

Question

Let $y(x)$ be the solution of the differential equation $(x \log x) \frac{dy}{dx} + y = 2x \log x, (x \geq 1)$.

Then $y(e)$ is equal to:

- (1) 0 (2) 2 (3) $2e$ (4) e

Solution

The given equation, $\frac{dy}{dx} + \frac{1}{x \ln x} y = 2$ is linear equation of the 1st order whose solution is given by:

$$y \cdot e^{\int \frac{1}{x \ln x} dx} = \int 2e^{\int \frac{1}{x \ln x} dx} dx + C$$

$$\int \frac{1}{x \ln x} dx = \int \left(\frac{1}{x} \right) \frac{1}{\ln x} dx = \ln \ln x \quad \left[\because \int \frac{g'(x)}{g(x)} dx = \ln \{g(x)\} \right]$$

$$e^{\int \frac{1}{x \ln x} dx} = e^{\ln \ln x} = \ln x$$

$$\therefore y \cdot \ln x = \int 2 \cdot \ln x dx + C$$

$$\therefore y \cdot \ln x = 2 \left(\ln x \cdot x - \int \frac{1}{x} \cdot x dx \right) + C$$

$$\therefore y \cdot \ln x = 2x(\ln x - 1) + C$$

Putting $x = 1$ in the original differential equation gives $y = 0$.

$$\therefore C = 2$$

$$\therefore y \cdot \ln x = 2x(\ln x - 1) + 2$$

$$\therefore y = 2 \text{ when } x = e$$

Hence, Option (2).

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