Like other languages, Indian Sign Language has its own grammar. It is not dependent on the spoken language - English or Hindi. The sign language is not same as the manual representation of spoken English or spoken Hindi. It has certain unique and distinct features [2] like:

1. All the sign representation for numbers are done with appropriate hand gesture for every number. Eg. the sign for 45 will be the representation of four followed by sign representation of 5.

2. The signs for family relationships are preceded by signs for ‘male/man’ and ‘female/woman’.

3. The interrogative sentences having words like WHAT, WHERE etc. are represented by placing these questions at the end of sentences.

4. The ISL consists of various non-manual gestures including mouth pattern, mouth gestures, facial expressions, body postures, head position and eye gaze.

5. The past, present and future tense is represented by the signs for before, then and after.