MODEL QUESTION PAPER

B.A. DEGREE PROGRAMME END SEMESTER EVALUATION

Semester 11

Compl. Course111 LINGUISTICS

Course Code LN 1231

PHONETICS AND PHONOLOGY

Time: 3 Hrs

Maximum Marks: 80

Section A

Answer all questions (in a word to maximum of two sentences).

1. Variant forms of a phoneme are called ----------------.
2. What are the nasal sounds in English?
3. Distinguish between active and passive articulators?
4. What are the different branches of Phonetics?
5. Give the manner of articulation for the sound /p/.
6. What are the close vowels in English?
7. Distinguish between egressive and ingressive air-stream mechanisms.
8. What is IPA?
9. What is intonation?
10. Differentiate between diphthongs and clusters.

(10x1=10markst)

SECTION B

Give short answers to any eight questions. (Not to exceed one paragraph)

11. How the vocal cords change the quality of sound?
12. What is meant by transcription?
13. What is meant by aspirated plosive? What are the aspirated plosives in Malayalam?
14. How fricative sounds are produced? Give examples from English.

15. Give the phonetic descriptions for the sounds /s/, /h/, /v/ and /g/?

16. Distinguish between open syllable and closed syllable.

17. What is meant by free variation?

18. What is meant by phonatory system?

19. What are the functions of vocal cords?

20. Explain the pulmonic air-stream mechanism.


22. Distinguish between phonetics and phonology.

(8x2=16 Marks)

Section C

Write six short essays (Not to exceed 120 words)

23. Explain cardinal vowels with examples.

24. Write a note on diphthongs. Give examples from English.

24. Explain syllables.

25. How many back vowels in English? Indicate their tongue positions.

26. Distinguish between Laterals and fricatives.

27. What are the prosodic features?.

28. Distinguish between phonologically conditioning and morphologically conditioning?

29. What is meant by phonotactis?

30. How the vowels in English are classified?

31. Write the retroflex sounds in Malayalam.

(6x4=24 marks)
Section D

Write any two long essays.

32. Describe the methods of phonemic analysis and identify the phonemes from the following data.

[ sama ] “man” [ tatsu ] “branch”
[ tadsa ] “petal” [ zama ] “seed”
[ kasama ] “flower” [ sagama ] “leaf”

33. Describe the organs responsible for speech.

34. Distinguish between phone, phoneme and allophone with examples.

35. Write an essay on air-stream mechanisms.

(2×15=30 weight)