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| Q) A ball is thrown from a ground, travels a maximum horizontal distance of 8.5 meters \& reaches a maximum height of 5.0 meters. Trace the path of the ball, assuming it to be parabolic. <br> Ans) The path of the ball is a parabola \& is to be drawn by oblong method (in a rectangle). <br> Base $A B=\mathbf{8 5} \mathbf{~ m m} ; \quad A x i s(C D)=50 \mathbf{m m}$ <br> 1) Draw base $\mathrm{AB}=85, \&$ axis $\mathrm{CD}=50$ at mid point of base. <br> D | 4) Join D to $1^{\prime}, 2^{\prime} 3^{\prime}$. From 1, 2, 3.. of AC, draw vertical lines directly to cut the lines D$1^{\prime}, \mathrm{D}-2$ ' \& D-3' to get points of parabola. <br> D <br> Repeat in the other half of rectangle to get the required parabola. |
|  | 5) Completed parabola. |
| 2) Construct a rectangle on ABCD by taking length as 85 and height as 50 . | Since the parabola has been drawn by using a rectangle, it is also sometimes called as parabola inscribed in a |
| 3) Divide AC \& AE into same no.of equal parts\& label them as $1,2,3 . . \& 1^{\prime}, 2^{\prime}, 3^{\prime} \ldots$ <br> In this Oblong method, the parabola is obtained in two equal parts of rectangle by symmetry. So it is constructed in two stages, the left half \& right half. | Scale: In the question, the dimensions have been given as 8.5 meters and 5.0 meters. We have to convert it into mm and hence a scale has to be mentioned at the end of this problem. $\begin{aligned} \text { Scale is } & 85 \mathrm{~mm} / 8.5 \mathrm{~m} \\ = & 85 \mathrm{~mm} /(8.5 * 1000) \mathrm{mm} \\ = & 1 / 100 \end{aligned}$ <br> Hence at the end of problem, mention the scale as $1 / 100$. <br> Give the dimensions as per the usual rules. |

