# व्यावसायिक परीक्षण रिपोर्ट (प्रारंभिक) COMMERCIAL TEST REPORT (Initial)



संख्या/No.: Machine 109/480

माह / Month: February 2024

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# VI POWER GOLD GX 35 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

The test sample was selected by the testing authority through random selection. The following test samples were presented by the applicant during the random selection at Applicant's site.



Sl. No	Serial No. of test sample	Remarks		
1	2023061760			
2	2023061798	Out of 5 samples Sr.		
3	2023051536	No. 04 sample was		
4	20230500778	randomly selected.		
5	2023050576			

# 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 was referred.

#### 4. **SPECIFICATIONS**

#### 4.1 General

Name of the Machine

Brush Cutter

Name and address of the manufacturer:

Zhejian Altogarten Industry Trade Co.,

Ltd., Huyan Village Quanxi Town, Wuyi County, Jinhua city, Zhejiang Province,

China.

Name & Address of Applicant

: VNM Industries Pvt., Ltd.,

3<sup>rd</sup> floor, Shri Hari Mansion, Building no.19, Navjevan wadi, Dhobi Talao,

Mumbai-400002, Maharashtra

Make

: VI POWER GOLD

Model

: GX 35

Serial No.

: 20230500778

Type

: Shoulder Mounted Engine operated

Type of cutting attachment

: Nylon rope & Circular blade

Year of manufacture

: 2023

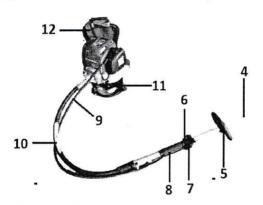
Country of origin

: CHINA

Type of crops/bush recommended

: All kinds of weeds/Bushes.

# 4.2 Constructional details:



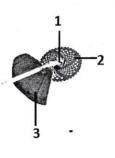


Fig. 1: VI POWER GOLD BRUSH CUTTER, MODEL: GX 35

# Keywords:

- 1. Gear case
- 2. Circular blade cutting attachment
- 3. Grass deflector
- 4. Transmission cover pipe
- 5. Handle grip
- 6. Engine stopping switch

- 7. Throttle cum clutch trigger
- 8. Handle grip
- 9. Accelerator cable
- 10. Flexible drive shaft cover
- 11. Engine mounting stand
- 12. Cushion for operator's back

# 10. HARDNESS AND CHEMICAL COMPOSITION

#### 10.1 Hardness of Circular blade

Sl. No.	Hardness as per IS: 6025 – 1982 (HRC)	Hardness as measured (HRBW)	Remarks
1	48 to 58	88.6	Does not conform

# 10.2 Chemical composition of Circular blade:

The results of chemical analysis test of Circular blade

Constituents	As per IS: 6025 – 1982 (%)	Composition As observed (% by weight)	Remarks
Carbon (C)	0.70 to 0.95	0.066	Does not conform
Manganese (Mn)	0.3 to 0.5	0.156	Does not conform
Silicon (Si)		0.037	£==0
Sulphur (S)		0.007	
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
Circular blade	12.09	296.2	294.1	2.1	0.71	0.06 4 4 127

# 12. FIELD PERFORMANCE TEST

Field tests were conducted for total of 25.09 hours duration. Bush cutting using Circular blade and Grass/weeds cutting with nylon rope attachments were carried out for 12.09 hours and 13.00 hours, respectively. A total of four test trials were conducted at rated speed of 8500 rpm. Detailed results of field tests are shown in ANNEXURE-I & II and summarized in the ensuing table.

# **SUMMARY OF FIELD PERFORMANCE TEST**

Sl. No.	Parameters	Grass/weeds cutting	Bush cutting
1	2	3	4
1	Field Condition	Le	vel
2	Thickness of stem of Grasses/Bush at cutting height (mm)	1.40 to 1.70	14.7 to 15.8
3	Average number of Grass/Bush in 1m <sup>2</sup>	462 to 494	20 to 21

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1	2	3	4
4	Average height of Grasses/Bush (mm)	397 to 410	1975 to 2028
5	Mass of Grass/Bush cut (kg/h)	181.2 to 218.3	1407.3 to 1525.6
6	Mass of Grass/Bush cut (kg/ha)	4424 to 4854	46238 to 46914
7	Rate of work (ha/h)	0.041 to 0.045	0.030 to 0.033
8	Time required for one hectare (h)	22.22 to 24.39	30.3 to 33.33
9	Fuel consumption		
	-l/h	0.57 to 0.58	0.58 to 0.59
	-l/ha	12.89 to 13.90	17.88 to 19.33

# 12.1 Weeds cutting using nylon rope

# 12.1.1 Rate of work

- The area of cut was recorded as 0.041 to 0.045 ha/h.
- Time required for one hectare was recorded as 22.22 to 24.39 h.
- Mass of weeds cut was 181.2 to 218.3 kg/h.

# 12.1.2 Fuel consumption

- Fuel consumption was observed as 0.57 to 0.58 l/h and 12.89 to 13.90 l/ha.

# 12.2 Bush cutting using Circular blade

# 12.2.1 Rate of work

- The area of cut was recorded as 0.030 to 0.033 ha/h.
- Time required for one hectare was recorded as 30.3 to 33.33 h.
- Mass of bush cut was 1407.3 to 1525.6 kg/h.

#### 12.2.2 Fuel consumption

- Fuel consumption was observed as 0.58 to 0.59 l/h and 17.88 to 19.33 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.

# 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.

# 15. COMPONENTS/ASSEMBLY INSPECTION

The Engine was dismantled after 35.09 hours of operation.



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# Big end bearing:

Bearing No.	Clearance, mm		Max. permissible clearance limit, mm	
	Diametrical	Axial	Diametrical	Axial
1	Needle bearing		0.05	0.10

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

15.2 Transmission system:

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

# 16. COMMENTS & RECOMMENDATIONS

- 16.1 The average rated power in rating test of engine was observed as 0.56 kW against declared value of 1.19 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 972.9 g/kWh against declared value of 452 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). This may be looked into.
- 16.4 It was observed that during engine performance test, at full Load, engine speed was not stable at rated speed. This shall be looked into for corrective action.
- 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.
- 16.6 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.
- 16.7 The Hardness & Chemical composition of circular blade does not conform to Indian Standard IS 6025:1982. This should be looked into for improvement.

- 16.8 As a safety wear, only hand gloves & goggles (safety glass) were provided with the machine. The applicant is 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.
- 16.9 The applicant is advised to provide metallic labelling plate instead of sticker at suitable place on the machine. It should be looked into.

# 16.10 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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# 17. APPLICANT'S COMMENTS

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**Applicant's Comments** 

**17.1** 16.1 to 16.10

We will take necessary action as per comments and recommendation in test report for improvement in future production.