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## ABSTRACT

This study entitled "Language used in Notices" intends to find out the constructions and functions of English notices.

In order to collect the data, the researcher traveled to different parts of Kathmandu valley and recorded information of notices from notice boards kept in different places as well as outside. He also visited different offices, business firms, educational institutions, hospitals, etc to record information contained by English notices. He collected one hundred notices from different sectors. He further classified the whole data under five sectors, viz. Educational Institutions, Ministries and other Offices, Health Institutions and Hospitals, Business Firms and Miscellaneous.

This study found that eleven types of constructions, viz. Verbless constructions, Finite constructions, Non-finite constructions, Passive constructions, Imperative constructions, Compound constructions, Complex constructions, Past tense, Non-past tense, Progressive aspect and Perfective aspect interms of five sectors as mentioned above, are used in English notices. Among them, verbless constructions are the most frequently used in English notices. This study further found that only ten language functions viz. Notifying , Requesting, Seeking information, Suggesting, Making obligation, Congratulating, Inviting, Making order, Prohibiting and Directing are prevalent. Among them, Requesting is the most frequently used functions in English notices.

The first chapter comprises general background, sentence constructions and language functions of English notices, review of the related literature, objectives of the study, and significance of the study.

Chapter two consists of the methodology of the study. It encompasses the source of data, sampling procedure, process of data collection and limitation of the study.

The third chapter deals with the analysis and interpretation of the collected data. It consists of mainly two parts: sentence constructions and language functions. These two parts are studied under five sectors as mentioned above.

The final chapter deals with the findings and recommendations. Findings are derived from the analysis and interpretation of the data carried out in chapter three and recommendations are made on the basis of findings.

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## List of Abbreviations

Adj.	Adjectives
App.	Appendix
Aux.	Auxiliary
c.f.	Compare
e.g.	exempli gratia (for example)
etc.	etcetera
Govt.	Government
H	Head
i.e.	Idest (that is)
No	Number
NP	Noun Phrase
OALD	Oxford Advanced Learner's Dictionary
P	Predicate
Prep. P.	Prepositional phrases
S.N.	Serial Number
Sub	Subject
viz.	Namely