

**MASTER'S DEGREE PROGRAMME IN
ENGLISH**

Term-End Examination

June, 2007

MEG-4 : ASPECTS OF LANGUAGE

Time : 3 hours

Maximum Marks : 100

Note : Answer question number **1** which is **compulsory**,
and any **three** from the remaining questions.

1. Write short notes on any **two** of the following : 25
 - (i) The characteristics of human language
 - (ii) Major types of language planning
 - (iii) Code-mixing and Code-switching
 - (iv) Inflectional versus Derivational Morphology

2. Mention briefly the main processes of word formation in the English language. Illustrate your answer with examples. 25

3. Discuss the criteria for classifying consonants and describe them in terms of their production. 25

4. What are the tests that you can apply to determine whether a sequence of words is a syntactic constituent ? Give examples to illustrate. 25
5. Mention briefly the learner factors in second language acquisition. Discuss the role of motivation in second language learning. 25
6. What is standard English ? Mention briefly the main international varieties of English. Give examples to illustrate the varieties. 25
7. What do you understand by 'foregrounding' ? Discuss its role in the analysis of a literary text. 25