FOURTH SEMESTER M.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION, APRIL 2020

(CUCSS - PG)

(Regular/Improvement/Supplementary)

CC15P EN4 E24 – LINGUISTICS

(English)

(2015 Admission onwards)

Time: Three Hours   Maximum: 36 Weightage

I. Answer *all* the following questions in a word, phrase or sentence:-

1. What are Matrix Sentences?

2. Define an Allomorph.

3. Define language.

4. Difference between phonetics and phonology.

5. Expand PSR.

6. Phonological conditioning.

7. What is diglossia?

8. What is Juncture?

(8 x ½ = 4 Weightage)

II. Write a paragraph of about 150 words each on any *six* of the following:-

9. T.G Grammar

10. Tagmemics

11. The Copenhagen school

12. Noam Chomsky

13. Register Variation

14. Human and animal communication

15. Morphophonemics

16. Langue and parole

17. Deep and Surface structure

18. Universal Grammar

(6 x 2 = 12 Weightage)

III. Write essays of about 450 words on any four of the following, choosing one from each section:-

Section A

19. Discuss the statement that a language is a network of system, and give suitable example to illustrate your answer.

20. Write an essay on Stress, Rhythm and Intonation in language, illustrating your answer with examples from English.

21. Describe the levels of linguistic analysis with reference to English

Section B

22. What do you mean by language varieties? How would you classify language varieties?

23. Write an essay on behaviorist and cognitive approach to language acquisition.

24. Critically examine the concept of language change, illustrating your argument with suitable examples.

Section C

25. What were the drawbacks of Traditional grammar and Structural Linguistics?

26. Discuss the main proponents of IC analysis.

27. What is a systemic grammar? How does it differ from transformational grammar?

Section D

28. Write an essay on the contributions of Saussure to linguistics

29. "The descriptive grammar of Sanskrit, which Panini brought to its perfection is one of the greatest monuments of human intelligence and an indispensable model for the description of languages". Discuss.

30. Comment on the contributions of the American school of linguists

(4 x 5 = 20 Weightage)

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