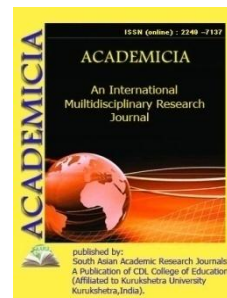




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**USE OF THE KAZAKH LANGUAGE IN KARAKALPAKSTAN**

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**ABSTRACT**

*The article examines the social functions of languages which functioning in the Republic of Karakalpakstan, including the Kazakh language. In the Constitution, Uzbek and Karakalpak languages are marked as the state. But there are no restrictions for the use of non-state languages in the republic as a means of communication, application in the education system. The presence of the Kazakh language in the region indicates that it has been preserved as a written form of the literary language and the dialect language. In Karakalpakstan, the written form of the Kazakh language is mainly used in the education system. In the field of secondary and higher education, the media analyzed the social functions of the Kazakh language. Languages in the territory of Karakalpakstan are divided into two large sociolinguistic zones - the southern Uzbek-speaking and the northern Karakalpak-speaking. The character, composition of the population, linguistic and psychological aspects, traditions and customs, attitude to languages, national peculiarities, peculiar features of Kazakh dialects in the zones are indicated. The article, to a certain extent, gives an idea of the social functions of the Kazakh language in Karakalpakstan.*

**KEYWORDS:** *Social Function, Language Acquisition, Social-Linguistic Zone, Bilingualism, Multilingualism.*

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