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**COLLEGE OF SOCIAL SCIENCES THEOLOGY HUMANITIES AND
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Humanities Department

**HEC 202/HEN 325: LANGUAGE AND GENDER
END OF ^{2nd} SEMESTER FINAL EXAMINATIONS**

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DURATION: 3 HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS

1. Answer any **three** questions.
2. Credit will be given for neat, well-written and lucid work.
3. Write legibly.
4. All questions carry equal marks.

Question 1

Discuss the concepts 'language', 'gender' and 'sex' with the aid of appropriate examples. (20 marks)

Question 2

Critically analyse the ways in which language is used to construct male and female identities using specific examples. (20 marks)

Question 3

Explain the apparent differences in patterns of speaking between men and women using specific examples. (20 marks)

Question 4

Using some relevant examples discuss the issue of gender bias in language. (20 marks)

Question 5

Critically evaluate the contribution of psychoanalysis to our understanding of language and gender. (20 marks)

Question 6

How justifiable are feminist claims of male domination and female marginalization in the language system? (20 marks)

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