

*Questions***Question 1:**

Read and discuss the following description of the living conditions of workers who come to the labour chowk. Most workers that we find at the labour chowk cannot afford permanent accommodation and so sleep on pavements near the chowk, or they pay ₹ 6 a night for a bed at a nearby night shelter run by the Municipal Corporation. To compensate for the lack of security, local tea and cigarette shops function as banks, moneylenders and safety lockers, all rolled into one. Most workers leave their tools at these shops for the night for safekeeping, and pass on any extra money to them. The shopkeepers keep the money safely and also offer loans to labourers in need.

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Solution 1:

- Most workers living condition is very bad.
- They cannot afford permanent accommodation so sleep on pavements near the chowk or pay ₹ 6 a night for a bed at a nearby shelter run by Municipal Corporation.
- They do not have permanent jobs.
- Local tea and cigarette shops work as banks for them and also keep their tools for the night for safekeeping.
- Labours take loan from these shops.

Question 2:

Complete the following table and discuss how their work is different:

Name	Place of work	Earnings	Security of work	Benefits received	Work on their own or employed
Bachchu Manjhi		Rs 100 a day			
Harpreet, Vandana					Work on their own
Nirmala			No security		
Sudha	Company	Rs 30,000 p.m.			

Solution 2:

Name	Place of work	Earnings	Security of work	Benefits received	Work on their own or employed
Bachchu Manjhi	Rikshaw Puller	Rs 100 a day	No Security	No Benefits	Work on their own
Harpreet, Vandana	Garment Showroom	Good Earnings	Yes License to do Business	Growth in the Business	Work on their own
Nirmala	Garment Factory	Rs. 80 per day for 8 hours	No security	Rs. 40 for Extra	Employed
Sudha	Company	Rs 30,000 p.m.	Secured	Paid leave, Medical facilities, PF, etc.	Employed

Question 3:

In what ways is a permanent and regular job different from a casual job? Discuss.

Solution 3:

Permanent job is different from casual job as

	Permanent Job	Casual job
Working hours	Fixed	Variable
Job security	Secured	Not secured
Payments	Fixed	Not fixed
Paid holidays and leaves	Yes	No
Extra benefits	Yes	No

Question 4:

What benefits does Sudha get along with her salary?

Solution 4:

Sudha will get the following benefits:

- She is having the permanent job and that is secured.
- She will get the medical facilities for her and her family.
- She will get the facility for savings for old age as provident fund.
- She will get the government holidays and Sundays as non-working days.

Question 5:

Fill in the following table to show the services provided by people in the markets which you visit frequently.

Name of the shop or office	Nature of the service provided

Solution 5:

Name of the shop or office	Nature of the service provided
1. Kurana Medicose	Medicines
2. Patanjali Store	Kirana items & daily needs items
3. JMD store	Confectionary items
4. Roll-E Rolls	Fast/Junk food Items