

CSIR-CMERI's Innovative Electric Tiller

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In a move to empower small and marginal farmers, the <u>Council of Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR)</u> and the Department of Scientific and Industrial Research (DSIR) have unveiled the CSIR-Central Mechanical Engineering Research Institute's Electric Tiller.

- The electric tiller is designed to cater to the needs of <u>small to marginal farmers</u> (land holdings of less than 2 hectares), who **constitute over 80% of India's farming community.**
- The tiller boasts enhanced **torque and field efficiency**, making it a highly capable and efficient agricultural tool.
 - It prioritises user comfort and environmental sustainability, with features like reduced handarm vibration, quiet operation, and zero exhaust emissions.
 - The electric tiller can potentially reduce operational costs by up to 85%, offering significant financial benefits to farmers.
- The tiller's user-friendly design supports battery pack swapping and multiple charging options, including alternating current (AC) and Solar direct current (DC) charging, ensuring versatility and convenience.
- CSIR was established in September 1942, headquartered in New Delhi and funded by the Ministry of Science and Technology.

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