

**QP CODE**

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**MA DEGREE EXAMINATIONS, FEBRUARY 2026**  
**Fourth Semester**  
**M.A. Sanskrit Language and Literature**  
**M23SN12DC – Linguistics**  
**(2023 July admissions)**

**Time: 3 Hours**

**Max Marks: 70**

**Section A**

**Answer any five of the following questions in two or three sentences each. Each question carries 2 marks.**

1. What is the importance of Sanskrit in Linguists?
2. What all branches come under the Indo – European Family of language family?
3. What are Centum and Satam groups of languages?
4. What are dialect languages? Give an example.
5. What is Morphology?
6. Define Fortunatov's law.
7. What are compounds according to Panini.
8. Define Structuralism.

**(2X5=10)**

**Section B**

**Answer any Six of the following questions in a paragraph each. Each question carries 5 marks.**

9. Characteristics of Prakrit languages – Explain.
10. Greek branch of Indo – European family – Analyse.
11. Linguistic families – Describe.
12. Phonology and its subject matter – Explain.
13. Cognate Languages – Illustrate.
14. Grimm's and Grassman's Laws – Define.
15. Sociolinguistics - Describe.

16. Organs of Speech – Explain.
17. Classification of Phonetic changes – Elucidate.
18. Law of Palatalisation - Explain.

**(5X6=30)**

### **Section C**

**Answer any two of the following questions in four pages each. Each question carries 15 marks.**

19. Explain Paninian classification of compounds.
20. Describe semantic and major semantic changes.
21. Analyse the characteristics of Indo- European languages.
22. Write an essay on relationship between language and thought as per Indian linguistic tradition.

**(15X2=30)**