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Sixth Semester B.A. Degree Examination, April 2023 First Degree Programme Under CBCSS English Language and Literature

Core course - XIII

EN 1643: FILM STUDIES

(2020 Admission)

Time: 3 Hours Max. Marks: 80

- I. Answer all questions, each in a word or a sentence:
- 1. Who directed the film "Trip to the Moon" (1902)?
- 2. Who invented the Kinetograph?
- 3. What was the title of the first Indian sound film?
- 4. What is a crane shot?
- 5. Define cross-cutting/parallel editing.
- 6. Define the medium long shot (MLS).
- 7. What is a jump cut?
- 8. In which decade did Early soviet Cinema flourish?
- 9. Mention the names of two directors associated with the French New Wave.
- 10. Who directed the film, The Bicycle Thieves?

 $(10 \times 1 = 10 \text{ Marks})$

- II. Answer any eight, each in a short paragraph not exceeding 50 words:
- 11. Explain the concept of shot-reverse shot editing.
- 12. What is a match cut?
- 13. What is the difference between the camera movements, panning and tilting?
- 14. Define the 30-degree rule.
- 15. What is a remake?
- 16. What is your idea about digital filmmaking?
- 17. How do you identify a German Expressionist film?
- 18. Who directed the film, Nanook of the North? What was it about?
- 19. What is the significance of Dadasaheb Phalke in the history of early Indian cinema?
- 20. How did Malayalam cinema progress in the 1950s?
- 21. How does the character of the woodcutter evolve in the film, Rashomon?
- 22. Define film adaptation. Give two examples of famous film adaptations.

 $(8 \times 2 = 16 \text{ Marks})$

- III Answer any six, each in a paragraph not exceeding 100 words:
- 23. What are the most common camera positions in terms of distance from the subject?
- 24. Explain setting as a component of mise en scène.
- 25. Write a note on the postproduction phase in filmmaking.
- 26. What is Auteur theory? Explain.
- 27. Write a note on the characteristic features of Italian Neorealist films.
- 28. Sum up the characteristic features of Classical Hollywood Cinema.

- 29. What are the distinctive features of a Western?
- 30. Write a note on the achievements of Ingmar Bergman as filmmaker.
- 31. Bring out the significance of the closing episode of Rashomon.

 $(6 \times 4 = 24 \text{ Marks})$

- IV. Answer any two, each in about three hundred words:
- 32. What are the most common modes of editing? Explain your answer using examples.
- 33. What are the major arguments regarding the question of fidelity in adaptation studies?
- 34. How does Aravindan develop the character of Sivakami in his film, *Chidambaram*?
- 35. How do the stories of Marion Crane and Norman Bates intersect in Hitchcock's film *Psycho*?

 $(2 \times 15 = 30 \text{ Marks})$