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ABSTRACT

The present study has made an attempt to find out the kind of *Language Used in the Journals of Agriculture* in terms of sentence types, tense, voice, aspect and vocabularies with their word-class and frequency. Non-probability judgmental sampling design had been applied to collect the data in the study. The data were taken from three journals of agriculture. In this study, complex sentence, past tense, simple aspect, active voice and nouns were found to be maximally used in all three journals of agriculture. The perfective progressive aspect in SJA has not been used at all. This aspect has also been used very less frequently in comparison to other aspects in other two journals. The special vocabularies found in the journals under study were three hundred and four in total. Among the major word-class, nouns have been used maximally and adverbs have not been found in all three journals of agriculture.

This thesis is divided into four main chapters and other sub-chapters. The first chapter deals with general background of the study, sociolinguistics, domain of sociolinguistics, an introduction of agriculture, history of agriculture, importance of agriculture, literature review, objectives, significance of the study and definition of the terms. The second chapter deals with the methodology which includes sources of data, sampling procedure, tools for data collection, process of data collection and some limitations of the study. Similarly, the third chapter presents the analysis and interpretation of the data using simple statistical tools like percentage and frequency. Lastly, the fourth chapter presents the findings and some recommendations based on the analysis and interpretation of the available data. At the end, the references and appendices along with some sample texts of agricultural journals are presented.

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ABBREVIATIONS

ADJ	:	Agricultural Development Journal
ARS	:	Agricultural Research Stations
BC	:	Before Christ
BCE	:	Before the common era
Ca	:	Approximately (from Latin 'circa')
CS	:	Compound sentence
CxS	:	Complex sentence
DNA	:	Deoxyribonucleic acid
Dr.	:	Doctor
E.U	:	European Union
Eg	:	For example
ESP	:	English for Specific Purpose
Et al	:	And other People or thing
Freq.	:	Frequency
i.e.	:	That is
M.Ed.	:	Master of Education
Mr.	:	Mister
Mrs.	:	Mistress
NARC	:	Nepal Agricultural Research Council
NMRP	:	National Maize Research Program
No.	:	Number

NARJ	:	Nepal Agriculture Research Journal
P.	:	Page
Per.	:	Percentage
Perf.	:	Perfective
Prof.	:	Professor
Perf Prof		Perfective Progressive
Prog.	:	Progressive
R	:	Regional
SAARC	:	South Asian Association of Regional Cooperation
SAIC	:	SAARC Agricultural Information Centre.
SARC	:	SAARC Agricultural Research Council
SAS-N	:	Society of Agricultural Scientists Nepal
SJA	:	SAARC Journal of Agriculture
SS	:	Simple sentence
T. U.	:	Tribhuvan University
USA	:	United States of America
Via	:	Through
VIZ	:	Namely
Vol.	:	Volume