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**PREFACE**

The All India Institute of Speech and Hearing (AIISH) is a premier organization in the country mandated for human resource development, research, clinical care and public education in the field of communication disorders. The institute promotes research by giving particular emphasis to clinically relevant applied research on causes, control and prevention of communication disorders, *assessment and treatment issues as well as the testing and refinement of new technologies for the speech and hearing impairment.* A considerable number of tests, word lists and therapy materials are being created as by-products of such research works carried out as postgraduate and funded research. However, these valuable resources are scattered and lying unexploited in hundreds of research reports submitted at the Institute every year. They have to be identified and reorganised into suitable formats usable for clinical settings. Hence, a project has been initiated to identify, reorganise and publish clinically useful research works carried out at AIISH as independent books, and make them useful for the practising audiologists and speech-language pathologists working across the country in different setups for the evaluation and management of communication disorders.

All the test/ therapy materials that are prepared under this project will be published under a series titled “***AIISH Test & Therapy Resources***”. The project team comprises: Dr Prasanth Prabhu, Assistant Professor in Audiology (Principal Investigator), Dr Priya M.B., Assistant Professor in Speech Sciences (Co-Principal Investigator), Dr Shijith Kumar C, Library and Information Officer (Co-Investigator) and Ms Merin Mathew (Research Officer).

This book titled **Test of Auditory comprehension in Kannada** (TAC-K) is an outcome of the effort in the above direction. It was originally developed by **Mr. Prashanth Prabhu**, in partial fulfilment of his Master’s dissertation under the guidance of Dr P Manjula.

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