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**Sub:- Minutes of the First Meeting (2009-10) of the Cotton Advisory Board (CAB) held on 13.11.2009.**

Sir,

Kindly find enclosed a copy of the Minutes of the First Meeting of the Cotton Advisory Board held on 13.11.2009 at Mumbai. You are requested to confirm the Minutes along with your comments, if any.

You are also requested to send district-wise area under cotton cultivation and estimation of cotton crop in pressed bales of 170 kg. each for the current cotton season 2009-10 (October 2009 - September 2010).

Your confirmation may kindly be sent to this office on or before 14.12.2009.

Yours faithfully,

Encl: As above.

(B.A.PATEL)  
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**MINUTES OF THE FIRST MEETING OF THE COTTON ADVISORY BOARD (CAB) FOR THE 2009-10 SEASON HELD ON 13.11.2009 (FRIDAY) AT 11.00 AM IN THE CONFERENCE HALL OF THE OFFICE OF THE TEXTILE COMMISSIONER, NEW C.G.O. BUILDING, MUMBAI-20.**

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1. The First meeting of the Cotton Advisory Board (CAB) for the cotton year 2009-10 was held under the chairmanship of Shri A.B. Joshi, Textile Commissioner on 13.11.2009 (Friday) at 11.00 AM in the Conference Hall of the Textile Commissioner's Office, Mumbai.

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

- 1.1 At the outset, Shri A.B. Joshi, Textile Commissioner & Chairman of the CAB, extended a warm welcome to all the members of CAB. He expressed his pleasure for the presence of Dr. J.N. Singh, Joint Secretary, Government of India, Ministry of Textiles, New Delhi in the meeting. The Chairman informed that this CAB is meeting at a time when there is a decline in world-wide cotton production and the world economy shows a sign of revival in the global market, which will increase cotton consumption. The exports and domestic orders are picking up in the wake of easing of recessionary pressures. The flood in Andhra Pradesh and Karnataka and the recent cyclone and the consequent rains has affected the agricultural produce including cotton. Dr.J.N.Singh informed that Global Textile production experienced a rebound. Both global yarn and fabric production surged driven by Asia in general and China in particular according to the latest statistics.

The Chairman, thereafter, initiated the discussion on the Agenda Points

2. **AGENDA ITEM NO.1**

**CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE THIRD MEETING FOR 2008-09 COTTON SEASON HELD ON 29.08.2009.**

- 2.1 As no comments were received from any Member till date, the CAB confirmed the minutes.

3. **AGENDA ITEM NO.2**

**ACTION TAKEN REPORT ON THE DECISION OF THE BOARD AT THE MEETING HELD ON 29.08.2009:**

- 3.1 With regard to the survey of loose cotton consumption in India, the Chairman informed that ATIRA vide their another letter dated 21-8-2009 has given their revised project proposal on survey on estimation of loose cotton production and consumption in India. The cost of survey has been quoted at Rs.20.0 lakhs and period of completion is 9 months. The revised project inter-alia will undertake visit to cotton/ginning regions of 10 states to collect data of loose cotton production in India. The visit will also be made to non-mill sectors like manufacturer of surgical cotton, mattresses, khadi sector, technical textile, etc. in India to collect data on loose cotton consumption. After discussion, it was felt that detailed item-wise work to be undertaken may be discussed with ATIRA for finalization

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of the survey to be undertaken. In this connection, he informed that the Sub-Committee constituted by CAB will meet shortly on 20.11.2009 to discuss and finalise the detailed item-wise work to be entrusted to ATIRA for undertaking the said survey.

#### **4. AGENDA ITEM NO.3**

##### **PRICE TREND**

- 4.1 The Chairman informed that the prices of Kapas and Lint Cotton for the cotton season 2009 - 10 have already been mentioned in the Agenda circulated.
- 4.2 The Chairman informed that during the current cotton season 2009-10 which has commenced from 1.10.2009, the same Minimum Support Price (MSP) of seed cotton have been continued as that of last year i.e., Rs.2500/- per quintal for medium staple length cotton having staple length of 24.5 to 25.5 mm with micronaire value of 4.3 to 5.1 and Rs.3000/- per quintal for long staple cotton having staple length of 29.5 to 30.5 mm with micronaire value of 3.5 to 4.3 of Fair Average Quality of kapas (seedcotton). Based on the support price of these two basic classes of seed cotton (kapas) and taking into account the quality differential, normal price differential and other relevant factors, the support price for other classes of seed cotton (kapas) of FAQ for the cotton season 2009-10 have been fixed vide Order No.1/20/2009-10/Cotton/MSP/301-347 dated 30.9.2009. The copy of the said order have already been circulated alongwith the Agenda papers.
- 4.3 The Chairman then requested Shri S.C. Grover, CMD of CCI to brief the price trend of kapas. Shri S.C.Grover, CMD, CCI informed the following:

##### **Kapas prices:**

###### **i) Price support operations:**

During the current cotton season 2009-10, initially, the prevailing kapas have started ruling at MSP level in the Northern States of Punjab, Haryana and Rajasthan followed by Maharashtra and Andhra Pradesh. Hence, from 1<sup>st</sup> Oct., 2009, CCI, had commenced MSP operations in Punjab, followed by Rajasthan, Haryana, Gujarat, Maharashtra and Andhra Pradesh. However, since first week of November 2009, the prevailing kapas have started ruling above MSP level in all the cotton growing States, except Andhra Pradesh, where large quantities of seed cotton are also being sold above MSP level and small quantities are being offered to CCI at MSP level. As on 10<sup>th</sup> Nov., 2009, the Corporation has purchased 1.70 lakh bales under MSP operations.

###### **ii) Commercial Operations:**

Whenever, the prevailing kapas prices are ruling above the MSP level announced by the Govt. of India, the Corporation has been undertaking commercial purchases, entirely at its own risk, to ensure remunerative and competitive prices to the cotton farmers. During the current cotton season 2009-10, since the prevailing kapas prices have been ruling at MSP level, the Corporation had not commenced commercial operations so far.

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**Lint price:**

The opening prices of cotton during cotton season 2009-10 were lower by around 11 to 18 per cent as compared to the opening price of 2008-09. The opening price of J-34 was Rs.20,800/- per candy as against the opening price of Rs.23,500/- per candy during last year. Similarly, the opening price of S-6 was Rs.22,700/- per candy as against Rs.26,000/- per candy. From the third week of Oct., 2009, the domestic have been steady to better. At present, the domestic cotton prices are ruling higher by around 1 to 11% as compared to the opening prices. Similarly, the present prices are also higher by around 1 to 10% (except MCU-5 variety) as compared to the prices during corresponding period last year.

Shri Dhiren Sheth, President, Cotton Association of India (CAI) informed that the international markets have been firmed and the domestic prices are following suit.

As regards the international price scenario, the Chairman informed that as per the latest release of November, 2, 2009, the ICAC had estimated world cotton output at 22.34 million tonnes for the year 2009-10 against the estimated world cotton use of 23.60 million tonnes. The estimated production in 2009-10 is 4.57% lower than the 2008-09 output of 23.41 million tonnes.

The ICAC forecast a season average Cotlook 'A' Index of US Cent 67 per pound.

The details of the international cotton scenario have already been mentioned in the agenda circulated to all the members.

Shri B.K.Patodia, Vice Chairman and Managing Director of M/s GTN Textiles Ltd. and Shri Shishir Jaipuria, President of CITI requested that the Govt. may have a relook at the financial need of the textile industry for the purchase of raw cotton and enabling provision may be made in this regard. They informed that normally the bank do not lend support to the textile industry to purchase raw cotton. They further informed that the international merchants are in a position to corner cotton for export because they get very cheap finance as low as 2 to 2.5 percent from global sources and they are able to hedge their contracts in the New York futures market. To match the operation of international traders, it is necessary for the govt to make available adequate finance to Indian textile mills at concessional rate of say, 5 to 6 percent, for the period Oct-March. They requested Dr.J.N.Singh, Jt.Secy. to have an interaction with the Indian Bankers Association(IBA) for directing the banks.

Shri B.K.Patodia, informed that there is a cause of concern of mill industry about rise in the cotton price even though the country's production is high. In this connection, he mentioned that country's ending stock/mill use is 31% which is low as compared to the world ending stock less China / world-less-China mill use of 61% for the cotton season 2008-09. In this context, Shri Suresh Kotak expressed his view that the commercial (like stock to mill use ratio) and non-commercial indicators has been done away with and are no more relevant in the international commodity market. The appreciation of the rupee against dollar, and the near zero interest rate in the USA is causing imbalance in developing country like India which makes our export uncompetitive.

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Shri B.K.Patodia, requested the CMD, CCI to place on their website i) about the details of daily stock lying at the various purchase centre of CCI and ii) details of the fibre properties (i.e., length, micronaire, moisture) of the cotton procured by the CCI .

## 5. AGENDA ITEM NO.4

### FURTHER REVISION OF AREA UNDER COTTON CULTIVATION AND PRODUCTION OF COTTON FOR 2008-09 COTTON SEASON AND ESTIMATION OF AREA UNDER COTTON CULTIVATION AND PRODUCTION OF COTTON FOR 2009-10 COTTON SEASON

#### 5.1 COTTON YEAR 2008-09

##### 5.1.1. FURTHER REVISION OF AREA UNDER COTTON CULTIVATION FOR COTTON SEASON 2008-09

The CAB at its last meeting held on 29.08.2009 had revised the area under cotton for 2008-09 at 94.06 lakh hectares. Dr. Anupam Barik, Director, Directorate of Cotton Development (DOCD), Ministry of Agriculture, Govt. of India informed during the Meeting that the state-wise area as estimated by CAB in its last meeting held on 29.8.2009 remains unchanged. The state-wise break-up of the area is detailed below:

(Area in lakh hectares)

Sl. No.	Name of the State	Revised area under cotton as estimated by CAB as on 29.08.2009	Further revised area under cotton as estimated by CAB as on 13.11.2009
1.	Punjab	05.27	05.27
2.	Haryana	04.56	04.56
3.	Rajasthan	03.02	03.02
<b>NORTHERN ZONE</b>		<b>12.85</b>	<b>12.85</b>
4.	Gujarat	23.54	23.54
5.	Maharashtra	31.42	31.42
6.	Madhya Pradesh	06.25	06.25
<b>CENTRAL ZONE</b>		<b>61.21</b>	<b>61.21</b>
7.	Andhra Pradesh	13.99	13.99
8.	Karnataka	04.08	04.08
9.	Tamil Nadu	01.09	01.09
<b>SOUTHERN ZONE</b>		<b>19.16</b>	<b>19.16</b>
10.	Orissa	00.58	00.58
11.	Others	00.26	00.26
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>94.06</b>	<b>94.06</b>

The CAB noted and adopted the aforementioned unchanged estimates of area.

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5.1.2 **FURTHER REVISION OF COTTON PRODUCTION FOR COTTON SEASON 2008-09**

The revised crop estimate at 290.00 lakh bales of 170 kg. each (inclusive of 12.00 lakh bales of loose cotton) as adopted by CAB in its last meeting held on 29.8.2009 may be seen from the table given below. The cotton season 2008-09 has just concluded on 30.09.2009 and the pressed bale figures are yet to be received from the ginning and pressing factories which may take some time to compile the said data. Therefore, the earlier estimate of 290.00 lakh bales of 170 kg. each (inclusive of 12.00 lakh bales of loose cotton) has been retained as mentioned below:

(Production: In lakh bales of 170 kg. each)

<b>Sr. No</b>	<b>State</b>	<b>CAB estimates as on 29.08.2009</b>	<b>CAB revised estimates as on 13.11.2009</b>
1.	Punjab	17.50	17.50
2.	Haryana	14.00	14.00
3.	Rajasthan	07.50	07.50
	<b>Northern Zone</b>	<b>39.00</b>	<b>39.00</b>
4.	Gujarat	90.00	90.00
5.	Maharashtra	62.00	62.00
6.	Madhya Pradesh	18.00	18.00
	<b>Central Zone</b>	<b>170.00</b>	<b>170.00</b>
7.	Andhra Pradesh	53.00	53.00
8.	Karnataka	09.00	09.00
9.	Tamil Nadu	05.00	05.00
	<b>Southern Zone</b>	<b>67.00</b>	<b>67.00</b>
10.	Orissa	01.50	01.50
11.	Others	00.50	00.50
	<b>Total</b>	<b>278.00</b>	<b>278.00</b>
12.	Loose cotton consumed but not accounted for in state-wise production	12.00	12.00
	<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>290.00</b>	<b>290.00</b>

The CAB noted the aforementioned unchanged estimates of production.

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## 5.2 COTTON YEAR 2009-10

### 5.2.1 ESTIMATION OF AREA UNDER COTTON FOR COTTON SEASON 2009-10

As per the latest information made available Dr. Anupam Barik, Director, (DOCD), Mumbai, the progressive area under cotton cultivation has been estimated at 101.20 lakh hectares. The DOCD has made available the state-wise break up of the area as detailed below:

Sl. No.	Name of the State	Progressive area under cotton as estimated by DOCD as on 04.11.2009	Area estimated by CAB as on 13.11.2009
1.	Punjab	05.36	5.36
2.	Haryana	05.20	5.22
3.	Rajasthan	04.44	4.44
<b>NORTHERN ZONE</b>		<b>15.00</b>	<b>15.02</b>
4.	Gujarat	26.24	26.24
5.	Maharashtra	35.03	35.03
6.	Madhya Pradesh	06.46	06.46
<b>CENTRAL ZONE</b>		<b>67.73</b>	<b>67.73</b>
7.	Andhra Pradesh	13.19	13.19
8.	Karnataka	02.92	03.95
9.	Tamil Nadu	00.28	00.28
<b>SOUTHERN ZONE</b>		<b>16.39</b>	<b>17.42</b>
10.	Orissa	00.54	0.54
11.	Others	00.24	0.49
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>99.90</b>	<b>101.20</b>

Dr. Anupam Barik further informed that Bt. cotton area has been increased substantially in all the nine states and occupies 80.55 lakh hectares which is 80% of the total area. He further informed that the adoption of Bollgard II was also increased to the extent of 20-30% of the total Bt cotton.

The CAB noted and adopted the aforementioned area.

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**5.2.2 ESTIMATION OF COTTON PRODUCTION FOR 2009-10 COTTON SEASON:**

The Directorate of Cotton Development (DOCD), Cotton Association of India(CAI), Confederation of Indian Textile Industry(CITI), All India Cooperative Cotton Federation Ltd.(AICCF) and Cotton Corporation of India(CCI) placed their estimate of production. After detailed discussion, the CAB estimates the cotton production at 295 lakh bales (inclusive of 12.00 lakh bales of loose cotton consumed but not accounted for in the state-wise production).

(Production: In lakh bales of 170 kg each)

Sr. No	Name of the State	Production estimated as on 13.11.2009					CAB estimate s as on 13.11. 09
		DOCD	CAI	CITI	AICCF	CCI	
1.	Punjab	23.10	16.50	15.00	18.00	17.00	16.00
2.	Haryana	18.35	15.50	15.00	15.00	13.00	13.00
3.	Rajasthan	6.49	11.00	9.00	7.00	11.00	10.00
	<b>NORTHERN REGION</b>	<b>47.94</b>	<b>43.00</b>	<b>39.00</b>	<b>40.00</b>	<b>41.00</b>	<b>39.00</b>
4.	Gujarat	84.00	98.00	90.00	90.00	95.00	95.00
5.	Maharashtra	48.00	69.00	56.00	60.00	72.00	67.00
6.	Madhya Pradesh	8.93	17.50	17.00	16.00	18.00	18.00
	<b>CENTRAL REGION</b>	<b>140.93</b>	<b>184.50</b>	<b>163.00</b>	<b>166.00</b>	<b>185.00</b>	<b>180.00</b>
7.	Andhra Pradesh	30.00	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00	48.00
8.	Karnataka	6.75	10.00	9.00	06.00	10.00	09.00
9.	Tamil Nadu	2.25	4.00	5.00	04.00	05.00	05.00
	<b>SOUTHERN REGION</b>	<b>39.00</b>	<b>64.00</b>	<b>64.00</b>	<b>60.00</b>	<b>65.00</b>	<b>62.00</b>
10.	Orissa	1.25	1.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.00
11.	Others	0.92	0.50				
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>230.04</b>	<b>293.00</b>	<b>268.00</b>	<b>268.00</b>	<b>293.00</b>	<b>283.00</b>
12.	Loose cotton consumed but not accounted for in state-wise production.		12	12	12	12	12
	<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>230.04</b>	<b>305.00</b>	<b>280.00</b>	<b>280.00</b>	<b>305.00</b>	<b>295.00</b>

Dr. Anupam Barik, Director, DOCD informed that both the drought and recent heavy rains in Andhra Pradesh (Kurnool, Mehaboob Nagar, Krishna, Nalagonda and Ranga Reddy District), Karnataka (Dharwad, Gulbarga, Koppal, Bagalkot, Belgaum Districts), and Maharashtra has damaged crops in about 7 lakh hectares. The crops of

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these 7 lakh hectares may have suffered about 50% damage.

The CAB noted the aforementioned production estimates.

**6. AGENDA ITEM NO 5: -**

**FURTHER REVISION OF COTTON BALANCE SHEET FOR 2008-09 SEASON AND PROJECTION OF COTTON BALANCE SHEET FOR 2009-10.**

**6.1 FURTHER REVISION OF COTTON BALANCE SHEET FOR 2008-09 SEASON.**

No revision has been made in the demand and supply position as estimated in the last meeting of CAB held on 29.8.2009. Therefore, the cotton balance sheet remains unchanged as indicated below:

**COTTON BALANCE SHEET FOR 2008-09**

(In lakh bales of 170 kg. each)

SR NO		COTTON YEAR 2008-09	
		As on 29.08.2009	As on 13.11.2009
<b>SUPPLY</b>			
1.	Opening Stock	35.50*	35.50*
2.	Production		
	(i) State-wise total	278.00	278.00
	(ii) Loose cotton not included in (i)	12.00	12.00
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		290.00	290.00
3.	Imports	10.00	10.00
	<b>TOTAL SUPPLY</b>	<b>335.50</b>	<b>335.50</b>
<b>DEMAND</b>			
1.	Mill Consumption	190.00	190.00
2.	Consumption by SSI units	20.00	20.00
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		210.00	210.00
3.	Non-mill consumption (Balancing figure)	19.00	19.00
4.	Exports	35.00	35.00
	<b>TOTAL DEMAND</b>	<b>264.00</b>	<b>264.00</b>
	<b>CLOSING STOCK</b>	<b>71.50</b>	<b>71.50</b>

\*The opening stock for 2008-09 is based on verified figure.

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The CAB noted and adopted the above unchanged cotton balance sheet for cotton year 2008-09.

## 6.2 **PROJECTED COTTON BALANCE SHEET FOR 2009-10**

The closing stock of 71.50 lakh bales of 2008-09, is taken as an opening stock for 2009-10.

As mentioned in the foregoing para 5.2.2, the production has been estimated at 295 lakh bales.

As regards the import, the same has been estimated at 7.0 lakh bales.

As regards the consumption, the mill consumption has been estimated at 207 lakh bales and that of SSI has been estimated at 23 lakh bales for the current cotton season 2009-10.

The non-mill consumption has been revised upward from 15.0 lakh bales to 20.0 lakh bales.

The estimate of export of raw cotton has been estimated at 55.0 lakh bales.

On the basis of these supply and demand positions, the projected cotton balance sheet drawn by CAB for 2009-10 is given below:

### **PROJECTED COTTON BALANCE SHEET FOR COTTON SEASON 2009-10**

(In lakh bales of 170 kg each)

SL. NO.		<b>COTTON SEASON 2009-10</b>	
		<b>As on 13.11.2009</b>	
<b>SUPPLY</b>			
1.	Opening Stock		71.50
2.	Production		
	(i) State-wise total	283.00	
	(ii) Loose cotton not included in (i).	<u>12.00</u>	
			295.00
3.	Imports		7.00
	<b>TOTAL SUPPLY</b>		<b>373.50</b>
<b>DEMAND</b>			
1.	Mill Consumption	207.00	
2.	Consumption by SSI units	<u>23.00</u>	
			230.00
3.	Non-mill consumption (Balancing figure)		20.00
4.	Exports		55.00
	<b>TOTAL DEMAND</b>		<b>305.00</b>
	<b>CLOSING STOCK</b>		<b>68.50</b>

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The CAB approved the above projected Cotton balance sheet for the cotton season year 2009-10

**7. AGENDA ITEM NO. 6**

**REVIEW OF THE PROGRESS OF TECHNOLOGY MISSION ON COTTON.**

The members took note of the progress achieved towards the various Mini Missions of Technology Mission on Cotton (TMC).

**8. AGENDA ITEM NO. 7**

**ANY OTHER MATTER WITH THE PERMISSION OF THE CHAIR**

**i) PROPOSAL TO RE-INTRODUCE IMPORT CONTRACT REGISTRATION**

Shri Dhiren N. Sheth, President, CAI, Shri Shishir Jaipuria, Chairman, CITI and Shri B.K. Patodia, CMD of M/s GTN Textiles Ltd., requested the Chairman to take up the matter with Ministry of Commerce & Industry through Ministry of Textiles for re-introduction of the compulsory registration of Cotton Import Contract similar to the existing Export Contract Registration whereby all import of raw cotton are subject to the contract registration procedure with the Textile Commissioner, Mumbai, prior to the import, essentially to facilitate collection of statistics regarding import of cotton for planning purpose and to have a real time data. In this connection, Shri B.A. Patel, Member Secretary informed that one year back, the office of the Textile Commissioner had taken up the matter with Ministry of Textiles for re-introduction of the Registration of Import Contract for raw cotton. However, the DGFT had not agreed to the said proposal.

In this context, Dr. J.N.Singh, Jt. Secretary, MOT, said that he will again take up the matter with the Ministry of Commerce & Industry. He requested the Chairman to send a formal proposal to Ministry of Textiles for re-introduction of registration of import contract for raw cotton, prior to the import.

**ii) TO FURTHER INCREASE THE MINIMUM SUPPORT PRICE OF SEED COTTON (KAPAS)**

Shri Dharam Pal Singh Chaudhary, the CAB Member emphatically said that the Minimum Support Price (MSP) of Seed cotton needs to be further enhanced from the existing MSP rate, due to the increase in the input cost i.e., fertilizer, diesel oil, power, labour charges, etc. leading to the high cost of cultivation. The Chairman informed that the price policy for agricultural commodities including seedcotton (kapas) comes under the purview of Commission of Agricultural Cost and Prices (CACP), Ministry of Agriculture, which aims at ensuring remunerative prices to the growers for the produce. The CACP keeps in view i) the need to provide incentive to the producer for adopting improved technology and for developing a production pattern broadly in the light of national requirements; ii) the need to ensure rational utilization of land, water and other production resources; and iii) the likely effect of the price policy on the rest of the

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economy, particularly on the cost of living, level of wages, industrial cost structures, etc. Apart from making a comprehensive overview of the entire structure of the economy of a particular commodity, the CACP considers the cost of cultivation, changes in input prices, input/output price parity, trend in market prices, demand and supply position, inter-crop price parity, international market price situation etc.

The Chairman further informed that CACP takes an annual review on the above lines and prepare a report on price policy for kharif crop based on the views taken of all the stake holders i.e., farmers, trades, user industry, state government, seed industry etc. and submit the said report to the Ministry of Agriculture, Govt. of India. During this annual review, the views of the CAB Member will be taken into account while submitting the view to the CACP.

iii) **RESTRICTION ON THE COTTON EXPORTS:**

Shri Shishir Jaipuria, Chairman, CITI and Shri B.K.Patodia stated that the speculative buying of exports needs to be curbed. The underlying sentiments for increase in the domestic price originate from higher export of cotton from India. If this situation is allowed to continue unchecked, cotton prices in India will rise further, which will adversely affect the financial viability of Indian mills.

In the above context, Shri Dhiren Sheth, President, CAI expressed that cotton supply position is comfortable and no restriction on cotton exports is warranted. Such restrictions, would bring the country back to the pre-liberalised era of the 1980s and early 1990s. He further said that any such move will adversely affect the interest of the nation in general and that of the Indian farmer in particular. While the Indian farmer has the protection of a guaranteed MSP, this should not be the reason to prevent him realizing a value for his produce which is equal to his counterpart in USA, China, Uzbekistan or several African nations.

There being no other item for discussion, the meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the Chair.

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**LIST OF PARTICIPANTS WHO ATTENDED THE FIRST MEETING OF COTTON ADVISORY BOARD HELD ON 13/11//2009 AT 11.00 A.M., FOR THE COTTON SEASON 2009-10 IN THE CONFERENCE HALL OF THE OFFICE OF THE TEXTILE COMMISSIONER, MUMBAI.**

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