CHAPTER – 10 CIRCLES

THEOREMS

1) The tangent to a circle is perpendicular to the radius through the point of contact.

2) The lengths of tangents drawn from an external point to a circle are equal.

Given : A circle C(O, r) and two tangents say PQ and PR from an external point P. **To prove :** PQ = PR.



Construction : Join OQ, OR and OP.

Proof : In $\triangle OQP$ and $\triangle ORP$

OQ = OROP = OP (radii of the same circle)

- (Common)
- $\angle Q = \angle R = \text{each 90}^{\circ}$ (The tangent at any point of a circle is perpendicular to the radius through the point of contact)

Hence $\triangle OQP \cong \triangle ORP$

$$\therefore PQ = PR$$
(By CPCT)

Hence Proved.

(By RHS Criterion)

IMPORTANT QUESTIONS

- 1. From a point Q, the length of the tangent to a circle is 24 cm and the distance of Q from the centre is 25 cm. Find the radius of the circle
- 2. In the below figure, if TP and TQ are the two tangents to a circle with centre O so that $\angle POQ = 110^{\circ}$, then find $\angle PTQ$.



- 3. If tangents PA and PB from a point P to a circle with centre O are inclined to each other at angle of 80°, then find \angle POA
- **4.** The length of a tangent from a point A at distance 5 cm from the centre of the circle is 4 cm. Find the radius of the circle.
- 5. 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.
- 6. A quadrilateral ABCD is drawn to circumscribe a circle. Prove that AB + CD = AD + BC
- 7. 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.
- 8. Prove that the parallelogram circumscribing a circle is a rhombus.
- **9.** Prove that opposite sides of a quadrilateral circumscribing a circle subtend supplementary angles at the centre of the circle.

- **10.** Prove that in two concentric circles, the chord of the larger circle, which touches the smaller circle, is bisected at the point of contact.
- **11.** XY and X'Y' are two parallel tangents to a circle with centre O and another tangent AB with point of contact C intersecting XY at A and X'Y' at B. Prove that $\angle AOB = 90^{\circ}$.



12. A triangle ABC is drawn to circumscribe a circle of radius 4 cm such that the segments BD and DC into which BC is divided by the point of contact D are of lengths 8 cm and 6 cm respectively. Find the sides AB and AC.



- **13.** Two tangents TP and TQ are drawn to a circle with centre O from an external point T. Prove that $\angle PTQ = 2 \angle OPQ$.
- **14.** PQ is a chord of length 8 cm of a circle of radius 5 cm. The tangents at P and Q intersect at a point T. Find the length TP.
- **15.** Two tangents PQ and PR are drawn from an external point to a circle with centre O. Prove that QORP is a cyclic quadrilateral.
- **16.** If from an external point B of a circle with centre O, two tangents BC and BD are drawn such that $\angle DBC = 120^\circ$, prove that BC + BD = BO, i.e., BO = 2BC.
- 17. Prove that the tangents drawn at the ends of a chord of a circle make equal angles with the chord.
- **18.** Prove that a diameter AB of a circle bisects all those chords which are parallel to the tangent at the point A.
- 19. From an external point P, two tangents, PA and PB are drawn to a circle with centre O. At one point E on the circle tangent is drawn which intersects PA and PB at C and D, respectively. If PA = 10 cm, find the the perimeter of the triangle PCD.
- **20.** In a right triangle ABC in which $\angle B = 90^{\circ}$, a circle is drawn with AB as diameter intersecting the hypotenuse AC and P. Prove that the tangent to the circle at P bisects BC.
- **21.** If d₁, d₂ (d₂ > d₁) be the diameters of two concentric circles and c be the length of a chord of a circle which is tangent to the other circle, prove that $d_2^2 = c^2 + d_1^2$
- 22. If a, b, c are the sides of a right triangle where c is the hypotenuse, prove that the radius r of the circle which touches the sides of the triangle is given by $r = \frac{a+b+c}{2}$
- **23.** Out of the two concentric circles, the radius of the outer circle is 5 cm and the chord AC of length 8 cm is a tangent to the inner circle. Find the radius of the inner circle.

- **24.** Two tangents PQ and PR are drawn from an external point to a circle with centre O. Prove that QORP is a cyclic quadrilateral.
- **25.** If from an external point B of a circle with centre O, two tangents BC and BD are drawn such that $\angle DBC = 120^\circ$, prove that BC + BD = BO, i.e., BO = 2BC.
- **26.** Prove that the centre of a circle touching two intersecting lines lies on the angle bisector of the lines.
- **27.** In below figure, AB and CD are common tangents to two circles of unequal radii. Prove that AB = CD.



28. In below figure, AB and CD are common tangents to two circles, if radii of the two circles are equal, prove that AB = CD.



29. In below figure, common tangents AB and CD to two circles intersect at E. Prove that AB = CD.



30. In below figure, from an external point P, a tangent PT and a line segment PAB is drawn to a circle with centre O. ON is perpendicular on the chord AB. Prove that :



- **31.** If a circle touches the side BC of a triangle ABC at P and extended sides AB and AC at Q and R, respectively, prove that $AQ = \frac{1}{2}(BC + CA + AB)$
- **32.** If a hexagon ABCDEF circumscribe a circle, prove that AB + CD + EF = BC + DE + FA.
- **33.** Let s denote the semi-perimeter of a triangle ABC in which BC = a, CA = b, AB = c. If a circle touches the sides BC, CA, AB at D, E, F, respectively, prove that BD = s b.
- **34.** From an external point P, two tangents, PA and PB are drawn to a circle with centre O. At one point E on the circle tangent is drawn which intersects PA and PB at C and D, respectively. If PA = 10 cm, find the perimeter of the triangle PCD.
- **35.** If AB is a chord of a circle with centre O, AOC is a diameter and AT is the tangent at A as shown in below figure. Prove that $\angle BAT = \angle ACB$



36. In below figure, tangents PQ and PR are drawn to a circle such that $\angle RPQ = 30^\circ$. A chord RS is drawn parallel to the tangent PQ. Find the $\angle RQS$.



- **37.** AB is a diameter and AC is a chord of a circle with centre O such that $\angle BAC = 30^{\circ}$. The tangent at C intersects extended AB at a point D. Prove that BC = BD.
- **38.** Prove that the tangent drawn at the mid-point of an arc of a circle is parallel to the chord joining the end points of the arc.
- **39.** A chord PQ of a circle is parallel to the tangent drawn at a point R of the circle. Prove that R bisects the arc PRQ.
- **40.** In below figure, the common tangent, AB and CD to two circles with centres O and O' intersect at E. Prove that the points O, E, O' are collinear.



41. The tangent at a point C of a circle and a diameter AB when extended intersect at P. If \angle PCA =110°, find \angle CBA



42. In below figure. O is the centre of a circle of radius 5 cm, T is a point such that OT = 13 cm and OT intersects the circle at E. If AB is the tangent to the circle at E, find the length of AB.



- **43.** Prove that the tangents drawn at the ends of a chord of a circle make equal angles with the chord.
- **44.** Prove that a diameter AB of a circle bisects all those chords which are parallel to the tangent at the point A.
- **45.** If an isosceles triangle ABC, in which AB = AC = 6 cm, is inscribed in a circle of radius 9 cm, find the area of the triangle.
- **46.** Two circles with centres O and O' of radii 3 cm and 4 cm, respectively intersect at two points P and Q such that OP and O'P are tangents to the two circles. Find the length of the common chord PQ.
- **47.** In a right triangle ABC in which $\angle B = 90^\circ$, a circle is drawn with AB as diameter intersecting the hypotenuse AC and P. Prove that the tangent to the circle at P bisects BC.
- **48.** A is a point at a distance 13 cm from the centre O of a circle of radius 5 cm. AP and AQ are the tangents to the circle at P and Q. If a tangent BC is drawn at a point R lying on the minor arc PQ to intersect AP at B and AQ at C, find the perimeter of the Δ ABC.

MCQ QUESTIONS (1 mark)

- If angle between two radii of a circle is 130°, the angle between the tangents at the ends of the radii is :
 (a) 90° (b) 50° (c) 70° (d) 40°
- 2. If radii of two concentric circles are 4 cm and 5 cm, then the length of each chord of one circle which is tangent to the other circle is
 (a) 3 cm (b) 6 cm (c) 9 cm (d) 1 cm
- In the below figure, the pair of tangents AP and AQ drawn from an external point A to a circle with centre O are perpendicular to each other and length of each tangent is 5 cm. Then the radius of the circle is
 (a) 10 cm (b) 7.5 cm (c) 5 cm (d) 2.5 cm
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4. In below figure, PQ is a chord of a circle and PT is the tangent at P such that $\angle QPT = 60^{\circ}$. Then $\angle PRQ$ is equal to



6. In the below figure, AB is a chord of the circle and AOC is its diameter such that ∠ACB = 50°. If AT is the tangent to the circle at the point A, then ∠BAT is equal to
(a) 65° (b) 60° (c) 50° (d) 40°



- 7. From a point P which is at a distance of 13 cm from the centre O of a circle of radius 5 cm, the pair of tangents PQ and PR to the circle are drawn. Then the area of the quadrilateral PQOR is (a) 60 cm² (b) 65 cm² (c) 30 cm² (d) 32.5 cm²
- 8. At one end A of a diameter AB of a circle of radius 5 cm, tangent XAY is drawn to the circle. The length of the chord CD parallel to XY and at a distance 8 cm from A is
 (a) 4 cm (b) 5 cm (c) 6 cm (d) 8 cm
- **9.** In below figure, AT is a tangent to the circle with centre O such that OT = 4 cm and $\angle OTA = 30^{\circ}$. Then AT is equal to

(a) 4 cm (b) 2 cm (c) $2\sqrt{3}$ cm (d) $4\sqrt{3}$ cm



- 10. In below figure, if O is the centre of a circle, PQ is a chord and the tangent PR at P makes an angle of 50° with PQ, then \angle POQ is equal to
 - (a) 100° (b) 80° (c) 90° (d) 75°



11. In below figure, if PA and PB are tangents to the circle with centre O such that ∠APB = 50°, then ∠OAB is equal to
(a) 25° (b) 30° (c) 40° (d) 50°



- 12. If two tangents inclined at an angle 60° are drawn to a circle of radius 3 cm, then length of each tangent is equal to
 - (a) $\frac{3}{2}\sqrt{3}$ cm (b) 6 cm (c) 3 cm (d) $3\sqrt{3}$ cm
- 13. In below figure, if PQR is the tangent to a circle at Q whose centre is O, AB is a chord parallel to PR and ∠BQR = 70°, then ∠AQB is equal to
 (a) 20° (b) 40° (c) 35° (d) 45°

