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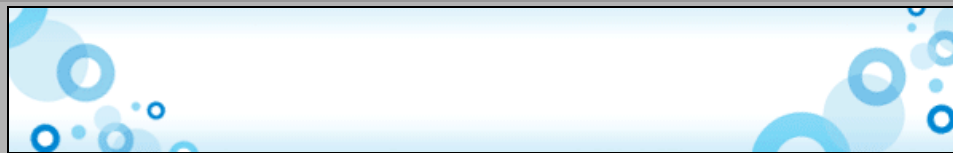
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CAB releases the revised Indian crop estimate for 2010-11

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(Seshadri Ramkumar)

On January 6, India's Cotton Advisory Board (CAB) released its revised cotton production estimate for the 2010-11 season. India's cotton production is estimated to be 32.9 million bales (170 kg each). This is 400,000 bales higher than the board's August estimate of 32.5 million bales. All India yield is expected to be averaging about 505.92 kgs/ha.



The revised Indian crop estimate for 2010-11 was recently released by the CAB

The Central Zone, which is the largest cotton producing region comprising the states of Gujarat, Maharashtra and Madhya Pradesh, is expected to produce 21.3 million bales of 170 kg each. The Southern Zone, which is composed of the states of Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka and Tamil Nadu, is expected to produce 7.2 million bales.

The total acreage in India will be 11.05 million hectares. The central zone is estimated at 7.25 million hectares and the southern zone is estimated at 2.39 million hectares. Gujarat, will have the highest yield per hectare and is estimated to be 665 kgs/ha.

In terms of the supply and demand for the 2010-11 season, only provisional estimates are available. The total supply during the 2010-11 season will be 37.45 million bales. The opening stock for this season will be 4.05 million bales. The total demand during the 2010-11 season will be 33 million bales which leaves a closing surplus stock of 4.45 million bales. Organized textile mill consumption is expected to be 23.05 million bales.

The Cotton Association of India has estimated the production to be 34.75 million bales of 170 kg each, which is higher than the CAB's latest estimate. The supply according to CAI will be 40.9 million bales and the demand will be 26.6 million bales which will leave a surplus of 14.3 million bales.

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