

CC-608B : English

**(B) Sahitya Akadami Award Winning Books
(Optional)**

Instructions : (1) All questions carry equal marks.
(2) Indicate your options clearly.

- 1 (a) "**Inside the Haveli** depicts a modern woman's struggle in a traditional world." Examine. **14**

OR

- (b) "**Inside the Haveli** conveys the essence and feel of a world which is fast disappearing." Illustrate.

- 2 (a) Evaluate **Rich Like Us** as a political and historical novel. **14**

OR

- (b) "**Rich Like Us** examines the misuse of power." Elaborate.

- 3 (a) Sunetra Gupta is a true heir of Virginia Woolf." Examine the narrative technique in **Memories of Rain**. **14**

OR

- (b) Assess **Memories of Rain** as a diasporic novel.

- 4 Show your acquaintance with any four of the following : **14**

Fire on the Mountain	Azadi
The Shadow Lines	The New World
Cuckold	India After Gandhi

- 5 Answer any seven of the following in brief : **14**

- (1) Which literary award was posthumously conferred on Rama Mehta ?
- (2) Who was Geeta married to ?
- (3) Where was the haveli situated ?
- (4) Name the two prominent women characters in **Rich Like Us**.
- (5) Which period of modern Indian history is depicted in **Rich Like Us** ?
- (6) Which award did Nayan Tara Sahgal receive for her novel **Rich Like Us** ?
- (7) Where did Moni live before her marriage ?
- (8) Who was Moni's husband?
- (9) With which prestigious University is Sunetra Gupta associated ?
- (10) What is the main theme of Azadi ?
- (11) Who is the author of **The Long Silence**?
- (12) Mention any one historical event that forms the background of **The Shadow Lines** by Amitav Ghosh.