Short Answer Questions

Q.1. What are the unique features of a weekly market?

- Ans. (i) A weekly market is so-called as it is held on a specific day of the week.
- (ii) They do not have permanent shops. Traders set up shops for the day and then close them up in the evening.
- (iii) They may then set up the market at a different place the next day.
- (iv) There are thousands of such markets in India where people come for their everyday requirements.

Q.2. Why are weekly markets cheaper than other markets?

- **Ans. (i)** Weekly shops supply cheap products since they do not have permanent buildings. They do not have to pay rent or pay high electricity charges, etc.
- (ii) Moreover, most shop owners store things at home and are helped by family members. So, they don't have to hire workers.
- (iii) Further, as there are many sellers of the same product, there is a competition and people are able to bargain.

Q.3. What are shops in the neighbourhood?

- Ans. (i) There are many shops in the neighbourhood which sell goods and services.
- (ii) We can buy milk from the dairy, grocery from the departmental store, stationery, eatables or medicines from other shops.
- (iii) Many of these are permanent shops, while others are roadside stalls like vegetable hawkers, mechanic and fruit vendors, etc.

Q.4. How are shops in the neighbourhood useful?

- **Ans. (i)** Shops in the neighbourhood are useful since they are located at short distances, they are reachable and accessible as and when required.
- (ii) Usually, the buyers and sellers are familiar and sometimes, sellers give goods on credit.

Q.5. Write a note on shopping complexes and malls.

- **Ans. (i)** Malls and shopping complexes are the large, multi-storeyed, airconditioned buildings where both branded and non-branded goods are available.
- (ii) However, the cost of these goods may not be as cheap as those available in the neighbourhood or weekly markets.

(iii) Purchasing goods from the malls depends upon the affordability of the customers.