OBJECTIVES OF THE PAPER: On completion of the syllabus the student should be able to:

- Provide introductory remarks on language in general and linguistics in particular.
- Understand the characteristics and functions of Human Languages.
- Know about the applied and interdisciplinary areas.

UNIT I

A. Language- Symbolic, Systematic Medium of Communication.
C. Design Features of Language.
D. Modern Linguistics: Speech and Writing; Prescriptive and Descriptive; Synchronic and Diachronic.

UNIT II

A. Language Description: Phonetics and Phonology.
B. Language Description: Morphology.
C. Language Description: Syntax.
D. Language Description: Semantics.

UNIT III

A. Language Use and Communication: Pragmatics.
B. Language Teaching and Stylistics.
C. Computational Linguistics.
D. Language in Legal Context: Forensic Linguistics.

SUGGESTED READINGS:

OBJECTIVES OF THE PAPER: On completion of the syllabus the student should be able to:

- Understand the different aspects and varieties of language.
- Know the systematic and structured form of language.

UNIT I

A. Channels of Communication.
B. Language as a Code: Sign, Signifier, Signified.
C. Icon, Index and Symbol.
D. Language is Human.

UNIT II

A. Language is Dynamic, Structured and Systematic.
B. Language and Writing Systems.
C. Language Varieties: Idiolect, Dialect, Sociolect, Register, Style, Slang.
D. Language as Text/Discourse.

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