

Secondary 4

Principles of Accounts Syllabus **7086** and **7087**

Topic: Non Current Assets – Depreciation

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Question 1

REQUIRED

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a) What method of depreciation is Xiao Hu Pte Ltd using to depreciate its Machinery?

b) Calculate the rate of depreciation per annum.

Guided solutions

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Look at the depreciation amount. It is **decreasing**, thus – reducing balance method. Straight line method should have the same depreciation expense yearly.

b) Calculate the rate of depreciation per annum.

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Referring to answer for a), we apply the formula for reducing balance method of depreciation: $[\text{Cost} - \text{Accumulated Depreciation}] \times \text{rate}$.

Refer to the depreciation of machinery for the year ended 2023.

$[\text{Cost} - \text{Accumulated Depreciation}] \times \text{rate} = \text{depreciation expense}$.

Accumulated Depreciation is ZERO. This is evident upon referring to the Bal in the ledger. The depreciation expense for the year ended 2023, \$8000, adds up to the total (\$8000) which means there is no amount accumulated from the previous years. (Possibly, a newly purchased NCA)

Now, substitute all the amounts into the formula.

$$[40\,000 - 0] \times \text{rate} = 8000$$

$$\text{rate} = 8000 / [40\,000 - 0]$$

$$= 0.2$$

Therefore, we can conclude that Xiao Hu Pte Ltd charges a depreciation rate of **20%** per annum on machinery.

To check if your answer is correct, substitute it into the equation.

$$[40\,000 - 0] \times 0.2 = 8000 \quad \checkmark$$

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