

**MASTER'S DEGREE PROGRAMME  
IN ENGLISH**

**Term-End Examination**

**December, 2022**

**MEG-04 : ASPECTS OF LANGUAGE**

*Time : 3 hours*

*Maximum Marks : 100*

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**Note :** Answer question no. 1 which is **compulsory**, and any other **four** questions from Q.2 to Q.7. All questions carry equal marks.

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1. Write short notes on any **two** of the following :  $2 \times 10 = 20$
- (a) Post-independence Language Policy
  - (b) Phrase Structure Rules in Early Transformational Grammar
  - (c) Variation Studies : New York City : William Labov
  - (d) Degrees of Prominence

2. Critically evaluate the role of English as a second language in the Indian context. Explain whether its extensive usage has led to negative attitudes towards Indian language or diminished the functionality of Indian language. 20
  3. Distinguish between Dialect and Idiolect, with suitable examples. 20
  4. Explain the function of Intonation in English language. 20
  5. What do you understand by the term “Conversational Analysis ? Why is it important for anyone to have this knowledge ? What are the basic principles involved in it ? 20
  6. What are the factors which influenced English spelling through the ages ? Explain it with suitable examples. 20
  7. Explain the relationship between linguistics and literary criticism, with relevant examples. 20
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