Control in Garo

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Garo (grt), Sino-Tibetan
also known as Garrow, Mande
spoken in India (Asia)

1 Grammar Profile

1.1 Morpho-Syntax

1.1.1 Head position
head-final; rel-N

1.1.2 Case system
NOM/ACC, pronouns inflect

1.1.3 Verbal Agreement
none

1.1.4 Null Arguments
none; personal pronouns seem to be obligatory

1.2 Matrix Clause

1.2.1 Basic word order
SOV

1.3 Embedded Clause

1.3.1 Possible morphological categories of the embedded clause
nominalization or infinitival clause
2 Control Profile

2.1 forward subject control into infinitival complement

2.1.1 Example structure

(1) aN-a ni-na sik-a
1SG-NOM see-INF wish-PRES
I wish to see.’
(p.72:9/i)

2.1.2 Predicates participating in the construction

desiderative verb: sik ‘wish’

References


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