Ex/CL/UG/4.2B/62/2019 (OLD)

BACHELOR OF ARTS EXAMINATION, 2019

(2nd Year, 4th Semester)

COMPARATIVE LITERATURE

Course - CL/UG/4.2B (OLD)

(Indian Literary Components in Bangla Literature, in Translation - II)

Full Marks: 30 Time: Two Hours

All questions carry equal marks.

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

1. (a) Discuss the notions of appropriate ferminine behaviour as found in the essays by Bankimchandra and Rabindranath you have read for this course.

Or;

(b) Did the colonial context affect the use of traditional storytelling forms? Discuss critically, choosing texts from *two* genres.

[Turn over]

2. (a) By reading Jayasi's *Padmavat* and Alaol's *Padmabati* together, comment on translation and transcreation as forms of reception in medieval India.

Or;

- (b) *Bishad Sindhu* retells the battle of Karbala for a primarily middle-class readership familiar with Bangla novels. Can it thus be read as a historical novel? Discuss critically.
- 3. (a) Critically examine the *Mymensing Geetika* as an instance of the deliberate modification of folk tradition for an urban readership. Use suitable examples.

Or;

(b) Comment critically on the elements from oral literature as found in $Th\overline{a}kurmar\ Jhuli$, with appropriate textual references.