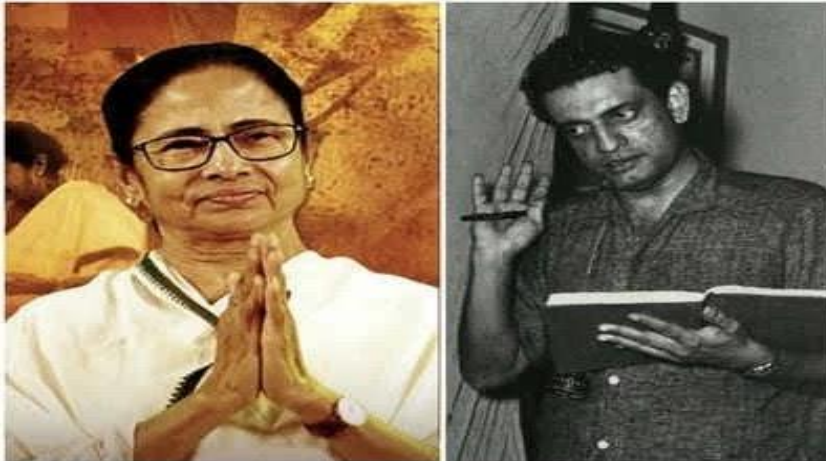


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"Tribute to Satyajit Ray, legendary filmmaker, writer, composer, lyricist, illustrator, on his birth centenary. He is not only the pride of Bengal but also India & the whole world. He is an inspiration to people around the globe", Banerjee tweeted with the hashtag #SatyajitRay100.

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Illustrations of well known art director Aniket Mitra linked the present day COVID situation with titles and themes of Ray's works on celluloid.

Mitra posted a few sketches where a poster of Ray's "Pather Panchali" was recreated depicting a personal protective equipment (PPE)-clad COVID warrior.

A woman is sporting a face shield while two policemen are shown standing on the road wearing face shields and masks in the recreated version of a poster from "Devi".

His illustrations also show mass pyres in "Jana Aranya" poster, urgent appeal for oxygen, bed and free food in "Mahanagar", migrants walking back home in "Abhijan", and a man with a mask carelessly hanging from his chin in "Ganashatru".

"Moner Manik Monei Thak, Pronam Tomay Kimbadonti" (You will remain as a jewel in our hearts, salute to the legend)," actor-director Parambrata Chatterjee posted in Facebook.

A leading Kolkata-based OTT platform in Bengali launched a social media campaign, Bangali O Ray, celebrating "those special elements from Ray's films which have become an integral part of Bengali culture through minimalist design".

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