## Engineers Mechanics- Equivalent Force-Couple System

## Quiz Problem -1

Consider the forces of magnitude $P$ acting on the sides of a regular hexagon with each side of length $a$. Find the equivalent force system of these forces at point $B$ as shown in the figure.
Answers:
(a) Force P (towards right),

Moment $\sqrt{3} / 2 \mathrm{~Pa}$ (clockwise)
(b) Force $4 \sqrt{ } 3 \mathrm{P}$ (upward),

Moment $3 \sqrt{ } 3 \mathrm{~Pa}$ (anticlockwise)
(c) Force P (towards right),

Moment $3 \sqrt{ } 3 \mathrm{~Pa}$ (anticlockwise)
(d) Force P (towards left),

Moment $3 \sqrt{ } 3 / 2 \mathrm{~Pa}$ (clockwise)


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## Quiz Problem -2

The end of a fresh-water channel with a $60-\mathrm{deg} \mathrm{V}$-section is closed by a slanted triangular plate $A$. Calculate the height $h$ of the point on A through which the resultant $R$ acts.



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Answers:
(a) 2 m (b) 2.5 m (c) $4 / 3 \mathrm{~m}$ (d) $2 / 3 \mathrm{~m}$

