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Phonological Changes between Arabic and Tamil Languages: a contrastive study

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ABSTRACT

Sounds affect each other. It brings to change one of the sounds. The sound phenomena that occur as a result of the influence of sounds on some of them are; assimilation, dissimilation, metathesis. The question "Are there similarities in sound phenomena between Tamil and Arabic languages which are from two different language families" is the research problem. Thus, this research aims to identify the similarities and differences in sound phenomena among them. This research uses qualitative methodology under the descriptive analysis to find out the similarities and differences among them. Secondary data were collected from books, research and previous studies. This research concludes that partial and progressive assimilation in Arabic are used in Tamil under the name "waru ozhi tirifu" as well as other types of assimilation in Arabic such as complete, regressive, contact, distant assimilation are used in Tamil with different names. The assimilation is reflected in the vowels and consonants of these two languages. When comparing the dissimilation in Arabic and Tamil, this term in both languages indicates one thing. This research finds that these two types are used in the Arabic and Tamil languages. Although these two languages belong to a different language family.

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