Category-wise validity period of test reports of the machines tested at FMTTIs and identified institutes

DAC&FW, Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi

Minutes of the meeting of Technical Committee as constituted vide Office order of even number dated 15.5.2018 of this Department for examination and fix the category-wise validity period of test reports of the machines tested at FMTTIs and identified institutes on 10^{th} August, 2018 at 11.30 A.M.

- 1. A meeting was held under the Chairmanship of Dr. K. Alagusundaram, DDG(Engg), ICAR on 10th August, 2018 on the above captioned subject. The list of the participants is annexed.
- 2. A meeting was convened under the Chairmanship of Dr. K. Alagusundaram, DDG(Engg.), ICAR on 10th August, 2018 at 11.30 AM in Room No. 142, Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi for examination and to fix the category-wise validity period of test reports of the various agricultural machines tested at FMTTIs and Identified Institutes. The list of participants is annexed at Annexure I.
- 3. Additional Commissioner (Machinery) briefed about the background and objective of the meeting and he explained that presently there is no fix validity period of test reports of the machines tested. Therefore there is a necessity to fix the category-wise validity period of test reports of the machines tested at FMTTIs and identified institutes for quality assurance so that changes made by the manufacturers in the specification/performance of the machine may be identified during the testing of fresh sample after the validity period of test report. Hence, it has been felt to fix validity so that test reports should not be misused.
- 4. All the participants also expressed that presently there is big queue at the FMTTIs and designated testing centers as well as testing time required is also more, hence, validity of test report period may be fixed taking into consideration of this factor also.
- 5. After detailed discussions and suggestions received from the participants, it has been decided unanimously recommended to fix the following period of the test reports of various agricultural machinery:

Sl. No.	Category of the machines	Validity of the	Subsequent
		ICT Test Report	Validity of Batch
			Test Report
1	Tractor	3	5
2	Power tiller	3	5
3	Combine Harvester/ Crop/ Sugarcane/ Cotton Picker	7	5
4	Self-propelled machinery	5	5
5	Tractor/Power Tiller operated machinery		
	i. Tillage implements	7	5
	ii. Sowing and planting machinery	7	5
	iii. Inter-culture machinery	7	5
	iv. Harvesting machinery	7	5
	v. Thresher	7	5

	vi. Baler, Rake, Reapers	7	5
	vii. Post hole digger	7	5
6	Plant Protection equipment		
	Manually operated	5	5
	Battery operated	5	5
	Tractor operated	7	5
	Engine operated	7	5
7	Post harvesting Technology Machinery (primary processing) Cleaner/grinder/washer/grader/polisher/separator/	7	5
8.	Bullock drawn/manual driven (all types) including, horticulture tools.	7	5

6. After the issue of the Office Order on validity of test report period, the test report which have expired their validity on the date of issue of office order and also the test reports whose validity will be expired within one year from the date of issue of office order may be given a grace period of one year for their validity. This will help the manufacturers to submit their machine and get it tested continue their business.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the chair.

Distribution:

- 1. The Deputy Director General (Agricultural Engineering), Indian Council of Agriculture Research, Krishi Anusandhan Bhawan-II, Pusa, New Delhi 110012.
- 2. Additional Commissioner (Machinery), DAC&FW, Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi.
- 3. The Director, Central Farm Machinery Training and Testing Institute, Budni , (MP)-466445
- 4. The Director, Northern Region Farm Machinery Training and Testing Institute, Hissar, (Haryana)
- 5. The Director, Southern Region Farm Machinery Training and Testing Institute, Garladinne, Anantapur (AP)
- 6. The Director, North Eastern Region Farm Machinery Training and Testing Institute, Biswanth Chariali, Assam
- 7. President, All India Machinery Manufacturer Association, Plot No. B-37 Survey No. 15, B.U.Bhandari, Green Crop Housing Society, Dhanory, Pune.

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Annexure: I

List of Participant				
S.N	Name	Designation		
1.	Dr. K. Alagusundaram,	DDG(Engg), ICAR (In Chair)		
2.	Shri V.N. Kale	ADC(Machinery)		
3.	Shri C.R. Lohi	DC(M&T)		
4.	Dr. P.P. Rao	Director, CFMTTI, Budni		
5.	Dr. C.R. Mehta	Project Director, CIAE, Bhopal		
6.	Shri K.K. Nagle	Director, NER FMTTI, Assam		
7.	Shri Shinde	AE, NER FMTTI, Assam		
8.	Shri R.K. Nema	SAE, NER FMTTI, Assam		
9.	Shri Y.K. Rao	SAE, CFMTTI, Budni		
10.	Shri D.S. Balachandra Babu, Dr. Surendra Singh	AMMA-India		

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