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ENTRANCE TEST FOR THE MA PROGRAMME

Time: 2 Hrs.
Marks: 40

Answer **any two** of the following questions:

[2 x 20 marks]

1. Give a brief socio-linguistic profile of your speech community.
2. Discuss the scope and relevance of linguistics in 'language teaching'.
3. Write an essay on the major differences between the human and animal communication systems. Give suitable illustrations in support of your views.
4. Discuss, briefly, the relationship between language, society and culture.
5. Read carefully the following data from Swahili (a language spoken in East Africa) and answer the questions given below:

1.	anapenda	'he likes'
2.	atapenda	'he will like'
3.	alipenda	'he liked'
4.	alinipenda	'he liked me'
5.	alikupenda	'he liked you'
6.	alimpenda	'he liked him'
7.	alitupenda	'he liked us'
8.	aliwapenda	'he liked them'
9.	nitampenda	'I will like him'
10.	ninakupenda	'I like you'

[P.T.O.]

A] Give the Swahili forms which express the following concepts: [1 mark each]

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| a. he | f. like |
| b. him | g. past tense |
| c. I | h. future tense |
| d. you | i. present tense |
| e. me | j. us |

B] Translate the following Swahili sentences into English: [2 marks each]

- a. ninapenda
- b. atampenda

C] Translate the following English sentences into Swahili: [2 marks each]

- a. He will like you
- b. I like them
- c. He likes me

6. A] Give appropriate IPA symbol for each of the following descriptions: [2 marks each]
e.g. Bilabial voiceless plosive: [p]

- a. Voiced alveolar fricative
- b. Voiced velar nasal
- c. Voiceless retroflex plosive
- d. Voiced velar implosive
- e. Bilabial click

B] Give appropriate description for each of the IPA symbol: [2 marks each]

e.g. [p^h] : **Bilabial voiceless aspirated plosive**

- a. [p]
 - b. [r]
 - c. [ɔ]
 - d. [k]
 - e. [ʃ]
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