Topics in the Syntax of Indo-Aryan Languages
(with a focus on the Western Indo-Aryan)

Overview

The Department of Linguistics, University of Mumbai under the GIAN scheme is organizing a Special Lecture Series on the topics in Syntax-Semantics of Indo-Aryan languages. The Lecture Series will exert special emphasis on the Western Indo-Aryan languages like Marathi, Gujarati, Kutchi, Konkani, Sindhi, Punjabi among others.

Many of these languages have not been adequately described in the light of latest theoretical developments and tool-kits of Modern Linguistics. Detailed description of phenomena in these languages may also challenge the existing linguistic theories and lead to further theorization. The description of these languages can be utilized in Natural Language Processing, machine translations and various other applications of Computational Linguistics as well as in language-related applications of Health Sciences and understanding the relationship of language and brain. This lecture-series will initiate the process of building such a repository. Thus, an endeavour to analyse Indo-Aryan language is of empirical, theoretical and applicative significance.

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<th>Dates</th>
<th>21st December – 30th December, 2016</th>
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<td>Topics to be covered</td>
<td>Case and agreement, ergative and other non-nominative subjects, passivization, causativization, scrambling and correlatives, among others.</td>
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<td>Who should attend</td>
<td>MA, M. Phil and Ph.D. students working on the syntax-semantics of Indo-Aryan languages, Researchers in the field of computational linguistics or NLP especially working on Indian languages, Young faculty in Linguistics</td>
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<td>Registration fees</td>
<td>Indian students (without fellowship) ₹ 3000</td>
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<td>Indian students (with fellowship), Independent researchers ₹ 10000</td>
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<td>Faculty, Industry based researchers and Foreign students ₹ 15000</td>
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How to apply for the lecture series?

All aspiring participants must submit a statement of purpose for participating in this lecture series in utmost 800-1000 words (excluding the references). This statement must be submitted by e-mail to avinash@linguistics.mu.ac.in on or before 5th of November, 2016. The selected participants will be intimated on or before 8th of November, 2016.
The faculty

Prof. Rajesh Bhatt  
(Guest Faculty)  
Prof. Rajesh Bhatt is currently working as Associate Professor at the Department of Linguistics, University of Massachusetts, Amherst, USA. He is a well-known expert on the Syntax-Semantics of Indo-Aryan languages and published extensively on several syntactic phenomena in Indo-Aryan languages like Hindi-Urdu, Kutchi etc.

Dr. Renuka Ozarkar  
(Local Faculty)  
Dr. Renuka Ozarkar is working as Assistant Professor at the Department of Linguistics, University of Mumbai since 2012.

Dr. Avinash Pandey  
(Host Faculty and the Programme Co-ordinator)  
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