IDIOMS IN SANSKRIT

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The purpose of this research is to study idioms in Sanskrit. Sanskrit is one of the oldest languages is considered the mother language of the Indo-European language family. There are several myths about Sanskrit which prevail in society. Among them the most famous one is that Sanskrit is considered to be a dead language. Nevertheless there are many reasons to prove that it is not so. Even today, Sanskrit is spoken as a mother tongue in many areas in India. In addition to that it is stated that Sanskrit is the most appropriate language to apply for computers because it has a very logical syntax. The other reason to prove that Sanskrit is not a dead language is seen in the usage of the language. Idioms are the part of the language which people use commonly in regular conversation. Idioms do not have specific grammar rules. They are originated by the usage of the language. Every language has Idioms. An Idiom is a phrase in which the meaning is difficult or sometimes impossible to understand by merely looking at the meaning of the individual words it contains. It is very important to have an understanding about Idioms to be perfect in any language. But the problem is that very few people have conducted research in Sanskrit Idioms. Therefore the purpose of this research is to study Idioms written in Sanskrit. The research will help provide a good understanding about the common usage of Sanskrit language and it will be prove that Sanskrit is not a dead language. This research will be conducted using Sanskrit dramas and excerpts from classical Sanskrit literature.

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