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BALKAR B-546, SELF PROPELLED COMBINE HARVESTER



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19. SELECTED PERFORMANCE AND OTHER CHARACTERISTICS

| Sr. No | Characteristics | Category (Evaluative/Non evaluative) | Requirement Declaration | Tolerance | Observed | Remarks |
|-----------------------------------|---|--------------------------------------|---|-----------------------|----------------------|----------|
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| I. Prime mover performance | | | | | | |
| a) | Max. power (absolute) average max. power observed during 2 hrs. Max. power test in natural ambient condition, kW | Evaluative | 73.8 | ±5% of declared value | 73.8 | Conforms |
| b) | Max. power observed during test after adjusting the no load engine speed as per recommendation of the manufacturer for field work, kW | Evaluative | 68.8 | ±5% of declared value | 68.8 | Conforms |
| c) | Power at rated engine speed, kW (under natural ambient condition) | Non-evaluative | 73.1 | ±5% of declared value | 73.1 | Conforms |
| d) | Specific fuel consumption corresponding to average maximum power under 2 h maximum power test, g/kWh. | Evaluative | 238 | +5% of declared value | 238 | Conforms |
| e) | Max. smoke density (Bosch no.) at 80% load between the speed at max. power & 55% of speed at max. power or 1000 rpm whichever is higher | Evaluative | As per CMV rules, Light absorption coefficient is 3.25 m ⁻¹ / Hartridge units 75 | Nil | 2.18 m ⁻¹ | Conforms |
| f) | Max. crank shaft torque, (Nm) observed during the test after no load engine speed is adjusted as per manufacturer's recommendation for field work | Evaluative | 429.2 | ±8% of declared value | 429.2 | Conforms |

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| | g) | Back up torque, % | Evaluative | 7 % min. | Nil | 19.6 | Conforms |
| | h) | Max. operating temperature, °C i) Engine oil ii) Coolant | Evaluative | i) 120 ii) 105 | Should not exceed the declared value | i) 93.6 ii) 87.1 | Conforms |
| | i) | Lubrication oil consumption, g/kWh | Evaluative | Not exceeding 1 % of SFC at maximum power (high ambient) | Nil | 0.387 | Conforms |

II. Brake performance at 24 km/h or maximum speed whichever is less

| | | | | | | | |
|--|-----------|---|------------|---|----|-----------|----------|
| | a) | Max. Stopping distance at a force equal to or less than 600 N on brake pedal (m)- (cold brake and hot brake) CMVR does not prescribe hot brake test. | Evaluative | As per requirement of CMVR, Max. 10 m | -- | 6.17 | Conforms |
| | b) | Max. Force exert on brake pedal to achieve deceleration of 2.5 m/sec ² (N) | Evaluative | ≤ 600 N | -- | 380 | Conforms |
| | c) | Effectiveness of parking brake at a force of 600 N at foot pedal or 400 N at hand lever | Evaluative | As per requirement of CMVR, Should be effective | -- | Effective | Conforms |

III. Mechanical vibration

| | | | | | | | |
|--|-----------|-------------------------|----------------|-------------|-----|-----|-------------------------|
| | a) | Operator's platform | Non evaluative | 120 µm max. | Nil | 248 | Does not conform |
| | b) | Steering control wheel | Non evaluative | 150 µm max. | Nil | 231 | Does not conform |
| | c) | Seat with driver seated | Non evaluative | 120 µm max. | Nil | 227 | Does not conform |

IV. Air cleaner oil pull over

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|--|-----------|--|------------|-----------|-----|---|----------------|
| | a) | Air cleaner oil pull over in % when tested in accordance with IS 8122 part (II) 2000 | Evaluative | 0.20 Max. | Nil | Dry type air is cleaner provided and hence test is not applicable | Not applicable |
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| V. Noise measurement | | | | | | | |
|-------------------------|----|--|------------|--|---|------------------------------------|----------|
| | a) | Max. Ambient noise emitted by combine at by standers position dB (A) | Evaluative | As per CMV rules 88 dB (A) Maximum | Nil | 85.5 | Conforms |
| | b) | Max. Noise at operator's ear level dB (A) | Evaluative | As per CMV rules 98 dB (A) Maximum | Nil | 94.7 | Conforms |
| VI. Header lifting Test | | | | | | | |
| | a) | Satisfactory completion of header lifting test | Evaluative | - | Nil | Satisfactorily completed | Conforms |
| VII. Discard limit | | | | | | | |
| | a) | Cylinder bore diameter, mm | Evaluative | 104.15 | Should not exceed the values declared by the manufacturer | 104.08 | Conforms |
| | b) | Piston diameter, mm | Evaluative | 103.826 | -do- | 103.62 | Conforms |
| | c) | Piston to cylinder liner clearance at skirt | Evaluative | 0.10 | -do- | 0.07 | Conforms |
| | d) | Ring end gap, mm i) Top compression ring ii) 2 nd compression ring iii) Oil ring | Evaluative | i) 1.2 ii) 1.2 iii) 1.2 | -do- | i) 0.45 ii) 0.45 iii) 0.45 | Conforms |
| | e) | Ring groove clearance, mm 1. Top compression ring 2. 2 nd compression ring 3. Oil ring | Evaluative | i) Tapered ii) 0.07 ii) 0.70 | -do- | i) Tapered ii) 0.07 ii) 0.06 | Conforms |
| | f) | Diametrical and axial clearance of big end bearing, mm Diametrical Axial | Evaluative | 0.12 0.60 | -do- | 0.08 0.40 | Conforms |
| | g) | Diametrical and axial clearance of main bearings, mm Diametrical Crank shaft end float | Evaluative | 0.13 0.40 | -do- | 0.07 0.20 | Conforms |

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|--------------------------------|-----------|---|------------|---|------|--------------------------------------|----------|
| | h) | Thickness of brake lining, mm | Evaluative | Up to rivet | -do- | 7.90 | Conforms |
| | i) | Thickness of clutch plate, mm | Evaluative | Up to rivet head | -do- | 2.40 to 2.45 mm above the rivet head | Conforms |
| VIII. Field performance | | | | | | | |
| | a) | Suitability for crops | Evaluative | Wheat and paddy (Wheel type) Paddy (Track type) | Nil | Wheat and paddy | Conforms |
| | b) | Average processing losses (%) | Evaluative | | Nil | | |
| | | | Wheat | Max (of average) 3% | | Wheat (max.) 1.8 % | Conforms |
| | | | Rice | Max (of average) 4% | | Rice (max.) 2.1 % | Conforms |
| | c) | Threshing efficiency | Evaluative | ≥98 percent for wheat & Paddy | Nil | 98.9 % for Wheat 98.8 % for Paddy | Conforms |
| | d) | Cleaning efficiency | Evaluative | ≥96 percent for wheat & Paddy | Nil | 97.4% for Wheat 97.3 % for Paddy | Conforms |
| | e) | Grain breakage in main grain tank | Evaluative | ≤ 2.5 percent | Nil | 0.72 % for Wheat 1.07 % for Paddy | Conforms |
| | f) | Non collectable losses | Evaluative | <i>i</i>) ≤ 2.5 percent for wheat & Paddy & grain <i>ii</i>) ≤ 4.0 percent for Soybean | Nil | 0.7 % For Wheat 0.5 % For Paddy | Conforms |
| IX. Safety requirement | | | | | | | |
| | a) | Guards against all moving parts/ drives and hot parts | Evaluative | Belt and chain drives, pulleys hydraulic pipes (Around operators work place) | -- | Provided | Conforms |

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| | b) | Lighting arrangement | Evaluative | As per CMVR | - | Provided | Conforms |
| | c) | Grain tank cover | Evaluative | Essential | - | Provided | Conforms |
| | d) | Spark arrester in engine's exhaust in case naturally aspirated engine | Evaluative | Essential | - | Provided | Conforms |
| | e) | Stone trap before concave bars | Evaluative | Essential | - | Provided | Conforms |
| | f) | Rear view mirror | Evaluative | Essential | - | Provided | Conforms |
| | g) | Fire extinguisher | Evaluative | Essential | - | Provided | Conforms |
| | h) | Slip clutch at following drives – | | | | | |
| | | i) Cutting platform auger | Evaluative | Essential | | Provided | Conforms |
| | | ii) Undershot conveyor drive | Non evaluative | Optional | - | Provided | Conforms |
| | | iii) Grain & tailing elevator | Non evaluative | Optional | | Provided | Conforms |
| | i) | Anti slip surfaces at operator platform & ladder & proper gripping for the control levers. | Evaluative | Essential | - | Provided | Conforms |
| | j) | Working clearance around the controls | Non evaluative | Essential 70 mm, min | - | Provided | Conforms |
| | k) | Labelling of control and gauges | Evaluative | Essential | - | Provided | Conforms |
| X | Material of construction : | | | | | | |
| | i) | Knife guard should conform to IS: 6024 -1983 | Non evaluative | Should have maximum hardness 163 HB | - | 223 (Average) | Does not conform |
| | ii) | Knife blade As per IS :6025 -1982 | Non evaluative | It must have Chemical composition as C=0.70-0.95 % Mn= 0.30-0.50% | - | C=0.49 Mn= 0.44 | Does not conform Conforms |

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| | iii) | Knife back should meet the requirement of IS:10378-1982 | Non evaluative | The knife back shall be manufactured from Carbon Steel having minimum carbon content of 0.35 % | -- | C=0.17 | Does not conform |
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XI. Break down (critical, major & minor)

| Sr. No. | Category of breakdowns | Category (Evaluative/ Non evaluative) | Requirements as per OM | As observed | Whether meets the requirements (Yes/No) |
|---------|------------------------|---------------------------------------|--|-------------|---|
| 1. | Critical | Evaluative | No critical breakdown | None | Yes |
| 2. | Major | Evaluative | Not more than two and neither of them should be repetitive in nature | None | Yes |
| 3. | Minor | Evaluative | Not more than five and frequency of each should not be more than two | None | Yes |
| 4. | Total breakdown | Evaluative | In no case total no of (major + minor) breakdowns exceed five | None | Yes |

20. CRITICAL TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

(Vide Ministry's communication F. No 9-1/2019 M&T (I&P) dated 20.08.2019)

| Sr. No. | Parameters | Specification | Observation | Remarks |
|--------------|--|---------------|---------------------|-------------------------|
| Rotor | | | | |
| 1. | Rotor diameter, mm | 165-170 | 165 | Conforms |
| 2. | No. of lugs on rotor in row | 6 | 5, 6 | Conforms |
| 3. | No. of rows in periphery | 4 | 4 | Conforms |
| 4. | Length of pivotal flail, mm | 170-180 | 180 | Conforms |
| 5. | Width of flail, mm | 50 ± 1 | 50 | Conforms |
| 6. | Thickness of flail, mm | 5.0 (Min.) | 4.2 | Does not conform |
| 7. | No. of flails in one set | 2 | 2 | Conforms |
| 8. | Spacing between flails of one set, mm | 35 (Max.) | 40 | Does not conform |
| 9. | Distance between adjacent flails units, mm | 200±10 | 200 | Conforms |
| 10. | No. of rows/bars of serrated blades | 1 | 1 | Conforms |
| 11. | No. of serrated blades in row | 20 (Min.) | 22 | Conforms |
| 12. | Spacing between serrated blades, mm | 50 (Max.) | 46.7 | Does not conform |
| 13. | Overlapping of pivotal blade on serrated blade, mm | 60 (Min.) | 110 (Adjustable) | Conforms |

| Spreader | | | | |
|----------|---|--|------------------------|----------|
| 14. | Total no. of flaps | 6 + 2 (side) | 6+2 | Conforms |
| 15. | Length of flaps, cm | 38 (Min.) | 34.5 | Conforms |
| 16. | Distance between flaps (left to right) | Adjustable | Adjustable | Conforms |
| 17. | Spreader angle with horizontal, degree | Adjustable preferably downwards | Adjustable | Conforms |
| 18. | Spreader angle with line of travel, degree | 15 (Min.) (adjustable) | 24 (Max.) (Adjustable) | Conforms |
| 19. | Spreader sheet thickness, mm | 2.5-3.0 | 3.0 | Conforms |
| 20. | SMS sheet thickness, mm | 5.0 (Min.) for outer | 6.0 | Conforms |
| 21. | Rotor balancing | Should be dynamically balanced | Balanced | Conforms |
| 22. | Rotor rpm | Min. 1600 | 1665 | Conforms |
| 23. | Fitting of SMS on combine harvester | Rigidly fixed to the combine chassis | Rigidly fixed | Conforms |
| 24. | Fitting of power transmission system on combine harvester | Rigidly fixed to the combine chassis | Rigidly fixed | Conforms |
| 25. | Marking/labelling of machine | Labelling plate should be riveted on the body of machine having Name and address of manufacturer, Country of origin, Make and Model, Year of manufacture, Serial number, Type, Size required, size of prime mover (kW), Weight of the machine (kg) | Provided | Conforms |
| 26. | Literature | Operator manual, Service manual and Parts catalogue should be provided | Provided | Conforms |

21. COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

21.1 Mechanical vibration

The amplitude of mechanical vibration of components marked as (*) in chapter 12 of this report are observed on higher side. This calls for providing suitable remedial measures to dampen the vibration in order to improve the operational comfort and service life of various components & sub-assemblies.

21.2 Field performance test

No noticeable defect was observed during field test.

21.3 Ease of operation and safety provision

i) Safety against the accidental start of engine is not provided on combine harvester.

It **MUST** be provided.

ii) No noticeable difficulties observed during operation of combine harvester.

4 Hardness and chemical composition

Hardness & chemical composition of knife blade, knife guard and knife back is not within the limits specified in the relevant standards. It should be looked into for corrective action at regular production level.

5 Individual brake pedals for LHS & RHS brake is not provided. It may be considered for providing.

6 Literature supplied with the machine

The following literature was submitted by applicant during testing.

- i) Operator's manual for combine harvester
- ii) Operator's manual for engine
- iii) Parts catalogue for combine harvester

However, the same need to be updated as per IS:8132-1999

TESTING AUTHORITY

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22. APPLICANT'S COMMENTS

No specific comments received from the applicant.