Ex/CL/UG/5.5/33/2017

BACHELOR OF ARTS EXAMINATION, 2017

(3rd Year, 5th Semester)

COMPARATIVE LITERATURE

Course - CL/UG/5.5

(Comparative Cultural Studies)

Full Marks: 30 Time: Two Hours

All questions carry equal marks.

Answer *three* questions either in English or in Bangla but all *three* in the same language.

1. (a) How similar or different are the analytical methods used by Comparative Literature and Cultural Studies? Answer with reference to the essays studied in your syllabus.

Or;

(b) In view of the specific disciplinary history of cultural studies in the West and its reception in India, what kind of a relationship would you propose between Comparative Literature and Cultural Studies in the Indian context?

[Turn over]

2. (a) Would you agree that the idea of the nation was considerably modified in the course of its reception in the political culture of India? Answer with reference to the views of at least two thinkers who helped in shaping the political discourse of 'modern' India.

Or;

- (b) Why do you think Munier Chowdhury relied heavily on the use of the subconscious and elements of the 'absurd' to write his play *Kabar* as a cultural document of the students' political movement in Bangladesh?
- 3. (a) Discuss how South Asian political contexts have been revisited through intermedial translation with reference to at least one South Asian graphic narrative you have studied as part of this course.

Or;

(b) Discuss how a study of Nepali folk poetry can enhance our understanding of the knowledge system of different communities of our state.