

FOURTH SEMESTER M.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION, JUNE 2019

(CUCSS-PG)

English

ENG 4E 24—LINGUISTICS

(2012 Admissions)

Maximum : 36 Weightage

Time : Three Hours

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

- 1 Define Triphthongs.
- 2 What is Polarisation ?
- 3 Differentiate between Phonology and Morphology.
- 4 What is Polysemy ?
- 5 Define Lexical Ambiguity.
- 6 Define Foregrounding.
- 7 What is Proxemics ?
- 8 What is Bilingualism ?

(8 × ½ = 4 weightage)

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

- 9 What are the characteristic features of generative Phonology ?
- 10 Give a note on Patanjali's contribution to Linguistics.
- 11 Explain R.P.
- 12 Give a note on Contrastive distribution.
- 13 Explain Tagmemics.
- 14 Why is Linguistics regarded as a science ?
- 15 Distinguish between Speech and Writing.
- 16 Examine Extended Standard Theory.
- 17 What do you understand by Semantic changes ?
- 18 Explain Morphophonemics.

(6 × 2 = 12 weightage)

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

Section A

- 19 Differentiate between Phonemics and Morphemes.
- 20 Trace the origin and development of human language.
- 21 Explain the Dichotomy between Synchrony and Diachrony.

Section B

- 22 What is Semantic change ? What are its causes ?
- 23 Examine Psycho-linguistics as a branch of Linguistics.
- 24 Distinguish between Convergence and Divergence.

Section C

- 25 Examine the features and limitations of traditional grammar.
- 26 How does I.C. Analysis function as a tool to represent structure of sentences ?
- 27 What is Relativization Transformation ?

Section D

- 28 Examine the differences between the European and the American traditions in Linguistics.
- 29 Explain the significance of the *Karaka* Theory in Sanskrit Linguistics.
- 30 Give a general assessment on the Indian contribution to Linguistics.

(4 × 5 = 20 weightage)