DEDICATION

To my mother

To my small family

To indigenous Daju community Especially Daju of Lagawa

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ABSTRACT

The study was based on the typological components and syntactic description of the Daju language in the area of Lagawa in South Kordofan State, which far about 135km west of kadugli. The language is spoken by about 2100 people. The study adopts generative grammar, as the model of analysis of the Daju grammar, which is one of the most updated formalisms employed in the study of the structure of languages. Also it follows the methods of Leipzig glossing rules, in which the first line is from the object language, the second line, i.e. the glossing, represents the root words and any overt/null affixes attached to them. The third line is the translation in study formulated the sentence and its constituent structure English.Thus intosyntactic category, substitution classes, the functional and 'subject and predicate'. Such analysis will reveal what types of elements that function as complement, specifying and adjuncts within any particular phrase type that Daju language offer. The study also focused on the inflection categories that correspond to nouns such as, marking, and those corresponding to verbs such as agreements, thusthe composition of the sentence in Daju comes out that the word order is SVO, head of the phrase comes first; the noun precedes the adjective, the number comes last, adverbs comes after the verb, and demonstrative comes after the noun; therefore Daju pronouns system is similar to the English pronouns system, but Daju first person plural has implicit and explicit. Also Daju language has no gender.

ABSTRACT (ARABIC VERSION)

تناولت هذه الدراسة المكونات التصنيفية والوصف النحوى للغة الداجو بمنطقة لقاوة ولاية جنوب كردفان والتي تبعد حوالي 135كلم غرب كادقلي ويتحدثها حوالي 2100 شخص. تبنت الدراسة النظرية التوليدية في تحليل الجملة والتي تعد من احدث النظريات الشكلية في دراسة بنية اللغات، كما اتبعت طريقة ليبزين في تحليل المعاني: حيث ان السطر الأوّل يمثل لغة الداجو والسطر الثاني يمثل اصل الكلمة وملحقاتها بينما السطر الثالث يمثل الترجمة باللغة الانجليزية، وهكذا صاغت الدراسة الجملة ومكوناتها التركيبية في الفئة النحوية، فئات الاستبدال، الفئة الوظيفية والمبتدأ والخبر. يبيّن هذا التحليل أنواع العناصر التي تعمل كمُكمّل، كما توصف الجملة والمبتدأ والخبر أياعراب في الإسم والفعل، لذلك ياتي تكوين الجملة في الإسم والنوافق في الفعل إي علامات الإعراب في الإسم والفعل، لذلك ياتي تكوين الجملة في لغة الداجو من 'فاعل-فعل-مفعول' ورأس العبارة ياتي اولاً و الإسم يسبق الصفة واسماء الإشاره تاتي بعد الإسم كما ان نظام الضمائر فيها يشبه النظام الانجليزي غير ان ضمير جماعة المتكلم ضمني وصريح. ايضا لغة الداجو خالية من صفة الجنس.

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ABBREVIATIONS

A Transitive subject function

ABS Absolutive

ACC Accusative

Adj Adjective

Adv Adverb

AFP Animated First Principle

CAUS Causative

DAT Dative

DECL Declarative

Det Determent

DO Direct object

ERG Ergative

EXCL Exclusive

HL Head left

HR Head right

IMP Imperative

IDO Indirect object

N Noun

NOM Nominative

NONFUT Non-future

NP Noun phrase

M Marker

O Object

OBL Oblique

PAST Past tense

PL, **pl**. Plural

POSS possessive

Pre Preposition

PP Prepositional phrase

PRES Present

REFL Reflexive

REL Relative clause

S Subject

S Intransitive subject function

SIL Standard International Languages

SG, sg. Singular

TFP Theme First Principle,

V Verb

VP Verb phrase

VOB Verb-Object Bonding principle

G Genitive

1st First

2nd Second

3rd Third

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