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“A Critical Edition of *Tolkāppiyam Poruḷatikāram, Akattiṇaiyiyal* with the Commentary of Nacciṇārkkīṇiyar”

Collation of manuscripts of Nacciṇārkkīṇiyar's Commentary of *Tolkāppiyam Poruḷatikāram, Akattiṇaiyiyal* and also the relevant important printed editions and make a critical edition comparing them with critical notes and a translation of the commentary.

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