## HOTS (Higher Order Thinking Skills)

Que 1. Draw a circle with the help of a bangle. Take a point outside the circle. Construct the pair of tangents from this point to the circle.



#### Sol. Steps of Construction:

**Step I:** Draw a circle with the help of a bangle.

**Step II:** Let P be the external point from where the tangents are to be drawn to the given circle. Through P, draw a secant PAB to intersect the circle at A and B (say).

Step III: Produce AP to a point C, such that AP = PC, i.e., P is the mid-point of AC.

Step IV: Draw a semicircle with BC as diameter.

**Step V:** Draw PD  $\perp$  CB, intersecting the semicircle at D.

**Step VI:** With P as centre and PD as radius, draw arcs to intersect the given circle at T and T. **Step VII:** Join PT and  $PT_1$ . Then, PT and  $PT_1$  are the required tangents.

Que 2. Draw a  $\triangle ABC$  with side BC = 7 cm,  $\angle B = 45^{\circ}$ ,  $\angle A = 105^{\circ}$ . Then construct a triangle whose sides are  $\frac{4}{3}$  times the corresponding sides of  $\triangle ABC$ .



Sol. Step of Construction: Step I: Construct a  $\triangle ABC$  in which BC = 7 cm,  $\angle B = 45^\circ, \angle C = 180^\circ - (\angle A + \angle B)$ 

=  $180^{\circ} - (105^{\circ} + 45^{\circ}) = 180^{\circ} - 150^{\circ} = 30^{\circ}$ . **Step II:** Below BC, makes an acute angle  $\angle CBX$ . **Step III:** Along BX, mark off four arcs: B<sub>1</sub>, B<sub>2</sub>, B<sub>3</sub>, and B<sub>4</sub> such that BB<sub>1</sub> = B<sub>1</sub> B<sub>2</sub> = B<sub>2</sub> B<sub>3</sub> = B<sub>3</sub> B<sub>4</sub>. **Step IV:** Join B<sub>3</sub> C. **Step V:** From B<sub>4</sub>, draw B<sub>4</sub> D||B<sub>3</sub> C, meeting BC produced at D.

**Step VI:** From D, draw ED||AC, meeting BA produced at E. Then EBD is the required triangle whose sides are  $\frac{4}{3}$  times the corresponding sides of  $\triangle ABC$ .

## Justification:

Since, DE||CA.  $\therefore \Delta ABC \sim \Delta EDB$  and  $\frac{EB}{AB} = \frac{BD}{BC} = \frac{DE}{CA} = \frac{4}{3}$ 

Hence, We have the new triangle similar to the given triangle.

Whose sides are equal to  $\frac{4}{3}$  times the corresponding sides of  $\triangle ABC$ .

# Que 3. Draw a pair of tangents to a circle of radius 5 cm which are inclined to each other at an angle of 60°.



### Sol. Steps of Construction:

**Step I:** Draw a circle with centre O and radius 5 cm.

Step II: Draw any diameter AOB.

**Step III:** Draw a radius OC such that  $\angle BOC = 60^{\circ}$ .

**Step IV:** At C, we draw CM  $\perp$  OC and at A, we draw AN  $\perp$  OA.

**Step V:** Let the two perpendicular intersect each other at P. Then, PA and PC are required tangents.

## Justification:

Since OA is the radius, so PA has to be a tangent to the circle. Similarly, PC is also tangent to the circle.

$$\angle APC = 360^{\circ} - (\angle OAP + \angle OCP + \angle AOC)$$
  
= 360^{\circ} - (90^{\circ} + 90^{\circ} + 120^{\circ}) = 360^{\circ} - 300^{\circ} = 60^{\circ}

Hence, tangents PA and PC are inclined to each other at an angle of 60 °.