

Semester IV
Optional Paper
New Indo-Aryan
Code – D3

Module I **(20+5 marks)**

Evolution of NIA; Classification of NIA languages----- inner and outer classification, historical and geographical classification; Characteristics of NIA group of languages; NIA phonology----comparative and historical perspective; Development of the OIA phonological structure in NIA; Accent in NIA; Some important phonological processes in NIA.

Module II **(20+5 marks)**

Nominal system of NIA----- number, gender, case and pronoun; Verbal system of NIA--- tense, mood, number, aspect, concord; Compound verb and compound tense; Linguistic study of important NIA languages; Comparative study of the Magadhan languages; Non-Aryan influence on NIA; NIA numerals; NIA lexicon; Concept of ‘linguistic area’ with special reference to India as a linguistic area.

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