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## The Background

The Kakatiyas were a dynasty that rose to power from the town of Hanumakonda / Orugallu / Warangal / Ekasila Nagaram in the present day Telangana state early in the 12th century and over the next two hundred years eventually gained domain over most of the Telugu lands, covering the present states of Andhra Pradesh and Telangana. (former Andhra Pradesh). This empire forms the most significant element of the modern Telugu identity, and even more strongly, that of the present day Telangana.

It was the last empire in history that encompassed and unified almost the entire Telugu speaking regions and conducted most of it's administrative affairs in the Telugu language.

It was a successor to the Chalukyas of both the western and the eastern branches. As the last great imperial powers of Andhra, they left magnificent monuments and large numbers of stone inscriptions across a wide geography of Andhra and Telangana. There was the spectacular flourishing of Telugu literature immediately preceding this empire, during the empire and in the successor states of this empire. In significance for the Andhra/ Telugu identity it is perhaps best compared to the Shatavahanas who ruled a thousand years before them, though the Shatavahanas, in their heyday ruled a much larger region of the Deccan.

