



# Cotton Statistics And News

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## CAI Urges Government for Immediate Announcement of MSP for Cotton

The Association has recently released its April estimates of the cotton crop for the season 2012-13 and has projected its cotton crop at 352.00 lakh bales while the area planted to cotton is placed at 117.30 lakh hectares. The State-wise production estimates of the Association along with the market arrivals are given below:

### CAI's Estimates of Cotton Crop as on 9th May 2013

(in lakh bales)

State	Production		Arrivals as on 30.04.13
	2012-13	2011-12	
Punjab	15.50	18.00	15.50
Haryana	23.50	27.50	23.50
Upper Rajasthan	7.50	10.00	7.00
Lower Rajasthan	8.00	7.75	7.50
<b>Total North Zone</b>	<b>54.50</b>	<b>63.25</b>	<b>53.00</b>
Gujarat	85.00	114.00	76.75
Maharashtra	71.50	72.00	66.25
Madhya Pradesh	18.00	18.00	17.00
<b>Total Central Zone</b>	<b>174.50</b>	<b>204.00</b>	<b>160.00</b>
Andhra Pradesh	74.00	58.00	65.50
Karnataka	13.00	13.00	10.75
Tamil Nadu	5.00	5.00	3.50
<b>Total South Zone</b>	<b>92.00</b>	<b>76.00</b>	<b>79.75</b>
Orissa	3.00	2.00	2.75
Others	2.00	2.00	1.75
<b>Total</b>	<b>326.00</b>	<b>347.25</b>	<b>297.25</b>
Loose Cotton	26.00	26.00	24.25
All-India	352.00	373.25	321.50

The Association has also drawn the Cotton Balance Sheet for 2012-13 and 2011-12 which is reproduced below:

Details	(in lakh bales)	
	2012-13	2011-12
Opening Stock	53.21	53.27
Production	352.00	373.25
Imports	15.00	9.00
<b>Total Supply</b>	<b>420.21</b>	<b>435.52</b>
Mill Consumption	240.00	217.68
Consumption by SSI Units	22.00	21.63
Non-Mill Use	16.00	16.00
Exports	-	127.00
<b>Demand</b>	<b>278.00</b>	<b>382.31</b>
Available Surplus	142.21	-
*Closing Stock	-	53.21*

In its press communique, the Association stated that the average daily arrivals continued at a pace of approximately 60,000 bales and as on 30th April 2013 cotton arrivals are estimated to be at 321.50 lakh bales. Sowing for the new cotton season has already commenced in the Northern States. The communique further urged the government to fix the MSP for cotton at the earliest to facilitate timely decision by the farmers.

### System for Pre-Harvest Crop Estimate

The Minister of State for Agriculture and Food Processing Industries, Shri Tariq Anwar reported to have stated that the Government has developed a system for pre-harvest crop production forecast using satellite data. Under Space AgroMeteorology and Land Based Observations (FASAL) programme, the pre-harvest forecast would be available using the satellite data provided by Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO).

In a written reply to the Lok Sabha, Shri Anwar stated that forecasting agriculture using FASAL programme has been developed in collaboration with ISRO to have better pre-harvest crop production forecast for major crop at State/ country level in the country using satellite data for assessing cropped area and agro-meteorological model for estimating yields. Under the FASAL, pre-harvest satellite data of Rice (kharif and rabi both), wheat, potato, mustard and jute are obtained.

(Source: Business Line - 24.04.2013)

## Cotton Prices Move Southward in April

Prices of most of the cotton growths lost ground in April after the escalation in March. The data on the average prices of some representative growths during the last three months are given below:

Growths	Avg. Spot Rate (Rs./Quintal)		
	Feb'13	Mar'13	Apr'13
ICS-202 (P/H/R)	9,878	10,660	10,383
ICS-105 (M/M/A)	9,644	10,580	10,552
ICS-105 (GUJ)	9,846	10,764	10,732
ICS-105 (M/M/A/K/T/O)	10,005	10,999	11,114
ICS-107 (M(P)/K/T)	13,001	13,439	13,687

As may be observed, prices of ICS-202 (P/H/R), ICS-105 (M/M/A) and ICS-105 (GUJ) lost some ground while those of ICS-105 (M/M/A/K/T/O) and ICS-107 (M(P)/K/T) moved upto some extent. The growth that lost the maximum ground of Rs.277 per quintal was ICS-202 (P/H/R) while the maximum rise of Rs.248 per quintal was in the case of ICS-107 (M(P)/K/T).

Prices had touched a high in August compared to the previous months but turned weak in September and October. Prices were marginally higher in November and they further hardened in December

in the case of most growths. The uptrend was maintained in January except in the case of ICS-107 (M(P)/K/T) the price of which declined. Prices moved up in February and they escalated further in March. And now in April prices have displayed a mixed trend with rise in a few and marginal fall in others. The behaviour of prices in April was mostly influenced by the demand-supply situation in the case of each. Generally, the demand was weak both from mills as well as from exporters.

The average prices of some growths were higher during the first seven months of 2012-13 (Oct. 2012-April 2013) while those of others were marginally lower as compared to the averages during the corresponding period of 2011-12. The comparative data in this regard are given below:

Growths	Seasonal (Oct-Apr) Avg. Spot Rates (Rs/Qtl.)		
	2011-12	2012-13	Diff.
ICS-202 (P/H/R)	9,003	9,566	+ 563
ICS-105 (M/M/A)	9,503	9,681	+ 178
ICS-105 (GUJ)	10,112	9,883	- 229
ICS-105 (M/M/A/K/T/O)	10,161	10,116	- 45
ICS-107 (M(P)/K/T)	13,077	13,030	- 47



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<b>UPCOUNTRY SPOT RATES</b> (Rs./Qtl)												
Standard Descriptions with Basic Grade & Staple in Millimetres based on Upper Half Mean Length [ By law 66 (A) (a) (4) ]							Spot Rate (Upcountry) 2012-13 Crop May 2013					
Sr. No.	Growth Standard	Grade /GPT	Grade	Staple	Micronaire	Strength	6th	7th	8st	9nd	10rd	11th
1	P/H/R	ICS-101	Fine	Below 22mm	5.0 – 7.0	15	9476 (33700)	9476 (33700)	9476 (33700)	9476 (33700)	9476 (33700)	9476 (33700)
2	P/H/R	ICS-201	Fine	Below 22mm	5.0 – 7.0	15	9729 (34600)	9729 (34600)	9729 (34600)	9729 (34600)	9729 (34600)	9729 (34600)
3	GUJ	ICS-102	Fine	22mm	4.0 – 6.0	20	7536 (26800)	7536 (26800)	7536 (26800)	7536 (26800)	7536 (26800)	7536 (26800)
4	KAR	ICS-103	Fine	23mm	4.0 – 5.5	21	8942 (31800)	8942 (31800)	8942 (31800)	8942 (31800)	8661 (30800)	8661 (30800)
5	M/M	ICS-104	Fine	24mm	4.0 – 5.5	23	9589 (34100)	9589 (34100)	9589 (34100)	9589 (34100)	9589 (34100)	9589 (34100)
6	P/H/R	ICS-202	Fine	26mm	3.5 – 4.9	26	10348 (36800)	10236 (36400)	10151 (36100)	10151 (36100)	10208 (36300)	10208 (36300)
7	M/M/A	ICS-105	Fine	26mm	3.0 – 3.4	25	9588 (34100)	9588 (34100)	9505 (33800)	9420 (33500)	9420 (33500)	9420 (33500)
8	M/M/A	ICS-105	Fine	26mm	3.5 – 4.9	25	9786 (34800)	9786 (34800)	9786 (34800)	9729 (34600)	9729 (34600)	9729 (34600)
9	P/H/R	ICS-105	Fine	27mm	3.5 – 4.9	26	10489 (37300)	10376 (36900)	10292 (36600)	10264 (36500)	10320 (36700)	10320 (36700)
10	M/M/A	ICS-105	Fine	27mm	3.0 – 3.4	26	9786 (34800)	9786 (34800)	9701 (34500)	9617 (34200)	9617 (34200)	9617 (34200)
11	M/M/A	ICS-105	Fine	27mm	3.5 – 4.9	26	10039 (35700)	10039 (35700)	9954 (35400)	9954 (35400)	9954 (35400)	9954 (35400)
12	P/H/R	ICS-105	Fine	28mm	3.5 – 4.9	27	10629 (37800)	10517 (37400)	10432 (37100)	10432 (37100)	10461 (37200)	10461 (37200)
13	M/M/A	ICS-105	Fine	28mm	3.5 – 4.9	27	10320 (36700)	10320 (36700)	10320 (36700)	10320 (36700)	10320 (36700)	10320 (36700)
14	GUJ	ICS-105	Fine	28mm	3.5 – 4.9	27	10404 (37000)	10404 (37000)	10404 (37000)	10404 (37000)	10461 (37200)	10461 (37200)
15	M/M/A/K	ICS-105	Fine	29mm	3.5 – 4.9	28	10489 (37300)	10489 (37300)	10489 (37300)	10489 (37300)	10545 (37500)	10545 (37500)
16	GUJ	ICS-105	Fine	29mm	3.5 – 4.9	28	10545 (37500)	10545 (37500)	10545 (37500)	10545 (37500)	10601 (37700)	10601 (37700)
17	M/M/A/K	ICS-105	Fine	30mm	3.5 – 4.9	29	10770 (38300)	10770 (38300)	10770 (38300)	10714 (38100)	10714 (38100)	10714 (38100)
18	M/M/A/K/T/O	ICS-105	Fine	31mm	3.5 – 4.9	30	10995 (39100)	10995 (39100)	10939 (38900)	10939 (38900)	10939 (38900)	10939 (38900)
19	K/A/T/O	ICS-106	Fine	32mm	3.5 – 4.9	31	11248 (40000)	11248 (40000)	11248 (40000)	11248 (40000)	11248 (40000)	11248 (40000)
20	M(P)/K/T	ICS-107	Fine	34mm	3.0 - 3.8	33	13638 (48500)	13638 (48500)	13638 (48500)	13638 (48500)	13638 (48500)	13638 (48500)

(Note: Figures in bracket indicate prices in Rs./Candy) N.Q. = Not Quoted