ABSTRACT

The present study is based on the pattern of use of English Language and Literature through the analysis of citation to theses awarded by the Andhra University, in English. This study analyzed the citations appended to 97 doctoral theses awarded during 1951-2006 in English by Andhra University. The total number of citations have been grouped under four headings viz., Novels, Drama, Poetry and General Subjects. The present study also aims at identifying the core journals in English, authorship pattern, productivity of Journals and age-wise distribution of citations. The study also assesses the availability of books and Journals cited in the Library of Andhra University.

The content of the thesis is organized in five chapters. Chapter-1: Presents an introduction about the Bibliometric Studies and English Language and Literature. Chapter-2 reviews the literature published on bibliometric analysis of Ph.D dissertations. Chapter-3 Explains Research methodology covering the scope, objectives, methods and statistical tools employed in the study. Chapter-4 presents the analysis and findings of the study. Chapter-5 describes conclusions drawn and suggestions offered.