

CAI TRAINING PROGRAMME FOR FARMERS

Event Programme

Friday, 11 th April 2025	:	Venue: Survey Room of the Association			
09.30 hrs 10.30 hrs.	:	Registration, Fellowship and Tea			
INAUGURAL SESSION					
10.30 hrs 10.40 hrs.	:	Inviting the Guests and Welcoming the Dignitaries on Dais.			
10.40 hrs 10.45 hrs.	:	National Anthem			
10.45 hrs. – 10.50 hrs.	:	Ganesh Vandana & Lighting of the Lamps			
10.50 hrs. – 11.00 hrs.	•	Presidential Welcome Address by Shri Atul S. Ganatra, President, Cotton Association of India			
11.00 hrs 11.15 hrs.	•	Screening of CAI Centenary Year film			
11.15 hrs 11.25 hrs.	•	Role of CAI in Service of Cotton Sector Address by Shri Pankaj D. Mepani, Director, CAI			
11.25 hrs 11.35 hrs.	•	Address by Shri Manish P. Daga, Director, CAI			

11.35 hrs 11.45 hrs.	:	Address by Dr. Sharad kumar Saraf, Chairman, M/s. Technocraft Industries Ltd., Mumbai.
11.45 hrs 11.55 hrs	:	Address by Chief Guest, Smt. Roop Rashi (IA & AS), Textile Commissioner
11.55 hrs 12.05 hrs.	:	Address by Shri Vikas Chandra Rastogi, IAS, Hon. Principal Secretary (Agril), Government of Maharashtra
12.05 hrs 12.15 hrs.	:	Address by Shri L. K. Gupta, Chairman - cum - Managing Director, Cotton Corporation of India
12.15 hrs. – 12.25 hrs.	:	Address by Dr. Y. G. Prasad, Former Director, ICAR- Central Institute for Cotton Research
12.25 hrs. – 12.35 hrs.	:	Address by Shri Dnyaneshwar Bhamre, Director, CAI
12.35 hrs 12.45 hrs.	:	Introducing the Training Programme by Dr. Pradeep Kumar Mandhyan, CEO, Research & Cotton Testing, CAI
12.45 hrs. – 12.55 hrs.	:	Vote of Thanks by Shri Vinay N. Kotak, Additional Vice President, CAI
12.55 hrs 14.00 hrs.	:	LUNCH
14.00 hrs 15.00 hrs.	•	Seed Selection and Preparation Address by Dr. Ashwin Kashikar/Shri Ravindra Daftari from M/s. Ankur Seeds/Daftari Seeds
15.00 hrs 15.45 hrs.	:	Farmer Producer Company-Objectives, Benefits, Leverage on Govt. Schemes

		Address by Shri Ayush Agrawal, Partner, M/s. Goyal & Agrawal, Chartered Accountants
15.45 hrs 16.45 hrs.	•	Relevance of Organic in Conversion Cotton in Global Market/Registration and Certification Processes for Organic Cotton Production Address by Shri Ganesh Kasekar, GOTS, Thane/Ecocert, Mumbai
16.45 hrs. – 17.30 hrs.	:	Residue - Free Cotton/Organic Cotton Production Address by Shri Shailendra Singh, M/s. Zydex, Vadodara High Tea

		DAY 2
Saturday, 12 th April 2025	:	Venue: Survey Room of the Association
11.00 hrs 12.00 hrs.	•	Productivity and Sustainability of Cotton in India Address by Dr. C. D. Mayee
12.00 hrs 13.00 hrs.	:	Post - Harvest Management of Seed Cotton Address by Dr. A.S.M. Raja, Head, QUEID, CIRCOT, Mumbai
13.00 hrs 14.00 hrs.	:	LUNCH
14.00 hrs 15.00 hrs.	:	Good Agricultural Practices (GAP) for Cotton Cultivation

		Address by Dr. B. D. Jade, Senior Scientist, M/s. Jain Irrigation System Ltd.
15.00 hrs 15.45 hrs.	•	Sharing the Real-Life Experiences and Interactive Discussions Address by Shri Dilip Thakre/Shri Chandrashekar B
15.45 hrs. – 16.15 hrs.	:	Valedictory Function/Group Discussion /Feedback
16.15 hrs. – 16.30 hrs.		Vote of Thanks by Shri Girish U. Nagsee, Member, CAI