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SYMBOLS AND ABBREVIATIONS

% : Percentage

Bro. : Brother

CBS : Central Bureau of Statistics

DDC : District Development Committee

Dr. : Doctor

e.g. : Example

FN : First Name

i.e. : id est (That is)

LN : Last Name

Mr. : Mister

Ms : Miss

Mrs. : Mistress

Mr. (N) : Mr. plus Name

MN : Multiple Names

No : Number

Prof. : Professor

S.L.C. : School Leaving Certificate

T : Title

TLN : Title plus Last Name

T/V : tu-vous

T.U. : Tribhuvan University

VDC : Village Development Committee

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ABSTRACT

The present study "Forms of Address of the Chepang and English Languages: A Comparative Study" attempts to compare and contrast the forms of address used in the Chepang and English languages. It shows how native speakers used the words to address somebody in speech, keeping in mind various factors like age, sex, relation, social setting, culture related to addressors and addressees. This research compares the forms of address used for consanguineal relations, affinal relations and social relations including strangers, friends, teachers and students, people holding political, judicial and other positions, professionals like officers, doctors, nurses, drivers and other persons in the Chepang community.

To carry out this research, both primary and secondary sources of data have been utilized. The sample population consisted of forty-five native speakers of the Chepang language spoken in Makwanpur district. Data for the English language had been taken from secondary sources i.e. English forms of address, different books, journals, research report (References 57-59). A set of questionnaire was used to collect the data.

The way of addressing people in two languages differ in most cases. Usually, kinship terms can have addressee use in the Chepang but first name is more prominent in the English language. The researcher found out that the Chepang language is richer in the forms of address compared to English.

The thesis spreads into 4 Chapters. Chapter one deals with general background in which language has been defined, linguistic situation of Nepal, introduction of Chepang, their origin, their language, review of related literature, objectives of the study, significance of the study and definition of specific terms. Chapter two is related to the methodology, which deals with sources of data, population of the study, sampling procedure and tools for data collection, process of data collection and limitation of the study. Chapter three deals with analysis and interpretation of the data. It compare and contrast the two languages i.e. English and the Chepang. The fourth chapter presents the findings and recommendation and some suggestions.

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