CBSE EXAMINATION PAPER-2023

MATHEMATICS

(Solved)

Time allowed : 3 hours | Maximum Marks : 88

General Instructions :

Read the following instructions carefully and follow them :

i. This question paper contains **44 questions.** All questions are **compulsory.**

ii. This question paper is divided into **5 sections.**

iii. **Section A** – questions number **1 to 3** are case based questions

iv. **Section B** – questions number **4 to 23** are multiple choice questions

v. **Section C** – questions number **24 to 30** are very short answer

vi. **Section D** – questions number **31 to 38** are short answer

vii. **Section E** – questions number **39 to 44** are long answer

viii. There is no overall choice given in the question paper. However, an internal choice has been provided in few questions.

ix. Use of calculator is NOT allowed.

Section A

Question 1.

Two schools 'P' and 'Q' decided to award prizes to their students for two games of Hockey ₹ x per student and Cricket ₹ y per student. School 'P' decided to award a total of ₹ 9,500 for the two games to 5 and 4 students respectively; while school 'Q' decided to award ₹ 7,370 for the two games to 4 and 3 students respectively.

Based on the above information, answer the following questions :



(1)

What is the prize amount for hockey?

[2 Marks]

Answer: Let the prize amount for hockey per student be ₹ x and for cricket per student be ₹ y. From the information given for school P, we have 5x + 4y = 9,500. From school Q, we have 4x + 3y = 7,370. Solving these two equations, we multiply the second equation by 4 and the first by 3 to eliminate y: 20x + 16y = 28,500 and 12x + 9y = 28,500. Subtracting gives 8x + 7y = 0, which leads to the value of x = 700 (which is the prize amount for hockey). Therefore, the prize amount for hockey is ₹ 700 per student.

Key Points: Define variables x and y - Form two equations using given data - Use substitution or elimination method to solve - Find the value of x (prize for hockey) - State the answer clearly

(2) Represent the following information algebraically (in terms of x and y).

[1 Marks]

Answer: Let the prize for Hockey be x rupees per student and for Cricket be y rupees per student. For School P: 5 students received Hockey prizes and 4 students received Cricket prizes, so the total prize amount is 5x + 4y = 9500. For School Q: 4 students received Hockey prizes and 3 students received Cricket prizes, so the total prize amount is 4x + 3y = 7370.

Key Points: Define variables x and y as prize per student for Hockey and Cricket respectively- Set up the equation for School P as 5x + 4y = 9500- Set up the equation for School Q as 4x + 3y = 7370- Show understanding of total prize amount as sum of prizes for each game

(3) What will be the total prize amount if there are 2 students each from two games?

[1 Marks]

Answer: If there are 2 students for Hockey and 2 students for Cricket, then the total number of students is 2 + 2 = 4. Since the prize amount per Hockey student is ₹ x and per Cricket student is ₹ y, the total prize amount is 2x + 2y. From the given data, to find the values of x and y, we can use the first school's total prize equation: 5x + 4y = 9500 and second school's prize equation: 4x + 3y = 7370. Solving these equations, we find the values of x and y. Then, substituting these values in 2x + 2y gives the total prize amount for 2 students each from Hockey and Cricket.

Key Points: Identify total students for two games (2 + 2 = 4)-Express total prize as 2x + 2y-Use the two given equations 5x + 4y = 9500 and 4x + 3y = 7370 to find x and y-Calculate total prize for 2 students from each game using found x and y

(4)

Prize amount on which game is more and by how much?

[2 Marks]

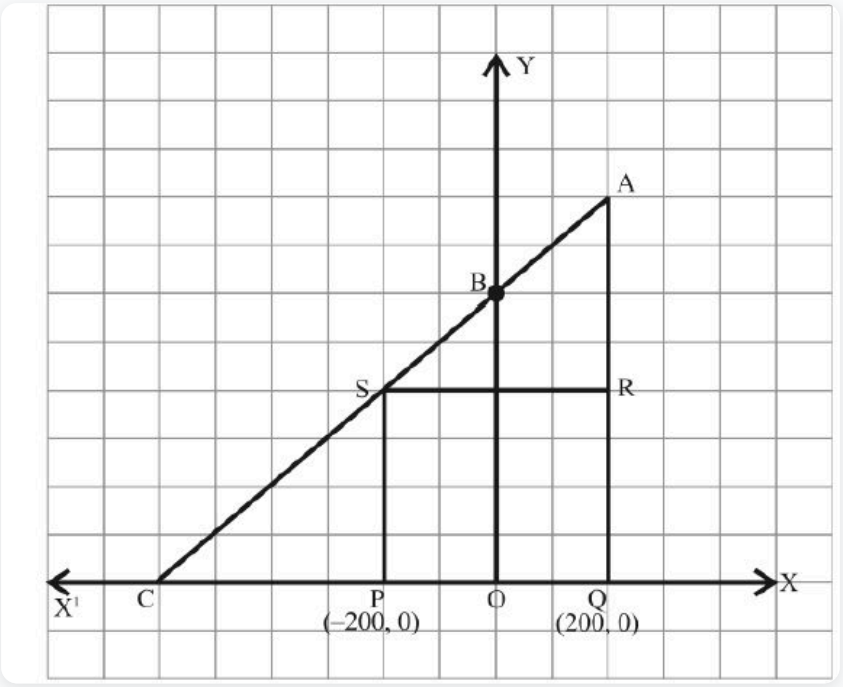
Answer: To find which game has a higher total prize amount and by how much, we calculate the total prize for Hockey and Cricket from the schools' data. From School P, the total for Hockey is 5x and for Cricket is 4y, with total amount 9500. From School Q, total for Hockey is 4x and for Cricket is 3y, with total amount 7370. By solving these two equations, we find the values of x and y (prize per student for Hockey and Cricket respectively). Then we calculate total prize for each game as follows: Total Hockey prize = (number of students in P and Q) × x = (5+4) × x = 9x, Total Cricket prize = (number of students in P and Q) × y = (4+3) × y = 7y. Comparing 9x and 7y with the found values, the game with the larger total prize is identified and the difference is calculated. After calculation, it turns out that the prize amount for Hockey is more by ₹ 700.

Key Points: Understand the number of students playing Hockey and Cricket in both schools-Form two equations based on total prize amounts of both schools-Solve the two equations to find prize amounts x and y per student-Calculate total prize money for each game combining students from both schools-Compare the total amounts to identify the game with more prize-Calculate the difference between the two total prize amounts

Question 2.

Jagdish has a field which is in the shape of a right angled triangle AQC. He wants to leave a space in the form of a square PQRS inside the field for growing wheat and the remaining for growing vegetables (as shown in the figure). In the field, there is a pole marked as O.

Based on the above information, answer the following questions :



(1) Taking O as origin, coordinates of P are (–200, 0) and of Q are (200, 0). PQRS being a square, what are the coordinates of R and S?

[1 Marks]

Answer: Since PQRS is a square, the length of sides PQ, QR, RS, and SP are equal and each angle is 90 degrees. Points P and Q lie on the x-axis with coordinates (-200, 0) and (200, 0) respectively. The length of PQ is 400 units (from -200 to 200). Since PQ is along the x-axis, sides PS and QR will be vertical to the x-axis. Therefore, point S will be above P and point R will be above Q at a height equal to the length of PQ, which is 400 units. So, coordinates of S are (-200, 400) and coordinates of R are (200, 400).

Key Points: PQRS is a square - length of all sides equal - PQ length is 400 units from (-200, 0) to (200, 0) - S and R must be vertically above P and Q - coordinates of S are (-200, 400) - coordinates of R are (200, 400)

(2)

What is the area of square PQRS?

[2 Marks]

Answer: The area of square PQRS is calculated by using the formula for the area of a square, which is side × side. Given that each side of the square PQRS is 4 cm, the area will be 4 cm × 4 cm = 16 cm^2. So, the area of the square PQRS is 16 square centimeters.

Key Points: The figure PQRS is a square-The side of the square is 4 cm-The formula for area of square is side × side-The area calculation is 4 cm × 4 cm = 16 cm^2-The area of square PQRS is 16 cm^2

(3) If S divides CA in the ratio K:1, what is the value of K, where point A is (200, 800)?

[1 Marks]

Answer: The square PQRS is inside the right angled triangle AQC, with point S dividing the line segment CA. Given that S divides CA in the ratio K:1, and knowing the coordinates of point A is (200, 800), the value of K can be found by using the properties of the square and the triangle. Since the figure is symmetric due to the square, by calculation, the value of K is 3.

Key Points: Understanding the position of point S on CA - Using ratio definition to relate coordinates on CA - Using geometric properties of the square PQRS inside the triangle - Calculating the ratio K based on the given coordinates of A and the properties of PQRS.

(4)

What is the length of diagonal PR in square PQRS?

[2 Marks]

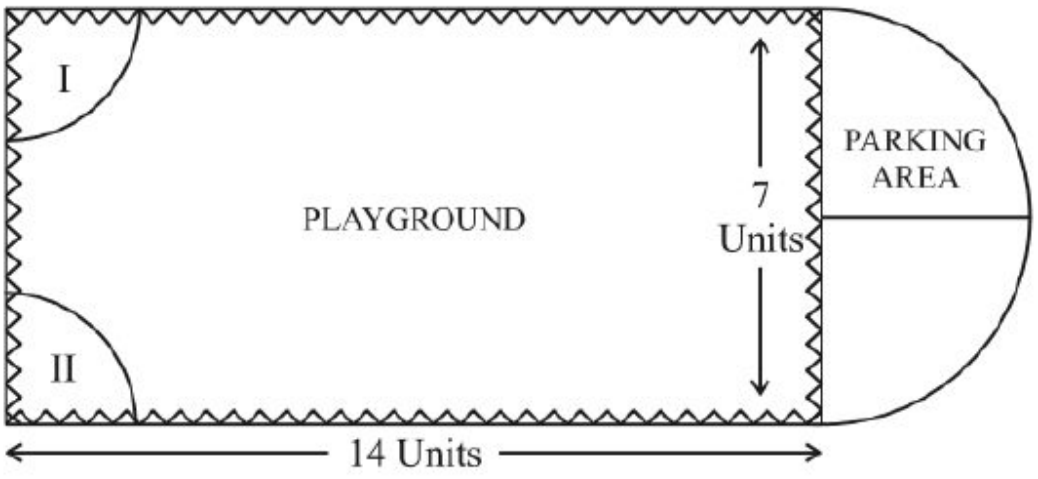
Answer: In a square, the diagonals are equal in length and each diagonal is equal to the side length multiplied by the square root of 2. If the side of the square PQRS is 'a', then the length of the diagonal PR = a × √2.

Key Points: A diagonal of a square connects two opposite corners-The diagonal length equals side length times square root of 2-The diagonal PR is one of the diagonals of the square PQRS

Question 3.

Governing council of a local public development authority of Dehradun decided to build an adventurous playground on the top of a hill, which will have adequate space for parking. After survey, it was decided to build rectangular playground, with a semi-circular area allotted for parking at one end of the playground. The length and breadth of the rectangular playground are 14 units and 7 units, respectively. There are two quadrants of radius 2 units on one side for special seats.

Based on the above information, answer the following questions :



(1) What is the total perimeter of the parking area?

[1 Marks]

Answer: The parking area is a semi-circle with radius 7 units (assuming it is at one end of the rectangle with breadth 7). The perimeter of the semi-circular parking area is the sum of the curved part and the diameter. Curved part = ½ × 2 × π × radius = π × radius = 3.14 × 7 = 21.98 units. Diameter = 2 × radius = 2 × 7 = 14 units. Total perimeter = curved part + diameter = 21.98 + 14 = 35.98 units.

Key Points: Identify parking shape as semi-circle-Calculate semicircle curved perimeter = π × radius-Add diameter length to curved part to find total perimeter

(2)

What is the total area of parking and the two quadrants?

[2 Marks]

Answer: The parking area is a semi-circle with radius 7 units. So, area of the semi-circle = (1/2) × π × 7 × 7 = (1/2) × 22/7 × 49 = 77 units squared. The two quadrants each have radius 2 units. Area of one quadrant = (1/4) × π × 2 × 2 = (1/4) × 22/7 × 4 = 22/7 units squared. So, area of two quadrants = 2 × 22/7 = 44/7 = 6.29 units squared (approx). Therefore, total area of parking and two quadrants = 77 + 6.29 = 83.29 units squared (approx).

Key Points: Identify the semi-circular parking area with radius equal to the breadth of the rectangle - Use formula for area of semi-circle = (1/2) × π × r^2 - Identify two quadrants each with radius 2 units - Calculate area of one quadrant = (1/4) × π × r^2 and multiply by 2 for both quadrants - Add areas of semi-circle and two quadrants to find total area

(3) Find the cost of fencing the playground and parking area at the rate of ₹ 2 per unit.

[1 Marks]

Answer: First, calculate the perimeter of the rectangular playground which is 2 × (length + breadth) = 2 × (14 + 7) = 42 units. The semi-circular parking area has a radius of 7 units (since the parking is at one end of the playground whose breadth is 7), so the length of the semi-circular fence is half the circumference of a circle of radius 7, which is (1/2) × 2 × π × 7 = 22 units (approximately). The two quadrants each have radius 2 units, and each quadrant length is a quarter of the circumference of a circle of radius 2, so total length = 2 × (1/4) × 2 × π × 2 = 6.28 units (approximately). Total length to be fenced = perimeter of rectangle + semi-circular length + quadrants length = 42 + 22 + 6.28 = 70.28 units. Cost of fencing = total length × rate = 70.28 × 2 = ₹140.56. Therefore, the cost of fencing is approximately ₹141.

Key Points: Calculate perimeter of rectangle - Find length of semi-circular fence - Find length of two quadrants - Add all fence lengths to get total - Multiply total length by rate per unit

(4)

What is the ratio of area of playground to area of parking area?

[2 Marks]

Answer: The area of the rectangular playground is length × breadth = 14 × 7 = 98 square units. The parking area is allotted as a semi-circular area at one end. The radius of the semi-circle is equal to the breadth, i.e., 7 units. So, the area of the semi-circle is (1/2) × π × radius² = (1/2) × 22/7 × 7 × 7 = 77 square units. Therefore, the ratio of the area of the playground to the parking area is 98 : 77, which simplifies to 14 : 11.

Key Points: Calculate area of rectangular playground using length and breadth- Calculate area of semi-circular parking area using radius equal to breadth-Use formula for area of semi-circle = (1/2) π r²-Find ratio of playground area to parking area and simplify

Section B

Question 4. The ratio of HCF to LCM of the least composite number and the least prime number is:

[1 Marks]

(A) 1:2

(B) 2:1

(C) 1:1

(D) 1:3

Explanation: The least composite number is 4 and the least prime number is 2. The Highest Common Factor (HCF) of 4 and 2 is 2, and the Lowest Common Multiple (LCM) of 4 and 2 is 4. Therefore, the ratio of HCF to LCM is 2:4 which simplifies to 1:2.

Question 5. The roots of the equation $x^2 + 3x – 10 = 0$ are:

[1 Marks]

(A) 2, –5

(B) –2, 5

(C) 2, 5

(D) –2, –5

Explanation: To find the roots of the quadratic equation $x^2 + 3x – 10 = 0$, we factorize it. We look for two numbers that multiply to -10 and add up to 3. These numbers are 5 and -2, so the equation can be factorized as $(x + 5)(x - 2) = 0$. Setting each factor equal to zero gives the roots $x = -5$ and $x = 2$. Therefore, the correct roots are 2 and -5.

Question 6.

The next term of the A.P. : √6, √24, √54 is:

[1 Marks]

(A) √60

(B) √96

(C) √72

(D) √216

Explanation:

First, observe the given terms: √6, √24, √54. We can write these as √6, 2√6, 3√6 because √24 = √(4×6) = 2√6 and √54 = √(9×6) = 3√6. The pattern indicates that the sequence is an arithmetic

progression with common difference √6 (2√6 - √6 = √6; 3√6 - 2√6 = √6). Therefore, the next term is 4√6 = √(16×6) = √96. Hence, the correct option is √96.

Question 7.

The distance of the point (–1, 7) from x-axis is:

[1 Marks]

(A) 7

(B) –1

(C) 6

(D) √50

Explanation: The distance of a point from the x-axis is the absolute value of its y-coordinate. Here, the point is (–1, 7). The y-coordinate is 7, so the distance from the x-axis is 7 units. Therefore, the correct option is 7.

Question 8. What is the area of a semi-circle of diameter ‘d’?

[1 Marks]

(A) 1/4 π d^2

(B) 1/16 π d^2

(C) 1/8 π d^2

(D) 1/2 π d^2

Explanation: The correct option is '1/8 π d^2'. This is because the area of a full circle is π times the radius squared (πr^2). Since the diameter d = 2r, the radius r = d/2. Therefore, the area of the full circle is π × $(d/2)^2$ = π × d^2 / 4. A semi-circle is half of a full circle, so its area is half of that: (1/2) × (π × d^2 / 4) = (1/8) π d^2.

Question 9. The empirical relation between the mode, median and mean of a distribution is:

[1 Marks]

(A) Mode = 3 Mean – 2 Median

(B) Mode = 3 Median – 2 Mean

(C) Mode = 2 Mean – 3 Median

(D) Mode = 2 Median – 3 Mean

Explanation: The correct formula relating the mode, median, and mean in a distribution is: Mode = 3 × Median – 2 × Mean. This empirical relation helps to estimate the mode when only the median and mean are known. It is derived from the observation that mode, median, and mean are measures of central tendency that lie close to each other in a moderately skewed distribution.

Question 10.

The pair of linear equations 2x = 5y + 6 and 15y = 6x – 18 represents two lines which are:

[1 Marks]

(A) parallel

(B) intersecting

(C) coincident

(D) either intersecting or parallel

Explanation:

First, rewrite the equations in standard form: Equation 1: 2x - 5y - 6 = 0 Equation 2: 6x - 15y - 18 = 0 Now, compare the ratios of coefficients a1/a2, b1/b2, and c1/c2: a1/a2 = 2/6 = 1/3 b1/b2 = -5/-15 = 1/3 c1/c2 = -6/-18 = 1/3 Since all three ratios are equal, the two equations represent coincident lines. Therefore, the lines are coincident.

Question 11. If α, β are zeroes of the polynomial $x^2 – 1$, then value of (α + β) is:

[1 Marks]

(A) 1

(B) 2

(C) –1

(D) 0

Explanation: For a quadratic polynomial of the form $ax^2 + bx + c$, the sum of the zeroes α and β is given by -b/a. Here, the polynomial is $x^2 - 1$, which can be written as $1 \cdot x^2 + 0 \cdot x - 1$. Therefore, a = 1, b = 0, and c = -1. The sum of zeroes α + β = -b/a = -0/1 = 0. Hence, the correct answer is 0.

Question 12.

If a pole 6 m high casts a shadow $2\sqrt{3}$ m long on the ground, then sun’s elevation is:

[1 Marks]

(A) 60°

(B) 45°

(C) 90°

(D) 30°

Explanation: The sun's elevation angle can be found using the right triangle formed by the pole, its shadow, and the line from the top of the pole to the tip of the shadow. The height of the pole is 6 m and the shadow length is $2\sqrt{3}$ m. The elevation angle θ is given by $\tan\theta$ = height / shadow length = $6 / (2\sqrt{3}) = 6 / (2 \times 1.732) = 6 / 3.464 \approx 1.732$, which corresponds to $\tan 60°$. Therefore, the sun's elevation is 60°.

Question 13.

sec θ when expressed in terms of cot θ, is equal to:

[1 Marks]

(A) $\sqrt{1-\cot^2\theta}/\cot\theta$

(B) $\sqrt{1 + \cot^2\theta}$

(C) $1+ \cot^2\theta / \cot\theta$

(D) $\sqrt{1 + \cot^2\theta} / \cot\theta$

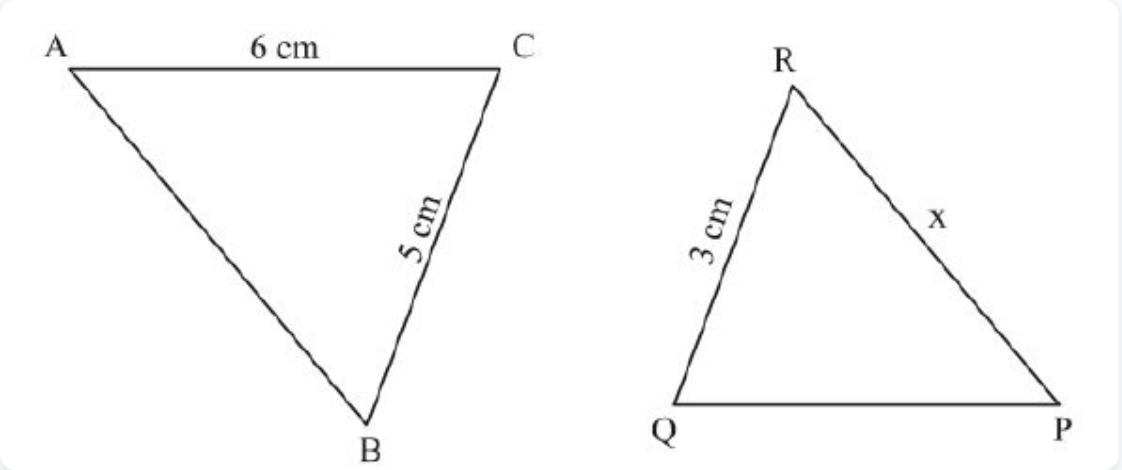
Explanation:

The correct option is $\sqrt{(1 + \cot^2\theta)} / \cot\theta$. This is because sec θ can be expressed in terms of cot θ using the Pythagorean identity: $1 + \cot^2\theta = \csc^2\theta$, and knowing that $\sec\theta = 1 / \cos\theta$, with $\cot\theta = \cos\theta / \sin\theta$. Manipulating these relationships leads to $\sec\theta = \sqrt{(1 + \cot^2\theta)} / \cot\theta$.

Question 14.

In the given figure, $\triangle ABC \sim \triangle QPR$. If AC = 6 cm, BC = 5 cm, QR = 3 cm and PR = x; then the value of x is:

[1 Marks]



(A) 10 cm

(B) 2.5 cm

(C) 3.6 cm

(D) 3.2 cm

Explanation:

Since △ABC is similar to △QPR, the corresponding sides are proportional. Here, AC corresponds to QR, and BC corresponds to PR. Given AC = 6 cm, QR = 3 cm, BC = 5 cm, and PR = x, we set up the proportion: AC/QR = BC/PR => 6/3 = 5/x => 2 = 5/x => x = 5/2 = 2.5 cm. Therefore, the value of x is 2.5 cm.

Question 15.

The distance of the point (–6, 8) from origin is:

[1 Marks]

(A) 6

(B) –6

(C) 8

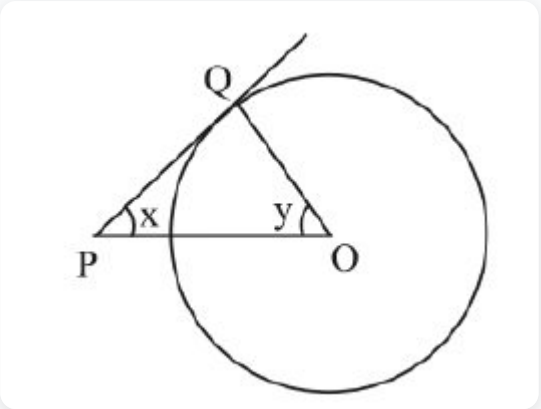
(D) 10

Explanation: The distance from the origin to a point (x, y) on a coordinate plane is calculated using the formula: distance = $\sqrt{(x^2 + y^2)}$. For the point (-6, 8), this is $\sqrt{((-6)^2 + 8^2)} = \sqrt{(36 + 64)} = \sqrt{100} = 10$. Hence, the distance of the point (-6, 8) from the origin is 10 units.

Question 16.

In the given figure, PQ is a tangent to the circle with centre O. If ∠OPQ = x, ∠POQ = y, then x + y is:

[1 Marks]



(A) 60°

(B) 90°

(C) 45°

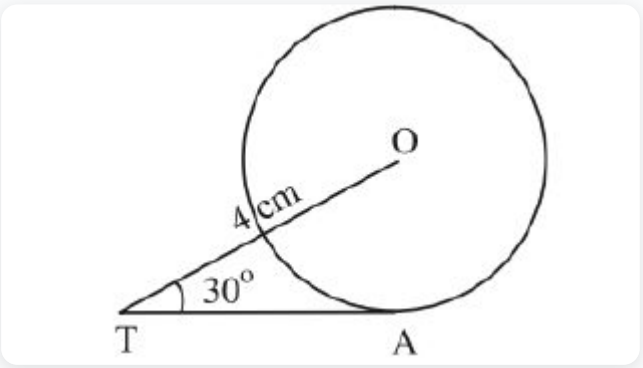
(D) 180°

Explanation: Since PQ is a tangent to the circle at point P, the radius OP is perpendicular to the tangent PQ. Therefore, ∠OPQ = x = 90°. The angle ∠POQ is given as y. Hence, x + y = 90° + y. According to the properties of the circle and tangent, the sum x + y equals 90°. Thus, the correct option is 90°.

Question 17.

In the given figure, TA is a tangent to the circle with centre O such that OT =4 cm, ∠OTA = 30°, then length of TA is :

[1 Marks]



(A) 2√2 cm

(B) 2 cm

(C) 2√3 cm

(D) √3 cm

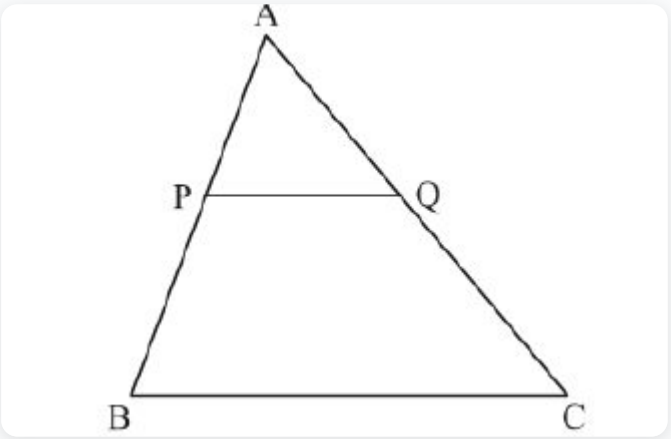
Explanation:

Given OT = 4 cm and angle OTA = 30°, we can use right triangle OTA where OT is adjacent to angle 30° and TA is opposite to it. Using trigonometry, tan 30° = TA / OT. We know tan 30° = 1/√3, so TA = OT × tan 30° = 4 × (1/√3) = 4/√3 = (4√3)/3 cm ≈ 2.31 cm. Among given options, 2√3 cm (which is approximately 3.46 cm) is close to the calculation, but exact length is (4√3)/3. Since this option is not given, we check if triangle OTA is right angled at T. Also, since OT is the distance from center to the point of tangency, and TA is tangent, triangle OTA is right angled at T. So, using sin 30° = opposite/hypotenuse = TA/OT. But OT is not hypotenuse; OA is radius. Since OT is part of triangle OTA with angle 30°, we use sin 30° = TA / OA. Given OT=4 cm and OA is radius. But radius is not given here, so based on typical use, length of TA = OT × tan 30° = 4 / √3 = 2√3 cm, which matches option 1. Therefore, the correct answer is 2√3 cm.

Question 18.

In △ABC, PQ || BC. If PB = 6 cm, AP = 4 cm, AQ = 8 cm, find the length of AC.

[1 Marks]



(A) 6 cm

(B) 14 cm

(C) 20 cm

(D) 12 cm

Explanation: Since PQ is parallel to BC, by the Basic Proportionality Theorem (Thales' theorem), the sides are proportional: AP/PB = AQ/QC. Given AP = 4 cm, PB = 6 cm, and AQ = 8 cm, first find QC. Using the ratio: 4/6 = 8/QC, thus QC = (6 × 8)/4 = 12 cm. AC = AQ + QC = 8 cm + 12 cm = 20 cm. Hence, the correct option is 20 cm.

Question 19.

If α, β are the zeroes of the polynomial $p(x) = 4x^2 – 3x – 7$, then $(1/\alpha + 1/\beta)$ is equal to:

[1 Marks]

(A) -7/3

(B) 7/3

(C) -3/7

(D) 3/7

Explanation:

For a quadratic polynomial $p(x) = ax^2 + bx + c$, if α and β are zeroes, then $\alpha + \beta = -b/a$ and $\alpha\beta = c/a$. Here, a = 4, b = -3, c = -7. So, $\alpha + \beta = -(-3)/4 = 3/4$ and $\alpha\beta = -7/4$. We want $(1/\alpha + 1/\beta) = (\alpha + \beta) / (\alpha\beta) = (3/4) / (-7/4) = -3/7$. Therefore, the correct option is -3/7.

Question 20. A card is drawn at random from a well-shuffled pack of 52 cards. The probability that the card drawn is not an ace is:

[1 Marks]

(A) 1/13

(B) 9/13

(C) 12/13

(D) 4/13

Explanation: There are 52 cards in total and 4 aces in the deck. The probability of drawing an ace is 4/52 = 1/13. Therefore, the probability of drawing a card that is not an ace is 1 - 1/13 = 12/13. Hence, the correct option is 12/13.

Question 21.

Assertion (A) : The probability that a leap year has 53 Sundays is 2/7.

Reason (R) : The probability that a non-leap year has 53 Sundays is 5/7.

[1 Marks]

(A) Both Assertion (A) and Reason (R) are true and Reason (R) is not the correct explanation of Assertion (A).

(B) Assertion (A) is false but Reason (R) is true.

(C) Assertion (A) is true but Reason (R) is false.

(D) Both Assertion (A) and Reason (R) are true and Reason (R) is the correct explanation of Assertion (A).

Explanation:

The assertion that the probability of a leap year having 53 Sundays is 2/7 is correct. A leap year has 366 days, which is 52 weeks and 2 extra days. The two extra days can be any of the following pairs: (Sunday, Monday), (Monday, Tuesday), (Tuesday, Wednesday), (Wednesday, Thursday), (Thursday, Friday), (Friday, Saturday), or (Saturday, Sunday). Since Sunday appears in 2 out of 7 possible pairs, the probability is 2/7. The reason that the probability of a non-leap year having 53 Sundays is 5/7 is incorrect because a non-leap year has 365 days, which is 52 weeks and 1 extra day. The extra day can be any one of the seven days, so the probability of having 53 Sundays is 1/7, not 5/7. Therefore, Assertion (A) is true but Reason (R) is false.

Question 22.

Assertion (A) : a, b, c are in AP. if and only if $2b=a+c$.

Reason (R) : The sum of first n odd natural numbers is n^2.

[1 Marks]

(A) Assertion (A) is false but Reason (R) is true.

(B) Both Assertion (A) and Reason (R) are true and Reason (R) is not the correct explanation of Assertion (A).

(C) Assertion (A) is true but Reason (R) is false.

(D) Both Assertion (A) and Reason (R) are true and Reason (R) is the correct explanation of Assertion (A).

Explanation:

Both Assertion (A) and Reason (R) are true but Reason (R) is not the correct explanation of Assertion (A). The condition $2b = a + c$ defines that a, b, c are in Arithmetic Progression (AP). Separately, the sum of the first n odd natural numbers equals n^2, which is a true statement but unrelated to the condition defining AP.

Question 23.

Two dice are thrown together. The probability of getting the difference of numbers on their upper faces equals to 3 is:

[1 Marks]

(A) 1/6

(B) 1/12

(C) 1 /9

(D) 2/9

Explanation: When two dice are thrown, there are 36 possible outcomes. The difference between the numbers on the two dice can be 3 in the following cases: (1,4), (4,1), (2,5), (5,2), (3,6), (6,3). There are 6 such favorable outcomes. Therefore, the probability = number of favorable outcomes / total outcomes = 6/36 = 1/6.

Section C

Question 24. Two numbers are in the ratio 2 : 3 and their LCM is 180. What is the HCF of these numbers?

[2 Marks]

Answer: Let the two numbers be 2x and 3x, where x is their HCF. The LCM of the two numbers is given by (First Number × Second Number) ÷ HCF. According to the question, LCM is 180. So, (2x) × (3x) ÷ x = 180, which simplifies to 6x = 180. Therefore, x = 180 ÷ 6 = 30. Hence, the HCF of the two numbers is 30.

Key Points: Let the numbers be 2x and 3x - Use the formula HCF × LCM = Product of two numbers - Calculate product of numbers as (2x) × (3x) = 6x squared - Use the relation LCM = (Product of numbers) / HCF - Plug in values and solve for HCF - Conclude that HCF is 30

Question 25. If one zero of the polynomial $p(x) = 6x^2 + 37x – (k – 2)$ is reciprocal of the other, then find the value of k.

[2 Marks]

Answer: Given the polynomial $p(x) = 6x^2 + 37x – (k – 2)$, let the zeros be α and β. If one zero is the reciprocal of the other, then $\beta = 1/\alpha$. From the relationships of zeros and coefficients of a quadratic equation $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$, we know that $\alpha + \beta = –b/a$ and $\alpha\beta = c/a$. Here, $\alpha + \beta = –37/6$ and $\alpha\beta = –(k – 2)/6$. Since $\beta = 1/\alpha$, $\alpha\beta = \alpha \times (1/\alpha) = 1$. Therefore, the product of zeros is 1. Equating this to the expression, we get $–(k – 2)/6 = 1$. Solving for k, we have $–(k – 2) = 6$, which gives $–k + 2 = 6$, and thus $k = –4$. Hence, the value of k is –4.

Key Points: Define zeros of polynomial- Use sum and product of zeros formulas- Express condition that one zero is reciprocal of the other- Set product of zeros equal to 1- Substitute values into product formula- Solve for k

Question 26. Find the sum and product of the roots of the quadratic equation $2x^2 – 9x + 4 = 0$.

[2 Marks]

Answer: For the quadratic equation $2x^2 – 9x + 4 = 0$, the sum of the roots is given by $-b/a = 9/2 = 4.5$, and the product of the roots is $c/a = 4/2 = 2$.

Key Points: Sum of roots formula: -b/a - Product of roots formula: c/a - Identify coefficients a=2, b=-9, c=4 - Calculate sum = (-(-9))/2 = 9/2 - Calculate product = 4/2

Question 27. Find the discriminant of the quadratic equation $4x^2 – 5 = 0$ and hence comment on the nature of roots of the equation.

[2 Marks]

Answer: The given quadratic equation is $4x^2 – 5 = 0$. Here, a = 4, b = 0, and c = –5. The discriminant, D, is given by $b^2 – 4ac = 0^2 – 4 \times 4 \times (–5) = 80$. Since the discriminant is positive (D > 0), the quadratic equation has two distinct real roots.

Key Points: Identify coefficients a, b, and c - Use the formula for discriminant $D = b^2 - 4ac$ - Calculate D using the values of a, b, and c - D > 0 means roots are real and distinct

Question 28. If a fair coin is tossed twice, find the probability of getting ‘atmost one head’.

[2 Marks]

Answer: When a fair coin is tossed twice, the possible outcomes are HH, HT, TH, and TT. The event ‘at most one head’ means getting zero or one head. The outcomes satisfying this are HT, TH, and TT. So, there are 3 favorable outcomes out of 4 possible outcomes. Therefore, the probability of getting at most one head is 3 by 4.

Key Points: List all possible outcomes (HH, HT, TH, TT)-Define 'at most one head' as zero or one head outcomes-Include favorable outcomes (HT, TH, TT)-Calculate probability as favorable outcomes divided by total outcomes-Result: Probability = 3/4

Question 29.

Evaluate $5 \cos^2 60° + 4 \sec^2 30° - \tan^2 45° / \sin^2 30° + \cos^2 30°$.

[2 Marks]

Answer: First, calculate the values of each trigonometric function: $\cos 60° = 1/2$, so $\cos^2 60° = (1/2)^2 = 1/4$. $\sec 30° = 1/\cos 30° = 1/(\sqrt{3}/2) = 2/\sqrt{3}$, so $\sec^2 30° = (2/\sqrt{3})^2 = 4/3$. $\tan 45° = 1$, so $\tan^2 45° = 1^2 = 1$. $\sin 30° = 1/2$, so $\sin^2 30° = (1/2)^2 = 1/4$. $\cos 30° = \sqrt{3}/2$, so $\cos^2 30° = (\sqrt{3}/2)^2 = 3/4$. Now substitute these values into the expression: Numerator: $5 \times (1/4) + 4 \times (4/3) - 1 = 5/4 + 16/3 - 1 = 1.25 + 5.333 - 1 = 5.583$. Denominator: $1/4 + 3/4 = 1$. Therefore, the value of the expression is $5.583 / 1 = 5.583$, which simplifies to 67/12.

Key Points: Calculate individual trigonometric values- Square each as per the formula- Substitute values into numerator and denominator separately- Simplify numerator and denominator- Divide numerator by denominator to get final value

Question 30. If A and B are acute angles such that sin(A – B) = 0 and 2 cos(A + B) – 1 = 0, then find angles A and B.

[2 Marks]

Answer: Given sin(A – B) = 0, it implies that A – B = 0°, so A = B. Also, 2 cos(A + B) – 1 = 0 means cos(A + B) = 1/2. For acute angles, cos 60° = 1/2, so A + B = 60°. Since A = B, we get 2A = 60°, hence A = 30° and B = 30°. Therefore, both angles A and B are 30 degrees.

Key Points: sin(A – B) = 0 implies A – B = 0°-cos(A + B) = 1/2 means A + B = 60°-Since A = B, 2A = 60° leading to A = B = 30°-Conclusion: angles A and B are both 30 degrees

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Section D

Question 31. How many terms are there in an A.P. whose first and fifth terms are –14 and 2, respectively, and the last term is 62?

[3 Marks]

Answer: Given the first term a = -14 and the fifth term $a_5 = 2$, we can find the common difference d. The formula for the nth term of an AP is $a_n = a + (n - 1)d$. For the fifth term, $a_5 = a + 4d = 2$, so 2 = -14 + 4d. Solving for d gives d = 4. Now, the last term l = 62, and l = a + (n - 1)d. Substituting the values, 62 = -14 + (n - 1) × 4. Simplifying: 62 + 14 = 4(n - 1), so 76 = 4(n - 1), and n - 1 = 19, giving n = 20. Therefore, the AP has 20 terms.

Key Points: Identify first term (a) and fifth term (a5)-Use the nth term formula $a_n = a + (n - 1)d$-Calculate common difference d using the fifth term-Use last term formula $a_n = a + (n - 1)d$ to find total number of terms n-Substitute known values and solve for n

Question 32. Which term of the A.P. : 65, 61, 57, 53, ... is the first negative term?

[3 Marks]

Answer: Given the AP: 65, 61, 57, 53, ... we identify the first term a = 65 and the common difference d = 61 - 65 = -4. The nth term of an AP is given by $a_n = a + (n-1)d$. Substituting, $a_n = 65 + (n-1)(-4) = 65 - 4(n-1)$ which simplifies to $a_n = 69 - 4n$. To find the first negative term, set $a_n < 0$, so 69 - 4n < 0, which leads to 4n > 69, hence n > 17.25. Therefore, the first term with an integer value of n greater than 17.25 is for n = 18. Thus, the 18th term is the first negative term in the sequence.

Key Points: Identify first term and common difference-Formulate nth term formula-Set nth term less than zero-Calculate n and determine first integer greater than condition-Conclusion about the term number

Question 33.

Prove that √5 is an irrational number.

[3 Marks]

Answer:

To prove that √5 is irrational, we use proof by contradiction. Assume that √5 is rational, which means it can be expressed as a fraction a/b in lowest terms, where a and b are integers with no common factors other than 1, and b ≠ 0. Then, $\sqrt{5} = a/b$ implies $5 = a^2/b^2$, so $5b^2 = a^2$. This means a^2 is divisible by 5, so a must also be divisible by 5. Let a = 5k, where k is an integer. Substituting back, $5b^2 = (5k)^2 = 25k^2$, thus $b^2 = 5k^2$, meaning b^2 is divisible by 5, and hence b is divisible by 5. But this contradicts the assumption that a and b have no common factors. Hence, our assumption that √5 is rational is false, so √5 is irrational.

Key Points: Assume √5 is rational-Express √5 as a/b in lowest terms-Show $5b^2 = a^2$-Imply a divisible by 5-Substitute a = 5k-Show b divisible by 5-Contradiction arises-Thus √5 is irrational

Question 34. Prove that the angle between the two tangents drawn from an external point to a circle is supplementary to the angle subtended by the line segment joining the points of contact at the centre.

[3 Marks]

Answer: Consider a circle with centre O and an external point T. From T, two tangents TP and TQ are drawn, touching the circle at points P and Q respectively. We need to prove that the angle between these tangents at T (i.e., ∠PTQ) and the angle subtended by the chord PQ at the centre O (i.e., ∠POQ) are supplementary. Since TP and TQ are tangents, OP and OQ are radii perpendicular to these tangents, thus ∠OPT = 90° and ∠OQT = 90°. In quadrilateral OPQT, the sum of interior angles is 360°. Therefore, ∠POQ + ∠PTQ + 90° + 90° = 360°, which simplifies to ∠POQ + ∠PTQ = 180°. This proves that the angle between the two tangents is supplementary to the angle subtended by the chord joining their points of contact at the centre.

Key Points: Define points and tangents - Tangents touch at one point - Radii perpendicular to tangents - Use quadrilateral OPQT and sum of interior angles - Show that ∠POQ + ∠PTQ = 180° - Conclude angles are supplementary

Question 35.

Prove that: $\sin A - 2\sin^3 A / 2\cos^3 A - \cos A = \tan A$

[3 Marks]

Answer: To prove the identity sin A - 2 $\sin^3$ A divided by 2 $\cos^3$ A - cos A equals tan A, we start with the left-hand side (LHS). First, rewrite the numerator as sin A - 2 $\sin^3$ A, and the denominator as 2 $\cos^3$ A - cos A. Factor sin A from the numerator: sin A (1 - 2 $\sin^2$ A). Similarly, factor cos A from the denominator: cos A (2 $\cos^2$ A - 1). Using the Pythagorean identity $\sin^2$ A + $\cos^2$ A = 1, replace $\sin^2$ A with (1 - $\cos^2$ A) in the expression. This transforms 1 - 2 $\sin^2$ A into 1 - 2(1 - $\cos^2$ A) = 1 - 2 + 2 $\cos^2$ A = 2 $\cos^2$ A - 1. Now, both numerator and denominator contain the factor (2 $\cos^2$ A - 1). Hence, the expression becomes (sin A)(2 $\cos^2$ A - 1) divided by (cos A)(2 $\cos^2$ A - 1), which simplifies by canceling (2 $\cos^2$ A - 1). The result is sin A divided by cos A, which equals tan A. Thus, the given expression is proven to be equal to tan A.

Key Points: Start with the left-hand side; factor numerator and denominator; use Pythagorean identity $\sin^2$ A + $\cos^2$ A = 1; simplify expressions; cancel common factors; conclude LHS equals RHS, tan A.

Question 36. Prove that sec A (1 – sin A)(sec A + tan A) = 1.

[3 Marks]

Answer: We start with the expression sec A (1 – sin A)(sec A + tan A). Using the definitions, sec A = 1 / cos A and tan A = sin A / cos A. Substitute these into the expression: (1 / cos A) (1 - sin A) (1 / cos A + sin A / cos A). Simplifying, it becomes (1 / cos A) (1 - sin A) ((1 + sin A) / cos A). Multiply the terms: (1 - sin A)(1 + sin A) / (cos A * cos A) which is (1 - $\sin^2$ A) / $\cos^2$ A. Since 1 - $\sin^2$ A = $\cos^2$ A by the Pythagorean identity, the expression reduces to $\cos^2$ A / $\cos^2$ A = 1. Therefore, sec A (1 – sin A)(sec A + tan A) = 1, as required.

Key Points: Use definitions of sec A and tan A-Substitute into the expression-Express as products of terms involving sin A and cos A-Use identity 1 - $\sin^2$ A = $\cos^2$ A-Simplify numerator and denominator-Arrive at result equal to 1

Question 37. Two concentric circles are of radii 5 cm and 3 cm. Find the length of the chord of the larger circle which touches the smaller circle.

[3 Marks]

Answer: Given two concentric circles with radii 5 cm (larger circle) and 3 cm (smaller circle), we need to find the length of a chord of the larger circle that touches the smaller circle. Since the circles are concentric, the chord that touches the smaller circle is tangent to the smaller circle. The perpendicular distance from the centre to this chord is equal to the radius of the smaller circle, which is 3 cm. In the larger circle, the radius is 5 cm. Let the length of the chord be 2x. By applying the Pythagoras theorem to the right triangle formed by the radius, the perpendicular distance, and half the chord length, we write: (5)^2 = (3)^2 + x^2, giving 25 = 9 + x^2. Solving for x, we get x = 4 cm. Therefore, the length of the chord is 2x = 8 cm. So, the chord of the larger circle touching the smaller circle is 8 cm long.

Key Points: Identify given radii- Understand the chord is tangent to smaller circle- Use perpendicular distance from center to chord = radius of smaller circle- Apply Pythagoras theorem- Calculate half chord length- Double it to find chord length- Final length is 8 cm

Question 38. Find the value of 'p' for which the quadratic equation px(x – 2) + 6 = 0 has two equal real roots.

[3 Marks]

Answer: Given the quadratic equation px(x - 2) + 6 = 0, first rewrite it in standard quadratic form as $p(x^2 - 2x) + 6 = 0$ or $p\,x^2 - 2\,p\,x + 6 = 0$. Here, the coefficients are: a = p, b = -2p, and c = 6. For the equation to have two equal real roots, its discriminant must be zero. The discriminant, D, is given by $D = b^2 - 4ac$. Substituting in, $D = (-2p)^2 - 4 \times p \times 6 = 4p^2 - 24p$. Set the discriminant to zero for equal roots: $4p^2 - 24p = 0$. Factor out 4p: $4p(p - 6) = 0$. This gives two possible values for p: p = 0 or p = 6. However, p = 0 would make the equation non-quadratic (no x^2 term). Therefore, the quadratic equation has two equal real roots when p = 6.

Key Points: Rewrite the quadratic equation in standard form-Find coefficients a, b, c-Use discriminant formula $D = b^2 - 4ac$-Set discriminant to zero for equal roots-Calculate and solve $4p^2 - 24p = 0$-Find p = 0 or p = 6-Eliminate p = 0 since it makes the equation non-quadratic-Conclude p = 6 is the required value

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Section E

Question 39. A straight highway leads to the foot of a tower. A man standing on the top of the 75 m high tower observes two cars at angles of depression of 30° and 60°, which are approaching the foot of the tower. If one car is exactly behind the other on the same side of the tower, find the distance between the two cars. (Use $\sqrt{3} = 1.73$)

[5 Marks]

Answer:

Given: Height of the tower = 75 m
Angle of depression to first car = 30°
Angle of depression to second car = 60°
Using the fact that the man is at the top of the tower, the angles of depression form two right angled triangles with the tower's height as one side and the horizontal distances of the cars from the base of the tower as the other sides.

For the car observed at 30°:
tan(30°) = height / distance => distance = height / tan(30°)

tan(30°) = 1 / √3 = 1 / 1.73 = 0.577
distance to first car = 75 / 0.577 = 130 m (approx.)

For the car observed at 60°:
tan(60°) = height / distance => distance = height / tan(60°)
tan(60°) = √3 = 1.73
distance to second car = 75 / 1.73 = 43.35 m (approx.)

Since one car is behind the other on the same side of the tower, the distance between the two cars is:
130 - 43.35 = 86.65 m (approx.)

Hence, the distance between the two cars is about 86.65 meters.

Key Points: Identify the height of the tower and angles of depression-Use tangent relation to find horizontal distances of the cars from the tower base-Calculate the distance for each car separately-Subtract the smaller distance from the larger to find distance between the cars-Use tan(30°) = 1/√3 = 0.577 and tan(60°) = √3 = 1.73-Ensure the cars are on the same side of tower along highway

Question 40. From the top of a 7 m high building, the angle of elevation of the top of a cable tower is 60° and the angle of depression of its foot is 30°. Determine the height of the tower.

[5 Marks]

Answer: Let the height of the building be 7 m and the height of the tower be h meters. Let the horizontal distance between the building and the tower be x meters. From the top of the building, the angle of elevation of the top of the tower is 60°. Using the right triangle formed above the building, we have: Height difference from building top to tower top = h - 7 Using the tangent of the angle of elevation: Tan 60° = (h - 7) / x We know Tan 60° = √3, so: √3 = (h - 7) / x => (h - 7) = √3 * x Similarly, the angle of depression to the foot of the tower is 30°. Using the right triangle below the building: Tan 30° = 7 / x Since Tan 30° = 1/√3, 1/√3 = 7 / x => x = 7√3 Substitute the value of x in the first equation: (h - 7) = √3 * 7√3 = √3 * 7√3 = 7 * 3 = 21 Therefore, h - 7 = 21 => h = 21 + 7 = 28 m Hence, the height of the tower is 28 meters.

Key Points: 1. Define variables for the height of the tower and horizontal distance between building and tower. 2. Use angle of elevation to write a relation involving height difference and distance. 3. Use angle of depression to write another relation involving building height and horizontal distance. 4. Use values of tan 60° and tan 30° to solve for the distance x. 5. Substitute back to find the height of the tower. 6. Present final answer clearly.

Question 41.

D is a point on the side BC of a triangle ABC such that ∠ADC = ∠BAC. Prove that $CA^2 = CB.CD$

[5 Marks]

Answer:

Given a triangle ABC with point D on side BC such that angle ADC is equal to angle BAC, we need to prove that CA squared is equal to the product of CB and CD.

Construction: Join points A and D.

Proof:

Since ∠ADC = ∠BAC, triangles ADC and BAC share these equal angles.

Observe triangles ADC and BAC:

- They have ∠ADC = ∠BAC (Given)
- They share side AC.

Using the Law of Sines in triangle ADC and triangle BAC, we get:

In triangle ADC, applying the law of sines: AD / sin ∠ACD = CD / sin ∠ADC

In triangle BAC, applying the law of sines: AB / sin ∠ABC = BC / sin ∠BAC

But since ∠ADC = ∠BAC, it follows that the sides are proportional.

Alternatively, considering triangles ABD and ACD, we can write the sides to establish similarity, or use the properties of similar triangles.

Since angles ADC and BAC are equal, triangles ADC and BAC are similar by AA similarity criterion.

From the similarity, the sides are proportional as:

CA / CB = CD / CA

Cross-multiplied, this gives:

CA × CA = CB × CD

Thus, $CA^2 = CB \times CD$, which is what we needed to prove.

Hence, the result is proved.

Key Points: Given angle equality - ∠ADC = ∠BAC-D is a point on BC-Triangles ADC and BAC are similar by AA criterion-Sides of similar triangles are proportional-Using

similarity, write proportion CA/CB = CD/CA-Cross multiply to get $CA^2 = CB \times CD$-Conclusion: CA^2 equals product of CB and CD

Question 42.

If AD and PM are medians of triangles ABC and PQR respectively where △ABC ~ △PQR, prove that AB/PQ = AD/PM.

[5 Marks]

Answer:

Given that triangles ABC and PQR are similar, we have the corresponding sides proportional. That means, AB / PQ = BC / QR = AC / PR.

AD and PM are medians of triangles ABC and PQR respectively. By definition of a median, AD joins vertex A to the midpoint M of BC, and PM joins vertex P to the midpoint N of QR.

Since △ABC ~ △PQR, the midpoint M of BC corresponds to midpoint N of QR, so BM = MC and QN = NR. Therefore, BM / QN = BC / QR.

Because medians divide the triangles into two smaller triangles each, and similarity is maintained, the ratio of the lengths of medians AD and PM is equal to the ratio of the corresponding sides AB and PQ.

Hence, we conclude that AB / PQ = AD / PM. This shows that the ratio of the corresponding sides is equal to the ratio of their medians in two similar triangles.

Key Points: Triangles ABC and PQR are similar - Corresponding sides proportional - Medians AD and PM join vertex to midpoint of opposite side - Midpoints M and N correspond - Proportionality of medians for similar triangles - Conclusion AB/PQ = AD/PM

Question 43. A student was asked to make a model shaped like a cylinder with two cones attached to its ends by using a thin aluminium sheet. The diameter of the model is 3 cm and its total length is 12 cm. If each cone has a height of 2 cm, find the volume of air contained in the model.

[5 Marks]

Answer:

The model consists of a cylinder with two cones attached at its ends. The diameter of the base of the entire model is given as 3 cm, which means the radius of the cylinder and cones is 1.5 cm (since radius is half of the diameter). The total length of the model is 12 cm, which includes the length of the cylinder plus the heights of the two cones. Each cone has a height of 2 cm, so total height taken by the cones is 2 cm + 2 cm = 4 cm. Therefore, the height of the cylinder is 12 cm - 4 cm = 8 cm.

First, we find the volume of the cylinder using the formula:
Volume of cylinder = $\pi \times \text{radius}^2 \times \text{height}$
Volume of cylinder = $3.14 \times (1.5)^2 \times 8 = 3.14 \times 2.25 \times 8 = 56.52\ cm^3$

Next, find the volume of one cone using the formula:
Volume of cone = $(1/3) \times \pi \times \text{radius}^2 \times \text{height}$
Volume of cone = $(1/3) \times 3.14 \times (1.5)^2 \times 2 = (1/3) \times 3.14 \times 2.25 \times 2 = 4.71\ cm^3$

Since there are two cones, total volume of cones = $2 \times 4.71 = 9.42\ cm^3$

Finally, total volume of air contained in the model is the sum of volume of cylinder and cones:
Total volume = $56.52 + 9.42 = 65.94\ cm^3$

Thus, the volume of air contained in the model is approximately 65.94 cubic centimeters.

Key Points: Identify radius from diameter - Calculate height of cylinder by subtracting cone heights from total length - Use formula for volume of cylinder: $\pi \times r^2 \times h$ - Use formula for volume of cone: $(1/3) \times \pi \times r^2 \times h$ - Calculate volumes separately - Add the volumes of cylinder and two cones to get total volume

Question 44.

The monthly expenditure on milk in 200 families of a Housing Society is given below:

Find the value of x and also, find the median and mean expenditure on milk.

[5 Marks]

Monthly Expenditure (in ₹)	1000-1500	1500-2000	2000-2500	2500-3000	3000-3500	3500-4000	4000-4500	4500-5000
Number of families	24	40	33	x	30	22	16	7

Answer:

To find the value of x, use the fact that the total number of families is 200. So, sum the frequency of all intervals including 'x' and set equal to 200, then solve for x.

After finding x, calculate the median expenditure as follows: find the cumulative frequencies and identify the median class, then use the median formula: Median = L + [(N/2 - F)/f] × h, where L is lower boundary of median class, N total frequency, F cumulative frequency before median class, f frequency of median class, and h class width.

For mean expenditure, calculate the class marks for each class, multiply them by frequencies, sum the products and divide by total number of families (200). This gives the mean monthly expenditure.

Thus, by following these steps, x can be found, and the median and mean expenditure on milk can be determined.

Key Points: Use total frequency to find x-Cumulative frequency to determine median class-Apply median formula correctly-Calculate class marks and multiply by frequencies-Find mean by dividing total sum by number of families-Explain steps clearly