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ABSTRACT

The study entitled 'Strategies Adopted in Teaching Language Functions at Secondary Level' has been carried out to find out the strategies used in teaching language functions in private schools as well as community schools. The comparison has been made in three aspects viz. indirectly related aspects, sample of lesson presentation and actual strategies or techniques used. By the use of non-random sampling procedure the researcher selected six schools of Pyuthan district. Altogether twenty four classes of English teachers were observed. The researcher has collected data by distributing questionnaire and observing the classes of the English teachers while they taught language functions. All the language functions come under socializing function of language. In order to collect data, the researcher himself went to the field, obtained consent from related body, established rapport with the teachers and collected data 24 days in the field. This study shows that while teaching language functions in Private School, strategies viz. questioning, drill, demonstration, audio-video, inductive, co-operative and TRP were used the most part of instructional time. The comparison shows that in many of the strategies, sample of lesson presentation and indirectly related aspects the position of Private Schools' teachers and Private Schools was found comparatively better than the position of Community Schools' teachers and Community Schools.

This thesis is divided into four chapters. The first chapter deals with the introduction of the study. It introduces language functions and moves to review of the related literature, objective of the study, and significance of study. Chapter two deals with methodology, i.e. how the research was carried out. The study is based on both primary and secondary sources of data. Population of the study, sample population, sampling procedure, tools for data collection and limitation of the study have also been included. Chapter three deals with the analysis and interpretation of the data which were analyzed separating them into three sub-headings viz. teaching strategies used in Private Schools, sample

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of lesson presentation and indirectly related aspects. The data have been interpreted by comparing the Private Schools' teachers' position to Community Schools' teachers' position and have been tabulated. Final chapter includes summary, findings and recommendations. On the basis of analysis data, findings have been listed and on the basis of findings, some recommendations have been made.

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LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS AND SYMBOLS

- CS Community School
- ELT English Language Teaching
- e.g. For example
- etc. etcetera
- i.e. That is
- L₁ First language
- L2 Second Language
- M.Ed. Masters of Education
- P Page
- PS Private School
- S.N. Serial Number
- T.U. Tribhuvan University