Department of Film Studies, Jadavpur University MASTER OF ARTS EXAMINATION, 2023 1st Year, 2nd Semester

Indian Cinema: Industry and Popular Forms

Time: Two Hours Full Marks: 30

Answer *any two* questions

Answer *either* in English *or* in Bengali

All questions carry equal marks

- 1. With reference to any Indian film from the 1930s, discuss how the transition to sound became decisive for narration in films.
- 2. Examine closely how certain Hindi films of the 1950s-60s may be read as a product of bricolage and genre-mixing.
- 3. Discuss with examples how the Amitabh Bachchan persona was projected as a 'mass hero' within filmic texts, and as a representative of the marginalized.
- 4. Analyze with appropriate examples how a number of recent Bollywood films present a new cinematic landscape that is marked by the memory of media forms.