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## **ABSTRACT**

The present thesis entitled “A Descriptive Study on Language Used in Cinema News in English Newspaper” aims to find out the use of sentence type, tense, aspect, voice and narration in three newspapers viz. The City Post, The Times of India and The New York Times. The researcher applied the judgmental sampling procedure to select these newspapers. The data have been collected from June 15 to 31, 2008 i.e. 45 issues of cinema news, 15 from each of the newspapers. The study presents the descriptive analysis of the mentioned characteristics of the language used in cinema news. It was found that there was not significant difference among the language of TCP, TTI and TNYT. The general difference was seen in its simplicity. Complex sentences were found maximally used in all the newspapers covering more than half i.e. 53.53% of the total sentences. In all the newspapers, Non-past tense and simple aspect was used highly covering 63.41% and 85.38% respectively. Active voice and indirect narration were in majority in cinema news covering 93.42% and 75.90% of the total sentences respectively.

The thesis consists of four chapters. Chapter one is an introductory chapter. It includes general background, review of the related literature, objectives of the study, significance of the study and definition of the specific terms. Chapter two deals with the methodology adopted to carry out the research under which sources of data, sampling procedure, tools for data collection, process of data collection and limitations of the study are presented. Chapter three presents analysis and interpretation of the data. In this section both statistical as well as descriptive approach has been used. Chapter four incorporates findings and recommendations of the research. The references and appendices form the concluding part of the thesis.

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## LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS

e.g.	-	for example
etc.	-	etcetera (and other similar things)
i.e.	-	That is (Latin <i>exempli gratia</i> )
No.	-	Number
Viz.	-	Namely
TCP	-	The City Post
TTI	-	The Times of India
TNYY	-	The New York Times
Freq.	-	Frequency
Per.	-	Percentage
SS	-	Simple Sentence
CS	-	Compound Sentence
CXS	-	Complex Sentence
Perf.	-	Perfective
Prog.	-	Progressive
AV	-	Active Voice
PV	-	Passive Voice
DN	-	Direct Narration
IDN	-	Indirect Narration