

EXERCISE 20.4

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1. Find the area in square centimetres of a triangle whose base and altitude are as under:

(i) Base = 18 cm, altitude = 3.5 cm

(ii) Base = 8 dm, altitude = 15 cm

Solution:

(i) Given base = 18 cm and height = 3.5 cm

We know that the area of a triangle = $\frac{1}{2}$ (Base x Height)

Therefore area of the triangle = $\frac{1}{2} \times 18 \times 3.5$
= 31.5 cm²

(ii) Given base = 8 dm = (8 x 10) cm = 80 cm [Since 1 dm = 10 cm]

And height = 15 cm

We know that the area of a triangle = $\frac{1}{2}$ (Base x Height)

Therefore area of the triangle = $\frac{1}{2} \times 80 \times 15$
= 600 cm²

2. Find the altitude of a triangle whose area is 42 cm² and base is 12 cm.

Solution:

Given base = 12 cm and area = 42 cm²

We know that the area of a triangle = $\frac{1}{2}$ (Base x Height)

Therefore altitude of a triangle = (2 x Area)/Base

Altitude = (2 x 42)/12
= 7 cm

3. The area of a triangle is 50 cm². If the altitude is 8 cm, what is its base?

Solution:

Given, altitude = 8 cm and area = 50 cm²

We know that the area of a triangle = $\frac{1}{2}$ (Base x Height)

Therefore base of a triangle = (2 x Area)/ Altitude

Base = (2 x 50)/ 8
= 12.5 cm

4. Find the area of a right angled triangle whose sides containing the right angle are of lengths 20.8 m and 14.7 m.

Solution:

In a right-angled triangle,

The sides containing the right angles are of lengths 20.8 m and 14.7 m.

Let the base be 20.8 m and the height be 14.7 m.

Then,

Area of a triangle = $\frac{1}{2}$ (Base x Height)

= $\frac{1}{2}$ (20.8 × 14.7)

= 152.88 m²

5. The area of a triangle, whose base and the corresponding altitude are 15 cm and 7 cm, is equal to area of a right triangle whose one of the sides containing the right angle is 10.5 cm. Find the other side of this triangle.

Solution:

For the first triangle, given that

Base = 15 cm and altitude = 7 cm

We know that area of a triangle = $\frac{1}{2}$ (Base x Altitude)

= $\frac{1}{2}$ (15 x 7)

= 52.5 cm²

It is also given that the area of the first triangle and the second triangle are equal.

Area of the second triangle = 52.5 cm²

One side of the second triangle = 10.5 cm

Therefore, The other side of the second triangle = $(2 \times \text{Area}) / \text{One side of a triangle}$

= $(2 \times 52.5) / 10.5$

= 10 cm

Hence, the other side of the second triangle will be 10 cm.

6. A rectangular field is 48 m long and 20 m wide. How many right triangular flower beds, whose sides containing the right angle measure 12 m and 5 m can be laid in this field?

Solution:

Given length of the rectangular field = 48 m

Breadth of the rectangular field = 20 m

Area of the rectangular field = Length x Breadth
= 48 m x 20 m
= 960 m²

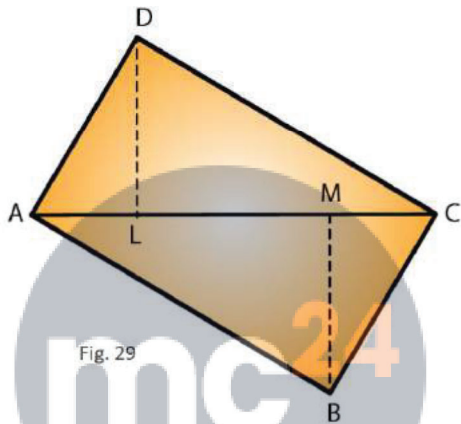
Area of one right triangular flower bed = $\frac{1}{2}$ (12 x 5) = 30 m²

Therefore, required number of right triangular flower beds = area of the rectangular field/ area of one right triangular flower bed.

= 960/30

Number of right triangular flower beds = 32

7. In Fig. 29, ABCD is a quadrilateral in which diagonal AC = 84 cm; DL ⊥ AC, BM ⊥ AC, DL = 16.5 cm and BM = 12 cm. Find the area of quadrilateral ABCD.



Solution:

Given AC = 84 cm, DL = 16.5 cm and BM = 12 cm

We know that area of triangle = $\frac{1}{2}$ x base x height

Area of triangle ADC = $\frac{1}{2}$ (AC x DL)

= $\frac{1}{2}$ (84 x 16.5)

= 693 cm²

Area of triangle ABC = $\frac{1}{2}$ (AC x BM)

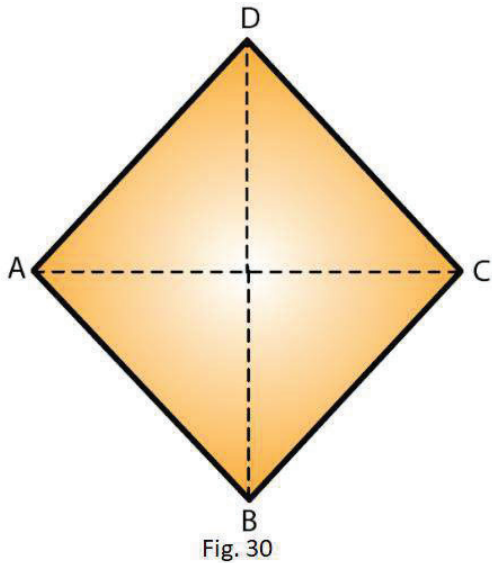
= $\frac{1}{2}$ (84 x 12) = 504 cm²

Hence, Area of quadrilateral ABCD = Area of triangle ADC + Area of triangle ABC

= (693 + 504) cm²

= 1197 cm²

8. Find the area of the quadrilateral ABCD given in Fig. 30. The diagonals AC and BD measure 48 m and 32 m respectively and are perpendicular to each other.



Solution:

Given diagonal AC = 48 m and diagonal BD = 32 m

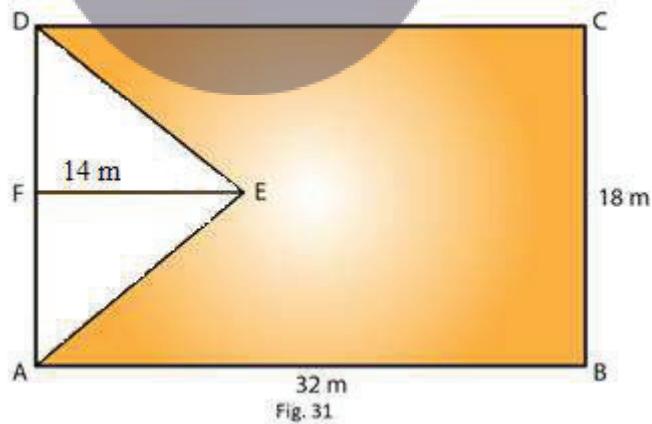
Area of a quadrilateral = $\frac{1}{2}$ (Product of diagonals)

$$= \frac{1}{2} (AC \times BD)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} (48 \times 32) \text{ m}^2$$

$$= 768 \text{ m}^2$$

9. In Fig 31, ABCD is a rectangle with dimensions 32 m by 18 m. ADE is a triangle such that $EF \perp AD$ and $EF = 14$ cm. Calculate the area of the shaded region.



Solution:

Given length of rectangle = 32m and breadth = 18m

We know that area of rectangle = length x breadth

Therefore area of the rectangle = AB x BC

$$= 32 \text{ m} \times 18 \text{ m}$$

$$= 576 \text{ m}^2$$

Also given that base of triangle = 18m and height = 14m and $EF \perp AD$

We know that area of triangle = $\frac{1}{2} \times \text{base} \times \text{height}$

$$\text{Area of the triangle} = \frac{1}{2} (AD \times FE)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} (BC \times FE) \text{ [Since } AD = BC\text{]}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} (18 \text{ m} \times 14 \text{ m})$$

$$= 126 \text{ m}^2$$

Area of the shaded region = Area of the rectangle – Area of the triangle

$$= (576 - 126) \text{ m}^2$$

$$= 450 \text{ m}^2$$

10. In Fig. 32, ABCD is a rectangle of length $AB = 40 \text{ cm}$ and breadth $BC = 25 \text{ cm}$. If P, Q, R, S be the mid-points of the sides AB, BC, CD and DA respectively, find the area of the shaded region.

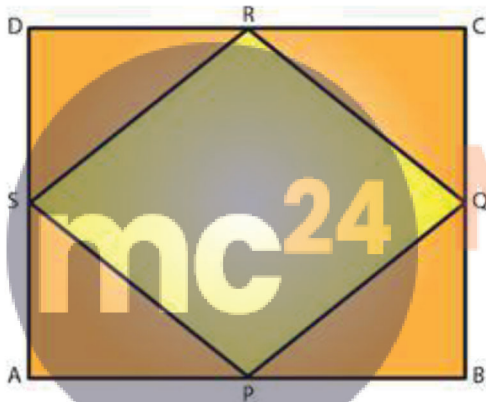
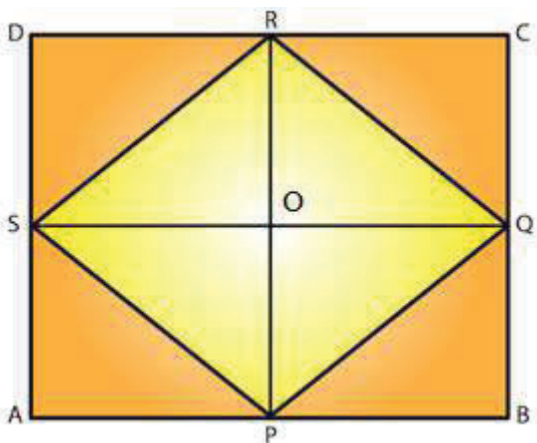


Fig. 32

Solution:



Given ABCD is a rectangle of length $AB = 40 \text{ cm}$ and breadth $BC = 25 \text{ cm}$.

Join PR and SQ so that these two lines bisect each other at point O

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Also } OP &= OR = RP/2 \\ &= 25/2 \\ &= 12.5 \text{ cm}\end{aligned}$$

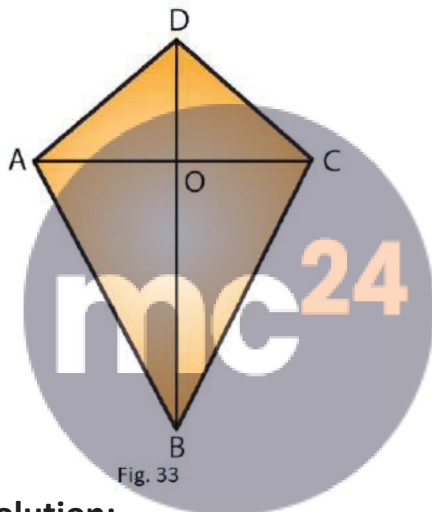
From the given figure it is clear that,

Area of Triangle SPQ = Area of Triangle SRQ

Hence, area of the shaded region = 2 x (Area of SPQ)

$$\begin{aligned}&= 2 \times (1/2 (SQ \times OP)) \\ &= 2 \times (1/2 (40 \times 12.5)) \\ &= 500 \text{ cm}^2\end{aligned}$$

11. Calculate the area of the quadrilateral ABCD as shown in Fig.33, given that $BD = 42$ cm, $AC = 28$ cm, $OD = 12$ cm and $AC \perp BO$.



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Solution:

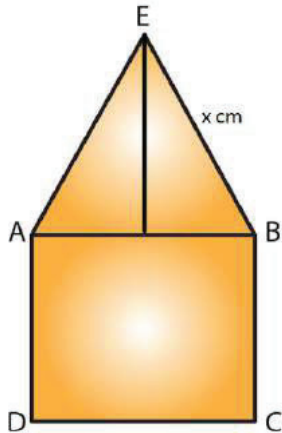
$$\begin{aligned}BD &= 42 \text{ cm, } AC = 28 \text{ cm, } OD = 12 \text{ cm} \\ \text{Area of Triangle ABC} &= 1/2 (AC \times OB) \\ &= 1/2 (AC \times (BD - OD)) \\ &= 1/2 (28 \text{ cm} \times (42 \text{ cm} - 12 \text{ cm})) \\ &= 1/2 (28 \text{ cm} \times 30 \text{ cm}) \\ &= 14 \text{ cm} \times 30 \text{ cm} \\ &= 420 \text{ cm}^2\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Area of Triangle ADC} &= 1/2 (AC \times OD) = 1/2 (28 \text{ cm} \times 12 \text{ cm}) \\ &= 14 \text{ cm} \times 12 \text{ cm} \\ &= 168 \text{ cm}^2\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Hence, Area of the quadrilateral ABCD} &= \text{Area of triangle ABC} + \text{Area of triangle ADC} \\ &= (420 + 168) \text{ cm}^2 \\ &= 588 \text{ cm}^2\end{aligned}$$

12. Find the area of figure formed by a square of side 8 cm and an isosceles triangle with base as one side of the square and perimeter as 18 cm.

Solution:



Let x cm be one of the equal sides of an isosceles triangle.

Given that the perimeter of the isosceles triangle = 18 cm

$$\text{Then, } x + x + 8 = 18$$

$$2x = (18 - 8) = 10 \text{ cm}$$

$$2x = 10$$

$$x = 5 \text{ cm}$$

Area of the figure formed = Area of the square + Area of the isosceles triangle

$$= (\text{side of square})^2 + \frac{1}{2} (\text{base} \times \sqrt{[(\text{equal side})^2 - \frac{1}{4} \times (\text{base})^2]})$$

$$= 8^2 + \frac{1}{2} (8) \times \sqrt{[5^2 - \frac{1}{4} \times 8^2]}$$

$$= 64 + 4 \times \sqrt{[25 - \frac{1}{4} \times 64]}$$

$$= 64 + 4 \times \sqrt{(25 - 16)}$$

$$= 64 + 4 \times \sqrt{9}$$

$$= 64 + 4 \times 3$$

$$= 64 + 12$$

$$= 76 \text{ cm}^2$$

13. Find the area of Fig. 34, in the following ways: (i) Sum of the areas of three triangles (ii) Area of a rectangle — sum of the areas of five triangles

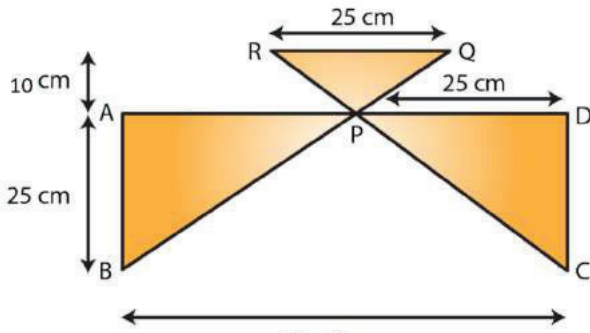


Fig. 34

Solution:

(i) From the figure, P is the midpoint of AD.

Thus $AP = PD = 25\text{ cm}$ and $AB = CD = 20\text{ cm}$

From the figure, we observed that,

Area of Triangle APB = Area of Triangle PDC

Area of Triangle APB = $\frac{1}{2} (AB \times AP)$

$$= \frac{1}{2} (20 \times 25)$$

$$= 250\text{ cm}^2$$

Area of Triangle PDC = Area of Triangle APB = 250 cm^2

Area of Triangle RPQ = $\frac{1}{2} (\text{Base} \times \text{Height})$

$$= \frac{1}{2} (25\text{ cm} \times 10\text{ cm})$$

$$= 125\text{ cm}^2$$

Hence, Sum of the three triangles = $(250 + 250 + 125)\text{ cm}^2$

$$= 625\text{ cm}^2$$

(ii) From the figure, area of the rectangle ABCD = $50\text{ cm} \times 20\text{ cm}$

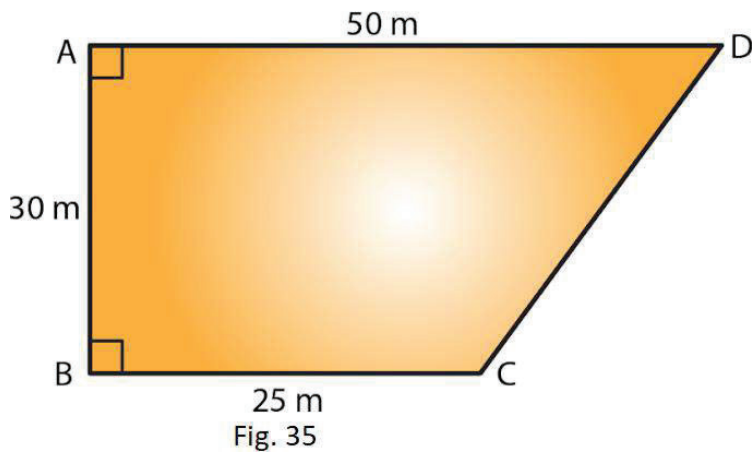
$$= 1000\text{ cm}^2$$

Thus, Area of the rectangle – Sum of the areas of three triangles

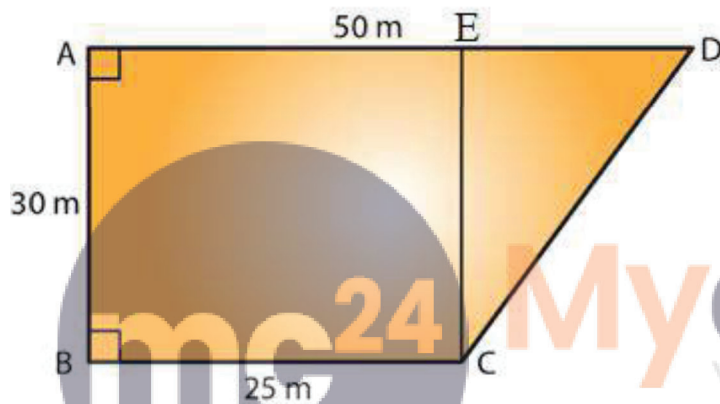
$$= (1000 - 625)\text{ cm}^2$$

$$= 375\text{ cm}^2$$

14. Calculate the area of quadrilateral field ABCD as shown in Fig.35, by dividing it into a rectangle and a triangle.



Solution:



Join CE, so that which intersect AD at point E.

Given $AE = ED = BC = 25$ m and $EC = AB = 30$ m

Area of rectangle = length \times breadth

Area of the rectangle ABCE = $AB \times BC$

$$= 30 \text{ m} \times 25 \text{ m}$$

$$= 750 \text{ m}^2$$

Area of triangle = $\frac{1}{2} \times$ base \times height

Area of Triangle CED = $\frac{1}{2} (EC \times ED)$

$$= \frac{1}{2} (30 \text{ m} \times 25 \text{ m})$$

$$= 375 \text{ m}^2$$

Hence, Area of the quadrilateral ABCD = $(750 + 375) \text{ m}^2 = 1125 \text{ m}^2$

15. Calculate the area of the pentagon ABCDE, where $AB = AE$ and with dimensions as shown in Fig. 36.

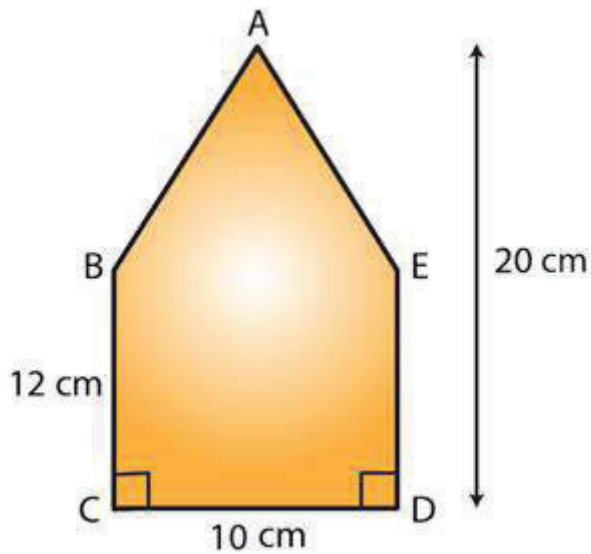
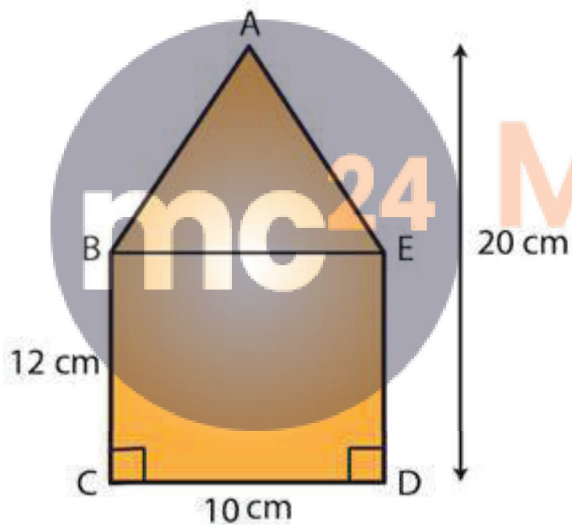


Fig. 36

Solution:



Join BE so that we can get rectangle and triangle.

We know that area of rectangle = length x breadth

Area of the rectangle BCDE = CD x DE

$$= 10 \text{ cm} \times 12 \text{ cm}$$

$$= 120 \text{ cm}^2$$

Area of triangle = $\frac{1}{2}$ x base x height

Area of Triangle ABE = $\frac{1}{2}$ (BE x height of the triangle)

$$= \frac{1}{2} (10 \text{ cm} \times (20 - 12) \text{ cm})$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} (10 \text{ cm} \times 8 \text{ cm})$$

$$= 40 \text{ cm}^2$$

Hence, Area of the pentagon ABCDE = area of rectangle + area of triangle

$$\begin{aligned} &= (120 + 40) \text{ cm}^2 \\ &= 160 \text{ cm}^2 \end{aligned}$$

16. The base of a triangular field is three times its altitude. If the cost of cultivating the field at Rs 24.60 per hectare is Rs 332.10, find its base and height.

Solution:

Let altitude of the triangular field be h m

Then base of the triangular field is $3h$ m.

We know that area of triangle = $\frac{1}{2} \times b \times h$

$$\text{Area of the triangular field} = \frac{1}{2} (h \times 3h) = \frac{3h^2}{2} \text{ m}^2 \dots\dots (i)$$

The rate of cultivating the field is Rs 24.60 per hectare.

Therefore,

$$\text{Area of the triangular field} = 332.10 / 24.60$$

$$= 13.5 \text{ hectare}$$

$$= 135000 \text{ m}^2 \text{ [Since 1 hectare = } 10000 \text{ m}^2 \text{] } \dots\dots (ii)$$

From equation (i) and (ii) we have,

$$\frac{3h^2}{2} = 135000 \text{ m}^2$$

$$3h^2 = 135000 \times 2 = 270000 \text{ m}^2$$

$$h^2 = 270000/3$$

$$= 90000 \text{ m}^2$$

$$= (300)^2$$

$$h = 300 \text{ m}$$

Hence, Height of the triangular field = 300 m and

Base of the triangular field = $3 \times 300 \text{ m} = 900 \text{ m}$

17. A wall is 4.5 m long and 3 m high. It has two equal windows, each having form and dimensions as shown in Fig. 37. Find the cost of painting the wall (leaving windows) at the rate of Rs 15 per m^2 .

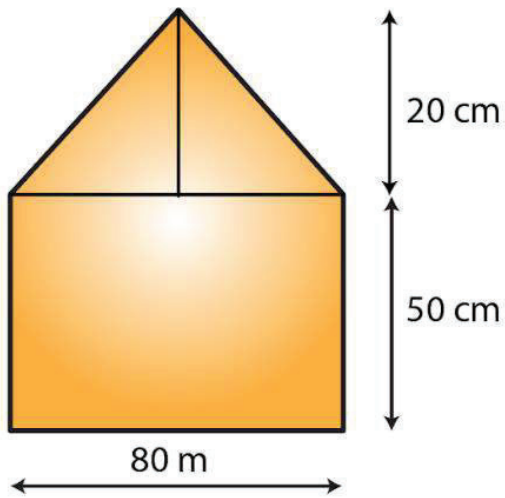


Fig. 37

Solution:

Given length of a wall = 4.5 m

Breadth of the wall = 3 m

We know that the area of triangle = length x Breadth

Area of the wall = Length x Breadth

$$= 4.5 \text{ m} \times 3 \text{ m} = 13.5 \text{ m}^2$$

From the figure we observed that,

Area of the window = Area of the rectangle + Area of the triangle

$$= (0.8 \text{ m} \times 0.5 \text{ m}) + (1/2 \times 0.8 \text{ m} \times 0.2 \text{ m}) \text{ [Since } 1 \text{ m} = 100 \text{ cm]}$$

$$= 0.4 \text{ m}^2 + 0.08 \text{ m}^2$$

$$= 0.48 \text{ m}^2$$

$$\text{Area of two windows} = 2 \times 0.48 = 0.96 \text{ m}^2$$

$$\text{Area of the remaining wall (leaving windows)} = (13.5 - 0.96) \text{ m}^2$$

$$= 12.54 \text{ m}^2$$

Cost of painting the wall per m^2 = Rs. 15

Hence, the cost of painting the wall = Rs. (15 x 12.54)

$$= \text{Rs. } 188.1$$