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ABSTRACT

This thesis entitled "Coordination in English and Tharu" has been carried out to identify coordinators in the Tharu language and to compare and contrast them with those of English. The researcher used both primary and secondary sources of data. The sample population of the study consisted of 60 native speakers of Tharu including male and female in terms of illiterate, literate and educated. The informants for this study have been selected from two villages of Saptari district viz. Sarshwar and Jandaul. A set of questionnaire was used to elicit the data from Tharu informants who were selected by using stratified random sampling procedure and for the English language the data were extracted from secondary sources. The researcher found out that the Tharu language has more or less similar number of coordinators but at the same time it has adopted more alternative equivalents while comparing to coordinators used in English.

The thesis contains four chapters. The first chapter contains general background, review of the related literature, objectives of the study, significance of the study and definition of some specific terms. The second chapter includes sources of data, sample population, tools of data collection, process of data collection and limitations of the study. Similarly, the third chapter comprises analysis and interpretation of the data obtained from the field and secondary sources. Finally, the fourth chapter contains the findings and recommendations. References and appendices are mentioned in the end.

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LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS

CA – Contrastive Analysis

Edu. – Educated

F – Female

FL – Foreign Language

Ill. – Illiterate

 L_1 — Mother tongue

 $L_2 \hspace{1cm} - \hspace{1cm} Second \ language$

Li. – Literate

M – Male

SLC – School Leaving Certificate

VDC – Village Development Center