- 1. An ellipse is drawn by taking a diameter of the circle $(x-1)^2 + y^2 = 1$ as its semi-minor axis and a diameter of the circle $x^2 + (y-2)^2 = 4$ is semi-major axis. If the centre of the ellipse is at the origin and its axes are the coordinate axes, then the equation of the ellipse is:

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 - (a) $4x^2 + y^2 = 4$

(b) $x^2 + 4y^2 = 8$

(c) $4x^2 + y^2 = 8$

(d) $x^2 + 4y^2 = 16$

Solution: -

- 1. (d) Equation of circle is $(x-1)^2 + y^2 = 1$
 - \Rightarrow radius = 1 and diameter = 2
 - :. Length of semi-minor axis is 2. Equation of circle is $x^2 + (y-2)^2 = 4 = (2)^2$
 - \Rightarrow radius = 2 and diameter = 4
 - :. Length of semi major axis is 4

We know, equation of ellipse is given by

$$\frac{x^2}{(\text{Major axis})^2} + \frac{y^2}{(\text{Minor axis})^2} = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x^2}{(4)^2} + \frac{y^2}{(2)^2} = 1 \Rightarrow \frac{x^2}{16} + \frac{y^2}{4} = 1 \Rightarrow x^2 + 4y^2 = 16$$