व्यावसायिक परीक्षण रिपोर्ट COMMERCIAL TEST REPORT

संख्या/ No.: Machine- 42/2926/2022

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SHAKTI, SBC-904 BRUSH CUTTER



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10. NOISE MEASUREMENT

Noise at operator's ear level

Date of test : 04.10.2022

Type of sound level meter : Casella CEL-63X

Temperature, 0 C : 13.8 Pressure, kPa : 98.83 Relative humidity, % : 84.8 Background noise level, dB(A) : 52.6 Observed noise level, dB(A) : 85.9

(operator ear level)

11. HARDNESS AND CHEMICAL COMPOSITION OF ROTOR BLADES

11.1 Hardness:

11.1.1 Hardness of triangular blade:

| Sr. No. | As per IS: 6025:1982 HRC | As observed (HRC) | Remarks | |
|---------|--------------------------|-------------------|----------|--|
| | 48 to 58 | 49.5 | Conforms | |

11.2 Chemical composition analysis:

11.2.1 Triangular blade:

| Constituents As per IS: 6025-1982 | | Composition as observed | Remarks |
|-----------------------------------|--------------|-------------------------|------------------|
| | | (% of weight) | |
| Carbon (C) | 0.70-0.95 | 0.3259 | Does not conform |
| Manganese (Mn) | 0.30 to 0.50 | 0.7894 | Does not conform |
| Silicon (Si) | | 0.3752 | |
| Sulphur (S) | | 0.0303 | |
| Phosphorous (P) | | 0.0071 | |

12. FIELD TEST

Field tests were conducted for 12.5 hours with nylon rope attachment and 13.5 hours with triangle blade attachment. Detailed results of field tests are shown in Annexure-I & II and summarized in the ensuing table. Details about the operator are show in Annexure-III.

| Sr. No. | Parameters | Seasonal Grass cutting | |
|---------|--|------------------------|----------------------|
| | | For nylon rope | For triangular blade |
| 1 | Field condition | Level | Level |
| 2 | Intensity of grass | High | High |
| 3 | Average number of grass/weed in 1 sq.m | 159 to 210 | 85 to 131 |
| 4 | Avg. height of grass/weed, cm | 15 to 63 | 35 to 85 |
| 5 | Avg. Diameter of grass/weed, mm | 1.0 to 3.0 | 1.3 to 4.0 |
| 6 | Avg. Mass of grass cut (kg/h) | 12.8 to 15.6 | 39.6 to 43.0 |
| 7 | Avg. area covered (Rate of work), ha/h | 0.027 to 0.030 | 0.027 to 0.030 |
| 8 | Avg. Time required for one hectare, h | 33.33 to 37.04 | 33.33 to 37.04 |
| 9 | Avg. Fuel consumption | | |
| | 1/h | 0.52 to 0.60 | 0.64 to 0.70 |
| | 1/ha | 18.57 to 22.22 | 22.66 to 24.14 |

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12.1 Cutting using nylon rope assembly

12.1.1 Rate of work

- i) Average area covered (rate of work)was observed as 0.027 to 0.030 ha/h.
- ii) Average time required for one hectare was observed as 33.33 to 37.04 h.
- iii) Average mass of grass cut was observed as 12.8 to 15.6 kg/h.
- iv) Average No. of grass stem in one m² area was 159 to 210

12.1.2 Fuel consumption

Average fuel consumption was observed as 0.52 to 0.60 l/h. and 18.57 to 22.22 l/ha.

12.2 Cutting using triangular blade

12.2.1 Rate of work

- i) The average area covered (rate of work) was observed as 0.027 to 0.030 ha/h.
- ii) Average time required for one hectare was observed as 33.33 to 37.04 hours.
- iii) Average numbers of perennial weed in one square meter are was 85 to 131.
- iv) Average mass of perennial weed cut was 39.6 to 43.0 kg/h.

12.2.2 Fuel consumption

Fuel consumption was observed as 0.64 to 0.70 l/h and 22.66 to 24.14 l/ha.

12.3 Labor requirement

To ensure the cutting work without interruption, two operators are required to work alternates. Additionally, one more labor is needed gather the collected bush/weeds.

12.4 Adequacy of power of prime mover

The power of prime mover was found adequate.

12.5 Wear analysis of critical components

| Component | Duration of | Initial | Length/ | Loss of | Percentage | Percentage |
|------------|-------------|---------|------------|---------|------------|------------|
| | operation | length/ | Mass after | length/ | wear | wear on |
| | (h) | mass | operation | mass | | hour basis |
| | | (mm/g) | (mm/g) | (mm/g) | | |
| Nylon rope | 12.5 | 2185.0 | 670.0 | 1515 | 69.34 | 5.55 |
| Triangular | 13.5 | 238.2 | 234.5 | 3.7 | 1.55 | 0.11 |
| blade | | | | | | |

13. EASE OF OPERATION & ADJUSTMENTS

Fatigue was observed just after half an hour of operation of the Bush cutter, mainly, due to excessive mechanical vibration and noise. The operator complained about pain in different parts of his body like wrist & shoulder etc during operation.

Work-Rest cycle for this brush cutter is observed on follows

30 minutes work -10 minutes rest -20 minutes work -10 minutes rest -20 minutes work -15 minutes rest & so on.

14. ADJUSTMENT, DEFECTS, BREAKDOWNS & REPAIR

No noticeable defect/breakdown observed during test.

15. COMPONENTS/ASSEMBLY INSPECTION AND ASSESSMENT OF WEAR

15.1 Engine :

The engine and other assemblies were dismantled after 36.83 hours of engine operation.

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15.1.7 Valve guide clearance:

| Valve guide diameter | | Valve stem | | Valve guide | | Max. permissible wear | |
|----------------------|---------|---------------|---------|----------------|---------|-----------------------|---------|
| (mm) | | diameter (mm) | | clearance (mm) | | limit (mm) | |
| Inlet | Exhaust | Inlet | Exhaust | Inlet | Exhaust | Inlet | Exhaust |
| 4.00 | 4.00 | 3.96 | 3.96 | 0.04 | 0.04 | 0.30 | 0.30 |

15.2 Valve guides and valve springs

Valve spring stiffness, kgf/mm

Inlet valve : NR Discard limit

Exhaust valve : NR

16. CRITICAL TECHNICAL SPECIFICATION (Vide Ministry's communication No 13-9/2019 M &T (I&P) dated 26.04.2019)

| Sr. No. | Parameters | Specification | Observed | Remarks | | |
|------------|--|---|------------------------------------|----------|--|--|
| 1. | Type | Self propelled, portable | Self propelled | Conforms | | |
| 2. | Type of cutting attachment | Circular disc/Straight blade/nylon rope | Triangular blade & nylon rope used | Conforms | | |
| | | Circular blade | | | | |
| 3. | Material of Circular/straight blade | Alloy Steel | Steel | Conforms | | |
| 4. | No. of teeth on circular disc blade | 50-100 | | | | |
| 5. | Root diameter/Overall diameter | 200-270 | Cinnella a la la de de | | | |
| 6. | (mm) Thickness of disc (mm) | 1.5 Min | Circular blade is not recommended | | | |
| 7. | Teeth thickness (mm) | 2.0 Min | by applicant | | | |
| 8. | Material of Blade | M42 | by applicant | | | |
| 9. | Hardness of Blade, HRC | 68-70 | - | | | |
| | | Straight blade | 1 | • | | |
| 10. | Diameter of straight blade (mm) | 250-350 | 255 | Conforms | | |
| 11. | Width of ends/at center (mm) | 50/70, Min. | 52/70 | Conforms | | |
| 12. | Thickness of straight blade (mm) | 1.5 Min | 1.5 | Conforms | | |
| | Nylon rope | | | | | |
| 13. | Length of nylon rope (mm) | 2000-4000 | Length 2185 mm | Conforms | | |
| 14. | Diameter of nylon rope (mm) | 2.5 to 4.0 | Diameter- 2.5 mm | Conforms | | |
| 15. | Type of engine | Compression ignition/Spark ignition | Spark Ignition | Conforms | | |
| 16. | Starting method | Manual/recoil/self- starting | Manual/Recoil Start | Conforms | | |
| 17 | Type of clutch | Cone/centrifugal | Centrifugal | Conforms | | |
| 18. | Type of gear drive | Bevel pinion | Bevel pinion | Conforms | | |
| 19. | Capacity of fuel tank (l) | 1.0 (min) | 1.2 lit. | Conforms | | |
| 20 | On off provision in fuel supply system | Must be provided | Provided | Conforms | | |

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| 21. | Provision for easy start of engine | Must be provided | Chock is provided | Conforms |
|-----|---|---|--|----------------------|
| 22. | Provision for emergency stop of engine | Must be provided | Provided | Conforms |
| 23. | Provision for shield/cover to prevent flying of mud and stone from rotor | Must be provided | Provided | Conforms |
| 24. | Provision for Grass deflector at the rear of the cutting mechanism | | | |
| 25. | Provision for Pad with shoulder bet to dampen the vibration | Must be provided | Provided | Conforms |
| 26. | Provision for cover on exhaust. | Must be provided | Provided | Conforms |
| 27. | Direction of exhaust emission away from operator | Must be provided | Provided | Conforms |
| 28. | Provision for safety kit (helmet, ear plug, mask, hand gloves, safety glass, Protective cloth, safety shoes) | Must be provided | Provided | Conforms |
| 29. | Marking/labeling of machine | The labeling plate should be riveted on the body of machine having Name and address of manufacturer & Applicant, country of origin Make, Model, year of manufacturer, Serial Number, Engine number, Engine HP, rated rpm & SFC. | Just a sticker and not proper labeling plate is provided on the machine with following information. Make-Shakti Model-SBC-904 Serial no. – BC-20/19 Year of mfg. December, 2019 Shakti Agro Industries 2153/1, St. No-6, Arjun Nagar, Gill Road, Ludhiana-141003 (Punjab) | Partially conform |
| 30. | Literature | Operator manual, Service manual and Parts catalogue should be provided. | Provided | Conforms |

17. COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

17.1 The amplitude of mechanical vibration marked as (*) on the relevant chapter, are on drastically higher side. It is not just directly concerned with operator's health, safety and comfort, but also adversely affects the useful life of the components. In view of above, this deserved to be given top priority for corrective action.

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- 17.2 The chemical composition of blades does not conform, to the requirements of IS: 6025-1982. This needs to be looked into for corrective action.
- 17.3 A suitable labeling plate (not sticker) needs to be provided with "Interlia" following information.
 - 1. Name and address of manufacturer
 - 2. Name and address of applicant
 - 3. Country of origin
 - 4. Make
 - 5. Model
 - 6. Year of manufacturer
 - 7. Serial number
 - 8. Engine number
 - 9. Engine hp
 - 10. Rated rpm
 - 11. SFC

18. TECHNICAL LITERATURE

Owner's manual is provided by the applicant during the test.

The following literature, therefore, **MUST** be provided as per IS: 8132-1999 for guidance of users.

- i) Operator's manual
- ii) Service manual
- iii) Parts catalogue

TESTING AUTHORITY

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19. APPLICANT'S COMMENTS

We will follow comments and recommendations mention in the draft test report.