

Total Marks: 60

Time: 2 hours

- N. B.** (1) Answer **any three** questions from **Section I** and **any one** from **Section II**.
 (2) **All** questions carry **equal** marks.

Section I

- Q.1]** What is Plato's Problem? Discuss how the Principles and Parameters approach to syntax paves a way to address Plato's Problem.
- Q.2]** State the PRO-theorem and show how it accounts for the distribution of PRO with the help of suitable examples.
- Q.3]** What is Burzio's Generalization? Explain how it provides a uniform account of the following expressions:
 a. passives
 b. raising constructions
- Q.4]** Write an essay on the Subjacency condition on Movement. Show how it accounts for the Island Constraints.
- Q.5]** Discuss the properties of the NP/DP movement with the help of suitable examples.
- Q.6]** Write notes on the following:
 a. The Projection Principle and the EPP
 b. The Theta roles

Section II

- Q.7]** Explain the grammaticality or ungrammaticality of **any three** of the following sentences, using the principles of Binding Theory:
 (Hint: Compute the binding domain).

- (i) Neeta₁ admired the books that Manju₂ bought for her_{1/1*}.
 (ii) Akshay₁ hates Jitendra₂'s opinion about him_{1/3/*2}.
 (iii) Sanjana₁ knows that Ritu₂ hates herself_{2/*1}.
 (iv) * She₁ writes a letter to Devaki₁.

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Q.8] Discuss the Theta assignment and the Case-assignment of the underlined NP/DPs in **any five** of the following sentences:
(Note: Assume UTAH, VISH and VP-shell everywhere).

- (i) For [Rajani] to accept [the job] would be unlikely.
 - (ii) Sujay wonders if [the manager] would listen to [him].
 - (iii) [The film] was believed to have been directed by [the students].
 - (v) The employer must pay [the salaries] to [the workers].
 - (vi) [Rajani] said that [the lake] would freeze in winter.
 - (vii) [She] thought that [he] sneezed.
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