

linguistic point of view but also from the societal point of view. The social significance of use of pronouns, kinship terms, address terms, PNG markers, etc. helps us to have a complete and comprehensive picture of the language involved as well as the society involved. The interesting parallels that we draw between the social structure and linguistic structure establish the close interaction between them.

It is interesting to note how a choice of a particular pronoun or PNG marker or address term or reference term helps to strengthen or hamper the relationship between the individuals. The choice of a wrong linguistic feature weakens not only the communication system but also the relationship between the individuals. A study of this type, therefore, gains importance not only from the linguistic point of view but also from sociological point of view.

Study of the social significance of various linguistic usages is highly relevant from the pedagogical point of view also. Learners of a language, especially second language learners are confronted with the problem of choosing an appropriate linguistic item in a specified context. So, this type of the study helps them to understand the social significance of various linguistic usages.

Another enterprising area of importance is transactional analysis which impinges heavily on sociolinguistics. The establish-