व्यावसायिक परीक्षण रिपोर्ट COMMERCIAL TEST REPORT

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AGRIPRO, APBC43 SIDE PACK BRUSH CUTTER



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Sr. No.	Location		HD (u)	VD (µ)
1.	Handle	Left	330*	200*
		Right	320*	220*
2.	Engine cover		250*	200*
3.	Frame pipe		240*	210*
4.	Grass deflector		400*	390*
5.	Starter		220*	240*
6.	Fuel tank		300*	440*
7.	On/off switch		230*	260*

^{*} The amplitude of mechanical vibration is on higher side.

10. NOISE MEASUREMENT

Noise at operator's ear level

Date of test : 28.03.2023

Type of sound level meter : Casella CEL-63X

Temperature, ⁰C : 27.8

Pressure, kPa : 741.5

Relative humidity, % : 42.3

Background noise level, dB(A) : 52.6

Observed noise level, dB(A) : 90.4

Noise at By-stander's ear level

Observed noise level, dB(A) : 76.6

11. HARDNESS AND CHEMICAL COMPOSITION OF ROTOR BLADES

11.1 Hardness:

11.1.1 Hardness of straight blade:

Sr. No.	As per IS: 6025:1982 HRC	As observed (HRC)	Remarks
	48 to 58	18	Does not conform

11.2 Chemical composition analysis:

11.2.1 Straight blade:

Constituents	As per IS: 6025-1982	Composition as observed (% of weight)	Remarks	
Carbon (C)	0.70-0.95	0.4657	Does not conform	
Manganese (Mn)	0.30 to 0.50	0.5840	Does not conform	
Silicon (Si)		0.4370		
Sulphur (S)		0.0409	7 	
Phosphorous (P)		0.0182	7. mar.	

12. FIELD TEST

Field tests were conducted for 11.91hours with straight blade attachment and 16.0 hours with Nylon rope attachment. Detailed results of field tests are shown in Annexure-I & II and summarized in the ensuing table. Details about the operator are shown in Annexure-III.

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Sr. No. Parameters		Seasonal Grass cutting		
		For straight blade	For nylon rope	
1.	Field condition	Leveled	Leveled	
2.	Intensity of grass	High	High	
3.	Number of grass/weed in 1 sq. m	296 to 362	276 to 343	
4.	Height of grass/weed, cm	14 to 22	12 to 18	
5.	Diameter of grass/weed, mm	1.7 to 2.3	1.1 to 1.8	
6.	Mass of grass cut (kg/h)	25.78 to 28.0	22.4 to 26.95	
7.	Area covered (Rate of work), ha/h	0.068 to 0.075	0.048 to 0.066	
8.	Time required for one hectare, h	13.39 to 14.71	13.33 to 20.83	
9.	Fuel consumption			
	-1/	h 0.810 to 0.986	0.800	
	-1/h	a 10.84 to 14.50	10.66 to 16.66	

12.1 Cutting using straight blade

12.1.1 Rate of work

- i) Area covered (rate of work) was observed as 0.068 to 0.075 ha/h.
- ii) Time required for one hectare was observed as 13.39 to 14.71 hours.
- iii) Numbers of perennial weed in one square meter was 296 to 362.
- iv) Mass of perennial weed cut was 25.78 to 28.0 kg/h.

12.1.2 Fuel consumption

Fuel consumption was observed as 0.810 to 0.986 l/h and 10.84 to 14.50 l/ha.

12.2 Cutting using nylon rope assembly

12.2.1 Rate of work

- i) Area covered (rate of work) was observed as 0.048 to 0.066 ha/h.
- ii) Time required for one hectare was observed as 13.33 to 20.83 h.
- iii) Mass of grass cut was observed as to 22.40 to 26.95 kg/h.
- iv) Numbers of grass stem in one m² area was 276 to 343.

12.2.2 Fuel consumption

Fuel consumption was observed as 0.800 l/h and 10.66 to 16.66 l/ha.

12.3 Labor requirement

To ensure the cutting work without interruption, two operators are required to work alternatively. Additionally, one more labor is needed to 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	Initial mass/	Mass /	Loss of	Percentage	Percentage
	of	Length(g/m	Length after	mass /	wear	wear on
	operation	m)	operation	length(g/m		hour basis
	(h)		(g/mm)	m)		
Straight blade	11.91	242.7	231.8	10.9	4.49	0.38
Nylon rope	16.00	3000	1900	1100	0.37	0.023

13. EASE OF OPERATION & ADJUSTMENTS

Fatigue was observed just after half an hour of operation of the brush 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.

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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.
- 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 The hardness of blades does not conform, to the requirements of IS: 6025-1982. This needs to be looked into for corrective action.
- 17.4 No noticeable defect was observed during the field test. The performance of brush cutter was found to be satisfactory.
- 17.5 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 manufacture
 - 7. Serial number
 - 8. Engine number
 - 9. Engine hp
 - 10. Rated rpm
 - 11. SFC

18. TECHNICALLITERATURE

The following literatures are provided with brush cutter by the applicant during the test.

- a) Operator manual
- b) Parts catalogue
- c) Service manual

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

TESTING AUTHORITY

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19. APPLICANT'S COMMENTS

No specific comments received from the applicant.

