanyama *omu*-. Ekota ‘-ntu’ mokatungithi ‘Bantu’ otali adhika moshitya ‘*aantu*’ momalaka gOshimbantu. Natu tale nduno koshitya shoka pawuwindji momalaka ga yooloka gOshimbantu moka ekota lya shangwa lya ondodhwa:

Oshihelelo (Otjherero)	ova+ndu
Oshindonga	aa+ntu
Oshikwanyama	ova+nhu
Oshilozi (Silozi)	ba+tu
Oshiyeyi (Shiyeyi)	ava+tu
Oshilukwangali (Rukwangali)	va+ntu
Oshitswana (Setswana)	ba+tho
Oshikosa (Isixhosa)	aba+ntu
Oshiswahili (Kiswahili)	wa+tu
Oshivenda (Tshivenda)	vha+thu
Oshitsonga (Xitsonga)	va+nhu

(Shikesho, 2021, ep.8)

Tala niishewe kiiholelwa yoshitya ‘*aantu*’ pevi momalaka galwe moka tamu adhika ekota ‘-ntu’:

Oshikwambi	aa+nhu
Oshikolonkadhi	aa+nhu
Oshimbalantu	aa+nhu
Oshingandjera	aa+nhu
Oshimbadja	ova+nhu
Oshishona (Shona)	va+nhu
Oshikinyalwanda (Kinyarwanda)	aba+ntu
Oshizulu (Zulu)	aba+tu

Ngaashi naana tashi ulikwa miiholelwa yi li pombanda ekota ‘-ntu’ otali adhika moshitya ‘*aantu*’ momalaka agehe gOshimbantu ge li pombanda. Eyooloko oli li ashike momishangelo, ashike iitya ayihe mbyoka oyi na eyityo limwe. MOnyapilaka yOshindonga ekota ‘-ntu’ inali lunduluka sha, omanga moonyapilaka dhilwe dhOshiwambo lya lundulukila mu‘-nhu’.

Shi ikolela kiiholelwa ya tetekela, osha yela kutya onkwambalindanda ‘-nt-’ ihayi holoka mo mOshikwanyama. Uuna ‘-nt-’ a holoka moshitya shOshindonga oha shendjele mu ‘-nh-’ moshitya shOshikwanyama ngaashi tashi landula mOkakololo 6:

Okakololo 6	
<u><i>Uupingeninyolo mOshindonga nomOshikwanyama</i></u>	
Oshindonga	Oshikwanyama
oontanda	eenhanda
okanto	okanhu

Egandjo nendjandjukununo lyuuyelete

Ngele tashi ya keyityo lyokatungithi ‘Bantu’ opwa kala pu na omananathano pokati kaanyoli, onkene aanyoli oyendji oye ka longitha sha yooloka. Okatopolwa haka otaka tala nduno pawufupi keyityo lyokatungithi ‘Bantu’ pawutungithi, nosho wo keyityo lyako momatumbulo. Ehitululokonakono ndika olya ndhindhiliwo aanyoli taya nyola okatungithi ‘Bantu’ sha yooloka, onkene okatopolwa haka otaka konakona kutya omolwashike aanyoli haya longitha omunyolelo gwa yoolokathana mokunyola okatungithi ‘Bantu’. Hugunina, okatopolwa oko tuu haka otaka sinasina wo omikalo dhopamofolohi nopafonolohi dha longithwa mokupanga

okatungithi ‘Bantu’ mOshiwambo, oongundutyadhina dhOshiwambo moka taka adhika nosho wo omunyolelo gwako mOshiwambo.

Omayityo nomunyolelo gokatungithi ‘Bantu’ mOshiwambo

Omayityo gogatungithi ‘Bantu’

Okatungithi ‘Bantu’ oka tungwa po kuumofema uyali: ‘Ba-’ na ‘-ntu’. Shi ikolela kuMaho (1998) naMcCormack (2007) okatungithi ‘ba-’ oke li pawuwindji notaka ti oyendji. Okamofema ‘-ntu’ oko kahumbata eyityo moshitya ‘Bantu’ notaka ti oshinamwenyo oshilumentu nenge oshikiintu shoka sha yololwa (ko) kiinamwenyo iikwawo kuukwatya wokupopya nosho wo omukalo gwokuthikama shu ukilila. Shika osha kolelekwa kUushona (2019, ep. 74) kutya ‘-ntu’ otashi ti omuntu. Shi ikolela kuuyele mbuka osha yela nduno kutya okatungithi ‘Bantu’ otaka ti aantu mboka elaka lyawo lyotango li li limwe lyomomalaka gomongundu yOshimbantu.

Aanyoli okatungithi ‘Bantu’ oye ka longitha sha yooloka miinyolwa nomoohapu dhOshiwambo sha yooloka. Mpaka otapu landula etalo lyaashangi nkene ya longitha okatungithi ‘Bantu’:

- (a) “Opu na omalaka gOshibantu lela ngono ga talika kutya oga huma unene tuu Kiswahili nosho wo omalaka gamwe muuninginino waAfrika.” (Mbenzi, 2008, ep.1)
- (b) “Shoka wu na okundhindhilika osho shono kutya uutungithi wiityalonga momalaka gOshibantu ngaashi Oshindonga owa li wu na okukala hawu nyolwa wu li kumwe ngaashi naanaa hawu popiwa wu li kumwe, opo wu kale oshitya shimwe, (hol. otatuli)...” (Shifela, 2022, ep.35)
- (c) “Pehulilo lyondondo aalongwa naa kale taa vulu okudhimbula mo noku nokulongitha iipambele yelaka mondjila: iityadhina (oongundu dhiityadhina momalaka gOshibantu...)” (Ministry of Education, Arts and Culture, 2023, ep.39).
- (d) “Ondi wete osha simana omunyolelo dhomalaka gwOshimbantu mwa kwatelwa omunyolelo gwElaka lyOshindonga gu tatululwe, opo wo omahehelwadhina ga kale ga pangwa pawudhindoli wElaka lyOshindonga.” (Shifela, 2024, ep.83)
- (e) “Oshikwanyama osho onyapilaka yOshiwambo osho sha dja momalaka Oshibantu.” (Shikeso naJoseph, 2020, ep.27)
- (f) “Momumvo 1500 manga Kristus inaa valwa omalaka gAabantu oga li owala haga popiwa pokati kesilukuti lyomulonga gwedhina Niger naKameroun.” (Mbenzi, 2021, ep.1)
- (g) “Aalumentu yaandjataate Bantu oya tekulwa tuu shili nuudhiginini, oshoka oye na omikalo.” (C., W. Ndeunyema, omakwatathano gopawumwene, 20 Shikukutu 2024)
- (h) “Mbantu, wa teke omeya?” (Nuujoma, F., omakwatathano gopawumwene, Etalalyashimbika 12, 2024)
- (i) “Bantu okwe tu longa okupwilikina koishikomwa.” (G. Shinedima, omakwatathano gopawumwene, 27 Shikukutu 2024)
- (j) “Mbanhu oha di kEenhana kootatekulu.” (Dengeinge, V., omakwatathano gopawumwene, Etalalyashimbika 13, 2024)

Metumbulo lya(a), (b), nolya(c), moka okatungithi ‘Bantu’ taka holoka mo **gOshibantu** nosho wo lya(d) moka taka holoka mo **gwOshimbantu** otaku idhimbikwa uutungithi wuumwene **g-**, **nagw-** ko taku dhengwa omuthindo unene kositya **Oshibantu/Oshimbantu** ngaashi metumbulo lya(e). Oshitya Oshibantu/Oshimbantu momatumbulo ngoka otashi ti omalaka gomongundu yOshimbantu ngaashi Maho (2009), McCormack (2007,ep.25), Shikeso (2021, ep.3), Haacke et al. (2009), Shikeso naJoseph (2020, ep.27) taye shi koleke kutya oshitya ‘Bantu’ otashi ti ashike ongundu yomalaka. Shika osha yela kutya oshitya **Oshibantu/Oshimbantu** otashi ti ezimo nenge ongundu yomalaka moka tamu adhika okatungithi ‘-ntu’ mu yimwe yomiitya yomomalaka ngoka.

Metumbulo lya(f) moshitya “**gAabantu**” otaku idhimbikwa okatungithi kuumwene **g-** etaku konenenwa naana oshitya **Aabantu**. Oshitya **Aabantu** metumbulo lya(f) otashi ti aantu mboka

elaka lyawo lyotango li li limwe lyomomalaka gomezimo lyOshimbantu ngaashi naana McCormack (2007, ep.25) ta hokolola kutya oshitya Aambantu otashi longithwa meyukililo aalongithi yomalaka gOshimbantu.

Nonando oshitya **Aabantu** tashi longithwa okwiithana aantu aaludhe nenge Aafulika ihashi ithanwa aantu aaludhe nenge Aafulika ayehe kakele kwaamboka elaka lyawo lyotango li li limwe lyomalaka gomongundu yOshimbantu ngaashi naana Haacke et al. (2009) taya thamuna kutya moNamibia Aanama oya tindi okwiithanwa ongAambantu, oshoka oya li ye li kohi yetonatelo lyOshikando shlipambele yAayealele, Aalehombotha nAanama (sigo 1980). Omunyoli gwoshinyolwa shika oku wete Aanama oya tindi okwiithanwa Aambantu, oshoka yo ohaya popi Oshikoyikoyi ongelaka lyawo lyotango shoka shi li kohi yezimo lyOshikoyisana ndyoka inali pamba ezimo lyOshimbantu nando okashona. Shika otashi ulike nduno kutya oshitya **Aabantu** itashi ti aaluudhe nenge Aafulika momumbwalangandjo, ihe otashi ithanwa aaludhe nenge Aafulika mboka haya popi elaka limwe lyomongundu yomalaka gOshimbantu ongelaka lyawo lyotango. Metumbulo lya(g) sigo olya(j) “**Bantu/Mbantu/Mbanhu**” osha longithwa ongoshityadhinalela shoka tashi ti okanona okaluudhe nenge Okaafulika konduko okalumentu nenge okakiintu hoka yina elaka lye lyotango tali adhika mezimo lyOshimbantu.

Omunyolelo gwokatungithi ‘Bantu’ mOShiwambo

Aashangi okatungithi ‘Bantu’ oye ka nyola sha yoolokathanna miishangomwa yOShiwambo. Mpaka otapu landula etalo lyiiholelwa ya tetekeli yaanyoli nkene ya nyola okatungithi ‘Bantu’ mOShiwambo:

Etumbulo lya(a), (b), (c), (d), (f), (g) nolya(h) oga nyolwa mOshindonga. MEtumbulo lya(a), (b), na(c) okatungithi ‘Bantu’ oka nyolwa “gOshibantu”, omanga metumbulo lya(f) oka nyolwa “gAabantu” mo metumbulo lya(g) oka nyolwa “Bantu”. Mokantokotya okatitatu moshitya “gO-shi-ba-nu”, mokantokotya okatiyali moshitya “gAa-ba-nu” nosho wo mokantokotya kotango mokatungithi “Ba-nu” oka gwedhwa b/b/ oka holoka mo inaka mbwindakanithwa nonkwamayulundanda m/m/ ngaashi Fivaz (1986) ta hokolola kutya mOshindonga okagwedhwa komutopo kopokati komilungu ke na engelengendjo [b] ohaka holoka mo membwindakanitho nuugwedhwa uukwawo [mb]... . Mpaka osha yela kutya iitya “gOshibantu”, “gAabantu” na“Bantu” inayi iyutha komunyolelo gwOshindonga.

Metumbulo lya(d) okatungithi ‘Bantu’ oka nyolwa “gwOshimbantu”, omanga lya(h) ka nyolwa “Mbantu”. Mokantokotya okatitatu moshitya “gwO-shi-mba-nu” nosho wo mokantokotya kotango moshitya “Mba-nu” okagwedhwa komutopo kopokati komilungu ke na ewi b/b/ oka mbwindakanithwa nokagwedhwa m/m/ ngaashi naana Shifela (2024) ta hokolola kutya mElaka lyOshindonga ondanda b/b/ ihayi holoka mo ongonkwayimwendanda ..., ihe ohayi holoka mo wala monkwambalindanda ngaashi (-)mb-... . Oshitya “gwOshimbantu” na“Mbantu” oyi iyutha naana komofolohi yOshindonga.

Etumbulo lya(e), lya(i) nolya(j) oga nyolwa mOshikwanyama nokatungithi ‘Bantu’ oka holoka mo “gOshibantu” metumbulo lya(e), omanga metumbulo lya(i) ka nyolwa “Bantu”. MOshikwanyama okanyolo b/b/ ohaka holoka mo ashike inaka mbwindakanithwa noshikwelengi m/m/ uuna taku longithwa Oveta yOshikwanya, ihe mokantokotya okatitatu moshitya “gO-shi-ba-nu” nomokantokotya kotango mokatungithi “Ba-nu” otamu monika b/b/ ina mbwindakanithwa nokakwamayulundanda m/m/ nonando mompito ndjika Oveta yOshikwanyama itayi longithwa. Moshitya “gO-shi-ba-nu” mokantokotya okatine nosho wo mokantokotya okatiyali mokatungithi “Ba-nu” omwa holoka onkwambalindanda ‘-nt’ ndjoka ihayi holoka mo mOshikwanyama. Shika otashi ti kutya iitya mbika “gOshibantu” na“Bantu” inayi nyolwa nando mondjila mOshikwanyama.

Metumbulo lya(j) oshitya “**Mba-nhu**” mokantokotya kotango oshikwelengi **b/b/** osha hokanithwa nokakwamayulu **m/m/** yo onkwambalindanda **-nt-** mokantokotya okatiyali oya pingewa po nonkwambalindanda yOshikwanyama **-nh-**. Metumbulo ndika oshitya “**Mbanhu**” oshi iyutha naana koveta yomunyolelo gwOshikwanyama.

Omkalo dha longithwa mokuhehela okatungithi ‘Bantu’ mOshiwambo

Okatopolwa haka otaka tala pawufupi komikalo dha longithwa okupanga okatungithi ‘Bantu’ pafonolohi nopamofolohi mOshiwambo. Manga inatu tala komikalo ndhoka, natu tale tango ku limwe lyomomalalakano gokuhehela iitya melaka. Limwe lyomomalalakano gelaka okuhehela iitya komalaka omakwawo okuthitika omwaka gwiitya mbyoka yaahe mo melaka ndyoka, opo ku lukwe iinima mbyoka yaahe na omadhina mehehelilaka. Elaka lyOshiwambo nalyo olya hehele nduno okatungithi ‘Bantu’ kElaka lyOshizulu, li thitike omwaka goshitya shoka. Ngaashingezi natu tale nduno komikalo dhopafonolohi nopamofolohi dha longithwa mokuhehela okatungithi ‘Bantu’ mElaka lyOshiwambo:

Omukalo gwokuhehela iitya pamofolohi

Omukalo gwokunkotseka ko oshitetekeli

Omukalo gwokunkotseka ko oshitetekeli ogwa kwatela mo okugwedha ko okamofema petameko lyekota nenge lyomudhi gwoshitya (Karuru, 2013). Uuna taku hehelwa oshitya mOshiwambo kekota lyoshitya ohaku mangelwa oshitetekelitetekekeli noshitetekelitetekekeli mbyoka Mbenzi (2008, ep.24) ti ithana oshitetekelitetekekeli noshitetekeli. Noshitya shimwe, uutungithi mboka owa tunga po oshitetekeli shoka hashi holola omwaalu goshityadhma nosho wo ongundutyadhma moka tashi adhika. Oshitetekeli ohashi holola wo etsokumwe mekwatathano niityapeha nosho wo iitonganoni. MElaka lyOshiwambo aantu oye li mongundutyadhma 2, omanga omalaka ge li mongundutyadhma 7. Mokuhehela okatungithi ‘Bantu’ mOshiwambo ngaashi shu ulikwa metumbulo lya(a) sigo ometumbulo lya(e) kekota lyokatungithi haka okwa nkotsekwa oshitetekeli shomongundutyadhma 7, omanga metumbulo lya(f) kwa mangelwa oshitetekeli shomongundutyadhma 2 ngaashi shu ulikwa pevi mosiholelwa sha(i) nosha(ii):

Oshizulu	Oshindonga	Oshikwanyama	oshitetekeli
(i) Bantu	<i>Oshibantu/Oshimbantu</i>	<i>Oshibantu</i>	oshi-
(ii) Bantu	<i>Aabantu</i>	Ø	aa-

Mosiholelwa sha(ii) kekota lyokatungithi ‘Bantu’ okwa nkotsekwa oshitetekeli shOshindonga noshOshikwanyama ‘**oshi-**’, omanga mosiholelwa sha(ii) kwa mangelwa oshitetekeli shOshindonga ‘**aa-**’. Oshitetekili sha longithwa mosiholelwa sha(i) oshi li pawushimwe, omanga oshitetekeli shomoshiholelwa sha(ii) shi li pawuwindji. Oshiholelwa sha(i) nosha(ii) oya tamekwa nonenendanda, oshoka iityadhinalela. Mosiholwa sha(ii) inaku dhindhilikwa omunyoli a nyola okatungithi ‘Bantu’ mOshikwanyama. Nonando oongawo, oshitetekeli shOshikwanyama shongundutyadhi 2 oshi li pawuwindji nosho ‘**ova-**’ onkee kekota lyokatungithi ‘Bantu’ ota ku kupikwa oshitetekeli ‘**ova-**’ ngeyi: **Ovambanhu**. Moshitya **Ovambanhu** omwa homekwa onkwamayulundanda **m/m/** nonkwambalindanda **-nt-** oya pingewa po nonkwambalindanda **-nh-**. Shika osha fatululwa nawanawa pevi.

Omikalo dhokuhehela iitya pafonolohi

Omukalo gwokukwamayupaleka

Omukalo gwokukwamayupaleka ogo omukalo gwokutumbulila momayulu okanyolo hoka ka tetekeli ondanda onkwawo monkwambalindanda nenge oondanda oonkwawo monkwandatundanda. Fivaz (1986) ota fatutula kutya okagwedhwa komutopo kopokati komilungu ke na engelengendjo [b] mOshindonga ohaka holoka membwindakanitho nuugwedhwa uukwawo [mb]... Kombinga onkwawo, mOshiwambo okagwedhwa **b/b/** ihaka holoka mo oko akeke, kakele uuna taku longithwa Oveta yOshikwanyama nOyoshinaanda.

Mokuhehela okatungithi ‘Bantu’ mOshiwambo metumbulo lya(a), (b), (c), (e), (f), (g) nolya(i) okagwedhwa **b/b** otaka shendjele nduno mu **mb**/mb/ ngaashi naana metumbulo lya(d), (h) nolya(j) opo okantokotya hoka ki iyuthe komofolohi yOshindonga nOshikwanyama. Ewi /m/ otali gwedhwa mo, opo shi ningile oshipu Aandonga (mboka ye li aapopi yOshindonga) nAakwanyama (mboka ye li aapopi yOshikwanya) okutumbula oshitya shoka ngaashi tashi ulikwa miiholelwa tayi landula:

Oshizulu	Oshindonga	Oshikwanyama	oshigwedhwamo
(iii) Bantu	Oshimbantu	Oshimbantu	<i>m/m/</i>
(iv) Bantu	Aambantu	Ovambanhу	<i>m/m/</i>
(v) Bantu	Mbantu	Mbanhu	<i>m/m/</i>

Miiholelwa ayihe ya tetekele Oveta yOshikwanyama itayi longithwa, kakele Oveta yOshinaanda otayi longithwa. Oshiholelwa sha(iii) ngele otashi nyolwa mOshinaanda kekota lyokatungithi ‘Bantu’ otaku mangelwa oshitetekeli shomongundutyadhina 7 yOshinaanda ‘**otshi**’. Moshitya shOshinaanda itamu homekwa okagwedhwa **m/m/** nonkwambalindanda **-nt-** ndjoka ihayi holoka mo mOshinaanda otayi pingewa po nonkwambalindanda **-nh-** ngeyi: **Otshibanhу**. Oshiholelwa sha(iv) mOshinaanda otashi nyolwa ngeyi: **Aabanhу**, omanga oshiholelwa sha(v) otashi nyolwa **Banhу**.

Omukalo gwokupingenapo okanyolo/uunyolo nokanyolo/nuunyolo uukwawo

Nguka ogo omukalo gwopafonolohi guukwashili gu shirike nawa ngoka hagu holoka uuna uunyolo uyali (nenge wu vule po) hawu vulu okwiipingena po nuunyolo uukwawo pehala limwe moshitya kaapu na elunduluko meyityo (Mompean, 2008). Moshinyolwa shika omukalo nguka otagu fatululwa kuya ogwo omukalo gwopafonolohi moka okanyolo nenge uunyolo wu vule pukamwe hawu vulu okwiipingena po nokanyolo/nuunyolwo wulwe pehala limwe moshitya pwaahе na elunduluko lya sha meyityo lyoshitya. Moonyapilaka dhOshiwambo omu na iitya yimwe ya yooloka nokanyolo nenge nuunyolo wu vule pukamwe momunyolelo pehala limwe. Oshiholelwa sha(a), (b), (c), (d) nosha(f) oya nyolwa mOshindonga, omanga sha(e) sha nyolwa mOshikwanyama. Nanando oongawo okatungithi ‘Bantu’ metumbulo lya(e) oka nyolwa “Oshibantu” notamu monika onkwambalindanda **-nt-** ndjoka ihayi holoka mo mOshikwanyama. Mokupanga okatungithi hoka pawudhindoli welaka mOshiwambo uunyolo mboka ihawu holoka moonyapilaka dhilwe owu na okupingenwa po nuunyolo wulwe ngaashi tashi landula mOkakololo 7:

Okakololo 7

Uupingeninyolo mokatungithi ‘Bantu’

Elaka	Oshitya	Uupingeninyolo
Oshizulu	Bantu	/t/
Oshindonga	Oshimbantu, Aambantu, Mbantu	/t/, /a:/
Oshikwanyama	Oshimbanhu, Ovambanhу, Mbanhu	/h/, /ɔva/
Oshikolonkadhi	Oshimbanhu, Aambanhу, Mbanhu	/h/, /a:/
Oshimbalantu	Oshimbanhu, Aambanhу, Mbanhu	/h/, /a:/
Oshingandjera	Oshimbanhu, Aambanhу, Mbunhu	/h/, /a:/
Oshikwambi	Otshimbanhu/Otshibanhу, Aambanhу/Aabanhу, Mbanhu/Banhу	/h/, /a:/
Oshimbandja:	Oshimbanhu, Ovambanhу, Mbanhu	/h/, /ɔva/

Omukalo gwopashinanena

Momukalo gwopashinanena omu na omukalo gwokutaamba ko omutungilo gwomutumbulilo gwoshizayizayi (Mbenzi et. al., 2024, ep. 64). Pafonolohi yOshiwambo mOshiwambo okanyolo **b/b** ohaka holoka mo ashika mOveta yOshikwanyama noyOshinaanda inaka mbwindakanithwa nonkwamayulundanda **m/m/**. Kakele kOveta yOshikwanyama nokOveta yOshinaanda, okwa

ndhindhilika unene okagwedhwa **b/b** mOshiwambo haka longithwa noka taambiwa ko unene kAawambo oombwiti, Aawambo aalongwantu nosho wo Aawambo mboka haya popi omalaka gaali mboka moonyapilaka dhayo ihamu holoka ewi /b/ inali mbwindakanithwa noondanda dhlwe, omanga Aawambo mboka inaya longwa ano mboka yaahe shi okulesha nokunyola nosho wo mboka haya popi ashike elaka limwe mboka moonyapilaka dhayo ewi /b/ hali holoka mo ashike membwindakanitho nomawi galwe inaya taamba ko ondanda **b** nenge ewi /b/ inali hanaganithwa nekwamayuluwi /m/ (nonomawi omakwawo), ngaashi tashi ulikwa mOkakololo 8 pevi:

Okakololo 8

Etaamboko lyokanyolo b/b/ kAawambo oombwiti nAawambo aalongwantu nenge Aawambo aapopi yomalaka gaali

Oshizulu	Aawambo nAawambo nenge Aawambo yomalaka gaali	oombwiti aalongwantu aapopi	Aawambo okulesha nAawambo aapopi	mboka nokunyola yelaka limwe	kaye shi ya/dha	(o)ondanda taambiwa ko
Bantu	Oshindonga	Oshikwanyama	Oshindonga	Oshikwanyama	Oshindonga	Oshikwanyama
	Oshibantu /ɔʃibantu/	Oshibantu /ɔʃibantu/	Oshimbantu /ɔʃimbantu/	Oshimbanhu /ɔʃimbanhu/	b	b, nt
	Aabantu /a:bantu/	Ovabantu /ɔvabantu/	Aambantu /a:mbantu/	Ovambanhу /ɔvambanhу/	b	b, nt
	Bantu /bantu/	Bantu /bantu/	Mbantu /mbantu/	Mbanhu /mbanhu/	b	b, nt

Shoka sha monika po

Konima yehitilulosinasino ndika okutala kuutungithi woshitya ‘Bantu’ nosho wo mokulesha nokuleshulula iinyolwa yi ili noyi ili, ehitululokonakono ndika olya mono po uuyeletele mbu:

- Okatungithi ‘Bantu’ oshipolisemitya mOshiwambo nohaka nyolwa sha yooloka shi ikolelela kongundutyadhina moka nakunyola e ka odhekela.
- Uulongelwe, ontseyo yelaka/yomalaka nehala lyopamatungilovi mpoka omunyoli ha zi olya nwirtha mo omunyolelo gwokatungithi ‘Bantu’ mOshiwambo.
- Okakololo 9 pevi otaka ulike omunyolelo gu li mondjila gwokatungithi ‘Bantu’ mElaka lyOshiwambo:

Okakololo 9

Omunyolelo gu li mondjila gwokatungithi ‘Bantu’ mOshiwambo

Mbantu/Mbanhu/Bantu/Bantu

Aambantu/Ovambanhу/Aambantu/Aabantu/Aabantu/Ovabantu
Oshimbantu/Oshimbanhu/Otshimbanhu/Otshibantu/Oshibantu

- d) Oshityadhinalela *Mbantu/Mbanhu/Bantu* edhina hali lukwa omuntu omuluudhe nenge Omwafulika konduko omulumentu nenge omukiintu ngoka yina elaka lye lyotango tali adhika mezimo lyomalaka gOshimbantu.
- e) Oshityadhinalela *Aambantu/Ovambanhу/Aambanhу/Aabantu/Aabantу/Ovabantу* otashi ti aantu mba elaka lyawo lyotango tali adhika mongundu yomalaka gOshimbantu mboka taya vulu okukala aaludhe koshipa nenge Aafulika konduko, ihe haantu aaludhe nenge Aafulika momumbwalangandjo.
- f) Oshitya *Oshimbantu/Oshimbanhu/Otshimbanhu/Otshibantu/Oshibantu* otashi ti ongundu/ezimo lyomalaka moka tamu adhika okatungithi ‘-ntu’ tuyimwe yomiitya yomomalaka galyo.
- g) Oshitya *Mbantu/Mbanhu/Bantu* oshi li mongundutyadhi 1.a. mOshiwambo, *Aambantu/Ovambanhу/Aambanhу/Aabantu/Aabantу* shi li mongundutyadhina 2 mOshiwambo, omanga *Oshimbantu/Oshimbanhu/Otshimbanhu/Otshibantu/Oshibantu* shi li mongundutyadhina 7 mOshiwambo.

10.0. Ehulitho

Ehitululokonakono ndika olya holola kutya ‘Bantu’ oshipolisemitya mOshiwambo. Uuyeletele otawu ulike kutya uulongelwe, ontseyo yelaka/yomalaka galwe yomunyoli nosho wo ehala lyopamutungilovi mpoka omunyoli ha zi olya nwitha mo omunyolelo gwokatungithi ‘Bantu’ mElaka lyOshiwambo. Okatungithi ‘Bantu’ mElaka lyOshiwambo ohaka nyolwa sha yooloka shi ikolela mongundutyadhina yOshiwambo moka omunyoli e ka odhekela noshi ikolelela wo komayityo gako, onkee omunyolelo gwomondjila gokatungithi ‘Bantu’ mOshiwambo ogwo: *Mbantu/Mbanhu/Bantu, Banhu, Aambantu, Ovambanhу, Aambanhу, Aabantu, Aabantу, Ovabantу* nosho wo *Oshimbantu/Oshimbanhu/Otshimbanhu/Otshibantu/Oshibantu*.

Oshityadhinalela *Mbantu/Mbanhu/Bantu* otashi ti omuntu omuluudhe nenge Omwafulika konduko pwaahne na (o)ndjolola yuukashikekookantu ngoka a yama elaka lyotango lyomezimo lyomalaka gOshimbantu. Uuyeletele wa gongelwa otawu ulike kutya oshitya *Aambantu, Ovambanhу, Aambanhу, Aabantu, Aabantу*, nenge *Ovabantу* otashi ti aantu aaludhe nenge Aafulika konduko mboka elaka lyawo lyotango ndyoka haya popi tali adhika mongundu nenge mezimo lyOshimbantu, omanga *Oshimbantu, Oshimbanhu, Otshimbanhu, Otshibantu*, nenge *Oshibantu* tashi ti ongundu/ezimo lyomalaka ndyoka miitya yimwe yomomalaka galyo tamu adhika ekota ‘-ntu’. Hugunina, ehitululosinasino ndika olya ulike wo kutya oshitya *Mbantu, Mbanhu*, nenge *Bantu* oshi li mongundutyadhina 1.a. mElaka lyOshiwambo, omanga *Oshimbantu, Oshimbanhu, Otshimbanhu*, nenge *Otshibantu* shi li mongundutyadhina 7 yOshiwambo, sho oshitya *Aambantu/Ovambanhу/Aambanhу/Aabantu* shi li mongundutyadhina 2 mElaka lyOshiwambo.

Shoka sha thanekwa

Shi ikolelela kiizemo yehitululopekapeko ndika, ombapila ndjika oya ningi omathaneko taga landula. Ehitululokonakono ndika otali kunkilile aanyoli yomambo niinyolwa yilwe mboka taya ka nyanyangidha iinyolwa komeho ya shange okatungithi ‘Bantu’ mondjila mElaka lyOshiwambo ngaashi naana sha yelithwa moshinyolwa shika, opo wo aaleshi ye shi shange mondjila ko ku taambathanwe omunyolelo gwomondjila gokatungi ‘Bantu’ komapipi nomapipi monakuyiwa. Ehitululokoneneno ndika olya thaneka ku ndulukwe omunyolelo gwOshiwambo ngoka tagu kala gwa kwatela mo omnyolelo dhoonyalika adhihe omulongo nayimwe dhOshiwambo. Shika otashi yumudha po nokupungula uuyambiitya woonyapilaka adhihe dhOshiwambo ndhoka tadhi ende tadhi si notawu ende tawu kana.

Ehitululosinasino oyo tuu ndika olya thaneka ku nyolwe wo embonziililotya mElaka lyOshiwambo, opo ku ndhindhilikwe oonziiililo yiitya, uitungithi nosho wo omayityo gawo mwa kwatela okatungithi ‘Bantu’, ko ku yandwe omananathano pokati kaanyoli kombinga yomayityo giitya nuutungithi. Oshinyolwahitululokonakono shika osha thaneka wo ku nyolwe

embwiitya/omambwiitya ngoka taga ndhindhili like omunyolelo gwomondjila gokatungithi 'Bantu' mElaka lyOshiwambo, oshoka omambo ngoka tagi ithanwa omambwiitya monyapilaka yOshindonga nOshikwanyama kage shi omambwiitya molwashoka inaga gwanitha po uukwatywa womambwiitya ngaashi tawu landula: oshuulikitya, oshiwilikitya, ofonetika, oshilyo shomupopyo/oludhi lwoshitya nefatululo/nomafafululo okutumbula po wala iishona. Oshinyolwa shika osha thaneka wo ku ningwe iigongilonga ku longwe aakwashigwana omunyolelo gwomondjila nosho wo omayito gomondjila gokatungithi 'Bantu' mOshiwambo. Hugunina, ehitolulosinasino ndika olya thaneka wo kutya oompata dha li pokati komulungi gwOshindonga nomulungi gwoshilongwa shOmayilongo gOnkalathano osho dha thiki/yi pehulilo.

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