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### **ABSTRACT**

This thesis entitled "Causativization in English and Maithili" intends to compare and contrast causativization of the two languages English and Maithili. The researcher utilized both primary and secondary sources of data. In order to collect the primary sources of data a set of test consisting of ten English sentences to be translated into Maithili, ten Maithili sentences to be translated into English, Underline the correct form of verbs given in the bracket and a composition work was prepared and the informants were asked to respond to the tests. The population included 60 Maithili speaking students from three different campuses of Saptary and Siraha districts. The answer sheets also included some preliminary details about the informants. After collecting the data researcher analyzed and interpreted them. The major findings of the present study indicate that Maithili causativization differs from English in various aspects. However, there are some similarities as well. The use of morphological causative in Maithili is a significant difference from English.

The thesis consists of four chapters. Chapter one deals with general background, an overview of Maithili language, English language and its significance in Nepalese education, importance of grammar, grammar and causativization. It also deals with review of related literature, objectives of the study, significance of the study and definition of the specific terms. Chapter two is concerned with the methodology used in the study. It includes sources of data, population of the study, sampling procedure, research tool, process of data collection and limitations of the study. Chapter three deals with analysis and interpretation of the data which includes causativization in English, causativization in Maithili, syntax of causativization, semantics of causation, verification of Maithili causativization and CA of English and Maithili Causativization. Chapter four incorporates findings, recommendations and pedagogical implications of the study.

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### LIST OF SYMBOLS AND ABBREVIATIONS

\* : Grammatically Unacceptable Sentence

1 : First Person

2 : Second Person

3 : Third Person

ACC/DAT : Accusative - Dative

AUX : Auxiliary

CA : Contrastive Analysis

CAUS : Causative

CLAS : Classifier

DC : Direct Causation

DO : Direct Object

FUT : Future Tense

H : Honorific

HH : High Honorific

IMP : Imperative

INSTR : Instrumental

INTR : Intransitive

IO : Indirect Object

L.K.G. : Lower Kindergarten

M.A. : Master of Arts

MC : Mediated Causation

MH : Mid Honorific

NH : Non Lonorific

NIA : New Indo-Aryan

NP : Noun Phrase

O : Object

OO : Oblique Object

PEN : Poets Essayists and Novelists

PERF : Perfective Aspect

PL : Plural

PRES : Present Tense

PRSPCPL: Present Participle

PST : Past Tense

PSTPCPL: Past Participle

REFL: Reflexive

S : Subject

SAARC : South Asian Association for Regional Co-operation

SG : Singular

T.U. : Tribhuvan University

TNS : Tense

TR : Transitive

UN : United Nations

UNO : United Nations Organization

V : Verb

VP : Verb Phrase