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ABSTRACT

This dissertation entitled "An Analysis of English Language used in Different Newspaper Editorials: A Comparative Study' is an attempt to analysis and describe the characteristics features of English Language used in print media; especially in Newspaper Editorials. This study presents the comparative analysis of the characteristics of English used in two different newspaper editorials i.e. The Himalayan Times and the Kathmandu Post. The comparison is on such areas as sentence types, voice, tense, aspect, sentence length and sub-verb proximity. The data for the research have been collected from print media (The Himalayan Times and The Kathmandu Post) during 22nd Dec. to 6th January, 2011/12. Although the aim of my study was to find out the differences and similarities between the language used in two different newspaper editorials in terms of sentence types, sentence length, voice, tense, aspect and headings and style of writing, I did not find remarkable distinction between them interms of above stated areas. Infact, I found more similarities in both newspaper editorials interms of above stated areas. I found little difference in headings and style of writings in both newspaper than in other areas. So, on the whole there is not a vast differences between the language of an editiorials in two different newspaper i.e. The Kathmandu post and the Himalayan Times.

The thesis consists of four chapter. Chapter one introduces the study interms of General Background, Review of the Related Literature, Objectives, Significance of the Study and Definition of terms. Chapter two deals with the Methodology adopted for the study under which the Sources of data, Sampling procedure, Tools for data collection, Process of data collection and Limitations of the study area presented. Chapter three presents the Analysis and Interpretation of the data. In this section, both statistical as well as descriptive approaches have been used. Chapter four discusses the Findings and Recommendations of this research. The findings have been presented in the comparative form.

The References and Appendices form the concluding part of the thesis.

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LIST ABBREVIATIONS

AV : Active Voice

CS : Compound Sentence

CXS : Complex Sentence

No. : Number

PM : Print Media

PV : Passive Voice

SL : Sentence Length

SS : Simple Sentence

S-V proximity : Subject Verb Proximity

THT : The Himalayan Times

TKP : The Kathmandu Post