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## COTAAP Initiates Project PPP-HDPS For The Forthcoming Crop Year

**C**OTAAP, Chopda unit is ready to deliver technology to farmers for the coming crop year. Village meetings are being conducted with the aim of helping the farmers in their decision making and to update them with advance knowledge. The novel project PPP-HDPS (High Density Planting System) includes provision of seed. So it was necessary to implement it on a priority basis.

We have an unique pattern for implementation of the projects. In this first phase, we have to select 500 farmers from 10 villages. The procedure for this is listed below :

- Discussion with the coordination committee of progressive farmers regarding the scheme, selection of villages and farmers. (conducted on 25th April 14)



*Farmers meeting at  
Narwade village*



Farmers meeting at Gartad village

- Schedule and team formation for village meetings. (26th April 14)
- Registration of farmers and collection of contribution. (started from 2nd April 14)
- Distribution of seed and other first phase of inputs. (from 15 to 31 May 14)

Scientific way of extension, use of advanced methods of communication like free SMS, conference, literature, etc. makes communication more effective. The recommended technology and

inputs are to be used in trial plot of the selected farmer, while check plot is to be cultivated with traditional practices. Thus technology is proved in farmers' own field.

Under the able stewardship of hon. Chairman Kishorilalji Jhunjhunwala and the devotion of honorary trustees, COTAAP is helping farmers to know and experience the technology on their fields. These projects also help in generating valuable data which gives us a proper direction for further research and extension activities.

Farmers meeting at Lasur village



Farmers meeting at Ghadvel village





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## Connect with Shri Amar Singh

This mild mannered, soft spoken man carries a huge responsibility as the secretary of the Cotton Association of India, overseeing administrative, legal, finance and other activities of the Association under the direction of the CAI Chairman and the Board of Directors.

Known fondly as Amarbhai, few, if at all, are aware that his actual name is Amrendra R. Singh. Born and brought up in Rae Bareilly, he completed his B. Com from the local Feroze Gandhi College. He proudly remembers that he stood first both in his 10th as well as his 12th class. Always a bright student, he came to Mumbai to pursue higher education and enrolled for ICWA - Institute of Cost & Works Accountants. However circumstances forced him to discontinue the course and he joined a transport company. But this stint lasted only six months, when destiny beckoned him to the CAI. Young Amar Singh joined as an assistant in the accounts department of the CAI in 1982. Hard work and his natural intelligence, saw him rise steadily and surely - to accountant, then head accountant, all the while learning and assimilating from his seniors like Shri Damle, Shri Unchgaonkar, then Shri Mulky, followed by Dr.Sharma, Shri S.M Joshi, and Shri Agarwal,



till he himself assumed the mantle of Secretary, CAI in 2006. In his more than three decades at the CAI, he has seen many changes. "The focus of CAI activities has changed to developmental aspects rather than regulation, over the years. But that has to do with the changing times," he explains. "Earlier when

cotton was not a surplus commodity, the focus was on imports, as production grew, the focus changed and we became more export oriented."

Apart from his work, which consumes his waking hours, Amar Singh is happily married to Saloni and has two sons - Vishal, who after completing his MBA in Media and Entertainment is now working with Ulka FCB, and younger son Abhishek, who's doing his B.Com while studying simultaneously for his Company Secretary course.

When he's not working, Amar Singh likes to read, watch cricket on TV and shyly discloses that he was a sportsperson in his younger days, having played hockey, kabaddi and even wrestling at the inter collegiate and district levels. Now you know why he's such an expert at wrestling with the intricacies of framing all the arbitration documentation!

### World Cotton Prices Monthly average Cotlook A Index (FE) from 2008-09 onwards (Cotlook Index in US Cents per lb.)

	2008-09	2009-10	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14
August	78.04	64.14	90.35	114.10	84.40	92.71
September	77.09	63.99	104.73	116.90	84.15	90.09
October	62.30	66.82	126.55	110.61	82.17	89.35
November	54.96	71.78	155.47	104.75	80.87	84.65
December	55.47	76.78	168.22	95.45	83.37	87.49
January	57.71	77.39	178.93	101.11	85.51	90.96
February	55.21	80.05	213.18	100.75	89.71	94.05
March	51.50	85.80	229.67	99.50	94.45	96.95
April	56.78	88.08	216.62	100.10	92.68	94.20
May	61.95	90.07	165.52	88.79	92.74	95.30
June	61.39	93.04	167.16	82.18	93.08	
July	64.80	-	-	83.97	92.62	

Source: Cotton Outlook



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## Sir Purshottamdas Thakurdas Memorial Annual Cricket Tournament 2014

The Cotton Association of India organised the Sir Purshottamdas Thakurdas Memorial Annual Cricket Tournament in the memory of its illustrious and much loved Past Presiden, the late Sir Purshottamdas Thakurdas, on Saturday, the 3rd May 2014 at the P. J. Hindu Gymkhana Ground, Netaji Subhash Road, Marine Drive, Marine Lines, Mumbai.

There were four teams - (i) Buyers (ii) Sellers (iii) Brokers and (iv)Ready Brokers, each consisting of 12 players (11 + 1 extra). In all, three matches were played, with the winning team in each group playing the final match.

Each match was of 12 overs and each over consisted of six balls. A bowler was allowed to bowl a maximum of three overs. A batsman would have to compulsorily retire once he scored 20 runs. He could, however, be recalled to bat again after all other batsmen were out and bat again only as the last man. For every no ball bowled by a bowler, 1 run was added to the score of the opposite team as an extra run and the said ball was not counted. In case a no ball bowled due to "front foot out" next ball was given as free hit. For every wide ball bowled by a bowler, two runs were added to the score of the opposite team as extra runs. However, the said ball was counted.

A maximum of three players from any panel/team could be interchanged to balance the team.

### First Match - Sellers' Panel v/s the Buyers' Panel

While the Sellers' Panel Captain was Shri Rishabh J. Shah, the Buyers Panel Captain was Shri Parash C. Mehta. The Sellers Panel won the toss and decided to bat. They scored 121 runs for five wickets in 12 overs with stellar batting from Shri Rishabh J. Shah (22 runs), Shri Jeet Patel( 21 runs) and Shri Abhishek Bhura (22 runs).

The Buyers Panel scored 70 runs for nine in 12 over with the help of Shri Darshan Lakhani (15 runs)and Shri Paras Mehta (11 runs). Shri Manish Chauhan took four wickets.

The Sellers' Panel won the match and Shri Rishabh J. Shah was awarded the Man of the Match.

### Second Match - Brokers' Panel v/s Bombay Ready Cotton Brokers Association

The Brokers' Panel captain was Shri Rishit S. Dholakia and the Bombay Ready Cotton Brokers Association captain was Shri Kasturchand D. Shah. The Brokers' Panel won the toss and decided to bat. They scored 79 runs for nine wickets in 12 overs



*Team of Sellers Panel*



*Team of Buyers Panel*



*Team of Brokers Panel*



*Team of Ready Cotton Brokers Association*



with the help of Shri Viral Vasani (20 runs) and Shri Tanmay Manish Daga (20 runs).

Shri Krishna Shah took three wickets and Shri Punit K. Shah took two wickets.

The Bombay Ready Cotton Brokers Association scored 80 runs for three wickets in nine over with the help of Shri Punit K. Shah (19 not out) and Shri Dashrath Singh (24 not out).

Shri Darshan Lakhani took two wickets and Shri Viral Vasani took one wicket. The Bombay Ready Cotton Brokers' Panel won the match and Shri Dashrath Singh was given the Man of the Match award.

**Final Match - Sellers' Panel v/s Bombay Ready Cotton Brokers Association**

The Sellers' Panel Captain was Shri Rishabh J. Shah while the Bombay Ready Cotton Brokers Panel

was lead by its Captain Shri Kasturchand D. Shah. The Bombay Ready Cotton Brokers Panel won the toss and decided to bat. They scored 100 runs for two wickets in 12 overs with the help of Shri Vicky (21 runs), Shri Punit K. Shah (20 not out) and Shri Kasturchand D. Shah (15 not out)

The Sellers' Panel score was 102runs for nine wickets in 12 over with the help of Shri Jeet Patel (21 runs), and Shri Samir Shah (21 runs). Shri Krishna Shah took two wickets and Shri Punit K. Shah took one wicket. The tournament was won by the Sellers' Panel.

The Best Bowler award was won by Shri Manish Chauhan, the Best Batsman award went to Shri Jeet Patel, while the Man of the Match was awarded to Shri Samir Shah. The prestigious Man of the Series was won by Shri Jeet Patel.



*Shri Rishabh J. Shah receives the Man of the Match for the first semi final.*



*Shri Jeet Patel receives the prestigious Man of the Series award*



*Shri Dashrath Singh receives the Man of the Match for the second semi final*



*Shri Samir Shah receives the Man of the Match for the final*



*Shri Manish Chauhan receives the Best Bowler award for the final*



*Shri Jeet Patel receives the Best Batsman award for the final*

## PRODUCTION OF MAN-MADE FILAMENT YARN

(In Mn. Kgs.)

Month	Viscose Filament yarn	Polyester Filament yarn	Nylon Filament yarn	Poly propylene Filament yarn	Total
2012-13 (P)					
April	3.45	113.68	2.06	1.97	121.16
May	3.61	113.07	1.91	1.69	120.28
June	3.32	107.74	1.72	1.78	114.56
July	3.65	115.03	1.85	1.36	121.89
August	3.64	120.74	2.00	1.68	128.06
September	3.51	111.64	1.94	1.30	119.47
October	3.65	108.20	1.98	1.32	116.16
November	3.48	98.42	1.73	1.15	105.57
December	3.68	104.76	1.88	1.26	111.58
January	3.70	107.54	2.00	1.26	114.50
February	3.31	95.06	1.85	1.09	101.15
March	3.63	92.28	1.97	1.32	98.26
2013-14 (P)					
April	3.51	103.27	1.59	1.36	109.73
May	3.38	108.64	1.87	0.90	114.79
June	3.58	105.95	1.82	0.99	112.34
July	3.92	99.07	1.91	1.11	106.01
August	3.86	106.47	1.98	1.30	113.61
September	3.72	103.30	1.94	1.03	109.99
October	3.77	99.84	1.90	0.83	106.34
November	3.50	95.61	1.88	1.14	102.13
December	3.77	104.74	1.93	1.16	111.60
January	3.74	101.06	1.95	0.96	107.71
February	3.72	100.06	1.93	1.01	106.72

(P) = Provisional

Source : Office of the Textile Commissioner



## The Long Reach of China's Cotton Policy

Since the beginning of April when the Chinese government announced a lower starting auction price, the pace of sales from China's reserve increased and the Type 328 China Cotton Index (a daily index of prices for domestic cotton offered to mills in China) fell from this season's nine-month average of 144 cents/lb. to about 129 cents/lb. by the end of April.

Although lower cotton prices are welcomed by the mills in China, a lot of damage has been done to the industry in the past few years by the Chinese government's cotton policy. Since the start of its reserve policy in 2011, mill consumption has declined by 17%, from 9.6 million tons in 2010/11 to 7.9 million tons in 2013/14. In 2014/15, the decline in consumption in China is expected to slow, falling by just 1% to 7.8 million tons. However, the next three largest consumers, India, Pakistan, and Turkey are all expected to see growth in their mill use in 2014/15. World consumption in 2014/15 is expected to reach 24.3 million tons, an increase of 3% in comparison with the previous year.

While world mill use is expected to increase in



2014/15, world production is forecast to decline by 2% to 25.2 million tons, narrowing the gap between world production and consumption. In 2014/15, India is expected to produce nearly 6.3 million tons, which is a decline of 2% due to the expectation that the monsoon weather will not be as favorable as in 2013/14. Most of the decline in world production will occur in China, where production is expected to decline by 10% from 6.7 million tons in 2013/14 to 6 million tons in 2014/15. As the Chinese government has restricted its support for cotton to just the Xinjiang region, area outside is expected to fall significantly.

World trade is expected to decline in 2014/15 to 8.2 million tons from 8.7 million tons forecast for 2013/14. As with production, this decline stems mostly from China, where imports in 2014/15 are expected to be 2.2 million tons, down by 30% from 2013/14 and 60% from its peak of 5.3 million in 2011/12. However, China's decline will be partially offset by imports from Bangladesh, Indonesia, and Vietnam, which are expected to import a total of 2.4 million tons in 2014/15, an increase of 13% from 2013/14.

### WORLD COTTON SUPPLY AND DISTRIBUTION

	2012/13	2013/14	2014/15	2012/13	2013/14	2014/15
				Changes from previous month		
	Million Tons			Million Tons		
Production	26.88	25.70	25.16	0.05	-0.03	-0.16
Consumption	23.34	23.55	24.33	0.00	0.00	0.00
Imports	9.83	8.72	8.17	0.00	0.00	0.03
Exports	10.08	8.72	8.17	0.02	0.00	0.03
Ending Stocks	17.89	20.04	20.87	0.03	0.00	-0.17
Cotlook A Index	88	90*	89**			

\* The price projection for 2013/14 is based on the ratio of ending stocks to mill use in the world-less-China in 2011/12 (estimate), 2012/13 (estimate) and 2013/14 (projection), and on the ratio of Chinese net imports to world imports in 2013/14 (projection). The price projection is the mid-point of the 95% confidence interval: 86 cts/lb to 96 cts/lb.

\*\*The price projection for 2014/15 is based on the ending stocks/mill use ratio in the world-less-China in 2012/13 (estimate), in 2013/14 (projection) and 2014/15 (projection), on the ratio of Chinese net imports to world imports in 2014/15 (projection), and on the price projection for 2013/14. The price projection is the mid-point of the 95% confidence interval: 73 cts/lb to 109 cts/lb.

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Sr. No.	Growth	Grade Standard	Grade	Staple	Micronaire	Strength /GPT	28th	29th	30th	1st	2nd	3rd
1	P/H/R	ICS-101	Fine	Below 22mm	5.0-7.0	15	10686 (38000)	10686 (38000)	10826 (38500)		10967 (39000)	10967 (39000)
2	P/H/R	ICS-201	Fine	Below 22mm	5.0-7.0	15	10826 (38500)	10826 (38500)	10967 (39000)	H	11107 (39500)	11107 (39500)
3	GUJ	ICS-102	Fine	22mm	4.0-6.0	20	7255 (25800)	7255 (25800)	7255 (25800)		7311 (26000)	7311 (26000)
4	KAR	ICS-103	Fine	23mm	4.0-5.5	21	8520 (30300)	8520 (30300)	8520 (30300)	O	8577 (30500)	8577 (30500)
5	M/M	ICS-104	Fine	24mm	4.0-5.0	23	10348 (36800)	10348 (36800)	10348 (36800)		10404 (37000)	10404 (37000)
6	P/H/R	ICS-202	Fine	26mm	3.5-4.9	26	12345 (43900)	12345 (43900)	12373 (44000)		12429 (44200)	12457 (44300)
7	M/M/A	ICS-105	Fine	26mm	3.0-3.4	25	10179 (36200)	10123 (36000)	10039 (35700)	L	10039 (35700)	10039 (35700)
8	M/M/A	ICS-105	Fine	26mm	3.5-4.9	25	10686 (38000)	10545 (37500)	10545 (37500)		10545 (37500)	10545 (37500)
9	P/H/R	ICS-105	Fine	27mm	3.5-4.9	26	12513 (44500)	12513 (44500)	12541 (44600)	I	12598 (44800)	12626 (44900)
10	M/M/A	ICS-105	Fine	27mm	3.0-3.4	26	10461 (37200)	10404 (37000)	10264 (36500)		10264 (36500)	10264 (36500)
11	M/M/A	ICS-105	Fine	27mm	3.5-4.9	26	11135 (39600)	10967 (39000)	10967 (39000)		10967 (39000)	10967 (39000)
12	P/H/R	ICS-105	Fine	28mm	3.5-4.9	27	12795 (45500)	12795 (45500)	12823 (45600)	D	12879 (45800)	12907 (45900)
13	M/M/A	ICS-105	Fine	28mm	3.5-4.9	27	11698 (41600)	11614 (41300)	11417 (40600)		11445 (40700)	11445 (40700)
14	GUJ	ICS-105	Fine	28mm	3.5-4.9	27	11838 (42100)	11810 (42000)	11782 (41900)	A	11838 (42100)	11838 (42100)
15	M/M/A/K	ICS-105	Fine	29mm	3.5-4.9	28	11895 (42300)	11867 (42200)	11810 (42000)		11867 (42200)	11867 (42200)
16	GUJ	ICS-105	Fine	29mm	3.5-4.9	28	11979 (42600)	11951 (42500)	11923 (42400)		11979 (42600)	11979 (42600)
17	M/M/A/K	ICS-105	Fine	30mm	3.5-4.9	29	12092 (43000)	12063 (42900)	12007 (42700)	Y	12063 (42900)	12063 (42900)
18	M/M/A/K/T/O	ICS-105	Fine	31mm	3.5-4.9	30	12317 (43800)	12317 (43800)	12288 (43700)		12345 (43900)	12345 (43900)
19	A/K/T/O	ICS-106	Fine	32mm	3.5-4.9	31	12598 (44800)	12598 (44800)	12570 (44700)		12626 (44900)	12626 (44900)
20	M(P)/K/T	ICS-107	Fine	34mm	3.0-3.8	33	16731 (59500)	16591 (59000)	16591 (59000)		16591 (59000)	16591 (59000)

(Note: Figures in bracket indicate prices in Rs./Candy)