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KisanKraft Power Weeder/Brush Cutter KK-BC-8634



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### 4. SPECIFICATIONS

#### 4.1 General

Name of Machine Power weeder/Brush cutter Type of Machine : Power weeder/Brush cutter

Manufacturer : M/s Shandong Huasheng Pesticides Machinery

CO. Ltd.,1 Zhongtian Road, High and New Tech Industrial Dev Zone, Linyi, Shandong, China

Make Kisankraft Model KK-BC-8634

Country of origin China

Frame serial no. Not provided Year of manufacture Not provided

Name & address of applicant: M/s Kisankraft Machine Tools Pvt. Ltd.,

32/5C, Dasarahalli Village, Dasarahalli Main Road. H.A. Farm Post, Hebbal, Bangalore-560024

Type of work recommended To cut weeds

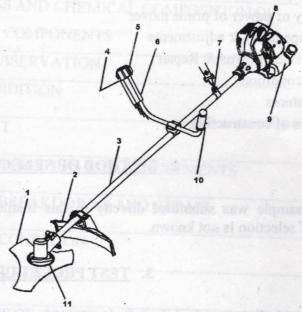


FIG. 1: Schematic view of Kisankraft (KK-BC-8634) Power Weeder/Brush Cutter

### **KEY WORDS:**

- 1. Blade 2. Grass deflector
- 3. Frame-pipe 4. Throttle cum clutch lever
- 5. Engine stopping switch 6.
- RHS handle
- Hook for attaching shoulder belt 8. Engine 9. Fuel tank
- 10. LHS handle
- 11. Gear case



Fatigue was observed just after 40 minutes of operation of the Power Weeder/Brush Cutter, mainly, due to excessive mechanical vibration and noise. The operator complained about mild pain in different parts of his body like wrist, shoulder and right side thigh, etc during operation. Work-rest cycle for an average operator during grass/brush cutting with nylon rope and 3 teeth blade attachment was as follows:

40 minutes work→10 minutes rest→40 minutes work→10 minutes rest →30 minutes work→10 minutes rest→30 minutes work→ so on.

# 14. DEFECTS, BREAKDOWNS AND REPAIR

No any breakdowns were occurred during 20.7 hours of field operation.

### 15. MACHINE CONDITION

The machine was submitted in good condition in all respects along with toolkit, extra blade, nylon rope, goggles/face protector and ear plugs.

### 16. SAFETY FEATURES

Grass shield is provided behind the cutter to restrict the cut material towards the operator and all other moving components are covered with suitable guards/ shields.

## 17. SOUNDNESS OF CONSTRUCTION

The construction of the machine was found in order.

## 18. COMMENTS & RECOMMENDATIONS

- Noise at Operator's ear level and bystander's level was observed as 107 dB(A) and 96 dB(A) which is on higher side against warning and danger limits of 85 dB (A) and 90 dB (A) respectively as specified by ILO for continuous exposure of 8 hours per day. This calls for reduction in noise level to improve the operational comfort and safety.
- The <u>amplitude of mechanical vibration</u> on various assemblies of the machine is observed <u>on higher side</u>. This calls for dampening down of vibration to improve the operational comfort and service life of components.
- The capacity of fuel tank is only 0.65 liter, which does not appear to be adequate. This calls for necessary modification.

- During testing, only goggles/face protector and ear plugs were provided as protective devices. All the necessary protective accessories, as shown in the Owner's manual, like arm cover, gloves, leg protector, face shield, helmet, etc was not provided. All these should necessarily be provided for the safety of operator.
- 18.5 The chemical composition of 3-T blade does not conform to relevant Indian Standard. This should be looked into.
- 18.6 <u>Labeling plate is not provided.</u> It should be <u>provided with the following information</u>:- Power of prime mover, Specific fuel consumption, Rated speed of engine, Speed of cutting attachment, etc. on the machine. This may be looked into for necessary corrective action.
  - 18.7 Output of the field performance should be looked into for further improvement.

#### 18.8 Technical Literature:

The following literatures were provided for reference during testing:

- User's manual
- Parts catalogue

It is recommended to bring out the manuals in Hindi and other vernacular languages also as per IS: 8132-1999.

#### 19. APPLICANT'S COMMENTS

The applicant has no comments on the machine.