

EXERCISE 12.1

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1. An isosceles right triangle has area  $8 \text{ cm}^2$ . The length of its hypotenuse is

- (A)  $\sqrt{32} \text{ cm}$
- (B)  $\sqrt{16} \text{ cm}$
- (C)  $\sqrt{48} \text{ cm}$
- (D)  $\sqrt{24} \text{ cm}$

**Solution:**

(A)  $\sqrt{32} \text{ cm}$

Explanation:

Let height of triangle =  $h$

As the triangle is isosceles,

Let base = height =  $h$

According to the question,

Area of triangle =  $8 \text{ cm}^2$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{2} \times \text{Base} \times \text{Height} = 8$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{2} \times h \times h = 8$$

$$\Rightarrow h^2 = 16$$

$$\Rightarrow h = 4 \text{ cm}$$

Base = Height =  $4 \text{ cm}$

Since the triangle is right angled,

$$\text{Hypotenuse}^2 = \text{Base}^2 + \text{Height}^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Hypotenuse}^2 = 4^2 + 4^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Hypotenuse}^2 = 32$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Hypotenuse} = \sqrt{32}$$

Hence, Options A is the correct answer.

2. The perimeter of an equilateral triangle is  $60 \text{ m}$ . The area is

- (A)  $10\sqrt{3} \text{ m}^2$
- (B)  $15\sqrt{3} \text{ m}^2$
- (C)  $20\sqrt{3} \text{ m}^2$
- (D)  $100\sqrt{3} \text{ m}^2$

**Solution:**

(D)  $100\sqrt{3} \text{ m}^2$

Explanation:

Area of an equilateral triangle of side  $a = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{4} a^2$

According to the question,

Perimeter of triangle =  $60 \text{ m}$

$$\Rightarrow a + a + a = 60$$

$$\Rightarrow 3a = 60$$

$$\Rightarrow a = 20 \text{ m}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Area of the triangle} &= \left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{4}\right) a^2 \\ &= \left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{4}\right) (20)^2 \\ &= \left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{4}\right) (400) \\ &= 100\sqrt{3} \end{aligned}$$

Hence, Options D is the correct answer.

**3. The sides of a triangle are 56 cm, 60 cm and 52 cm long. Then the area of the triangle is**

- (A) 1322 cm<sup>2</sup>
- (B) 1311 cm<sup>2</sup>
- (C) 1344 cm<sup>2</sup>
- (D) 1392 cm<sup>2</sup>

**Solution:**

**(C) 1344 cm<sup>2</sup>**

Explanation:

According to the question,

Sides of a triangle,

$$a = 56, b = 60, c = 52$$

$$s = (a + b + c)/2$$

$$\Rightarrow s = (56 + 60 + 52)/2$$

$$= 168/2 = 84.$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Area of triangle} &= \sqrt{s(s-a)(s-b)(s-c)} \\ &= \sqrt{84(84-56)(84-60)(84-52)} \\ &= \sqrt{84 \times 28 \times 24 \times 32} \\ &= 1344 \text{ cm}^2\end{aligned}$$

Hence, Options C is the correct answer.

**4. The area of an equilateral triangle with side  $2\sqrt{3}$  cm is**

- (A) 5.196 cm<sup>2</sup>
- (B) 0.866 cm<sup>2</sup>
- (C) 3.496 cm<sup>2</sup>
- (D) 1.732 cm<sup>2</sup>

**Solution:**

**(A) 5.196 cm<sup>2</sup>**

Explanation:

Area of an equilateral triangle of side  $a = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{4} a^2$

According to the question,

$$a = 2\sqrt{3}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Area of triangle} &= \left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{4}\right) a^2 \\ &= \left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{4}\right) (2\sqrt{3})^2 \\ &= \left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{4}\right) (12) \\ &= 3\sqrt{3} \\ &= 5.196\end{aligned}$$

Hence, Options A is the correct answer.

## EXERCISE 12.2

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Write True or False and justify your answer:

1. The area of a triangle with base 4 cm and height 6 cm is  $24 \text{ cm}^2$ .

**Solution:**

False

Justification:

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Area of triangle} &= \frac{1}{2} \times \text{Base} \times \text{Altitude} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \times 4 \times 6 \\ &= 12 \text{ cm}^2\end{aligned}$$

Hence, the statement “the area of a triangle with base 4 cm and height 6 cm is  $24 \text{ cm}^2$ ” is False.

2. The area of  $\triangle ABC$  is  $8 \text{ cm}^2$  in which  $AB = AC = 4 \text{ cm}$  and  $\angle A = 90^\circ$ .

**Solution:**

True

Justification:

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Area of triangle} &= \frac{1}{2} \times \text{Base} \times \text{Altitude} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \times 4 \times 4 \\ &= 8 \text{ cm}^2\end{aligned}$$

Hence, the statement is “area of  $\triangle ABC$  is  $8 \text{ cm}^2$  in which  $AB = AC = 4 \text{ cm}$  and  $\angle A = 90^\circ$ ” is True.

3. The area of the isosceles triangle is  $\frac{5}{4} \sqrt{11} \text{ cm}^2$ , if the perimeter is 11 cm and the base is 5 cm.

**Solution:**

True

Justification:

According to the question,

Perimeter = 11 cm

And base,  $a = 5$

As the triangle is isosceles,  $b = c$

Perimeter = 11

$$\Rightarrow a + b + c = 11$$

$$\Rightarrow 5 + b + b = 11$$

$$\Rightarrow 5 + 2b = 11$$

$$\Rightarrow 2b = 6$$

$$\Rightarrow b = 3$$

So, we have,

$$a = 5, b = 3, c = 3$$

$$s = (a + b + c)/2$$

$$\Rightarrow s = (5 + 3 + 3)/2 = 11/2$$

$$\text{Area of triangle} = \sqrt{s(s-a)(s-b)(s-c)}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \sqrt{\frac{11}{2} \left( \frac{11}{2} - 5 \right) \left( \frac{11}{2} - 3 \right) \left( \frac{11}{2} - 3 \right)} \\ &= \sqrt{\frac{11}{2} \left( \frac{1}{2} \right) \left( \frac{5}{2} \right) \left( \frac{5}{2} \right)} \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Area of triangle} = (5\sqrt{11})/4 \text{ cm}^2$$

Hence, the statement "The area of the isosceles triangle is  $5/4 \sqrt{11} \text{ cm}^2$ , if the perimeter is 11 cm and the base is 5 cm" is True.

**4. The area of the equilateral triangle is  $20\sqrt{3} \text{ cm}^2$  whose each side is 8 cm.**

**Solution:**

False

Justification:

Area of an equilateral triangle of side  $a = \sqrt{3}/4 a^2$

According to the question,

Area of a triangle =  $20\sqrt{3} \text{ cm}^2$

$$\Rightarrow \sqrt{3}/4 a^2 = 20\sqrt{3}$$

$$\Rightarrow a^2 = 20 \times 4$$

$$\Rightarrow a^2 = 80$$

$$\Rightarrow a = 4\sqrt{5} \text{ cm}$$

Hence, the statement "the area of the equilateral triangle is  $20\sqrt{3} \text{ cm}^2$  whose each side is 8 cm" is False.

## EXERCISE 12.3

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**1 Find the cost of laying grass in a triangular field of sides 50 m, 65 m and 65 m at the rate of Rs 7 per m<sup>2</sup>.**

**Solution:**

According to the question,

Sides of the triangular field are 50 m, 65 m and 65 m.

Cost of laying grass in a triangular field = Rs 7 per m<sup>2</sup>

Let  $a = 50$ ,  $b = 65$ ,  $c = 65$

$$s = (a + b + c)/2$$

$$\begin{aligned}\Rightarrow s &= (50 + 65 + 65)/2 \\ &= 180/2 \\ &= 90.\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Area of triangle} &= \sqrt{s(s-a)(s-b)(s-c)} \\ &= \sqrt{90(90-50)(90-65)(90-65)} \\ &= \sqrt{90 \times 40 \times 25 \times 25} \\ &= 1500\text{m}^2\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Cost of laying grass} &= \text{Area of triangle} \times \text{Cost per m}^2 \\ &= 1500 \times 7 \\ &= \text{Rs. } 10500\end{aligned}$$

**2 The triangular side walls of a flyover have been used for advertisements. The sides of the walls are 13 m, 14 m and 15 m. The advertisements yield an earning of Rs 2000 per m<sup>2</sup> a year. A company hired one of its walls for 6 months. How much rent did it pay?**

**Solution:**

According to the question,

The sides of the triangle are 13 m, 14 m and 15 m

Let  $a = 13$ ,  $b = 14$ ,  $c = 15$

$$s = (a + b + c)/2$$

$$\begin{aligned}\Rightarrow s &= (13 + 14 + 15)/2 \\ &= 42/2 \\ &= 21.\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Area of triangle} &= \sqrt{s(s-a)(s-b)(s-c)} \\ &= \sqrt{21(21-13)(21-14)(21-15)} \\ &= \sqrt{21 \times 8 \times 7 \times 6} \\ &= 84\text{m}^2\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Cost of advertisements for a year} &= \text{Area of triangle} \times \text{Cost per m}^2 \\ &= 84 \times 2000 \\ &= \text{Rs. } 168000\end{aligned}$$

Since the board is rented for only 6 months:

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Cost of advertisements for 6 months} &= (6/12) \times 168000 \\ &= \text{Rs. } 84000\end{aligned}$$

**3 From a point in the interior of an equilateral triangle, perpendiculars are drawn on the three sides. The lengths of the perpendiculars are 14 cm, 10 cm and 6 cm. Find the area of the triangle.**

## Solution:

According to the question,

The lengths of the perpendiculars are 14 cm, 10 cm and 6 cm.

We know that,

Area of an equilateral triangle of side  $a = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{4} a^2$

We divide the triangle into three triangles,

Area of triangle =  $(\frac{1}{2} \times a \times 14) + (\frac{1}{2} \times a \times 10) + (\frac{1}{2} \times a \times 6)$

$$\frac{\sqrt{3}}{4} a^2 = \frac{1}{2} \times a \times (14 + 10 + 6)$$

$$\frac{\sqrt{3}}{4} a^2 = \frac{1}{2} \times a \times 30$$

$$a = \frac{60}{\sqrt{3}}$$

$$= 20\sqrt{3}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Area of the triangle} &= \frac{\sqrt{3}}{4} a^2 \\ &= \frac{\sqrt{3}}{4} (20\sqrt{3})^2 \\ &= 300\sqrt{3} \text{ cm}^2 \end{aligned}$$

**4 The perimeter of an isosceles triangle is 32 cm. The ratio of the equal side to its base is 3 : 2. Find the area of the triangle.**

## Solution:

According to the question,

Perimeter of the isosceles triangle = 32 cm

It is also given that,

Ratio of equal side to base = 3 : 2

Let the equal side =  $3x$

So, base =  $2x$

Perimeter of the triangle = 32

$$\Rightarrow 3x + 3x + 2x = 32$$

$$\Rightarrow 8x = 32$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 4.$$

$$\text{Equal side} = 3x = 3 \times 4 = 12$$

$$\text{Base} = 2x = 2 \times 4 = 8$$

The sides of the triangle = 12cm, 12cm and 8cm.

Let  $a = 12$ ,  $b = 12$ ,  $c = 8$

$$s = \frac{(a + b + c)}{2}$$

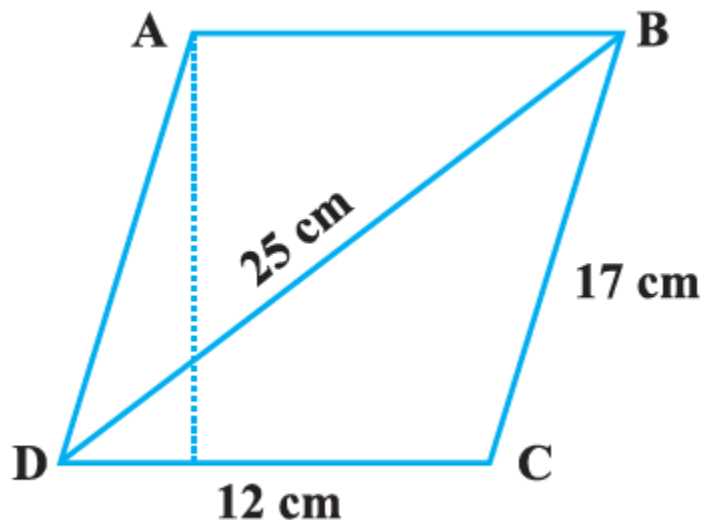
$$\Rightarrow s = \frac{(12 + 12 + 8)}{2}$$

$$= \frac{32}{2}$$

$$= 16.$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Area of the triangle} &= \sqrt{s(s-a)(s-b)(s-c)} \\ &= \sqrt{16(16-12)(16-12)(16-8)} \\ &= \sqrt{16 \times 4 \times 4 \times 8} \\ &= 32\sqrt{2} \text{ cm}^2 \end{aligned}$$

**5 Find the area of a parallelogram given in Fig. 12.2. Also find the length of the altitude from vertex A on the side DC.**



**Fig. 12.2**

**Solution:**

We know that,

Area of parallelogram(ABCD) = Area( $\triangle BCD$ ) + Area( $\triangle ABD$ )

For Area ( $\triangle BCD$ ),

We have,

$$a = 12, b = 17, c = 25$$

$$s = (a + b + c)/2$$

$$\Rightarrow s = (12 + 17 + 25)/2 = 54/2 = 27.$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Area of } (\triangle BCD) &= \sqrt{s(s-a)(s-b)(s-c)} \\ &= \sqrt{27(27-12)(27-17)(27-25)} \\ &= \sqrt{27 \times 15 \times 10 \times 2} \\ &= 90 \text{ cm}^2 \end{aligned}$$

Since, ABCD is a parallelogram,

$$\text{Area}(\triangle BCD) = \text{Area}(\triangle ABD)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Area of parallelogram(ABCD)} &= \text{Area}(\triangle BCD) + \text{Area}(\triangle ABD) \\ &= 90 + 90 \\ &= 180 \text{ cm}^2 \end{aligned}$$

Let altitude from A be = x

Also, Area of parallelogram(ABCD) = CD  $\times$  (Altitude from A)

$$\Rightarrow 180 = 12 \times x$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 15 \text{ cm}$$

EXERCISE 12.4

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1. How much paper of each shade is needed to make a kite given in Fig. 12.4, in which ABCD is a square with diagonal 44 cm.

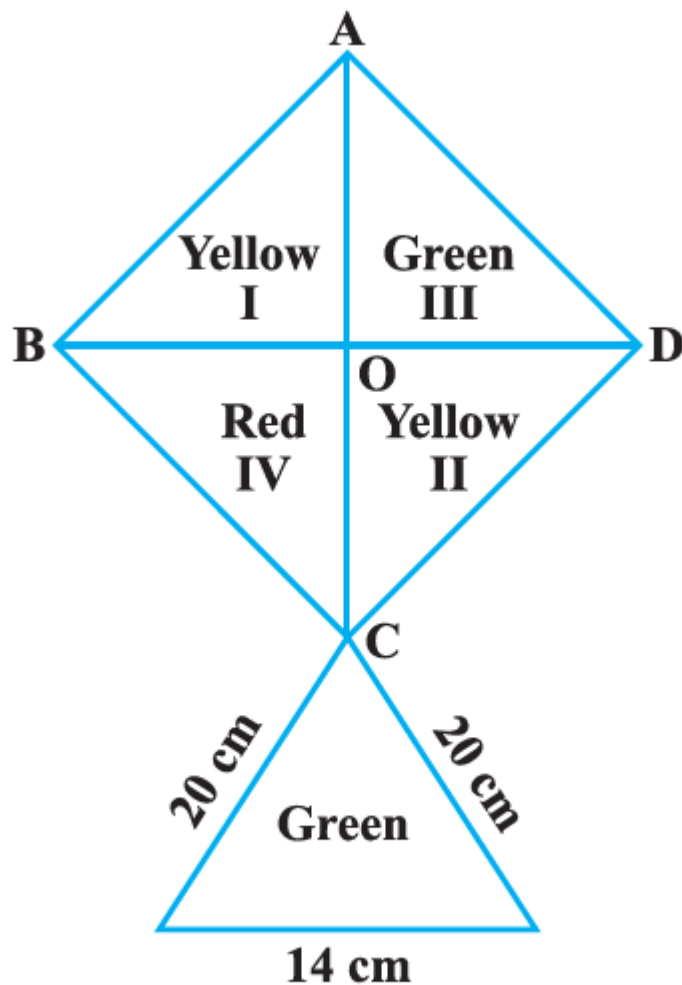


Fig. 12.4

**Solution:**

According to the figure,

$$AC = BD = 44\text{cm}$$

$$AO = 44/2 = 22\text{cm}$$

$$BO = 44/2 = 22\text{cm}$$

From  $\triangle AOB$ ,

$$AB^2 = AO^2 + BO^2$$

$$\Rightarrow AB^2 = 22^2 + 22^2$$

$$\Rightarrow AB^2 = 2 \times 22^2$$

$$\Rightarrow AB = 22\sqrt{2}\text{ cm}$$

$$\text{Area of square} = (\text{Side})^2$$

$$= (22\sqrt{2})^2$$

$$= 968 \text{ cm}^2$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Area of each triangle (I, II, III, IV)} &= \text{Area of square} / 4 \\ &= 968 / 4 \\ &= 242 \text{ cm}^2 \end{aligned}$$

To find area of lower triangle,

Let  $a = 28$ ,  $b = 28$ ,  $c = 14$

$$s = (a + b + c) / 2$$

$$\Rightarrow s = (28 + 28 + 14) / 2 = 70 / 2 = 35.$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Area of the triangle} &= \sqrt{s(s-a)(s-b)(s-c)} \\ &= \sqrt{35(35-28)(35-28)(35-14)} \\ &= \sqrt{35 \times 7 \times 7 \times 21} \\ &= 49\sqrt{15} = 189.77 \text{ cm}^2 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

We get,

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Area of Red} &= \text{Area of IV} \\ &= 242 \text{ cm}^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Area of Yellow} &= \text{Area of I} + \text{Area of II} \\ &= 242 + 242 \\ &= 484 \text{ cm}^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Area of Green} &= \text{Area of III} + \text{Area of lower triangle} \\ &= 242 + 189.77 \\ &= 431.77 \text{ cm}^2 \end{aligned}$$

**2. The perimeter of a triangle is 50 cm. One side of a triangle is 4 cm longer than the smaller side and the third side is 6 cm less than twice the smaller side. Find the area of the triangle.**

**Solution:**

Let the smaller side be  $= x$  cm

Then, larger side  $= (x + 4)$  cm

And, third side  $= (2x - 6)$  cm

Given that,

Perimeter  $= 50$  cm

$$\Rightarrow x + (x + 4) + (2x - 6) = 50$$

$$\Rightarrow 4x - 2 = 50$$

$$\Rightarrow 4x = 52$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 13$$

Therefore, smaller side  $= 13$  cm

Larger side  $= x + 4 = 13 + 4 = 17$  cm

Third side  $= 2x - 6 = 2 \times 13 - 6 = 26 - 6 = 20$  cm

To find area of triangle,

Let  $a = 13$ ,  $b = 17$ ,  $c = 20$

$$s = (a + b + c) / 2$$

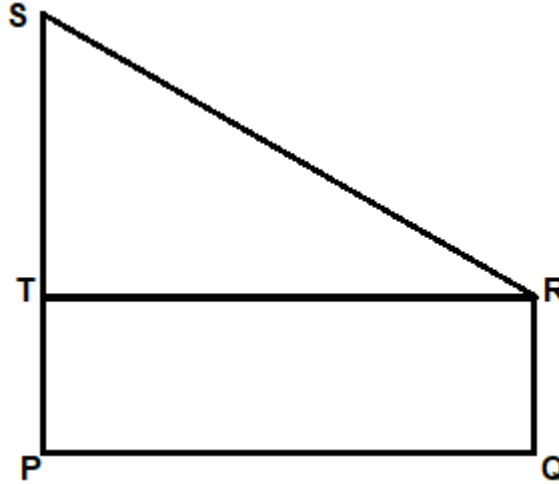
$$\Rightarrow s = (13 + 17 + 20) / 2 = 50 / 2 = 25.$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Area of triangle} &= \sqrt{s(s-a)(s-b)(s-c)} \\ &= \sqrt{25(25-13)(25-17)(25-20)} \\ &= \sqrt{25 \times 12 \times 8 \times 5} \end{aligned}$$

$$= 20\sqrt{30} \text{ cm}^2$$

**3. The area of a trapezium is  $475 \text{ cm}^2$  and the height is 19 cm. Find the lengths of its two parallel sides if one side is 4 cm greater than the other.**

**Solution:**



Let the given trapezium be PQRS, given in the figure.

According to the question,

$$PQ = 19\text{cm}$$

$$\text{Let } RQ = x \text{ cm}$$

Then,

$$PS = (x + 4)\text{cm}$$

Construction:

Draw a perpendicular from R on PS which will also be parallel to PQ.

Now,

We get,

PQRT is a rectangle,

$$\text{Area of rectangle PQRT} = PQ \times QR$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Area(PQRT)} = 19 \times x = 19x$$

Now,

$$PS = PT + TS$$

$$\text{Since } PT = QR = x \text{ cm}$$

$$(x + 4) = x + TS$$

$$\Rightarrow TS = 4\text{cm}$$

$$\text{Area of triangle RST} = \frac{1}{2} \times RT \times ST$$

$$\text{Since } RT = PQ = 19\text{cm}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \text{Area}(\triangle RST) &= \frac{1}{2} \times 19 \times 4 \\ &= 38\text{cm}^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Area(PQRS)} = \text{Area(PQRT)} + \text{Area}(\triangle RST)$$

$$\Rightarrow 475 = 19x + 38$$

$$\Rightarrow 19x = 475 - 38$$

$$\Rightarrow 19x = 437$$

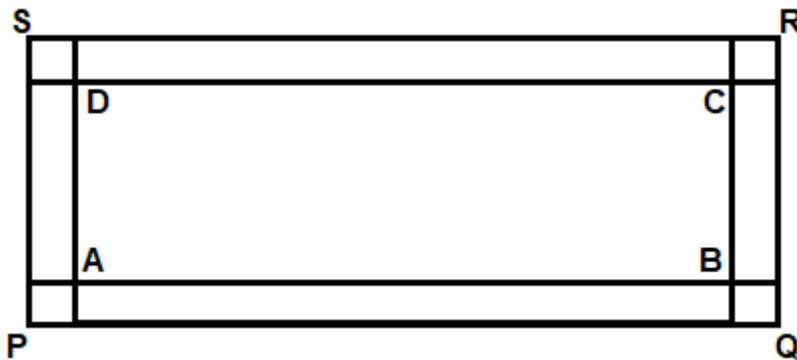
$$\Rightarrow x = 23 \text{ cm}$$

$$(x + 4) = 23 + 4 = 27\text{cm}$$

Therefore, lengths of parallel sides is 23cm and 27cm.

4. A rectangular plot is given for constructing a house, having a measurement of 40 m long and 15 m in the front. According to the laws, a minimum of 3 m, wide space should be left in the front and back each and 2 m wide space on each of other sides. Find the largest area where house can be constructed.

**Solution:**



Let the given rectangle be rectangle PQRS,

According to the question,

$PQ = 40\text{m}$  and  $QR = 15\text{m}$

As 3m is left in both front and back,

$AB = PQ - 3 - 3$

$\Rightarrow AB = 40 - 6$

$\Rightarrow AB = 34\text{m}$

Also,

Given that 2m has to be left at both the sides,

$BC = QR - 2 - 2$

$\Rightarrow BC = 15 - 4$

$\Rightarrow BC = 11\text{m}$

Now, Area left for house construction is area of ABCD.

Hence,

$\text{Area(ABCD)} = AB \times CD$

$= 34 \times 11$

$= 374 \text{ m}^2$