MA Semester I (Supplementary) 2020

English

Core Course V

Introduction to Linguistics and Structure of Modern English

Students have to include the name of the examination roll number, registration number, course name and the number of pages they are submitting in the front page of the answer script (in the template already provided). They should also put page number on top right of each page. Students should leave a one inch margin on the left and on top before starting to write the examination. All students should write answers preferably in A4 paper. Students have to submit the answer scripts within 2 hours and 30 minutes.

Full Marks: 40

Answer any **one** of the following questions (1000 words):

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1. Answer *any one* of the following (1000 words):

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- (a) Would language change if we put effort into advocating prescriptive rules? Give evidence from what you have learnt from your course and your personal experience, to support your view.
- (b) What is 'deep structure' in transformational generative grammar? Comment on the motivations for postulating 'deep structure'.
- (c) What scientific procedures do linguists employ in the study of language? Substantiate your views with appropriate illustrations.
- (d) What are the different levels of linguistic analysis? How are they related to each other? Elaborate on your response with suitable examples.