

Question 2 .If x,y,z are the sides of a pedal triangle, then x+y+z is equal to:-

Solution. We know that the sides of a pedal triangle are-  
 $EF=a \cdot \cos A$ ,  $DE=c \cdot \cos C$  and  $FD=b \cdot \cos B$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow x + y + z &= a \cos A + b \cos B + c \cos C \\ &= 2R \sin A \cos A + 2R \sin B \cos B + 2R \sin C \cos C \end{aligned}$$

By Sine Rule:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \frac{a}{\sin A} = 2R \Rightarrow a = 2R \sin A \\ \frac{b}{\sin B} = 2R \Rightarrow b = 2R \sin B \\ \& \frac{c}{\sin C} = 2R \Rightarrow c = 2R \sin C \end{array} \right. \therefore$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= R(2 \sin A \cos A + 2 \sin B \cos B + 2 \sin C \cos C) \\ &= R(\sin 2A + \sin 2B + \sin 2C) \end{aligned}$$

$$\{ \because \sin 2x = 2 \sin x \cdot \cos x$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= 4R \sin A \cdot \sin B \cdot \sin C \\ &= 4R \frac{a}{2R} \times \frac{b}{2R} \times \frac{c}{2R} \text{ (using sine rule)} \\ &= \frac{abc}{2R^2} \\ &= \frac{2 \times abc}{4R^2} \\ &= \frac{2\Delta}{R} \quad \left( \because \Delta = \frac{abc}{4R} \right) \end{aligned}$$

$\Rightarrow$  If  $x, y, z$  are the sides of pedal triangle, then  
 $x + y + z$  is equal to  $\frac{2\Delta}{R}$