

SEMESTER IV
OPTIONAL PAPER
Middle Indo-Aryan
Code – D2

Module I

(20+5) marks

Stages and Documents of MIA; Linguistic comparison between different stages; General linguistic features of MIA; Linguistic study on early MIA documents with special reference to Pali, Asokan Prakrit and Transitional MIA; Definition of the term 'Prakrit' and its classification; Concept of Literary Prakrit and its types; Linguistic features of different Literary Prakrits; Documents and linguistic features of Late MIA.

Module II

(20+5) marks

MIA Phonology : Phonological structure of MIA; Treatment of OIA vowels, consonants and clusters in MIA; Important phonological processes in MIA; MIA sandhi; MIA accent.

MIA Morphology : MIA declensional pattern—Development of Gender, Number and Case in MIA; Primary conjugation in MIA with reference to Present, Past and Future system.

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