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ABSTRACT

This study entitled “Person, Place and Time Deixis in English and Baitadeli Dialect” aimed to find out Baitadeli person, place and time deictic expressions and to compare and contrast them with those of English. This study tries to analyze different aspects of person, place and time deixis of Baitadeli dialect and derived same logical and scientific conclusion about it. For this study, I selected sample population consisting of 40 Baitadeli native speakers from Gwallek and Nagarjun VDC of Baitadi district. The sample was selected by random sampling procedure. A set of questionnaire was used as the tool for data collection. English deictic expressions were taken from secondary sources. The data were analyzed and interpreted descriptively and statistically by using tables and illustrations. The major finding of this study showed that Baitadeli has a complex deixis system due to the existence of honorific distinction, number distinction, case distinction, proximal distal distinction, gestural and non-gestural distinction; Baitadeli second and third person deictic expressions have honorific and non-honorific distinction; Baitadeli first, second and third person deictic expressions have different terms for singular and plural numbers and subjective, objective and genitive cases; there have been found proximal and distal distinction, gestural and non-gestural distinction and pure and impure distinction regarding Baitadeli place and time deictic expressions.

This study consists of five chapters. The first chapter incorporates background of the study, statement of the problem, objectives of the study, research questions, significance of the study, delimitation of the study and operational definition of the key terms. Likewise, the second chapter includes the review of theoretical literature, review of the empirical literature, implications of the review for the study and conceptual framework. Similarly, the third chapter deals with design and methods of the study, population, sample and sampling strategy, data collection tools and techniques, sources of data, data collection procedures, data analysis and interpretation procedures and ethical

considerations. The fourth chapter involves the analysis and interpretation of results where the both statistical and descriptive approaches were used. Finally, the fifth chapter involves findings, conclusion and recommendations of the study.

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LIST OF SYMBOLS AND ABBREVIATIONS

CA	-	Contrastive Analysis
CBS	-	Central Bureau of Statistics
CUP	-	Cambridge University Press
dl.	-	Dual
Dr.	-	Doctor
Etc.	-	Etcetera
i.e.	-	That is
L1	-	First Language
L2	-	Second Language
M.Ed.	-	Master of Education
No.	-	Number
OUP	-	Oxford University Press
p.	-	Page Number
pl.	-	Plural
Prof.	-	Professor
Regd. No.	-	Registration Number
S.N.	-	Serial Number
Sing.	-	Singular
T.U.	-	Tribhuvan University
VDC	-	Village Development Committee
Viz.	-	They are
www	-	World Wide Web

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