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COTAAP Research Foundation's Activities Benefit Farmers

COTAAP (Cotton and Allied Products) Research Foundation is the research arm of the Association which was founded with the main object of developing and carrying out all kinds of scientific, economic and technological research in the field of cotton with the ultimate aim of helping farmers to improve their output qualitatively and quantitatively so as to enhance their returns from cotton farming. It undertakes various cotton development activities to demonstrate to the farmers benefits of adopting modern and scientific methods of cotton cultivation best suited to various agro-climatic zones in the Country. COTAAP also provides on the spot guidance to the cotton farmers about the steps to be undertaken at various stages of the crop and encourages them to use eco-friendly bio-fertilisers and various other methods of Integrated Pest Management IPM) Technology, thus helping the farmers to conserve soil fertility while pushing up yields to the maximum.

During 2009-10, cotton development activities of COTAAP included Frontline Demonstrations on production and IPM technologies in farmers' fields. The two locations at which these conducted were Chopda district of Maharashtra and Raichur district of Karnataka. In addition to these, COTAAP also undertook Soil Nutrition Management Programme, the first of its kind, in Chopda. All the programmes undertaken during the year at the above locations were quite successful and received overwhelming response from farmers.

While presently, the activities are confined to two locations in two States, COTAAP plans to reach out to all the major cotton growing States and to expand its activities to cover various aspects of research and development to cater to the growing needs of the Country's cotton sector.

In response to the request made by our Association, Directorate General of Foreign Trade (DGFT) has agreed to decentralise the process for issue of registration certificates and authorised Zonal Joint Director General of Foreign Trade at Chennai, Delhi, Kolkata and Mumbai to receive the documents, scrutinise them and if found correct, issue registration certificates.

A Trade Notice No.4/2011 dated 14th January 2011 has been issued by the DGFT to this effect. This work has began in the Zonal Joint DGFT offices with effect from 17th January 2011 and will be completed by 25th January 2011.

Growth of Organic Cotton Over the Years

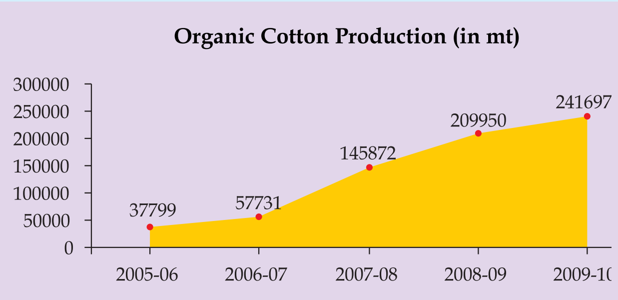
Five years ago, in 2004-05 organic cotton production started to expand significantly but still only made up 0.1 percent of total cotton fiber production. Five years on and we see organic production break the 1 percent barrier and now represent 1.2 percent of global cotton production. Concurrently the global organic cotton market jump from under US $300 million in 2002 to over $4.3 billion in 2009.

Early organic fiber production began in the USA and Turkey in the late 1980s. This was soon followed by production in Uganda, Egypt, India, and Peru. Some production was initiated by companies seeking to create new models of doing business; some was started by farmers seeking new markets and better ways of living; some started as development projects by NGOs.

Organic cotton fiber production has gone through several phases of development over the past twenty years. These included enthusiastic growth in the early 1990s, re-orientation in the early to mid 1990s, then the laying of a more structured and professional approach in the late 1990s and early 2000s.

The middle of the decade showed increased organic cotton production and trade, improved supply chains and fiber quality and rapid growth in demand. Reaching a staggering 152 percent growth in 2007-08 over the previous year's production. This dropped to a 20 percent growth 15 percent last year. This was all despite a turbulent economic climate and the ongoing challenges for the sector.

Year	Organic Cotton Production (in mt)
2005-06	37,799
2006-07	57,731
2007-08	1,45,872
2008-09	2,09,950
2009-10	2,41,697



The recent economic pressures and the tantalising 'price premium' placed on organic cotton led to some concern over the integrity of this tremendous growth (particularly in India). As production skyrocketed prices plummeted much to the shock of organic cotton producers in other countries.

Over the past year we have seen a call to action to address integrity in production, rigor and transparency in certification. Collaborative efforts by the leading and most influential stakeholders in the sector are resulting in clearer direction and enforcement of 'rules'. There is still more to do, but the sector can be proud of its progress.

As priorities such as traceability and country of origin continue to mature in retail we are seeing more brands and retailers taking this journey. This attention will reinforce and provide the impetus needed to reach the next level.

TOP 10 PRODUCER COUNTRIES

The top 10 producers of organic cotton have remained fairly constant over the years with some reshuffling as India made its way to the top in 2007-08 and Syria burst onto the scene which was followed by Turkey, China, USA, Tanzania, Uganda, Peru, Egypt and Mali. Now India represents over 80 percent of global production.

(Source: Textile Exchange 2010)

'Makar Sankranti' - A Celebration of Kite Flying was Organised at Cotton Exchange Building

Our Association celebrated ‘Makar Sankranti’ on 14th January 2011 with much fanfare. The tradition of kite flying was celebrated with fervour and excitement, bringing together the CAI Members, their families, friends and relatives. Members gathered on the terrace of the Cotton Exchange Building and enjoyed the festivity by flying colourful kites.

PRODUCTION OF SPUN YARN (NON – SSI & SSI UNITS)

(Million Kg.)

YEAR	COTTON YARN	BLENDED YARN	100% NON-COTTON YARN	TOTAL YARN
1991-92	1450	234	122	1806
1992-93	1569	247	125	1941
1993-94	1697	305	140	2142
1994-95	1696	346	158	2200
1995-96	1894	395	196	2485
1996-97	2148	484	162	2794
1997-98	2213	583	177	2973
1998-99	2022	595	191	2808
1999-00	2204	621	221	3046
2000-01	2267	646	247	3160
2001-02	2212	609	280	3101
2002-03	2177	585	319	3081
2003-04	2121	589	342	3052
2004-05	2272	585	366	3223
2005-06	2521	588	349	3458
2006-07	2824	635	354	3813
2007-08	2948	677	378	4003
2008-09	2896	655	361	3912
2009-10 (P)	3079	707	407	4193
2010-11 (P)	1952	437	232	2621
(April-Oct)	(1762)	(409)	(234)	(2405)

P – Provisional

Figures in brackets indicates corresponding figure for previous year.

Source: Office of the Textile Commissioner, Mumbai.

'LEARN WITH CAI'

Programme No.2010-11/1

'MARINE INSURANCE'

To learn these and other similar technical points

ATTEND

Marine Insurance Workshop

(covering theory, practice , case studies, quiz etc.)

The workshop will be conducted
by a renowned faculty on the subject

Mr. R.Ganatra

(M.A., M.COM., LL.M., F.I.I.I., D.M.M.T.)

VENUE : Conference Room of the Association

DATE : 29th January 2011

TIME : 8.30 A.M. to 6.00 P.M.

FEES:

For CAI Members ... Rs. 2,500/-

For Members of Affiliated Associations ... Rs. 3,000/-

For Non-members ... Rs. 3,500/-

For registration, please contact CAI Office, Tel: +91-22-30063400, Email: cai@caionline.in

DO YOU KNOW ?

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Marine Insurance also covers air and land transits.

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"All Risks" cover does not cover all the losses!

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"Warehouse to Warehouse policy is rarely Warehouse to Warehouse!

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In the event of a loss You can claim more than invoice value !

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UPCOUNTRY SPOT RATES

(Rs./Qtl)

Official quotations for standard descriptions with basic grade and staple in Millimetres based on Upper Half mean Length under By-law 66 (A)(a)(4)						SPOT RATES (UPCOUNTRY) 2009-10 CROP January 2011 15th	17th	18th	19th	20th	21st
04.	ICS-103	23mm	Jayadhar	4.0-5	19	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
			2010-11 CROP								
01.	ICS-101	Below 22mm	Bengal Deshi (RG)	5.0-7.0	15	10629 (37800)	10714 (38100)	10714 (38100)	10714 (38100)	10714 (38100)	10742 (38200)
02.	ICS-201	Below 22mm	Bengal Deshi (SG)	5.0-7.0	15	10798 (38400)	10882 (38700)	10882 (38700)	10882 (38700)	10882 (38700)	10911 (38800)
03.	ICS-102	22mm	V-797	4.5-5.9	19	N.A.	8998 (32000)	8998 (32000)	8998 (32000)	8858 (31500)	8858 (31500)
05.	ICS-104	24mm	Y-1	4.0-5.5	20	11304 (40200)	11445 (40700)	11529 (41000)	11529 (41000)	11529 (41000)	11529 (41000)
06.	ICS-202	25mm	J-34	3.5-4.9	23	11838 (42100)	11979 (42600)	11979 (42600)	11979 (42600)	11979 (42600)	12007 (42700)
07.	ICS-105	25mm	NHH-44	3.5-4.9	22	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
08.	ICS-105	27mm	LRA-5166	3.5-4.9	24	12120 (43100)	12232 (43500)	12373 (44000)	12373 (44000)	12373 (44000)	12373 (44000)
09.	ICS-105	28mm	H-4/ MECH-1	3.5-4.9	25	12317 (43800)	12457 (44300)	12654 (45000)	12654 (45000)	12654 (45000)	12654 (45000)
10.	ICS-105	29mm	S-6	3.5-4.9	26	12401 (44100)	12541 (44600)	12654 (45000)	12654 (45000)	12598 (44800)	12598 (44800)
11.	ICS-105	31mm	Bunny/ Brahma	3.5-4.9	27	12879 (45800)	13020 (46300)	13076 (46500)	13076 (46500)	13076 (46500)	13076 (46500)
12.	ICS-106	33mm	MCU-5/ Surabhi	3.3-4.5	28	13357 (47500)	13498 (48000)	13498 (48000)	13498 (48000)	13498 (48000)	13498 (48000)
13.	ICS-107	35mm	DCH-32	2.8-3.6	31	17153 (61000)	17294 (61500)	17294 (61500)	17294 (61500)	17716 (63000)	18559 (66000)

Note: Figures in bracket indicate prices in Rs./candy)