## Long Answer Type Questions

## [4 MARKS]

Que 1. From a point on the ground, the angles of elevation of the bottom and the top of a transmission tower fixed at the top of a 20 m high building are 45° and 60°, respectively. Find the height of the tower.



**Sol.** Let AB be a building of height 20 m and BC be the transmission tower of height x m and D be any point on the ground (**Fig. 11.34**). Here,  $\angle BDA = 45^{\circ}$  and  $\angle ADC = 60^{\circ}$ Now, in  $\triangle ADC$ , we have

$$\tan 60^\circ = \frac{AC}{AD} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \sqrt{3} = \frac{x+20}{AD}$$
$$\Rightarrow \quad AD = \frac{x+20}{\sqrt{3}} \qquad \dots (i)$$

Again, in  $\triangle ADB$ , we have  $\tan 45^\circ = \frac{AB}{AD}$ 

$$\Rightarrow \quad 1 = \frac{20}{AD} \qquad \Rightarrow \qquad AD = 20 m \qquad \dots (ii)$$

Putting the value of AD in equation (i), we have

$$20 = \frac{x+20}{\sqrt{3}} \implies 20\sqrt{3} = x + 20$$
  
$$\Rightarrow \quad x = 20\sqrt{3} - 20 = 20(\sqrt{3} - 1) = 20(1.732 - 1) = 20 \times 0.732 = 14.64 m$$

Hence, the height of tower is 14.64 m.

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**Sol.** Let AB be the pedestal of height h metres and BC be the statue of height 1.6 m (**Fig. 11.35**).

Let D be any point on the ground such that,

 $\angle BDA = 45^{\circ} and \angle CDA = 60^{\circ}$ Now, in  $\triangle BDA$ , we have

$$\tan 45^\circ = \frac{AB}{DA} = \frac{h}{DA} \implies 1 = \frac{h}{DA}$$
  
$$\therefore \quad DA = h \qquad \dots (i)$$
  
Again in  $\triangle ADC$ , we have

 $\tan \ 60^\circ = \frac{AC}{AD} = \frac{AB + BC}{AD}$  $\sqrt{3} = \frac{h + 16}{h}$  [From equation (i)]

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$$\sqrt{3}h = h + 16 \qquad \Rightarrow (\sqrt{3} - 1)h = 1.6$$

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$$h = \frac{1.6}{\sqrt{3}-1} = \frac{1.6}{\sqrt{3}-1} \times \frac{\sqrt{3}+1}{\sqrt{3}+1} = \frac{1.6(\sqrt{3}+1)}{3-1} = \frac{1.6(\sqrt{3}+1)}{2} = 0.8 \times (\sqrt{3}+1) m$$

Hence, height of the pedestal is 0.8  $(\sqrt{3} + 1) m$ .

Que 3. 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 45°. Determine the height of the tower.



**Sol.** Let PQ be the building of height 7 metres and AB be the cable tower. Now it is given that the angle of elevation of the top A of the tower observed from the top P of building is 60° and the angle of depression of the base B of the tower observed from P is 45° (**Fig. 11.36**). So,  $\angle APR = 60^{\circ}$  and  $\angle QBP = 45^{\circ}$ Let QB = x m, AR = h m then, PR = x m

Now, in  $\triangle APR$ , we have

$$\tan 60^\circ = \frac{AR}{PR} \implies \sqrt{3} = \frac{h}{x}$$
$$\Rightarrow \quad \sqrt{3x} = h \qquad \Rightarrow \qquad h = \sqrt{3x} \qquad \dots (i)$$

Again, in  $\Delta PBQ$ , we have

$$\tan 45^\circ = \frac{PQ}{QB} \implies 1 = \frac{7}{x} \implies x = 7...(ii)$$

Putting the value of x in equation (i), we have

 $h = \sqrt{3} \times 7 = 7\sqrt{3}$ i.e., AR = 7  $\sqrt{3}$  meters So, the height of tower = AB = AR + RB = 7  $\sqrt{3}$  + 7 = 7 ( $\sqrt{3}$  + 3) m.

Que 4. At a point, the angle of elevation of a tower is such that its tangent is  $\frac{5}{12}$ . On walking 240 m nearer to the tower, the tangent of the angle of elevation becomes  $\frac{3}{4}$ . Find the height of the tower.



**Sol.** In the **Fig. 11.37**, Let AB be the tower, C and D be the positions of observation from where given that

...(ii)

$$\tan \phi = \frac{5}{12} \qquad \dots (i)$$

And

Let BC = x m. AB = y mNow in right-angled triangle ABC

 $\tan \phi = \frac{3}{4}$ 

$$\tan \phi = \frac{y}{x} \qquad \dots (iii)$$

From (ii) and (iii), we get  $\frac{3}{4} = \frac{y}{x}$ 

$$\Rightarrow \quad x = \frac{4}{3}y \qquad \dots (iv)$$

Also in right – angled triangle ABD, we get

$$\tan \phi = \frac{y}{x+240} \qquad \dots (v)$$

From (i) and (v), we get

$$\frac{5}{12} = \frac{y}{x+240} \implies 12y = 5x + 1200 \dots (vi)$$

 $\Rightarrow \quad 12y = 5 \times \frac{4}{3}y + 1200 \quad (U \sin g (iv))$ 

$$\Rightarrow \quad 12y - \frac{20}{3}y = 1200 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \frac{36y - 20y}{3} = 1200$$
$$\Rightarrow \quad 16y = 3600 \quad \Rightarrow \quad y = \frac{3600}{16} = 225$$

Hence, the height of the tower is 225 metres.

Que 5. A 1.2 m tall girl spots a balloon moving with the wind in a horizontal line at a height of 88.2 m from the ground. The angle of elevation of the balloon from the eyes of the girl at any instant is 60°. After some time, the angle of elevation reduces to 30° (Fig. 11.38). Find the distance travelled by the balloon during the interval.



**Sol.** Let A and be two positions of the balloon and G be the point of observation. (Eyes of the girl)

Now, we have

AC = BD = BQ - DQ = 88.2 m - 1.2 m = 87 m $\angle AGC = 60^{\circ}, \ \angle BGD = 30^{\circ}$ 

Now, in  $\triangle AGC$ , we have

$$\tan 60^{\circ} = \frac{AC}{GC} \implies \sqrt{3} = \frac{87}{GC}$$
$$\Rightarrow GC = \frac{87}{\sqrt{3}} = \frac{87}{\sqrt{3}} \times \frac{\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{3}} = \frac{87 \times \sqrt{3}}{3}$$
$$\Rightarrow GC = 29 \times \sqrt{3} \qquad \dots (i)$$

Again, in  $\triangle BGD$ , we have

$$\tan 30^\circ = \frac{BD}{GD} \implies \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} = \frac{87}{GD}$$

$$GD = 87 \times \sqrt{3}$$
 ...(ii)

From (i) and (ii), we have

$$CD = 87 \times \sqrt{3} - 29 \times \sqrt{3} \\ = \sqrt{3}(87 - 29) = 58\sqrt{3}$$

Hence, the balloon travels  $58\sqrt{3}$  metres.

Que 6. A straight highway leads to the foot of a tower. A man standing at the top of the tower observes a car at an angle of depression of  $30^{\circ}$ , which is approaching the foot of the tower with a uniform speed. Six seconds later, the angle of depression of the car is found to be  $60^{\circ}$ . Find the time taken by the car to reach the foot of the tower from this point.



Sol. Let OA be the tower of height h, and P be the initial position of the car when the angle of depression is 30°.

After 6 seconds, the car reaches to Q such that the angle of depression at Q is 60°. Let the speed of the car be v metre per second. Then,

> (: Distance = speed  $\times$  time) PQ = 6v

And let the car take t seconds to reach the tower OA from Q (Fig. 11.39). Then OQ = vtmetres.

Now, in  $\triangle AQO$  we have

$$\tan \ 60^{\circ} = \frac{OA}{QO}$$

$$\sqrt{3} = \frac{h}{vt} \qquad \Rightarrow \quad h = \sqrt{3} vt \qquad \dots(i)$$
in  $\Delta APO$ , we have

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$$\tan 30^\circ = \frac{OA}{PO}$$
$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} = \frac{h}{6v + vt} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \sqrt{3}h = 6v + vt \qquad \dots (ii)$$

Now, substituting the value of h from (i) into (ii), we have  $\sqrt{3} \times \sqrt{3} vt = 6v + vt$  $\Rightarrow 3vt = 6v + vt \Rightarrow 2vt = 6v \Rightarrow t = \frac{6v}{2v} = 3$ 

Hence, the car will reach the tower from Q in 3 seconds.

Que 7. In Fig. 11.40, ABDC is a trapezium in which AB || CD. Line segments RN and LM are drawn parallel to AB such that AJ = JK = KP. If AB = 0.5 m and AP = BQ = 1.8 m, find the lengths of AC, BD, RN and LM.



Sol. we have,

AP = 1.8mAJ = JK = KP = 0.6 m:. AK = 2AJ = 1.2 m⇒ In  $\triangle ARJ$  and  $\triangle BNJ'$ , we have  $AJ = BJ', \angle ARJ = \angle BNJ' = 60^{\circ}$ and  $\angle AJR = \angle BJ' N = 90^{\circ}$  $\Delta ARJ \cong \Delta BNJ'$ :. RJ = NJ'(By AAS congruence criterion)  $\Rightarrow$  $\Delta ALK \cong \Delta BMK'$ LK = MK'Similarly,  $\Rightarrow$ 

In 
$$\triangle ARJ$$
, tan  $60^\circ = \frac{AJ}{RJ}$ 

$$\sqrt{3} = \frac{0.6}{RJ} \implies RJ = \frac{0.6}{\sqrt{3}} = \frac{0.6\sqrt{3}}{3} = 0.2 \times 1.732 = 0.3464 m$$

In  $\Delta ALK$ ,

 $\tan 60^\circ = \frac{AK}{LK} \Rightarrow \sqrt{3} = \frac{1.2}{LK}$  $LK = \frac{1.2}{\sqrt{3}} = \frac{1.2 \times \sqrt{3}}{3} = 0.4 \times 1.732 \, m = 0.6928 \, m$ ⇒ In  $\triangle ACP$ ,  $\sin 60^\circ = \frac{AP}{AC}$  $\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} = \frac{1.8}{AC} \implies AC = \frac{3.6}{\sqrt{3}} = \frac{3.6 \times \sqrt{3}}{3} = 1.2 \times 1.732 = 2.0784 \, m$ ⇒ Since  $\triangle ACP \cong \triangle BDQ$ BD = AC = 2.0784 mSo. Now, RN = RJ + JJ' + J, N $[\because R] = I' N \text{ and } II' = AB$ = 2RJ + AB $= 2 \times 0.3464 + 0.5 = 1.1928$  m Length of step LM = LK + KK' + K'M[: LK = K' M and KK' = AB]= 2LK + AB $= 2 \times 0.3464 + 0.5 = 1.1928$  m Length of step LM = LK + KK' + K'M

$$2LK + AB \qquad [\because LK = K'M \text{ and } KK' = AB]$$

 $= 2 \times 0.6928 + 0.5 = 1.8856$  m Thus, length of each leg = 2.0784 m = 2.1 m Length of step RN = 1.1928 m = 1.2 m and, length of step LM = 1.8856 m = 1.9 m

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Que 8. Two poles of equal heights are standing opposite to each other on either side of the road, which is 80 m wide. From a point between them on the road, the angles of elevation of the top of the poles are 60  $^{\circ}$  and 30  $^{\circ}$ , respectively. Find the height of the poles the distances of the point from the poles.



**Sol.** Let AB and CD be two poles of equal height h metre and let P be any point between the poles, such that

 $\angle APB = 60^{\circ} \text{ and } \angle DPC = 30^{\circ}.$ The distance between two poles is 80 m. (Given) Let AP = x m, then PC = (80 - x) m. Now, in  $\triangle APB$ , we have

$$\tan 60^{\circ} = \frac{AB}{AP} = \frac{h}{x}$$
$$\Rightarrow \quad \sqrt{3} = \frac{h}{x} \quad \Rightarrow \quad h = \sqrt{3}x \qquad \dots(i)$$

Again in  $\triangle CPD$ , we have

$$\tan 30^\circ = \frac{DC}{PC} = \frac{h}{(80 - x)}$$
$$\Rightarrow \quad \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} = \frac{h}{80 - x} \quad \Rightarrow \quad h = \frac{80 - x}{\sqrt{3}} \qquad \dots (ii)$$

From (i) and (ii), we have

$$\sqrt{3}x = \frac{80-x}{\sqrt{3}} \implies mx = 80-x \implies 4x = 80 \implies x = \frac{80}{4} = 20 m$$

Now, putting the value of x in equation (i), we have

$$h = \sqrt{3} \times 20 = 20 \sqrt{3}$$

Hence, the height of the pole is  $20\sqrt{3}m$  and the distance of the point first pole is 20 m and that of the second pole is 60 m.