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M.A. DEGREE (C.S.S.) EXAMINATION, APRIL 2019

Fourth Semester

Faculty of Language and Literature

Branch I: English

UNDERSTANDING CINEMA: FILM THEORY

(2012 Admission onwards)

Time: Three Hours

Maximum Weight: 30

Part A

- I. Answer any *five* of the following each in *a paragraph* of about 50 words. Weight 1 each :
 - 1 The role of Shorbojya in 'Pather Panchali'.
 - 2 The Angry young man of Bombay Cinema.
 - 3 Women in Indian Cinema.
 - 4 The hero of 'Mathilukal'.
 - 5 Counter cinema.
 - 6 Bhadra in 'Mazha'.
 - 7 'Thiruchelvan' in 'Kannathil Muthamittal'.
 - 8 Mutiny of 1905 in 'Battleship Potemkin'.

 $(5 \times 1 = 5)$

Part B

- II. Write short essays of about 100 words on any five of the following. Weight 2 each:
 - 9 The art of film adaptation in 'The Remains of the Day'.
 - 10 The transformation of the story 'Nashtappetta Neelamnari' into the film 'Mazha'.
 - 11 Discuss 'The Great Dictator' as a comedy film.
 - 12 The Piano Player's passion for piano in Jane Campion's Film.
 - 13 Music in 'Kannathil Muthamittal'.

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- 14 Bandit Queen as a biographical film.
- 15 Discuss 'The Remains of the Day' as an Anglo-American Drama film.
- 16 "Deewar" as a crime-drama film.

 $(5 \times 2 = 10)$

Part C

- III. Write essays of about 300 words on any three of the following. Weight 5 each:
 - 17 Discuss the idea of Montage in Soviet Art and film.
 - 18 Discuss the later films of Akira Kurosawa in an Eco-Buddhist perspective.
 - 19 Write an essay on Jean-Luc Godard and Counter Cinema.
 - 20 Significance of the title 'Pather Panchali'.
 - 21 Critically evaluate Karen Gabriel's essay "Reading Rape: Sexual Difference, Representational Excess and Narrative Containment".
 - 22 Discuss the basic concepts put by Siegfried Kracauer in 'Theory of Film'.

 $(3 \times 5 = 15)$

