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FOGGERS INDIA PVT. LTD. SUDARSHAN WEED CUTTER 35 HONDA BRUSH CUTTER



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1. SCOPE OF TEST

1.1 LABORATORY TEST

- a) Checking of specifications
- b) Mechanical vibration measurement
- c) Noise measurement
- d) Wear assessment of critical components
- e) Engine performance test

1.2 FIELD TEST

- a) Rate of work
- b) Quality of work
- c) Labour requirement
- d) Adequacy of prime mover power
- e) Ease of operation, adjustment & safety provisions
- f) Defects, breakdowns and repairs

2. METHOD OF SELECTION

As per Govt. of India, OM No. 13-1/2021-M&T (I&P), dated 03.02.2022, the selection of sample for test was exempted. Hence, the machine was directly submitted by the applicant at this Institute for test.

3. TEST CODE AND PROCEDURE

There is no Indian Standard Test Code available for testing of brush cutter as such. However, for engine performance test, IS 7347-1974 (Amended 2011) was referred.

4. SPECIFICATIONS

4.1 General

Name of the Machine

: Brush Cutter

Name and address of the Manufacturer

Thai Honda Manufacturing Co. Ltd., 410 Thanon liao Khlong Lam Ko Phai, Lam Prathew, Lat Krabang, Bangkok, Thailand-10520

Name & Address of Applicant

: M/s Foggers India Pvt. Ltd, 313, 3rd Floor, Grohitam Premises, Plot No. 14B, Sector – 19, Near Mathadi Bhavan, Vashi, Navi Mumbai- 400705

Model

: Sudarshan Weed Cutter 35 Honda

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Make

Serial No.

Type

Type of cutting attachment

Year of manufacture

Country of origin

Type of crops/bush recommended

: Foggers India Pvt. Ltd.

: PWT-004300

: Engine operated

: Nylon rope and straight blade

: 2021

: THAILAND

: All kinds of weeds/bushes.

1.2 Constructional details:

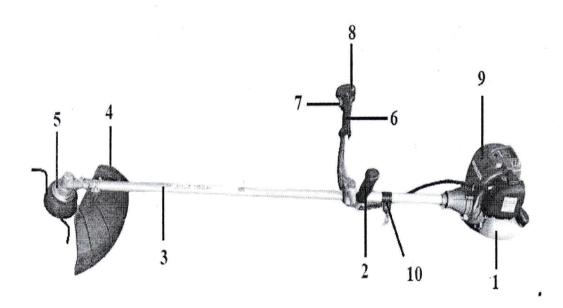


Fig. 1: BRUSH CUTTER, MODEL: SUDARSHAN WEED CUTTER 35 HONDA

Keywords: 🐐

- 1. Fuel tank
- 2. LHS handle
- 3. Transmission cover pipe
- 4. Deflector
- 5. Gear case

- 6. RHS handle
- 7. Throttle cum clutch trigger
- 8. Engine stopping switch
- 9. Engine
- 10. Connection for Shoulder strap

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10. HARDNESS AND CHEMICAL COMPOSITION

10.1 Hardness of Straight blade

SI. No.	Hardness as per IS: 6025 – 1982 (HRC)	Hardness as measured (HRC)	Remarks
1	48 to 58	40.0	Does not Conform

10.2 Chemical composition of Straight Blade:

The results of chemical analysis test of straight blade were as under.

Constituent	As per IS: 6025 –	Composition As	Remarks
	1982 (%)	observed (% by weight)	
Carbon (C)	0.70 to 0.95	0.523	Does not Conform
Manganese (Mn)	0.3 to 0.5	0.619	Does not Conform
Silicon (Si)		0.227	
Sulphur (S)		0.011	
Phosphorous (P)		0.015	

11. WEAR ANALYSIS OF CRITICAL COMPONENTS

Component	Duration of operation (h)	Initial mass (g)	Mass after operation (g)	Loss of mass (g)	Percentage of wear	Percentage of wear on hourly basis
Straight blade	15.65	222.0	220.5	1.5	0.68	0.04

12. FIELD PERFORMANCE TEST

Field tests were conducted for total of 26.38 hours duration. Grass/weeds cutting with nylon rope and bush cutting using straight blade attachments were carried out for 10.73 hours and 15.65 hours, respectively. A total of five test trials were conducted at rated speed of 7000 rpm. Detailed results of field tests are shown in ANNEXURE-I & II and summarized in the ensuing table. Details of the operator have been given in ANNEXURE-III.

SUMMARY OF FIELD PERFORMANCE TEST

Sl. No.	Parameters	Grass/weeds cutting	Bush cutting
1	2	3	4
1	Field Condition	Level	
2	Thickness of stem of Grasses/Bush at cutting height (mm)	2.28 to 3.08	6.32 to 27.76
3	Average number of Grass/Bush in 1m ²	247 to 447	16 to 22

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	WEED CUTTER 35 HONDA F	BRUSH CUTTER	(INITIAL)	
1	2	3	4	
4	Average height of Grasses/Bush (mm)	158.4 to 159.0	1158.4 to 1846.0	
5	Mass of Grass/Bush cut (kg/h)	75.78 to 105.52	151.0 to 409.46	
6	Mass of Grass/Bush cut (kg/ha)	2444 to 3742	9320 to 14364	
7	Rate of work (ha/h)	0.028 to 0.031	0.016 to 0.029	
8	Time required for one hectare (h)	32.25 to 35.46	35.08 to 61.72	
9	Fuel consumption			
	-l/h	0.506 to 0.509	0.545 to 0.563	
	-1/ha	16.41 to 17.94	19 11 to 34 68	

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12.1 Grass/Weeds cutting using nylon rope

12.1.1 Rate of work

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- The area of cut was recorded as 0.028 to 0.031 ha/h.
- Time required for one hectare was recorded as 32.25 to 35.46 hours.
- Mass of weeds cut was 75.78 to 105.52 kg/h.

12.1.2 Fuel consumption

- Fuel consumption was observed as 0.506 to 0.509 l/h and 16.41 to 17.94 l/ha.

12.2 Bush cutting using straight blade

12.2.1 Rate of work

- The area of cut was recorded as 0.016 to 0.029 ha/h.
- Time required for one hectare was recorded as 35.08 to 61.72 hours.
- Mass of bush cut was 151.0 to 409.46 kg/h.

12.2.2 Fuel consumption

- Fuel consumption was observed as 0.545 to 0.563 l/h and 19.11 to 34.68 l/ha.

12.3 Labour/operator requirement:

It was observed that an averagely built person can able to operate the brush cutter for 40 to 45 minutes at a stretch. Hence, two operators are required for continuous operation of the brush cutter.

12.4 Adequacy of power of prime mover:

The power of prime mover was found adequate.

13. EASE OF OPERATION AND ADJUSTMENTS

No noticeable difficulties were observed in operation and adjustment during the field test.

14. <u>DEFECTS, BREAKDOWNS AND REPAIRS</u>

No noticeable defect or breakdown was observed during test.

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Big end bearing:

Bearing No.	Clearance (mm)		Max. permissible clearance limit (mm	
	Diametrical	Axial	Diametrical	Axial
1	Needle		NA	NA
	bearing			

Measurement of big end bearing clearance was not possible as the piston along with connecting rod was not detachable.

15.2 Valve, guide and timing gear:-

Any marked sign of overheating of valves

Pitting of seat/faces of valves

Any visual damage of teeth of timing gears

Condition of ignition coil & magneto

: None

Normal

Transmission system:

All the gears of the transmission system were found in normal condition.

16. <u>COMMENTS & RECOMMENDATIONS</u>

- 16.1 The average rated power in rating test of engine was observed as 0.55 kW against declared value of 1.3 kW by the manufacturer. This should be looked into for corrective action.
- The specific fuel consumption (SFC) in rating test of engine was observed as 650 g/kWh against declared value of 507 g/kWh by the manufacturer which exceeded by more than 5 percent of that declared by the manufacturer and hence does not fulfill the requirement of IS 7347-1974 (Amended 2011). This should be looked into for corrective action.
- 16.3 The engine was not marked with Manufacturer name or trade-mark, Rated power, Rated speed and type of fuel used which does not fulfill the requirement of IS 7347-1974 (Amended 2011). Also, labeling plate/sticker should be provided on machine with details such as name of machine, engine rated speed & power, machine serial number, make & model etc. This may be looked into.
- Noise at operator's ear level was observed on higher side against danger limit of 90 dB(A) as specified by International Labour Organization (ILO) for continuous exposure of 8 hours per day. This calls for reduction in noise level to improve the operational comfort and safety.
- 16.5 The amplitude of mechanical vibration at various assemblies viz steering handle, engine cover and drive shaft cover pipe was on higher side. This calls for dampening down of vibration to improve the operational comfort and service life of the components.
- 16.6 The Hardness & Chemical composition of Straight blade does not conform to Indian Standard IS 6025:1982. This should be looked into for corrective action.

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- As a safety wear, only hand gloves & goggles (safety glass) were provided with the machine. The applicant has strictly advised to provide the entire safety kit including helmet, Safety shoe, ear plug, mask etc. along with each machine for the safety of operator.
- 16.8 Provision for cushion material with shoulder belt to dampen the vibration at shoulders should be provided for comfort of the operator. This should be looked into.
- 16.9 Adequacy of Literature

The following literature in English language was provided for reference during testing:

- Operator's/ Service manual
- Parts catalogue

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

TESTING AUTHORITY

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(S.G. PAWAR) AGRICULTURAL ENGINEER

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17. APPLICANT'S COMMENTS

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Applicant's Comments

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16.1 to 16.9

We will take necessary actions in future production.