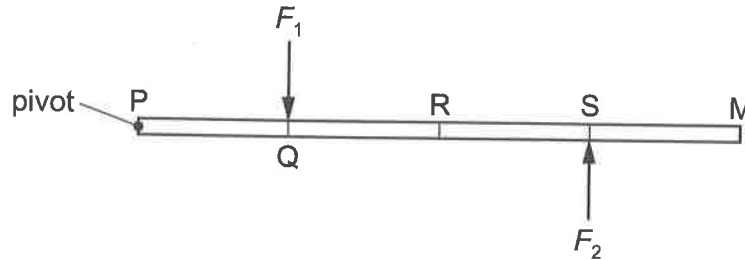


- 6 A uniform rod is pivoted at point P. Two forces,  $F_1$  and  $F_2$ , are equal in magnitude and parallel. The forces act on the rod as shown.



The points P, Q, R, S and M on the rod are uniformly spaced. The two forces create a torque of magnitude  $T$  on the rod.

The magnitude of each of the forces is halved, and  $F_2$  is moved to the left so that it acts at point R.

What is the magnitude of the torque on the rod now?

- A  $\frac{T}{8}$       B  $\frac{T}{4}$       C  $\frac{T}{2}$       D  $T$

