6.1 RATIO AND PROPORTION

How ratios are written There are two ways of writing ratios; If a and b are any two numbers then we can write the two numbers in any of the following ways: (i) a : b (ii) <u>a</u> b

- The quantities in a ratio must be expressed in the same units.
- The order of the quantities in a ratio must be followed strictly.
- Worked examples:
- 6.1. Simplify the ration 40 : 24

Solution:

 $40: 24 = \frac{40}{8}: \frac{24}{8}$ by dividing by 8 on both sides

:. 40:24 = 5:3

6.2. Simplify the ratio 10cm : 2m

Solution:

1m = 100cm

2m = (2 x 100)cm : By converting m to cm = 10cm = 200cm <u>10cm</u> : <u>200cm</u> 10cm : <u>10cm</u> : 10cm : 2m = **1:20**

6.3. Express the ratio 2 weeks : 8 days in its simplest from

Solution:

1 week = 7 days 2 weeks = (2×7) days = 1 4 days : By converting a week to days)

:. 14 days : 8 days :. <u>14</u> : <u>8</u> By dividing by 2 on both sides $\frac{1}{2}$ 2 :. 2 weeks : 8 days = 7:46.4. Simplify the ratio 0.36: 0.24Solution: 0.36: 0.24 = 36: 24By writing 0.36 and 0.24 as fractions 100 100 <u>36</u> x 100 : <u>24</u> : By multiplying 100 on both sides to x 100 to eliminate the denominator. 100 100 <u>36</u> : <u>24</u> : By Dividing by 12 on both sides 12 12 :. 0.36 : 0.24 = 3 : 26.5 Simplify 1 1/2:6 **Solution :** $1\frac{1}{2}: 6 = 3/2:6$ By 1¹/₂ as an improper fraction. 3/2 x 2 : 6x2 : By multiplying 2 on both sides. =3/3:12/3:By dividing both sides by 3 $1\frac{1}{2}:6: = 1:4$ 6.6 Simplify the ratio 8:1.5 Solution: 8 x 10: 1.5 x 10 :By multiplying 10 on both sides to eliminate the decimal point = 80/5 : 15/5:By dividing 5 on both sides

8:1.5 = 16: 3

6.7 The ratio of the marks scored by two students is 4.5. If the higher mark is 60, find the lower mark.Solution:

Lower mark : higher mark	=	4: 5	
Lower mark higher mark	=	4/5	: By writing the in fractional form.
Lower mark 60	=	4/5	: By substituting 60 for higher mark.
Lower mark x 60 60	$=$ $\frac{4 \text{ x}}{5}$	60	: By multiplying 60 on both sides.
Lower mark = $\frac{4}{8} \times 60$		= 48	
$\frac{\text{Lower mark}}{60} \times \frac{60}{5} = \frac{4 \times 6}{5}$	<u>50</u>		: By multiplying 60 on both sides.
Lower mark $= 48 x$	60 = 48	8	
:. The lower mark = 48			

6.8 There are 25 Doctors in a Hospital of 450 patients. Find the Doctor to patient ration in its simplest form.

Solution: Doctor: patient = No. of Doctors : No. of patients. = 25 : 450

 $= \frac{25}{25}: \frac{450}{25}$ By dividing 25 on both sides

- :. Doctor : Patient = 1 : 8
- 6.10 In certain company the ratio of men to women is 4.5. If there are 280 men. How many women are there?

Solution:

Keep the order of the quantities in the ration men : women = 4:5<u>Men</u> = 4 : by writing the quantities in fraction form. Women 5

 $\frac{280 \times 5}{4} = \frac{4 \times \text{women}}{4}$: by cross multiplying.

350 =women

- :. There are 350 women in the company.
- 6.11 Increase 270 in the ratio 4: 3

Solution:New amount : original amount = 4: 3New amount = : $\frac{4}{3}$ Original amount 3New amount $\frac{1}{270}$ New amount x 270 = 4 x 270 :by multiplying 270 for original amount.by multiplying 270 on both sides to eliminate it from L.H.S.New amount = 4 x 90

 \therefore New amount = 360

6.12. Decrease 33000 in the ration 5:6

Solution:

New amount : original amount = 5:6<u>New amount</u> = 5 : by writing the quantities in a fractional form. Original amount 6

 $\frac{\text{New amount}}{33000} = \frac{5}{6}$: by substituting 33000 for original amount.

<u>New amount</u> = 5 : by substituting 33000 on both sides to eliminate it form 33000 6 L.H.S

New amount = 27500

6.13. Two friends invest Shs 15,000 and Shs 30,000 in a business. At the end of the -year, they get Shs. 63,000 as profit. Find how much each get if they are to share the profits according to how much each invested.

Solution:

Let the two shares be A and B. write the amount they invested in ration from. A. B = 15,000 : 30,000 $\frac{15000}{15000} : \frac{30000}{15000} : \text{ by dividing 15000 on both sides in order to}$

:. A : B = 1 : 2.

Method 1;

Now let one share be x.

A gets $\mathbf{X} \times 1$ shares.

and B gets $X \ge 2$ shares.

But total share = 63,000/=

X + 2X = 63,000

 $\frac{3\mathbf{X}}{3} = \frac{63,000}{3}$: by dividing 3 on both sides.

$$X = 21,000/=$$

:. A gets 21,000/= and B gets 21,000 x 2 42,000/=

Method II:

A : B = 1 : 2 from above. Total of the quantities in ration = 1 + 2 = 3

:. A's share $=\frac{1}{3} \times \frac{63,000}{=}$

= 21,000/=

and B's share $= 2/3 \times 63,000$

= 42,000/=.

6.14. Three people invest 90,000/=, 60,000/= in business respectively. How should they share out the profits of 90,000/=

Solution:

Let the three shares be A,B and C respectively such that A:B :C =90,000 :60,000: 30000.

<u>90000</u> : <u>60000</u> : <u>30000</u> : by dividing 30000 all through to simplify. 30000 <u>30000</u> <u>30000</u> A : B : C = 3 : 2 : 1

Method 1

Let one share be y.

A gets 3 x y = 3y shares.

B gets 2 x y =2y shares. But total of the shares = total profits

3y + 2y = y = 90,000

 $\frac{6y}{6} = \frac{90,000}{6}$: by dividing both sides. $\frac{6}{9} = 15,000/=$

A gets 3 x 15,000 = 45,000/=B gets 2 x 15,000 = 30,000/=and C gets 1 x 15,000 = 15,000/=

Method 11:

A : B : C =3 : 2 : 1 from above. Total of the quantities in ratio = 3 + 2 + 1 = 6

A's share
$$= 3 \times 90,000/=$$

= 45,000/=
B's share $= 2 \times 90,000/=$

= 30,000/=

And C's share $=\frac{1}{6} \times 90,000$

6.15 A sum of money is divided in two parts in the ration 4 : 7. What will be the amount if the difference between the larger and smaller share is 6,000/=.

Solution:

Method I:

Let the two people be A and B and one share be x. Such that A's share = $4 \times X = 4x$ shares And B's share = $7 \times X = 7x$ share.

But large share – smaller share + 6,000 7x - 4x = 6000 :by substitution 7x and 4x for large and small shares respectively $\frac{3x}{3} = \frac{6000}{3}$:by dividing 3 on both sides. X = 2,000/= = 8,000/=And B = 7 x 2,000 = 14,000/=

Method II:

Let the amount to be shared be m. Total of the quantities in the ratio = 4 + 7 = 11. If A and B are two people sharing them A will get $\underline{4} \times \mathbf{m} = \underline{4m}$ (smaller share) 11 11 But $\frac{7m}{11}$ - $\frac{4m}{11}$ = 6,000 11 11 $\underline{7m} \ge 11 = \underline{4m} \ge 11 = 6,000 \ge 11$:by multiplying 11 by all the terms in the 11 11 express 7m - 4m = 66,000: by dividing 3 on both sides 3m = 660003 3 m = 22,000/=:. A will get 4 x 22,000 11 = 8,000/=

And B will get <u>7</u> x 22,000

11

= 14,000/=

6.16. A plot of land is divided into two portions in the ration 3:8 such that the difference between the larger plot and smaller plot is 2000 hectares. Find the size of the two portions.

Solution:

- Let the size of the plot land be x hectares and the size of the portions be A and B respectively.

- Total of quantities in the ratio = 3 + 8 = 11

Such that A = $\underline{3x}$ hectares. 11 and B = $\underline{8x}$ hectares 11

But the larger portion - smaller portion = 2,000 hectares.

 $\frac{8x}{11} - \frac{3x}{11} = 22,000$ $\frac{8x}{11} \times 11 - \frac{3x}{11} \times 11 = 2,000 \times 11 \text{ by multiplying all the terms by 11}$ 5x - 3x = 22,000 $\frac{5x}{5} = \frac{22,000}{5} \text{ :by dividing 5 on both sides.}$ X = 4,400 $\therefore A = 3 \times 4,400$ = 1,200 hectares.and B = $\frac{8}{11} \times 4,400$ = 3,200 hectares.

6.17. If A : B = 3 : 4 and B : C = 1 : 2, find A : B : C

Solution

- the two ratios can be combined by making the B's number the same in both ratios.
- we do this by finding the L. C.M of 4 in the first ration and 1 in the second ratio.
- :. L.C.M of 1 and 4 = 4
- :. we multiply the first ratio by 1 and the second ration by 4.
- i.e A: B = (3:4)x1 = 3x1:4x1 = 3:4 ------(i) B: C = (1:2)x4 = 1x4:2x4 = 4;8 ------(ii)
- the ratios in (i) and (ii) may now be combined to give A: B: c = 3: 4: 8

6.18. If P : Q = 5 : 6 and Q : R = 4 : 7, find P : Q : R.

Solution:

- the two ratios can be combined by making the Q's number the same in both ratios.
- we do this by findind the L.C. M of 6 in the first ratio and 4 in the second ratio.



:. L.C. M of 6 and $4 = 2 \times 2 \times 3 = 12$

We multiply the first ration by 2 to make a 6 equal to 12 and multiply the second ratio by 3 to make a 4 equal to 12.

P:Q = (5:6)x2 = 5x2:6x2 = 10:12-----(i)Q:R = (4:7)x3 = 4x3:7x3 = 12:21-----(ii)

i.e the ratios in (i) and (ii) above may now be combined. Hence P : Q : R = 10 : 12 : 21.

6.19. If D : E = 5 : 4 and E : F = 2 : 3, Find D : E : F.

Solution:

- the two ratios can be combined by making the E's number the same in the two rations.

- we do this by finding the L.C.M of 4 and 2.



:. L.C.M of 4 and 2 $2 = 2 \times 2 \times 4$

- we multiply the first ration by 1 in order to retain the value of 4 for E and multiply the second ration by 2 in order to make the 2 equal to 4.

:. D: E = (5:4)x1 = 5x1:4x1 = 5:4 -----(i) and E: F = (2:3) = 2x2:3x2 = 4:6 -----(ii)

the ratios in (i) and (ii) above may now be combined. Hence D: E: F = 5: 4: 6.

6.20. If A : B = 3 : 5 and B : C = 4 : 7, find A : B : C.

Solution:

- the two ratios can be combined by making the B's number in the two ratios.
- We do this by finding the L.C.M of 5 in the first ratio and in the second ratio.

L.C.M of 4 and $5 = 4 \times 5 = 20$.

- we multiply the first ratio by 4 in order to make the B's number equal to 20 and multiply the second ratio by 5 in order to make the B's number equal to 20. .e. A : B = (3:5)x4 = 3 X 4 : 5 X 4 = 12 : 20(i) and B : C =(4:7)x5 = 4 X 5 : 7 X 5 = 20 : 35(i)

the ratios in (i) and (ii) above may now be combined.

Miscellaneous Exercise 6.0:

1.	a)	20 : 32	b)	16 : 80 c)	12:	16 d) 12	: 28	
2.	a)	4 : 24	b)	25 : 15 :30	c)	4cm :1m	d)	1:2:3

3.	a)	1.25 : 4 :3	b)	51/2:31/2	c)	0.54 :0.27	d)	1/2:1/8
4.	a)	5:4	b)	5:4	c)	1.5 : 1.25	d)	0.5 : 8

Divide the following amounts in the ratio shown;

5.	a)	2,000 in the ratio 3: 2	b)	600 i	n the ratio 1: 2 : 3
6.	a)	12,000 in the ratio 1: 2		b)	0.98 in the ratio 4.4 : 6.8
7.	a)	22,000 in the ratio 5 : 4 : 2		b)	24.56 in the ratio 4 :5 : 8
8.	a)	10,000 in the ratio 2 : 3		b)	4,3300 in the ratio 2 : 3 : 4

9. A certain type of concrete is made of cement power and sand in the ratio

3; 5. What weight of each would be needed to the following weights of dry mix?a) 24kgb) 48kgc) 800kg

- 10. 900kg of alloy contains 200kg of Copper and Zinc.
 - a) Write the ratio of the weight of Zinc in its simplest form.
 - b) What weights of Copper and Zinc would be needed for the following weights of alloy.
 (i) 5 tones (ii) 5kg (iii) 45kg
- 11. Three football funs win 100,000/= on the football pools. They agree to share this sum in the same ratio as their weekly stake; 2: 3: 5. How much does each receive?
- 12. A sum of money is divided in the ratio 3:4:7. While the two amounts if the difference between the larger and smaller is 92,000/=
- 13. A piece of land is divided in the ratio 9: 12: 13. Find the difference between the largest and smallest in 1,300 hectares.
- 14. If A : B := 7 : 2 and B : C = 8 : 13. find A : B : C
- 15. If P :Q = 3 : 7 AND q : r = 21: 5. find P :Q :R
- 16. If A: B: C = 3: 7 find A: B and = B: C

6.2 **PROPORTION:**

- Under this topic we shall look at the following:
- (i) direct proportion
- (ii) inverse (indirect proportion)

• Direct proportion:

-In this case when one quality increases the other must also increase. -and if one quantity decreases, the other must also decrease.

• Worked Examples:

6.21 The cost of one 8 textbooks is 40,000/=. Find the cost of 6 textbooks.

Solution:

Method 1 (unitary method)

	=	30,000/=	
:. 6 books		6 x 5,000/=	
1 book	-	5,000/=	
	=	5,000/=	
8 text books 8		<u>40,000/=</u> 8	: by dividing 8 on both sides.
8 text books	>	40,000/=	

Method II

- the number of textbooks has decrease in the ration 6:8.
- The cost will also decrease in the ration 6:8The cost of 6 text books = $\frac{6}{8} \times 40,000/=$ = **30,000/**=
- 6.22 A woman can walk 24km in 6 hours. How long will she take to walk 8km.

Solution :

Method	1 (unitary method)	
24km _	6hours	
<u>24km</u>	<u>6hours</u>	: by dividing 24 on both sides.
24	24	

 $1 \text{ km} \xrightarrow{1} \text{ hours}$ $\therefore 8 \text{ km} \xrightarrow{4} (\frac{1}{4} \times 8)$ = 2 hours

<u>Method II</u>

The distance has decreased in the ration 8:24 or 1:3. The time must also decrease in the same ration 1:3

- :. Time taken to walk $8km = \frac{1}{3} \times 6$ hours = 2 hours
- 6.23. A factory can produce 72 bicycles in 9 days. How many bicycles can if produce in 10 days?

Solution:

Method 1 (Unitary method)

9 days	 72 bicycles
9 uays	12 Dicycles

 $\frac{9 \text{ days}}{9} \longrightarrow \frac{72 \text{ bicycles}}{9}$: by dividing 9 on both sides.

:. 10 days____(10 x 8) bicycles

= 80 bicycles

6.24. A class can plant 1,000 flowers in 4 hours. How many hours can it plant in 7 hours.

<u>Solution:</u>

Method 1 (Unitary method)

4 hours → 1,000 flowers

 $\frac{4 \text{ hours}}{4} \longrightarrow \frac{1,000}{4} \text{ flowers} \qquad : \text{by dividing 4 on both sides.}$

1 hour 250 flowers

:. 7 hours (7×250) flowers

= 1750 flowers.

Method II The time has increased in the ration 7:4. The number of flowers to be planted must also in the same ratio 7:4. In 7 hours a class can plant = 7×1000 flowers 4

= 1750 flowers.

6.25. A businessman took 45 million shillings to the bank. The bankers counted the money in 2 hours. How long working at the same rate would they have to take to count 60 million shillings.



Method II

The amount of money has increased in the ratio 60: 45 or 4:3. The time must also increase in the same ratio 4: 3.

:. Time taken to count 60m = $(\frac{4}{3} \times 2)$ hours = $2^{\frac{2}{3}}$ hours

Inverse Proportion

In this case if one quantity increases then the other decreases. And if one quantity decreases then the other increases.

• Worked examples:

6.26. 8 workers can dig a piece of land in 15 hours. How long will 6 workers take to dig the same piece of land?

Solution:

Method I (unitary method)

8 workers \longrightarrow 15 hours \longrightarrow (i) 1 worker (8×15) hours : by dividing (i) by 8 on L.H.S and multiplying by 8 on R.H.S. :. 6 workers \rightarrow 120 hours by dividing 120 by 6

= 20hours.

Method II

The number of workers has decreased in the ratio 6:8 The time taken will increase in the ratio 8:6 Therefore 6 workers will take = $8/6 \times 15$ (hours) = 20hrs.

Method I

90km/hr — 8hrs 1km/hr <u>90 x 8hrs</u> :by dividing by 144 144 = 720hrs 144 5hrs.

Method II

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The speed has increased in the ratio 144:90 or 8:5. The time will decrease in the ratio 5:8. :. At 144km/hr time taken will be = $(\frac{5}{8} \times 8)$ hours = 5 hours.

b) Method I

90 km/hr →8hours

1 km/hr \rightarrow (90 x 8) hours.

:. 80 km/hr = $\underline{720}$ hours 80

Method II

The speed has decreased in the ratio 80:90 or 8:9. The time will increase in the ratio 9:8.

:. At 80 km/hr time taken will be = (9×8) hour

= 9 hour.

6.27. 14 machines can produce 6,000 soft drink in 50 minutes. How many machines will be needed to produce the soft drink in ;a) 25min.b) 2hrs 10min.

Solution:

a) Method I $50 \text{ min} \longrightarrow 14 \text{ machines}.$ $1 \text{ min} \longrightarrow (50 \text{ x } 14) \text{ machines}$ $\therefore 25 \text{ min} \longrightarrow (50 \text{ x } 14) \text{ machines}$ = 28 machines. $\therefore by \text{ multiplying } 50 \text{ by } 14.$ $\therefore by \text{ dividing } by 25$

Method II

The time taken has decreased in the ratio 25:50 or 1:2. The number of machines must increase in the ration 2:1

:. The number of machines will be $= (\underline{2} \times 14)$ machines

b) Method I

50 min ______ 14 machines. 1 min (50 x 14) machines Convert 2 hrs 10min in minutes. 1 hour 60 minutes 2 hours ______ (60 x 2) minutes = 120 minutes.

:. 2 hrs 10 min = $120 \min + 10 \min$

= 130 min.

 $130 \text{ min} = (\underline{50 \text{ x } 14}) \text{ machines : by dividing by } 130$ $\underline{130}$

= 5.38

Hence 5 machines will be required to produce Soft drink in 2 hrs 10 min. **N.B:** Ignore the decimal part because, we can not have a fraction of a machine.

Method II

The time has increased in the ratio 130:50 or 13:5.

The number of machines must decrease in the ration 5:13

:. The number of machines will be $= (5 \times 14)$ machines 13 = 5.38

Hence 5 machines will be required.

• Miscellaneous worked examples

- 6.29. 6 machines working for 8 hours a day can dig a water reservoir in 10 days. How many days would it take with:
 - a) 4 machines working for 5 hours a day.
 - b) 8 machines working for 12 hours a day.

Solution:

a) Let the number of days required be x.

work to be done. = $6 \times 8 \times 10$ machine – hours – days

 $\frac{4 \times 5 \times X}{4 \times 5} = \frac{6 \times 8 \times 10}{5 \times 5}$: by dividing by 24 on both sides

X = 24 days.

b) let the number of days required be m

work to be done $= 6 \times 10$ machines - hours - days $8 \times 12 m = 480$ $\frac{96m}{96} = \frac{480}{96}$: by dividing on both sides by 96

$$m = 5$$
 days.

- 6.30. A building company employs 6 workers to work at the rate of 8 hours in order to complete a certain building in 10days. Find how many workers would be required if they were to work for:
 - a) 15 days working at a rate of 4 hours a day?
 - b) 16 days working at a rate of 6 hours a day?

Solution:

a) Let the number of workers be q

work to be done =	6 x 8	x 10
$\frac{60q}{60} =$	<u>480</u> 60	by dividing by 60 on both sides
q =	8 men	
b) Let the number of w	orkers be	e H
work to be done	=	6 x 8 x 10 men - hour - days
H x 6 x 16	=	480
<u>96 H</u>	=	480
96	=	96
	H =	5men

6.31. A and B are two water taps such that tap A takes 6 hours to fill a certain container, tap B takes 4 hours to fill the same container, find how long would two taps take to fill the container if used together.

Solution:

The fraction of the container filled by Tap A in 1 hour $= \frac{1}{6}$ and The fraction of the container filled by Tap B 1 hour $= \frac{1}{4}$

Both taps would take = $(1 \div \underline{5})$ hours 12 = (1×12) : by multiplying by the reciprocal of $\underline{5}$ 12 = **2.4 hours**

6.32. 20 men can do a piece of work in 15 hours. How will they take if after 8 hrs they are joined by 5 other men.

Solution:

No. of men – hour required to do the piece of work.

 $= 20 \times 15$

= 300

No. of men – hour of work left after 8 hours $300 - 20 \times 8 = 140$

No. of hour – hours required to complete the work $= \frac{140}{20+8}$

= 5 hours

:. Total No. of hours required = 8 hours + 5 hours

= 13 hours.

6.33. 10 students can dig a school flower garden in 16 hours. How long will they take if after 12 hours they are joined by 9 other students.

Solution:

No. of student – hour required to dig the flower garden = 10×16

No. of student – hour of work left after 12 hours	= 160 160 - 10 x 12 = 40
No. of hours required to complete the work	$=\frac{40}{10}+9$
:. Total No. of hours required	= 2.11hours = 12 hours + 2.11 hours
	= 14.11 hours.

6.34. A and B are two students such that student A takes 20 min to sweep a certain classroom and B takes 25 min to sweep the same class. How long will they take to sweep the class both working together?

Solution:

In one minute A sweeps $= \frac{1}{20}$ of the class.

In one minute B sweeps $= \frac{1}{25}$ of the class

In one minute both sweep = $(\underline{1} + \underline{1})$ of the class. 20 25

$$= \frac{9}{100}$$
 of the class

:. The no. of minutes required if they if they are to sweep together = $(1 \div 9)$ hours 100

= $(1 \times \frac{100}{9})$ hrs : by multiplying by the reciprocal of $\frac{9}{100}$

= 11.11 minutes.

6.35. The map of a school is drawn to the scale of 1 : x. On this map a sports ground is represented by a rectangle measuring 3.75cm long and 1.2 cm wide. Find the value of x if the actual area of the sports ground is 36km^2 .

Solution:

Area of sports ground on the map = 3.75×1.2 = 4.5 cm^2 But 1 km = 100,000 cm : by converting cm to km. :. 1 km2 = 1 x 10⁵ cm². 4.5 cm2 = 4.5 cm^2 X 1Km² 1 x 10⁵ cm² = 1km² = 4.5 cm^2 = $\frac{4.5 \times 100}{1 \times 10^5 \text{ cm}^2}$ = $\frac{4.5 \times 10^{\circ} \text{ cm}^2}{1 \times 10^5}$ = 4.5 x 10⁻⁵km² Actual area sport ground = 36km^2

:. Area scale factor = <u>Actual area on ground</u>. Area on the map.

$$= \frac{36}{4.5 \times 10^{-5}}$$
$$= 8 \times 10^{5}$$

 $A.S.F = (L.S.F)^2$:by formula

 $L.S.F = 8 \times 105$

Hence x = 894.4272

6.36. Moses left Shs. 22,050,00 million in his will to be shared between his wife and, daughter and son in the ratio 2:3:4. His wife decided to divide her share equally between her daughter and son.

Determine how much finally did the son and daughter get.

Solution: Total number of shares = 2 + 3 + 4= 9Wife's share = $\frac{2}{9} \times 22$, 050,000/= Wife's share divided by $2 = \frac{4,900,000/=}{2}$ Daughter's share = $2,450,000 + \frac{3}{9} \times 22,050,000$ = $2,450,000 + \frac{3}{9} \times 22,050,000$ = 2,450,000 + 7,350,000= $2,450,000 + \frac{4}{9} \times 22,050,000$ = $2,450,000 + \frac{4}{9} \times 22,050,000$ = 2,450,000 + 9,800,0000= 12,250,000/=

6.37. Two quantities A and B are such B varies inversely as the square of A. Given that B = 16 when a = 4, Find the value of A when B = 9.

Solution:

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B $\alpha \frac{1}{A^2}$ (This is the statement B varies inversely as the square of A) $\alpha =$ the symbol of proportionality. B = $\frac{1}{A^2}$ x K A^2 :By multiplying K the constant on the R.H.S to eliminate the symbol of proportionality

B = 16 when A = 4
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$$16 = \frac{K}{4^2}$$
 : by substituting 16 and 4 for B and A respectively
 $16 \ge 16 = \frac{K \ge 16}{16}$: by eliminating 16 on both sides to eliminate from R.H.S
 $K = 256$
Hence B = 256

When B = 9, :. P = $\frac{25}{A^2}$	$\frac{6}{2}$
$9 \text{ A2} = \frac{256}{\text{A}^2} \text{ x } \text{ A}^2$: by multiplying A ² on both sides in order to eliminate it from the R.H.S
$\frac{9A^2}{9} = \frac{256}{9}$	by dividing by 9 ob both sides.
$A^{2} = 28.4$ $\sqrt{A^{2}} = \sqrt{28.4}$: by taking square root on both sides.
A = 5.3	

MISCELLANEOUS EXERCISE 6.1

- An athlete can run 16km in 8min. Find how long would it would take to run:
 (a) 8 km
 (b) 32km
 (c) 40km
- 2. A student carried out an experiment in a Chemistry lab and found out that 12kg of a certain chemical produced 180cm of gas. How much gas will be produced by the following weights:
- 3. A taxi takes 6 hours to make a journey at 70mk/h. Find how long would it take at the following speeds:
 - (a) 60km/h (64km/h (c) 32km/h
- 4. A businessman can pay his electricity bill by paying 15,000/= per week for 6 weeks. How long would he take to pay if he increased his weekly payments by:
 - (a) 400 (b) 64km/h (c) 32/h
- 5. A group of 10 workers working at a rate of 6 hours a day can slash a certain compound in 4 days. Find how many days it would take with:(a) 8 workers working for 3 hours a day.
 - (b) 2 workers working for 2 hours a day.
- 6. Three water taps P,Q and R are such tap P takes 5 hours to fill a certain tank, tap Q takes 3 hours and tap R takes 7 hours to fill the same tank. Find how long it would take all the three taps to fill the tank if used together.
- 5 men wish to prepare a field for Athletics competitions and they can do this in 3 hours. How long will they take if after ¹/₂

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8. 10 workers can organize the sitting arrangement in a certain hall where a big

conference is to take place for 4 hours. How long will then take if hour they are joined by 6 other workers.

- 9. Two outlets M and N can empty a water tank in 18min and 24min respectively. How long will it take if both are used together?.
- 10. Two sisters one aged 18 years and the other 10 years do a certain piece of work together for 5 hours. The elder sister working along takes 9 hours to complete the work. How long will the younger one take when she works alone?