

**I PRIZE WINNER MRS.MADHUMITHA'S SOLUTION**

Given ABC is a  $\Delta$ , AD Altitude

$$\therefore \angle ADC = 90^\circ, \angle DAC = 30^\circ \text{ (given)}$$

$\therefore \angle ACD = 60^\circ$ .  $\Delta ADC$  is special triangle

$$\text{Let } DC = x \text{ unit, } AC = 2x \text{ unit } AD = \sqrt{3}x \text{ unit} \text{ -----(I)}$$

**Construction:**

Choose a point 'G' in AC such that  $DG \perp AC$

$$\therefore \angle GDC = 30^\circ \quad (\because \angle DCG = 60^\circ)$$

In  $\Delta ADB$ , Let  $\angle DAB = \alpha$

Consider the  $\Delta ABD$  &  $\Delta DFG$ .

As  $\Delta DGC$  is a special triangle [ $\angle DGC = 90^\circ, \angle GDC = 30^\circ$ ]

$$\therefore CD = x, GC = \frac{x}{2}, GD = \frac{\sqrt{3}x}{2}$$

$$\text{Now } \frac{AB}{FD} = \frac{10}{5} = 2 \text{ ----- (1)}$$

$$\frac{AD}{DG} = \frac{\sqrt{3}x}{\frac{\sqrt{3}x}{2}} = 2 \text{ ----- (2)}$$

$$FG = \sqrt{25 - \frac{3x^2}{4}} = \frac{\sqrt{100-3x^2}}{2} \text{ } (\Delta FGD \text{ right angled at } G, DG \perp AC)$$

$$\text{And } BD = \sqrt{100 - 3x^2}$$

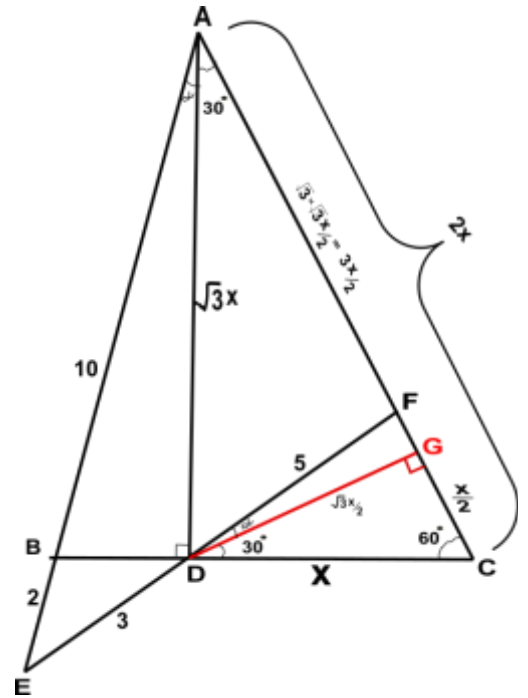
$$\Rightarrow \frac{BD}{FG} = \frac{\sqrt{100-3x^2}}{\frac{\sqrt{100-3x^2}}{2}} = 2 \text{ ----- (3)}$$

(1), (2) & (3) gives,

$\therefore$  By SSS similarity  $\Delta ADB \sim \Delta DGF$  (by

$$\Rightarrow \angle DAB = \angle FDG = \alpha$$

And  $\angle ABD = \angle DFG \Rightarrow ABDF$  is a cyclic quadrilateral. [ $\because \angle ABD = \text{exterior angle } \angle DFC$ ]



∴ EA & EF are secant to the circle.

$$ED \times (ED+DF) = EB (EB+BA)$$

$$ED \times (ED+5) = 2[12]$$

$$ED^2 + 5ED - 24 = 0$$

$$(ED-3)(ED+8) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow ED = 3 \text{ as (ED can't be -ve)}$$

In  $\Delta EAF$ , BC is transversal

$$\frac{EB}{AB} \times \frac{AC}{CF} \times \frac{FD}{DE} = 1$$

$$5 \frac{2}{10} \times \frac{2x}{CF} \times \frac{5}{3} = 1$$

$$CF = \frac{2x}{3}$$

$$AF = AC - CF$$

$$= 2x - \frac{2x}{3}$$

$$= \frac{6x-2x}{3} = \frac{4x}{3}$$

$$\frac{AF}{CF} = \frac{\frac{4x}{3}}{\frac{2x}{3}} = \frac{4}{2} = 2$$

$$\therefore AF = 2FC.$$

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