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Question 1: What benefits does Sudha get along with her salary? Answer: Sudha gets following benefits along with her salary:

- a. Leaves and holidays
- b. Medical benefits
- c. Retirement benefits
- d. Job security

Question 2: 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 Rs 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.(Source: Aman Sethi, Hindu On-line)

Answer: Living conditions of workers is very bad. They do not have permanent accommodation. Most of them either sleem on pavements, or in night shelters. The night shelters are usually overcrowded. They are also hubs of drug trafficking and crime.

The belongings and money of daily wage earners are not safe. But some local shopkeepers help them in this regard. The local shopkeepers work as bank and moneylender for them.

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Question 3: 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
Bachuchu Manjhi	Road	Rs. 100/day	No security	No benefits	Self employed
Harpreet, Vandana	Shop	Rs. 30,000/month	Secure	No benefits	Work on their own
Nirmala	Garment factory	Rs. 200/day	No security	No benefits	Employed
Sudha	Company	Rs. 30,000/month	Secure	Many benefits	Employed

Question 4: In what ways is a permanent and regular job different from a casual job? Discuss.

Answer:

Permanent Job	Casual Job
Worker gets regular salary	No regular income.
Leaves and holidays are available.	No leave or holiday.
Job security is present.	Job is not secure.
Retirement benefits are present.	No such benefits.
Better earnings.	Poor earnings.

Question 5: Fill in the following table to show the services provided by people in the markets which you visit frequently.

Answer:

Name of the shop or office	Nature of the service provided
Excelllup	Online education to school students.
Pawan General Stores	Sells items of daily use.
Shabnam Saloon	Hair cut
Raj Juice Corner	Sells fruit juice