



DESIGN, FABRICATION, AND EVALUATION OF AN AUTOMATIC MATAR PEELING MACHINE

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Abstract

Automation of matar (green pea) peeling significantly enhances productivity by reducing manual labor, ensuring uniform shelling, and minimizing product damage. This research details the design and fabrication of an electric motor-operated peeling machine optimized for continuous feed and high efficiency in small to medium-scale operations. The effects of roller clearance, speed, and feed rate on shelling efficiency are experimentally analyzed and machine performance is evaluated economically and ergonomically.

Market Overview

- Popular globally with strong growth in South Asia due to pea-centric diets and export demand.
- Range from low-cost portable models for small farms to high-capacity continuous feeders for industrial plants.
- Investment payback ranges between 1 to 2 years due to high labor savings.

Comparative Performance Benchmarks

Feature	Manual Shelling	Basic Automatic Machine	Advanced Automatic Machine
Throughput (kg/hr)	3-4	40-70	100-150
Depodging Efficiency	85-90%	93-97%	98-99%
Kernel Damage Rate	15%+	<7%	<5%
Operating Cost (₹/hr)	40-50	9-15	15-25
Automation Level	None	Semi-automatic	Fully automated with sensors & controls

Environmental and Social Impact

- Reduction of repetitive manual labor mitigates occupational health issues.

- Local manufacturing and energy-efficient designs reduce environmental footprint.
- Democratization of mechanization promotes socioeconomic upliftment for rural communities.

Technological Innovations and Trends

- IoT and data analytics enable predictive maintenance and process optimization.
- AI-driven selective shelling responsive to pod and kernel characteristics.
- Solar power integration and battery-supported operations enable use in remote farms.
- Modular designs promote adaptability to multiple pulses and legumes beyond peas.

Challenges and Research Gaps

- Managing pod variability due to climate, variety, and harvest stage.
- Preservation of kernel integrity during high-speed continuous shelling.
- Affordable, rugged designs for economically weaker regions remain underdeveloped

Conclusion

Automatic matar peeling machines are increasingly indispensable for modern agricultural food processing, balancing productivity, quality, and economic viability. Continued interdisciplinary innovation will drive future improvements and wider adoption, directly impacting global food value chains.

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- Several key scholarly articles and technical reports from ICAR, IJCMAS, and academia.[ijcmas+5](#)

This comprehensive documentation can guide academic submissions and encourage further research in machine design, agricultural mechanization, and food processing automation for matar peeling applications.

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