Department of Film Studies, Jadavpur University MASTER OF ARTS EXAMINATION, 2024 1st Year, 2nd Semester Film Theory 1

Time: Two Hours Full Marks: 30

Answer *any two* questions
Answer *either* in English *or* in Bengali
All questions carry equal marks

- 1. Andre Bazin's preferred model of cinematic realism is about strategies of filmmaking enabling a changed spectatorial relationship with the screen. Comment.
- 2. Discuss any film of your choice which features usage of Brechtian devices. How do you think it is critical of conventional cinema and why?
- 3. What do you think the notion of 'physical existence' means in Siegfried Kracauer's theory of cinematic realism? What difference is struck when such an existence is rendered 'cinematic'?
- 4. If editing in conventional cinema means 'unfolding' or 'unraveling', how does Eisenstein's theory of montage differ from such practices?