

MINUTES OF THE SECOND MEETING OF CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE OF COTTON ADVISORY BOARD HELD ON 18.06.2019 FOR THE COTTON SEASON 2018-19 IN THE CONFERENCE HALL OF OFFICE OF THE TEXTILE COMMISSIONER, MUMBAI-400 020.

1. The Second Meeting of Consultative Committee of Cotton Advisory Board (CAB) for the Cotton Season 2018-19 was held under the Chairmanship of the Textile Commissioner on **18.06.2019 (Tuesday) at 11.30 AM** in the Conference Hall of Office of the Textile Commissioner, Mumbai-20.

The list of participants of the meeting is at **Annexure-I**.

- 1.1 At the outset, the Chairman extended a warm welcome to all the members. The Chairman informed that Consultative Committee is meeting second time in the current cotton season 2018-19.
- 1.2 Thereafter, the Chairman initiated agenda for discussion.

2. **AGENDA ITEM NO.1**

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF THE FIRST MEETING OF CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE OF COTTON ADVISORY BOARD HELD ON 22.11.2018.

- 2.1 It was informed that no comments were received from any of the members. Therefore, the Consultative Committee of CAB confirmed the Minutes of the Meeting held on 22.11.2018.

3. **AGENDA ITEM NO.2**

PRICE TREND

- 3.1 **Kapas price:**

The CMD, Cotton Corporation of India Ltd. (CCI) gave a brief review on the kapas prices and informed that since beginning of current cotton season 2018-19, prices of Fair Average Quality (FAQ) grade kapas are ruling above the MSP levels except in some centres in Southern and Central States wherein seed cotton prices were hovering at MSP levels. CCI started procurement under MSP Operation w.e.f. 10th October 2018 and procured 10.78 lakh bales in the States of Telangana, Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka, Gujarat, Madhya Pradesh and Maharashtra, wherever the seed cotton prices gone below MSP level. She added that during October, 2018 to May, 2019, average kapas prices were ruling above by 11.66% to 20.65% in comparison to the previous year. Presently, seed cotton prices are ruling in the range of Rs. 5,500/- to 6,200/- per quintal on an average in different parts of the country, which is above the support price.

She further informed that as on 17.06.2019, progressive kapas arrivals for 2018-19 are reported at 304.67 lakh bales, which are around 9.55% less than the arrivals (i.e., 336.85 lakh bales) during the same period last year.

3.2 **Cotton Lint Price:**

The President, Cotton Association of India (CAI) informed that the cotton lint prices during the first eight months of cotton season 2018-19 viz. October, 2018 to May, 2019 were higher than those of the cotton season 2017-18. He added that the monthly average prices during the period from 01.10.2018 to 31.05.2019 in case of Punjab, Haryana and Rajasthan growths (26 mm length, 3.5 - 4.9 micronaire) were higher by 11.23%, Maharashtra, Madhya Pradesh and Andhra Pradesh growths (28 mm length, 3.5 - 4.9 micronaire) were higher by 12.08 %, Gujarat growths (29 mm length, 3.5 - 4.9 micronaire) were higher by 10.66%, long staple growth (31mm length, 3.5 - 4.9 micronaire) were higher by 9.86% and DCH-32 growths (34 mm length, 3.0 - 3.8 micronaire) were higher by 3.27% respectively vis-à-vis those prevailing during the same period last year.

He further informed that the decrease in eight months average cotton prices during October, 2018 to May, 2019 compared to the corresponding average prices for the said months during 2017-18 cotton season was within the range of 3.27% to 12.08%.

The Consultative Committee took note of the International Cotton Scenario as provided in the agenda.

4. **AGENDA ITEM NO. 3**

DISCUSSION ON SURVEY OF ESTIMATION OF CONSUMPTION OF COTTON IN NON-MILL/NON-SSI UNITS AND IN NON-TEXTILE USAGE:

It was informed that the Consultative Committee in its last meeting held on 22.11.2018 decided that Cotton Association of India (CAI), Confederation of Indian Textile Industry (CITI) and Cotton Corporation of India Ltd. (CCI), will jointly bear the expenditure of Rs. 15 lakhs (Rs. 5 lakhs each) towards the proposed survey on estimation of loose cotton delivery in Indian Ginning Industry and Non-Mill cotton consumption and CCI will extend necessary assistance to ATIRA for conducting the survey. In the said meeting, Shri R.M. Sankar, Assistant Director, ATIRA agreed to above decision. Accordingly, Shri R.M. Sankar, Assistant Director, ATIRA vide e-mail dated 16.05.2019 informed that the survey can be started from first week of June, 2019. However, Shri R.M. Sankar, Assistant Director, ATIRA vide e-mail dated 12.06.2019 informed that as per ATIRA's rules and regulations, any sponsored work can begin only on receipt of 50% of advance and at present ATIRA's management is of the opinion that Rs. 15 lakhs is less for undertaking such a massive and important assessment.

The CMD-CCI and other members said that more than one year has elapsed but the ATIRA has not taken effective steps to undertake the proposed survey.

After detailed deliberations, the Consultative Committee recommended that the matter may be discussed in person with ATIRA for the proposed survey to be undertaken. The Consultative Committee also decided to explore the possibility as to whether Textiles Committee, the Bombay Textile Research Association (BITRA) and the South India Textile Research Association (SITRA) could undertake the proposed survey.

5. **AGENDA ITEM NO. 4****COTTON SEASON 2017-18****(i) INPUTS ON ESTIMATION OF STATE-WISE AREA UNDER COTTON AND COTTON PRODUCTION FOR SEASON 2017-18 FOR CAB****(a) RECOMMENDATION FOR ESTIMATION OF STATE-WISE AREA UNDER COTTON CULTIVATION FOR COTTON SEASON 2017-18 TO CAB.**

As per the information provided by the Director, Directorate of Cotton Development (DCD), Ministry of Agriculture, Government of India, the area under cotton cultivation has been finalized to 125.86 lakh hectares for the cotton season 2017-18. The State-wise break up of area is as detailed below:

(Area in lakh hectares)

Sr. No.	Name of the State	Area estimated by CAB on 22.11.2018	Area recommended to CAB on 18.06.2019
1.	Punjab	2.91	2.91
2.	Haryana	6.69	6.65
3.	Rajasthan	5.84	5.84
NORTHERN REGION		15.44	15.40
4.	Gujarat	26.23	26.24
5.	Maharashtra	42.07	43.51
6.	Madhya Pradesh	6.03	6.03
CENTRAL REGION		74.33	75.78
7.	Telangana	18.97	18.97
8.	Andhra Pradesh	6.44	6.46
9.	Karnataka	5.31	5.47
10.	Tamil Nadu	1.85	1.83
SOUTHERN REGION		32.57	32.73
11.	Odisha	1.45	1.45
12.	Others	0.50	0.50
TOTAL		124.29	125.86

Accordingly, the Consultative Committee recommended final area for cotton season 2017-18 as 125.86 lakh hectares as above.

(b) INPUT ON ESTIMATION OF STATE-WISE COTTON PRODUCTION FOR THE COTTON SEASON 2017-18 FOR CAB

The Sub-Committee on pressed bale data under the Chairpersonship of CMD-CCI placed its report on pressed bale data and closing stock of cotton for the cotton season 2017-18 before the Consultative Committee. The CMD-CCI, the Chairperson of the Sub-Committee on pressed bale data and closing stock of cotton informed that the data so submitted has been arrived at by compiling data of both CCI and Cotton Association of India. Taking into account the report of the Sub-Committee, the Consultative Committee, after detailed deliberations, decided to adopt the final figures of production of cotton for 2017-18 as 370 lakh bales of 170 kg each and closing stock of cotton for the cotton season 2017-18 as 42.91 lakh bales. The State-wise details of final figures of production for the cotton season 2017-18 are as under:

(In Lakh bales of 170 kg each)

Sr. No	Name of the State	Estimated by CAB on 22.11.2018			Recommended Production to CAB on 18.06.2019		
		Pressed Bales	Loose Cotton	Total	Pressed Bales	Loose Cotton	Total
1.	Punjab	9.00	2.50	11.50	9.26	2.50	11.76
2.	Haryana	19.50	3.00	22.50	18.48	3.00	21.48
3.	Rajasthan	20.90	1.10	22.00	22.16	1.10	23.26
NORTHERN REGION		49.40	6.60	56.00	49.90	6.60	56.50
4.	Gujarat	100.80	3.20	104.00	100.64	3.20	103.84
5.	Maharashtra	79.25	5.75	85.00	77.60	5.75	83.35
6.	Madhya Pradesh	19.80	0.70	20.50	21.44	0.70	22.14
CENTRAL REGION		199.85	9.65	209.50	199.68	9.65	209.33
7.	Telangana	54.40	0.60	55.00	53.84	0.60	54.44
8.	Andhra Pradesh	14.60	5.90	20.50	15.36	5.90	21.26
9.	Karnataka	16.90	1.10	18.00	16.22	1.10	17.32
10.	Tamil Nadu	3.30	2.20	5.50	3.30	2.20	5.50
SOUTHERN REGION		89.20	9.80	99.00	88.72	9.80	98.52
11.	Odisha	3.45	0.05	3.50	3.60	0.05	3.65
12.	Others	2.00	0.00	2.00	2.00	0.00	2.00
TOTAL		343.90	26.10	370.00	343.90	26.10	370.00

Accordingly, the Consultative Committee recommended final cotton production for 2017-18 cotton season as 370 lakh bales.

COTTON SEASON 2018-19**(ii) INPUTS ON ESTIMATION OF STATE-WISE AREA UNDER COTTON AND COTTON PRODUCTION FOR CURRENT COTTON SEASON 2018-19 FOR CAB****(a) RECOMMENDATION FOR ESTIMATION OF STATE-WISE AREA UNDER COTTON CULTIVATION TO CAB.**

As per the information on 3rd advance estimate made available by the Directorate of Cotton Development (DCD), Ministry of Agriculture, Government of India, the Area under cotton cultivation has been revised to 126.07 lakh hectares for the cotton season 2018-19. The State-wise break up of area is as detailed below:

(Area in lakh hectares)

Sr. No.	Name of the State	Area furnished by DCD on 22.11.2018	Area recommended to CAB on 18.06.2019
1	Punjab	2.84	2.68
2	Haryana	6.65	7.08
3	Rajasthan	4.96	6.29
NORTHERN REGION		14.45	16.05
4	Gujarat	27.09	26.59
5	Maharashtra	41.19	42.54
6	Madhya Pradesh	6.97	6.14
CENTRAL REGION		75.25	75.27
7	Telangana	17.94	18.27
8	Andhra Pradesh	5.51	6.21
9	Karnataka	5.75	6.88
10	Tamil Nadu	1.40	1.31
SOUTHERN REGION		30.60	32.67
11	Odisha	1.58	1.58
12	Others	0.50	0.50
TOTAL		122.38	126.07

(b) AGENCY-WISE INPUT ON ESTIMATION OF STATE-WISE COTTON PRODUCTION FOR THE CURRENT COTTON SEASON 2018-19 FOR CAB

The inputs on estimation of State-wise Cotton production for the Cotton Season 2018-19 furnished by various agencies viz., Directorate of Cotton Development (DCD), Cotton Association of India (CAI), Confederation of Indian Textile Industry (CITI), Cotton Corporation of India Ltd (CCI) and Indian Cotton Federation (ICF) are as under:-

(In lakh bales of 170 kg each)

Sr. No.	Name of the State	CAB estimates on 22.11.2018			Agency-wise input on estimation of production for CAB on 18.06.2019				
		Pressed Bales	Loose Cotton	Total	DCD	CAI	CITI	CCI	ICF
1.	Punjab	9.00	2.50	11.50	12.23	8.75	10.00	9.50	9.00
2.	Haryana	24.00	3.00	27.00	20.13	23.00	23.00	22.00	24.00
3.	Rajasthan	20.90	1.10	22.00	20.27	27.25	27.00	26.00	29.00
NORTHERN REGION		53.90	6.60	60.50	52.63	59.00	60.00	57.50	62.00
4.	Gujarat	88.80	3.20	92.00	55.39	82.50	89.00	88.00	87.00
5.	Maharashtra	75.25	5.75	81.00	71.28	74.20	79.00	77.00	81.00
6.	Madhya Pradesh	23.30	0.70	24.00	19.13	23.25	25.00	24.00	21.00
CENTRAL REGION		187.35	9.65	197.00	145.80	179.95	193.00	189.00	189.00
7.	Telangana	52.40	0.60	53.00	40.95	38.00	46.00	47.00	45.00
8.	Andhra Pradesh	14.10	5.90	20.00	14.39	14.00	14.00	15.00	15.00
9.	Karnataka	16.90	1.10	18.00	13.40	14.25	15.00	15.00	15.00
10.	Tamil Nadu	3.80	2.20	6.00	3.03	5.50	6.00	6.00	6.00
SOUTHERN REGION		87.20	9.80	97.00	71.77	71.75	81.00	83.00	81.00
11.	Odisha	4.45	0.05	4.50	4.55	3.30	4.00	3.50	4.00
12.	Others	2.00	0.00	2.00	1.18	1.00	2.00	2.00	2.00
TOTAL		334.90	26.10	361.00	275.93	315.00	340.00	335.00	338.00

The State-wise production estimates are inclusive of loose Cotton.

The members discussed about drought like situation, deficient & erratic rains, dry & hot weather and soil moisture stress conditions mainly in parts of Gujarat, Maharashtra, Telangana, Andhra Pradesh and Karnataka could attribute to lower cotton production. The representative of Govt. of Maharashtra informed that advisories have been issued in the Maharashtra asking farmers not to extend the cotton crop beyond the month of December to minimize infestation and carryover of pink bollworm.

(iii) **INPUTS ON IMPORT, EXPORT AND CONSUMPTION OF COTTON FOR COTTON SEASON 2017-18 FOR CAB**

(a) **Input on estimation of Import and Export of cotton**

The Directorate General of Commercial Intelligence and Statistics (DGCI & S), Kolkata has furnished the Final data on Import of Cotton at 15.80 lakh bales and Export of cotton at 67.59 lakh bales respectively.

(b) **Input on estimation of Cotton Consumption**

Economics & Statistics Branch of Office of the Textile Commissioner has furnished the Final consumption data for Non-SSI units and SSI units as 280.11 lakh bales and 26.18 lakh bales respectively for the cotton season 2017-18.

(iv) **INPUTS ON IMPORT, EXPORT AND CONSUMPTION OF COTTON FOR COTTON SEASON 2018-19 FOR CAB**

(a) **Agency-wise input on estimation of Import and Export of cotton**

DGCI& S, Kolkata has furnished the data on import of cotton from October, 2018 to March, 2019 as 5.27 lakh bales as against 4.82 lakh bales imported during the same period last year. Similarly, DGCI& S, Kolkata has furnished the data on export of cotton from October, 2018 to March, 2019 as 37.24 lakh bales as against 42.97 lakh bales exported during the same period last year.

The President, CAI opined that export of cotton for the cotton season 2018-19 would be around 50 lakh bales and import of cotton would be in the range of 28-30 lakh bales respectively.

The Past Chairman, CITI opined that export of cotton for the cotton season 2018-19 would be around 48 lakh bales and import of cotton would be 31 lakh bales respectively.

The CMD, CCI opined that export of cotton for the cotton season 2018-19 would be around 50 lakh bales and import of cotton would be 18 lakh bales respectively.

(b) **Agency-wise input on estimation of Cotton Consumption**

Economics & Statistics Branch of Office of the Textile Commissioner has furnished the provisional month-wise consumption data for the seven months i.e., October 2018 to April, 2019 for Non-SSI units and SSI units as 152.84 lakh bales and 13.36 lakh bales respectively as against 156.28 lakh bales and 15.83 lakh bales consumed during the same period last year.

The Past Chairman, CITI opined that cotton consumption for 2018-19 for Non-SSI units and SSI units would be around 270 lakh bales and 25 lakh bales respectively.

6. **AGENDA ITEM NO. 5**

ANY OTHER MATTER

The meeting, thereafter, ended with a vote of thanks to the Chair.

ANNEXURE-I

LIST OF PARTICIPANTS IN THE SECOND MEETING OF CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE OF COTTON ADVISORY BOARD (CAB) HELD ON 18.06.2019 FOR THE COTTON SEASON 2018-19 IN THE CONFERENCE HALL OF OFFICE OF THE TEXTILE COMMISSIONER, MUMBAI.

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