An Analytical Study on the Ability to Use and Understand Hindi Language of University Students

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Language is considered as a core factor in communication and it is the ability to acquire and use complex systems of communication. However in the present categorization, of languages the Hindi language is considered as an inanimate (death) language. Nevertheless this belief cannot be considered as accurate, because Hindi is a very popular language especially among Sri Lankan people. When considering the university students 80% of them have basic knowledge of Hindi. They have the ability to understand Hindi language because of Hindi films. So when considering the Hindi language there is a huge influence of Bollywood movies but only 15% of them have the writing ability of Hindi language. A language promotes peace and understanding among people as well. Therefore when we promote Hindi language among Sri Lankans, it may be easy to make a bridge connecting the two nations of India and Sri Lanka. It can be started from the university level. The aim of this study is to reveal the ability to use and understand Hindi language of university students. Required data have been analyzed using a mixed approach of both qualitative and quantitative methods.

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