

Programme for Balochi Grammar Conference, 12-15 April, 2016

Conference of Balochi Grammar started at Uppsala University Sweden, under supervision of Professor Carina Jahani, on 12 April, 2016.

Participants were;

1. Carina Jahani, Uppsala, Sweden
2. Aziz Dadiar, Nybro, Sweden
3. Taj Baloch, Stockholm, Sweden
4. Razzak Sarbazi, Vingåker, Sweden
5. Saleem Ismail, Skutskä, Sweden r (12th and 15th)
6. Abdullah Abbas, Stockholm, Sweden
7. Dr. Naseer Dashti, London, England
8. Dr. Sabir Badalkhan, Naples, Italien (13th-15th)
9. Prof. Hamid Ali, Quetta, Pakistan
10. Dr. Abdolhamid Irannezhad, Iranshahr, Iran
11. Aziz Yadini, Golestan, Iran
12. Maryam Nourzaei, Uppsala, Sweden (12th)

Tuesday 12 April, 2016

The grammar conference started with a short introduction of the participants.

In first session, Professor Carina Jahani presented a brief report of previous conference on Balochi orthography and the purpose of the Grammar Conference.

Goal for the conference was to prepare a book on Balochi grammar in the Balochi language.

Phonology was discussed and a certain amount of phonological terminology was agreed on during the next session of the day.

In the afternoon, the conference participants took part in the Iranian Seminar, where Professor Bo Utas presented his work on the Persian epic Vis o Ramin.

Wednesday 13 April, 2016

The second day began with a short briefing of the outcomes from the previous day.

The noun, its types and case forms were discussed in detail and grammatical terminology was agreed upon.

The adjective was discussed and grammatical terminology was agreed upon.

The adverb was discussed and grammatical terminology was agreed upon.

The pronoun was discussed in detail and grammatical terminology was agreed upon.

Thursday 14 April, 2016

The day started with a short briefing of the outcomes from the previous day.

The verb was discussed in detail. All its forms were discussed through examples and grammatical terminology was agreed upon.

The numerals were also discussed and grammatical terminology was agreed upon.

Friday 15 April, 2016

On last day of conference, sentence structure of the Balochi language was discussed, word order in the clause as well as coordination and subordination was investigated and grammatical terminology was agreed upon.

We agreed that a grammar book for standard Balochi should be produced based on the results of the conference no later than September 2016.

Taj Baloch and Hamid Ali will work on a separate phonological paper as well.

In addition to grammatical issues, orthography was again discussed briefly. The agreement was that we should at this point NOT make any major modifications to the script agreed upon in 2014, but that we need to evaluate this script after it has been used for 4-5 years.

The conference ended with a cultural evening in Uppsala on Friday 15 April with poetry reading, lectures, booksales, and a musical performance by the Balochi group Golbáng led by Rostam Mirlashari, and with a cultural evening in Oslo on Saturday 16 April with poetry reading, lectures and booksales. Organisers of the cultural evening in Uppsala were Homayoon Mobaraki and Ehsan Dadiar.