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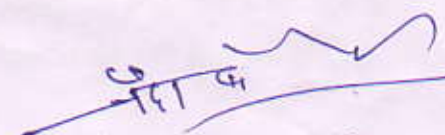
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Section A (Research Methodology)

Unit-1 Objective/Purpose of Research- Qualities of Research Works, evaluation of earlier works, Various methods- Historic, comparative, descriptive & scientific observation, experimentation & confirmation of hypothesis, Statistical methods, Analytical methods; Data Collection - Primary & Secondary sources, library search, indexes, bibliographies, case study, interview methods, content analysis, classification of data. Data collection for various aspects of linguistic studies- phonetics, phonology, morphology, syntax, semantics, pragmatics, lexicography, historical linguistics, comparative linguistics, typology, applied linguistics, psycholinguistics, forensic linguistics, cognitive linguistics and computational linguistics etc.

Unit-2

Quantative vs. Qualitative research; Inductive vs. Deductive methods; Impericist vs. Rationalist approaches in Linguistic research; Research Presentation skills, presentation outline, power point presentation, making word/PDF file, research proposal writing, arrangement of arguments, coherence, cohesion, style of writing.


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Section- B (Concerned Subject)

- Unit I:** Language – definition, theory – ding-dong, pooh-pooh, divine theory, yo-he-ho theory, gesture theory, design features of language; study and scope of Linguistics; Branches of linguistics: phonetics, phonology, morphology, syntax, semantics; Phonetics and its branches; classification of sound: consonants and vowels; Phonology: syllable, tone, stress, intonation, I.P.A. symbols.
- Unit II:** Word categories: simple, complex and compound words, content word and functional words; Concept of morph and morphemes; Types of morphemes; Inflectional and derivational morphemes; Processes of word formations; Types of compounds; Syntactic study: types of phrases, clauses and sentences; phrase structure grammar, transformational generative grammar; Semantic study: polysemy, antonymy, homonymy, synonymy, hyponymy, connotation and denotation; reasons for meaning change.
- Unit III:** Sociolinguistic Study: variation of language, standard language, dialect, sociolect, idiolect, register; Psycholinguistic Study: language acquisition, aphasia, dyslexia, anomia; Applied Linguistic Study: language teaching, language testing, errors, Interlanguage, style and stylistics, translation, its types and machine translation.
- Unit IV:** Field Linguistics: field work and its importance, methods of data collection, selecting informants, characteristics of informants, tools for data collections; Language Families of World and India; Typological features of Indian languages.
- Unit V:** Indian and Western Thinkers in the Field Linguistics and their Contributions: Panini, Bhartrahari, Patanjali, Yask, Grierson, Saussure, Bloomfield, Noam Chomsky, Greenberg, Sapir, Labov.

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