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CHAPTER TEST: HERON'S FORMULA (HOTS)

Mathematics | Class IX | (2026/HERON-HOTS/09/001)

Time: 1.5 Hours

Max. Marks: 40

Section A: Multiple Choice Questions

1. (b) **1344 cm²**

$$s = \frac{56+60+52}{2} = 84. \text{ Area} = \sqrt{84(84-56)(84-60)(84-52)} = \sqrt{84 \times 28 \times 24 \times 32} = 1344 \text{ cm}^2.$$

2. (b) **24 cm**

$$\frac{\sqrt{3}}{4}a^2 = 16\sqrt{3} \implies a^2 = 64 \implies a = 8. \text{ Perimeter} = 3 \times 8 = 24 \text{ cm}.$$

3. (c) **300%**

$$\text{Original Area } A_1 = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{4}a^2. \text{ New side} = 2a. \text{ New Area } A_2 = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{4}(2a)^2 = 4A_1. \\ \text{Increase} = 4A_1 - A_1 = 3A_1. \text{ Percentage} = \frac{3A_1}{A_1} \times 100 = 300\%.$$

4. (a) **24 cm²**

$$\text{Height} = \sqrt{10^2 - 8^2} = 6. \text{ Area} = \frac{1}{2} \times 8 \times 6 = 24 \text{ cm}^2.$$

5. (a) **Rs 420**

$$s = 21. \text{ Area} = \sqrt{21(8)(7)(6)} = 84 \text{ cm}^2. \text{ Cost} = 84 \times 5 = 420.$$

6. (a) **$\sqrt{32}$ cm**

$$\frac{1}{2}x^2 = 8 \implies x^2 = 16. \text{ Hypotenuse} = \sqrt{x^2 + x^2} = \sqrt{32} \text{ cm}.$$

7. (c) **$100\sqrt{3}$ m²**

$$a = 60/3 = 20. \text{ Area} = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{4}(20)^2 = 100\sqrt{3} \text{ m}^2.$$

8. (a) **$\frac{b}{4}\sqrt{4a^2 - b^2}$** (Standard formula derived from Heron's).

Section B: Short Answer Questions

1. $6x + 7x + 8x = 420 \implies 21x = 420 \implies x = 20$. Sides: 120, 140, 160.

$$s = 210. \text{ Area} = \sqrt{210(90)(70)(50)} = 2100\sqrt{15} \text{ m}^2.$$

2. Third side = $42 - (18 + 10) = 14$. $s = 21$.

$$\text{Area} = \sqrt{21(3)(11)(7)} = 21\sqrt{11} \text{ cm}^2.$$

3. $192 = \frac{1}{2} \times 24 \times h \implies h = 16$ cm.

$$\text{Equal sides} = \sqrt{16^2 + 12^2} = 20. \text{ Perimeter} = 20 + 20 + 24 = 64 \text{ cm}.$$

4. Altitude $h = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}a = 6 \implies a = \frac{12}{\sqrt{3}} = 4\sqrt{3}$.

$$\text{Area} = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{4}(4\sqrt{3})^2 = 12\sqrt{3} \text{ cm}^2.$$

Section C: Short Answer Questions

1. Diagonal divides rhombus into two \triangle with sides 30, 30, 48.

$$s = 54. \text{ Area of one } \triangle = \sqrt{54(24)(24)(6)} = 432 \text{ m}^2.$$

$$\text{Total area} = 864 \text{ m}^2. \text{ Area per cow} = 864/18 = 48 \text{ m}^2.$$

2. $\triangle ABC$ is right-angled (6, 8, 10 triplet). $\text{Area}_1 = \frac{1}{2} \times 6 \times 8 = 24 \text{ cm}^2$.
 $\triangle ADC$ has sides 10, 12, 14. $s = 18$.
 $\text{Area}_2 = \sqrt{18(8)(6)(4)} = 24\sqrt{6} \text{ cm}^2$. Total = $24 + 24\sqrt{6} \text{ cm}^2$.
3. One tile (9, 28, 35): $s = 36$. $\text{Area} = \sqrt{36(27)(8)(1)} = 36\sqrt{6} \text{ cm}^2$.
 Total Area = $16 \times 36\sqrt{6} \approx 1411 \text{ cm}^2$. Cost = $1411 \times 0.50 = \text{Rs } 705.50$.

Section D: Long Answer / HOTS Questions

1. Draw a line parallel to 13m side from the 10m vertex. This forms a \triangle with sides 13, 14, $(25 - 10) = 15$.
 $s = 21$, Area of $\triangle = 84 \text{ m}^2$. Height of $\triangle = (2 \times 84)/15 = 11.2 \text{ m}$.
 Area of trapezium = $\frac{1}{2}(25 + 10) \times 11.2 = 196 \text{ m}^2$.
2. For \triangle (26, 28, 30): $s = 42$, $\text{Area} = \sqrt{42(16)(14)(12)} = 336 \text{ cm}^2$.
 Area of parallelogram = base \times $h \implies 336 = 28 \times h \implies h = 12 \text{ cm}$.
 Altitude of $\triangle = (2 \times 336)/28 = 24 \text{ cm}$. Ratio = $24 : 12 = 2 : 1$.
3. $a + b + 50 = 120 \implies a + b = 70$. Also $a^2 + b^2 = 50^2 = 2500$.
 Solving $(a + b)^2 - 2ab = 2500 \implies 4900 - 2ab = 2500 \implies ab = 1200$.
 Area = $\frac{1}{2}ab = 600 \text{ m}^2$. Using Heron's with $s = 60, a = 30, b = 40, c = 50$ also gives 600 m^2 .