A study of the Structure of Telugu Phrases

Noun Phrase

child in the group acts separately as an unit. See the following examples for the above argument.

Example for each time

a:yana antanta baruvu mo:yale:du 'he' 'that much-that much' 'weight' 'carry-cannot-he' 'He cannot carry that much weight each time'

Example for each time or per head

valluennennipallutinna:ru?'they(hum.)''How many-how many''fruits''ate-they''How many fruits they ate each time'

or

'How many fruits each of them ate'

Other quantifiers also can be used similarly.

Here 'singularly bound' indicates that 'the beneficiary is a group that collectively gets the benefit and not individually'. e.g., ma:ku: ro:zdu: inninni pallu akkarale:du 'We do not need daily so many fruits'. Here, the beneficiary 'me:mu (we)' is collective and is 'singularly bound' though it is plural. See the following examples for the above argument.

Example for 'per head'

va:llu ennenni pallu tinna:ru? 'They' 'how many-how many' 'fruits' 'ate-they' 'How many fruits or each time they ate?'

Example for 'each time'

a:yana: ententa annam tinta:du?

'he' 'how much-how much' 'food rice' 'will eat-he'

'How much quantity of rice does he eat each time'

## 3.1.1.3 Definite Quantifiers

Formula

Mod: Def. Quan. + H:n

The definite quantifiers in Telugu fall into the following six categories, viz., cardinals, fractionals, comparators, multiplicatives, ordinals, enumeratives and specifiers.

## 3.1.1.3.1. Cardinals

The cardinals in Telugu fall into two groups, viz., non-human and human. The non-human