

## Chapter 10

### GRAVITATION

#### EXAMPLE- 5:

The mass of the earth is  $6 \times 10^{24}$  kg and that of the moon is  $7.4 \times 10^{22}$  kg. If the distance the earth and moon is  $3.84 \times 10^5$  km, calculate the force exerted by the earth on the moon. (Take  $G = 6.7 \times 10^{-11} \text{ Nm}^2 / \text{kg}^2$ )

#### Solution:

Given,

$$M_{\text{earth}} = 6 \times 10^{24} \text{ kg},$$

$$m_{\text{moon}} = 7.4 \times 10^{22} \text{ kg}$$

$$r = 3.84 \times 10^5 \text{ km} = 3.84 \times 10^8 \text{ m}$$

$$G = 6.7 \times 10^{-11} \text{ Nm}^2 / \text{kg}^2$$

$$F = \frac{GMm}{r^2} = \frac{6 \times 10^{24} \times 7.4 \times 10^{22} \times 6.7 \times 10^{-11}}{(3.84 \times 10^8)^2}$$

$$F = 2.018 \times 10^{20} \text{ N}.$$