QUES 05:-

A SONAR system fixed in a submarine operates at a frequency 40.0 kHz. An enemy submarine moves towards the SONAR with a speed of 360 km h⁻¹. What is the frequency of sound reflected by the submarine? Take the speed of sound in water to be 1450 ms⁻¹.

Sol. Operating frequency of the SONAR system, v = 40 kHz

Speed of the enemy submarine, $v_e = 360 \text{ km/h} = 100 \text{ m/s}$

Speed of sound in water, v = 1450 m/s

The source is at rest and the observer (enemy submarine) is moving toward it. Hence, the apparent frequency (v') received and reflected by the submarine is given by the relation:

$$\Rightarrow v' = \left(\frac{v+v_e}{v}\right)v$$

= $\left(\frac{1450+100}{1450}\right) \times 40 = 42.76kHz$

The frequency (v") received by the enemy submarine is given by the relation:

$$\Rightarrow v'' = \left(\frac{v}{v + v_s}\right) v'$$

Where, $v_s = 100 \text{m/s}$

So, frequency of sound received is:

$$\Rightarrow v'' = \left(\frac{1450}{1450-100} \right) \times$$
 42.76 = 45.93 kHz