

M.A PROGRAMME

Semester II

NAME OF THE COURSE-PC-VIII - LINGUISTICS

Aim of the Course

The course is intended to acquaint the students with the concepts of Linguistics and its Development in modern times.

Objective of the Course

1. To acquaint the students with the Indian concepts of Language.
2. To give an understanding of Indian theories of phonetics.
3. To give an understanding of the developments of modern Linguistics
4. To help the students to understand and compare the different theories of Indian Concepts of language with their western counter parts.

Course Outline

Module-1

1. General introduction to linguistics- utility of language- main branches of Linguistics.
2. Morphological and Genealogical classification of language, dialects and cognate languages
3. Indo European family members- General characteristics, Compounds – Analogy and its divisions.

Module-2

1. Speech mechanism – classification of sounds stops, fricatives ,semi vowels and vowels
2. Phonetic laws-- law of Palatalization, Grassman’s law, Fortunatov’s rule, and Grimms law
3. Phonetic changes – Prothesis, Epenthesis, Aphaeresis, syncope, Haplology, Assimilation, Dissimilation, Metathesis, Historical Survival, Compensatory sound change etc., Causes of phonetic changes.

Module-3

1. Origin and development of Indian Linguistics shift from diachronic to synchronic studies and spoken languages.
2. Descriptive Linguistics – structural Linguistics of Ferdinand de Saussure – Langue and Parole.
3. Noam Chomsky -- Transformational and Generative Grammar, Deep structure, Surface Structure – Socio Linguistics.

Module-4

1. Semantics--Word and Meaning-- Indian Traditional Views. Bhartrhari sphota theory, Nyaya System, Mimamsa system.
2. Modern views of Ferdinand De Saussure, Noam Chomsky.
3. Comparative Study of Western approach with Indian Counter parts.

Essential Reading

1. *An Introduction to Sanskrit Linguistics*, M. Srimannarayanamurti, D.K Publications, Delhi.
2. *Linguistics*, David Crystal, Cambridge University, Preu, Cambridge.

3. *A Course in General Linguistics*, Ferdinand De Saussure
4. *Indian Theories of meaning*, K Kunjunni Raja, The Adyar Library and Research Centre, The theosophical Society, Adyar, Chennai.
5. *Chomsky Noottantinte Manassakshi*, M.A Baby (ed.) D.C Books Kottayam.

Additional Reading

1. *Phonetics in Ancient India* –W.H Allen
2. *Panini* - G. Cardona
3. *Language* – L. Bloomfield
4. *A Handbook of Comparative Philology* – T.K Ramachandra Iyer.

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Type of questions	Weight	No. of questions to be answered	
1-8 Short answer type questions (not exceeding than one page)	5x1=5	5 out of 8	
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1from module -2			
3 from module-3			
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9-16 Short Essays 1 from module -3 2 from module -2 2 from module-2 1 from module-1	5x2=10	5 out of 8	

17-22 Essay Qns	3x5=15	3 out of 6	
1 fro module 1			
2 from module-2			
2from module-2			
1 from module-1			

PAPER – VIII, MODEL QUESTION PAPER

LINGUISTICS

Weightage:30

Answer may be written in Sanskrit or in English. In writing Sanskrit Devanagiri Script should be used.

I. Write short notes on any five (not exceeding one page)

1. Langue
2. Polysemy
3. Euphemism
4. Structuralism
5. Dialects and Cognate language.
6. Phonemes
7. Compounds in Sanskrit
8. Universal Grammar

5x1=5

II Write short essays on any five

9. Indo European family of language
10. Causes of Phonetic change
- 11.. Law of Palatalization
12. Sphota theory
13. Origin and Development of modern linguistics
14. Specialization
15. Analogy
16. Main branches of linguistics

5x2=10

III Write essays on any three

17. Describe the contribution of Ferdinand de Saussure to Modern Linguistics
18. Define and illustrate Fortunatov's law
19. Organs of speech
20. Discuss the families of language

21. Socio linguistics
22. Semantic changes

3x5=15
