Summary of Chapter: Congruence of Triangles

Introduction

- Congruence means two objects have the same shape and size.
- Examples: Two identical photographs, two ₹5 coins, or two toy models made from the same mold.

Congruence in Geometry

1. Congruence of Line Segments

• Two line segments are congruent if they have the same length.

2. Congruence of Angles

• Two angles are congruent if they have the same measurement.

3. Congruence of Circles

• Two circles are congruent if they have the same radius.

4. Congruence of Squares and Rectangles

- Two squares are congruent if their sides are equal.
- Two rectangles are congruent if their lengths and breadths are equal.

Congruence of Triangles

- **Definition**: Two triangles are congruent if their corresponding sides and angles are equal.
- **Notation**: If $\triangle ABC \cong \triangle PQR$, then:
 - Sides: AB = PQ, BC = QR, CA = RP
 - \circ Angles: $\angle A = \angle P$, $\angle B = \angle Q$, $\angle C = \angle R$
- CPCT (Corresponding Parts of Congruent Triangles): When two triangles are congruent, all their corresponding parts are equal.

Criteria for Congruence of Triangles

To prove two triangles are congruent, we don't need to compare all six elements (three sides and three angles). The following conditions are sufficient:

1. SSS (Side-Side-Side) Criterion

 If three sides of one triangle are equal to three sides of another, the triangles are congruent.

2. SAS (Side-Angle-Side) Criterion

 If two sides and the included angle of one triangle are equal to two sides and the included angle of another, the triangles are congruent.

3. ASA (Angle-Side-Angle) Criterion

 If two angles and the included side of one triangle are equal to two angles and the included side of another, the triangles are congruent.

4. AAS (Angle-Angle-Side) Criterion

 If two angles and a non-included side of one triangle are equal to the corresponding angles and side of another, the triangles are congruent.

5. RHS (Right Angle-Hypotenuse-Side) Criterion

 If the hypotenuse and one side of a right-angled triangle are equal to the hypotenuse and one side of another right-angled triangle, they are congruent.

Key Points

- Congruent triangles are identical in shape and size.
- The order of corresponding vertices matters in congruence.
- AAA (Angle-Angle-Angle) does not guarantee congruence, as triangles may have the same angles but different sizes.
- CPCT can be used to prove additional properties once two triangles are proved congruent.

This summary provides a **quick revision** of all important concepts, helping you recall them faster!