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On the occasion, the Hon'ble Governor of Maharashtra, Shri. C P Radhakrishnan released the 'Commemorative Souvenir' compiled by the Council to mark 70 years of inception. Presenting as a visual delight, the Souvenir showcased significant highlights of the Council's journey and the industry's achievements that bespoke the prowess of the Indian textiles sector.



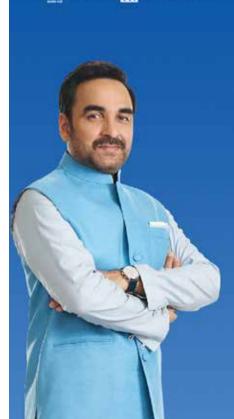




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Kasturi Cotton Standard:

Parameter	Criteria	
Staple length/UHML	30 mm+	29 mm+
Micronaire value	3.7 to 4.5	3.7 to 4.5
RD value	76+	76+
Fibre strength	30.5 (±1.5) g/tex	29.5 (±1.5) g/tex
Uniformity index	84% or more	83% or more
Trash	2% or below	2% or below
Moisture content	8% or below	8% or below



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Kasturi Cotton Traceability with Blockchain Technology





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Editorial



Dr. Siddhartha Rajagopal Executive Director TEXPROCIL

The Cover Story of this issue highlights '70th Anniversary celebrations and Awards function'. Vastra Ratna Awards were presented to 9 companies that have set new benchmarks in export excellence, innovation and sustainability driving the growth of India's textile sector on the global stage. The function also included the release of a film and a souvenir - that showcased the significant highlights of the Council's journey.

Prior to this event, the Council also celebrated its 70th Foundation Day marking its incorporation in 1954, on 4th October 2024 at its H.O. in Mumbai. The event was marked by a special webinar on the topic "Global Trends in the Textiles & Apparel Industry. The Special Feature presents a report on the Council's Foundation Day celebration.

The Foundation Day celebrations, 70th Anniversary celebrations and Vastra Ratna Awards function stand as a

Dear Reader,

The highlight of this month is that TEXPROCIL has new leadership at the helm with Shri Vijay Agarwal and Shri Ravi Sam being elected to office as the Chairman and Vice Chairman respectively of the Council for the years 2024 to 2026. A hearty welcome to the new Chairman and Vice Chairman as the Council looks forward to scaling new heights under their leadership.

Another highlight of the month gone by was the commemoration of 70 years of incorporation of TEXPROCIL. This year, the Council achieved yet another milestone with the completion of seven decades of yeomen services to the textiles trade and industry.

To commemorate the Council's journey of seven decades in serving the entire cotton textiles fraternity, the Council distributed the TEXPROCIL "Vastra Ratna" Awards at a grand function held on 28th October, 2024 at the JW Marriott, Sahar in Mumbai.

testament to the continued efforts of Texprocil in supporting and promoting Indian cotton textiles, ensuring the sector remains a key pillar of the country's export economy.

Amongst the various activities undertaken by the Council during the last few months was the vigorous promotion of Bharat Tex 2025 - the flagship event showcasing the entire gamut of the textile value chain in India being held from 14th to 17th February 2025 at the twin venues of Bharat Mandapam, New Delhi and India Expo Centre and Mart, Greater Noida.

The Bharat Tex 2025 promotions included Roadshows being organised in the leading production centres in the country and overseas. The 'Trade Promotion' column of this issue presents the highlights of the Council's participation in domestic roadshows organised in Coimbatore, and Jaipur,

along with international roadshows in Turkey, Spain and the USA.

The 'Policy Talks' section of this Newsletter presents the recent changes in policy and procedures announced by the government and various provisions of the Foreign Trade Policy, incentive schemes, and issues of taxation.

We do hope that you find reading this edition of the E-Newsletter worthwhile.

We welcome your valuable feedback on the present edition and also invite contributions in the form of short articles on matters relevant to trade and industry.

TEXPROCIL E-Newsletter values your comments and contributions and looks forward to receiving continuous support for the various activities of the Council.

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TEXPROCIL - The International face of Indian Cotton textiles!



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Chairman's Page Vijay Agarwal Chairman **TEXPROCIL**

Dear Friends,

Following the first meeting of the newly constituted Committee of Administration held on 29th October 2024 at the Council's Head Office in Mumbai, I was elected as Chairman of TEXPROCIL for the years 2024-2026.

As I assume charge, I have before me the legacy of outstanding leadership which successive Chairmen have been providing to the Council since its inception in 1954. Our immediate Past Chairman, Shri Sunil Patwari deserves all the appreciation for his inspirational leadership during the last two years which were filled with great challenges on account of geopolitics, disruptions in supply chain, two ongoing wars and disruptions thereof affecting the industry.

Also, at the online (VC) meeting of the Committee of Administration held on 8th November 2024 Shri Ravi Sam, Managing Director, Adwaith Lakshmi Industries (P) Ltd. was elected as Vice Chairman of TEXPROCIL for the years 2024-2026.

With the cooperation and support of all our members and my colleagues in the Committee of Administration, I hope to discharge my duties with due diligence and commitment.

Trade Data

Friends, as we look at the provisional data compiled by the Ministry of Commerce for the current fiscal year, exports of cotton yarn/fabrics/madeups, handloom products etc. from India grew by 6.96% in October 2024 over October 2023. During Apr-Oct'24, Indian cotton yarn/fabrics/made-ups, handloom products registered a growth of 1.66%.

During October'24, Indian Textiles exports grew by 11.56% over the previous year and Apparel exports registered a growth of 35.06% during the same time period. As a result, cumulative exports of Textiles and Apparel during October'24 registered a double-digit growth of 19.93% over October'23.

During April- October'24, Indian Textiles Exports registered a positive growth

of 4.01% over the previous year while Apparel Exports registered a growth of 11.60% during the same time period. Overall T&A registered a growth of 7.08% during Apr-Oct'24.

70 Years Jubilee Celebrations

The Cotton Textiles Export Promotion Council (Texprocil) marked a historic milestone, celebrating its 70th Anniversary with a grand awards function held on 28th October, 2024 at the JW Marriott, Sahar in Mumbai. The event, which highlighted India's remarkable achievements in the textile sector and the pivotal role played by Texprocil, was graced by the Hon. Governor of Maharashtra, H.E. Shri C P Radhakrishnan as the Chief Guest.

Aspartofthecelebrations, the prestigious "Vastra Ratna" Awards were conferred upon 9 distinguished companies for their outstanding contributions to India's cotton textile industry. The awards honoured companies that have set new benchmarks in export excellence, innovation and sustainability driving the growth of India's textile sector on the global stage.

In his keynote address, the Hon'ble Governor of Maharashtra lauded the Council's seven decades of dedicated service to the nation's textile industry. He emphasized the sector's significant role in India's economic growth and export prowess, while commending the

award recipients for their leadership and commitment to excellence.

Shri Sunil Patwari, the then Chairman of Texprocil, expressed honor and pride in the Council's legacy, stating, "For 70 years, Texprocil has been at the forefront of promoting Indian cotton textiles globally. The 'Vastra Ratna' awardees exemplify the spirit of innovation and dedication that has propelled India to become one of the world's leading textile exporters."

The event also featured the release of a Commemorative Souvenir and a film that reflected on the Council's journey over the past seven decades, with a focus on the future vision for the industry amidst evolving global landscape.

Meeting with Ministry Officials

After assuming the office, I along with Dr. Siddhartha Rajagopal, the Council's Executive Director, had the occasion to meet Smt. Rachna Shah, Secretary Ministry of Textiles, Shri Santosh Kumar Sarangi, Additional Secretary & Director General of Foreign Trade, Ministry of Commerce & Industry and Shri Rohit Kansal, Additional Secretary, Ministry of Textiles on 14th November, 2024 at New Delhi.

During the meetings, we discussed the current export scenario and the problems faced by the exporters in filling up ARR Form (Format outlined





in Appendix-4RR of the Handbook of Procedures <HBP> 2023) prescribed by the Government for compliance by all the exporters getting RODTEP amount of Rs 1 crore and above with Shri Santosh Kumar Sarangi, Additional Secretary & DGFT. We also discussed various issues relating to Bharat Tex 2025 with the Shri Rohit Kansal, Additional Secretary, Ministry of Textiles. We sincerely hope that the suggestions made by Council are considered favourably.

During the visit we appraised the Ministry officials about the Council's 70 Years Jubilee Celebrations and presented them the special souvenir brought out to commemorate the Council's milestone.

Bharat Tex 2025 Roadshows

To create a greater awareness among the textile community regarding India's most anticipated textile event, Bharat Tex 2025, a series of informative roadshows are being held both in India and overseas. Organised by a Consortium of 11 Textile Export Promotion Councils and supported by the Ministry of Textiles, these roadshows are setting the stage for the second edition of India's biggest textile expo 'Bharat Tex' scheduled from 14th to 17th February 2025 at the twin venues of Bharat Mandapam, New Delhi and India Expo Centre and Mart, Greater Noida.

On the domestic front, the Council supported organising the Roadshows in Coimbatore, Bhilwara, Jaipur, Mumbai, Ludhiana and Indore. The Council was also a part of the Roadshows held overseas in the USA, Turkey, Spain and Australia.

The discussions that followed during these Roadshows have successfully built anticipation and awareness for Bharat Tex 2025 thereby updating the textile fraternity about the opportunities that can be leveraged through Bharat Tex 2025. I appeal to all our members to support the event by booking large stalls under the TEXPROCIL pavilion and benefit from the focussed buyer program being planned during the exhibition.

Way Forward

Friends, it is encouraging that despite several disruptions in the global supply chain and demand, our exporters have so far been able to maintain a positive growth trajectory. However, on account of the ongoing challenges it is becoming difficult to sustain the allround performance in exports of cotton textiles as was seen last year.

As we view the situation today, challenges to the industry should be seen as a temporary aberration and we need to push the past behind us and look ahead with renewed resilience and resurgence. The Textile Sector has overcome several crises in the past and this too shall pass. In order to achieve incremental growth during the current financial year, we must ensure that growth opportunities that come our way are not missed.

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Trade Facilitation



Maharashtra Governor presided over the 70th Year Jubilee Celebrations of The Cotton Textiles Export Promotion Council

On this special occasion, 'Vastra Ratna Awards were distributed to the deserving winners by Hon'ble Governor of Maharashtra, Shri. C P Radhakrishnan.

Smt. Roop Rashi, Textile Commissioner, Ministry of Textiles, Government of India, Shri. Sunil Patwari, Chairman, TEXPROCIL, Shri. Vijay Agrawal, Vice Chairman, TEXPROCIL, Dr. Siddhartha Rajagopal, Executive Director, TEXPROCIL and members of the Council were present at the event.

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'VASTRA SHIROMANI' AWARD Shri. Suresh Kotak, Chairman, Textile Advisory Group



'VASTRA VIBHUSHAN' AWARD Shri. Sanjay Jayavarthanavelu, CMD. LMW Limited



'VASTRA BHUSHAN' AWARD Shri. Rajendra Kumar Dalmia, Managing Director, Aditya Birla Real Estate Limited



TEXTILE EXCELLENCE AWARD Padma Bhushan S. P. Oswal, Chairman & Managing Director. Vardhman Group



SPECIAL ACHIEVEMENT AWARD Padmashri Rajinder Gupta, Chairman Emeritus. **Trident Group**



GLOBAL ACHIEVEMENT AWARD Shri Anil Kumar Jain, Chairman. Indo Count Industries Ltd.



WOMAN ACHIEVER AWARD Ms. Dipali Goenka, Managing Director & CEO, Welspun Living Limited.



MSME ACHIEVER AWARD Shri M Nachimuthu. Chairman, Atlas Group of Companies



BRAND ACHIEVER AWARD Shri, Kulin Lalbhai. Vice Chairman, **Arvind Limited**



TEXPROCIL - 70 Years Jubilee Celebrations





Established in 1954 as the first Export Promotion Council in independent India, The Cotton Textiles Export Promotion Council, popularly known as TEXPROCIL, has continuously worked to enhance the competitiveness of India's cotton textile sector, representing exporters, facilitating trade, and fostering industry-government collaboration. Over the past 70 years, TEXPROCIL has played a pivotal role in promoting India's cotton textile exports and strengthening the industry's global presence. The Council has successfully promoted Indian cotton yarn, fabrics, and made-ups in international markets, supporting the sector's growth and adaptability.

As an Export Promotion Council, Texprocil has had a chequered career across seven decades of its formation. Right from forging bulk deals with countries for exports, opening Regional offices across the country at leading production centres, the Council has tried to partner with the trade & industry at every step. Amongst the first Council's to open overseas offices to increase the industry's presence in textile importing destinations, Texprocil succeeded in living up to its motto of "Indian Cottons Global Reach".

Recognizing Texprocil's pivotal role in Export Promotion, the Government also entrusted the Council from time to time through these seven decades with sensitive regulatory work like distribution of Export Quotas, managing bilateral agreements, monitoring export ceilings and compilation of export statistics.

The Council also played a stellar role in defending the textile industry's interests against unwarranted Anti-Dumping, Anti-Subsidy & Safeguard measures as and when these situations arose, compelling the importing countries to rescind the unjustified measures.

Over the decades, the Council has also participated in numerous international trade fairs and exhibitions, enabling Indian exporters to showcase their products to global buyers. The Council has also organized BSMs, RBSMs, visit of trade delegations and market surveys in various countries, expanding the reach of Indian textiles. The Council has rightly earned the moniker, 'International Face of Indian Cotton Textiles'.

The Council also served as an effective bridge between the textile industry and the Indian government by playing a critical role in policy advocacy that benefitted exporters especially in tax remission schemes like duty drawback, RoDTEP (Remission of Duties or Taxes on Export Products) and RoSCTL (Rebate of State and Central Levies and Taxes). The Council has also assisted the Government in negotiating free trade agreements (FTAs) to enhance market access.

The Council always laid emphasis on the need for market and product diversification to maintain India's competitive edge. It has encouraged the industry to move beyond traditional markets and products, focusing on high-value segments like home textiles and sustainable products. The Council has supported the industry's efforts to enter new markets such as Latin America and Africa, thereby reducing dependency on traditional markets like U.S. and EU.

Micro, Small and Medium-sized enterprises (MSMEs) form the backbone of the Indian textile sector. The Council's initiatives have helped MSMEs overcome barriers to international trade, such as complex regulations and market access issues.

Kasturi Cotton Bharat marks the first-ever initiative to brand Indian cotton on the global stage, enhancing its identity as a premium product. Texprocil is currently implementing the Branding, Tracing and Certification of Kasturi Cotton. The branding effort not only boosts the reputation of Indian cotton but also directly benefits farmers by ensuring better prices and market access for their produce. By promoting the superior quality of Indian cotton under Kasturi Cotton, the initiative empowers farmers and strengthens India's position as a key player in the global cotton industry.

We are also playing a prominent role in organising and marketing Bharat Tex, India's own Mega Textile Show.

Over its 70-year history, TEXPROCIL has played a pivotal role in advancing India's cotton textile exports and this has been achieved by spearheading export promotion, advocating for favorable policies, encouraging market and product diversification, promoting sustainability, and supporting MSMEs. This has helped the Council to position Indian textiles as a formidable player in the global market.

Going forward, the direction is clear that a distinct strategy when implemented can prove to be a game changer to India's trade and economic growth expectations. Towards this end, TEXPROCIL is aligning its efforts closely with the vision of Aatmanirbhar Bharat, fostering self-reliance in the textile industry by encouraging domestic manufacturing and reducing dependence on imports.

By driving innovation, sustainability, and market leadership, TEXPROCIL enables the Indian textile sector to capitalize on emerging global opportunities while navigating challenges with resilience and adaptability. The Council will continue to work on a mission mode along with the government and the industry to ensure that the vision, aspirations, goals and actions are oriented towards becoming a 'Viksit Bharat' by 2047.

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Trade Promotion



Roadshow to promote Bharat Tex 2025

Road Show to promote Bharat Tex 2025 in Coimbatore

MATEXIL, TEXPROCIL and PDEXCIL organized the roadshow to promote Bharat Tex 2025 at Hotel Le Meridien in Coimbatore on 4th October 2024. Smt. Rachna Shah, Secretary Textiles was the Chief Guest at the event.



Smt. Rachna Shah, Secretary Textiles was the Chief Guest at the event.



Dr. KV Srinivasan addressing the participants at the Roadshow to promote Bharat Tex 2024 held at Le Meridien, Coimbatore on 4th August 2024



The dignitaries on the dais included Shri Rajeev Saxena, Joint Secretary, Ministry of Textiles, Shri Arun Roy, Industries Secretary, Govt. Of Tamil Nadu, Shri Bhadresh Dodhia, Chairman MATEXIL and Co Chairman, Bharat Tex Steering Committee, Dr. K.V. Srinivasan, Past Chairman, TEXPROCIL, SIMA and current President, ITMF, Shri T. Rajkumar, Past Chairman, CITI & NCTC, Dr. A. Shaktivel, Hon. Chairman, TEA, Shri K. Shaktivel, Vice Chairman, PDEXCIL and Mr. Subramanian, Chairman,

The event was received with great enthusiasm.





Roadshow to promote Bharat Tex 2025



Trade Promotion

Roadshow to promote Bharat Tex 2025 in Jaipur

AEPC and TEXPROCIL organised the first domestic roadshow of Bharat Tex 2025 in Marriott Hotel on 4th October 2024 in Jaipur.



Shri Ajay Gupta, Joint Secretary, Ministry of Textiles was the Chief Guest. Dr Siddharth Rajagopal, Executive Director, TEXPROCIL gave the opening remarks and set the context for the event. This was followed by Bharat Tex 2025 presentation by Dr. Saurabh Kumar, GM (R&PA), AEPC. Shri Ravi Poddar, EC member, AEPC, gave a perspective on Bharat Tex 2025. The presentations were followed by a robust discussion on various aspects of organising the Bharat Tex event. Shri Zakir Husain, President, GEAR, gave the vote of thanks.

The event was well attended by over 115+ participants.

Roadshow to promote Bharat Tex 2025 in Bhilwara

CITI and TEXPROCIL organised the domestic roadshow for Bharat Tex 2025 on 19th October 2024 at The Imperial Prime Clarks Inn Suites in Bhilwara.





Dr Siddhartha Rajagopal, Executive Director, TEXPROCIL set the context for Bharat Tex 2025. Ms Shubhra, Trade Advisor, MoT, was the Ghief Guest. Shri Rakesh Mehra, Chairman CITI gave the opening remarks followed by Bharat Tex presentation.

Also present were Shri S.N.Modani Chairman Rajasthan Textiles Mills Association, Shri B.M.Sharma, President Mewar Chamber of Commerce, Shri Dinesh Nolkha, Vice-Chairman CITI, Shri Damodar Agarwal, Hon'ble Member of Parliament, Bhilwara.

The event was well received and was attended by over 100+ participants.





Trade Promotion



Roadshow to promote Bharat Tex 2025

Roadshow to promote Bharat Tex 2025 in Istanbul, Turkey

A roadshow was organized in Istanbul, Turkey, on 15th October 2024 to promote Bharat Tex 2025.

A high-level delegation from India led by Shri Rohit Kansal, Additional Secretary, Ministry of Textiles participated in the roadshow. The delegation also included Shri Sunil Chairman, TEXPROCIL, Patwari, Chairman, MATEXIL & Vice Chairman, PDEXCIL.

A series of meetings took place with representatives from the Textile and Apparel Exporters Association, and Industrialists Rusinessmen Associations and Members of the Turkish Home Textile Manufacturers Businessmen Association (Tetsiad). Shri Mijito Vinito, Consul General, Istanbul was present in all the meetings.



Roadshow to promote Bharat Tex 2025 in Madrid, Spain

A roadshow was organized in Madrid, Spain, from 17th to 18th October 2024 to promote Bharat Tex 2025.



A high-level delegation from India led by Shri Rohit Kansal, Additional Secretary, Ministry of Textiles participated in the roadshow. The delegation also included Shri Sunil Patwari, Chairman, TEXPROCIL, Shri Sudhir Sekhri, Chairman, AEPC. Nearly 100 leading companies participated at the roadshow in which H. E Ambassador of India, Shri Dinesh Patnaik was the Chief Guest.

7 to 8 one to one meetings with leading companies were organized during which the Indian delegation impressed upon them not only to participate but also explore opportunities for investments collaborations and through partnerships. The delegation also

met the President of the Chamber of Commerce in Madrid requesting him to promote participation of their members.

A networking dinner was hosted on 16th October 2024 by H.E. Ambassador of India to Spain, Dinesh K. Patnaik for the visiting delegates led by Additional Secretary, Minister of Textiles, Shri Rohit Kansal.





Roadshow to promote Bharat Tex 2025



Roadshow to promote Bharat Tex 2025 at New York, USA

A Roadshow to promote Bharat Tex 2025 was organised at the office of the Consulate General of India in New York, USA on 24th October, 2024 to promote the event and invite textile buyers to the Show which is scheduled from 14th to 17th February 2025.

The Roadshow was led by Apparel Export Promotion Council (AEPC) and supported by The Cotton Textiles Export Promotion Council (TEXPROCIL) & Powerloom Export Promotion Council (PDEXCIL).



Ms Rachna Shah, Secretary, Ministry of Textiles; Mr Binaya Srikanta Pradhan, CG, New York; Ms Prajakta Verma, Joint Secretary, Ministry of Textiles; Mr Ravi Sam, TEXPROCIL and Shri Vishwanath Agarwal, Chairman PDEXCIL at the Bharat Tex Roadshow Show organised on 24th October 2024 at New York.



Ms Rachna Shah, Secretary, Ministry of Textiles; Ms Prajakta Verma, Joint Secretary, Ministry of Textiles along with Shri Sudhir Sekhri, Chairman AEPC; Dr Siddhartha Rajagopal, Executive Director, TEXPROCIL; Shri Manish Kulhari, Consul (Commercial), CGI, New York; Shri Akhilesh Singh, First Secretary, EOI, Washington visited the showroom of Indo Count Industries in New York on 24th October, 2024.

TEXPROCIL participated in World Trade Expo 2024

TEXPROCIL participated in 5th edition of World Trade Expo 2024 organised by the World Trade Centre, Mumbai and All India Association of Industries (AIAI) at World Trade Centre Mumbai on Thursday, 17th October 2024.

The theme of the Expo was 'Innovation for Sustainability with Special Focus on Green and Renewable Energy.'



Shri C.P. Radhakrishan, the Honorable Governor of Maharashtra, visited the TEXPROCIL booth at the world Trade Expo held in Mumbai. Numerous visitors were appreciative of TEXPROCIL's role in the promotion of Indian Cotton and in the Kasturi Cotton initiative.

Trade Update



VIATT 2025 to drive sustainability & digitalisation in Vietnam

In recent years, Vietnam has rapidly transformed into one of the world's key textile producers, solidifying its position as the world's third-ranked exporter behind China and Bangladesh. With a history rooted in silk textile craftsmanship and currently embracing wide ranging modern textile production, the country's thriving sector offers tremendous growth prospects for both domestic and international businesses. In a bid to harness the potential in Vietnam and Southeast Asia, the Vietnam International Trade Fair for Apparel, Textiles and Textile Technologies (VIATT) will return from 26 - 28 February 2025, with a renewed focus on promoting sustainability and digital transformation.

Vietnam's textile and apparel sector comprises approximately 7,000 companies and employs over three million workers, with 80% of production capacity used for export and 20% for domestic consumption. Progress is aided by well-developed logistics networks, skilled labour and a stable political environment. As its textile industry evolves, several key trends are influencing its future direction, reflecting a growing emphasis on sustainability and technological advancement, and leading to new opportunities for exhibitors and buyers across the value chain at Vietnam's comprehensive textile showcase.

Major trends shaping Vietnam's textile market reflected at VIATT

More Vietnamese enterprises are adopting eco-friendly materials, including organic cotton, recycled polyester, and Tencel, while numerous global brands manufacture in Vietnam, and have committed to the "Fashion Industry Charter on Climate Action", aiming to achieve net-zero carbon emissions by 2050.

To further advance sustainable initiatives in the domestic and international textile industry, VIATT 2025 will introduce Econogy Hub, a dedicated platform for innovative, eco-friendly suppliers and service providers to connect with like-minded visitors. The show's other new Texpertise Econogy features will include the Econogy Finder, an independent verification tool to help sustainable exhibitors effectively communicate their green credentials, and Econogy Talks, the overarching category for eco-focused seminars, forums, and product presentations.

Apart from sustainability, the Vietnamese textile industry is also embracing advanced technologies in design and manufacturing. The launch of the fair's Innovation & Digital Solutions Zone will provide a centralised platform for exhibitors to showcase innovations such as 3D printing, Al-driven design, and digital printing, which enable manufacturers to boost efficiency and customise products to meet specific market demands.

As well as the introduction of two new product zones, the India Pavilion, organised by The Cotton Textiles Export Promotion

International News

Council (TEXPROCIL), will also make its debut at VIATT 2025. Additionally, the Japan and Taiwan Pavilions have confirmed their return, with the Japan Pavilion recognised by VIATT's visitors as a standout showcase within Southeast Asia's textile fair landscape. Overall, the fair will feature a diverse range of exhibitors across apparel, home textiles, and technical textiles, with many showcasing innovative and sustainable products. Highlighted exhibitors in each sector include:

Apparel fabrics, yarns & fibres and garments

- Alumo AG (Switzerland): with over a century of expertise, this STeP by OEKO-TEX-certified company creates high-quality cotton shirting fabrics utilised by leading shirt designers. The company is dedicated to maintaining the art of weaving, ensuring that each fabric is finely crafted.
- Wynist Retail Solutions (Taiwan): committed to sustainability, Wynist focuses on recycling and upcycling post-consumer and agricultural waste, transforming raw materials such as coffee grounds and textile waste into products with practical, ontrend industry applications.

Home & contract textiles

- Sigma Vietnam Industrial (Vietnam): specialising in home textiles, the company's innovative range of products includes bedding, curtains, and upholstery fabrics. It integrates traditional craftsmanship with modern design, ensuring that its offerings meet both aesthetic and functional needs.
- Coolist Life Technology (China): the leading bio-based polyurethanes solutions and applications enterprise announced a new technology in 2024, that utilises captured carbon dioxide combined with bio-based polyol, to create a new generation of bio-based and bio-degradable foam.

Technical textiles, nonwovens, and textile technologies

- Ultra Tech Asia (USA): as a leader in advanced textile solutions, the company offers innovative nonwoven materials for various applications, such as medical, automotive, and personal care, designed to meet the rising demand for high-performance textiles in diverse industries.
- JB ECOTEX Limited (India): one of the leading manufacturers and exporters of high-quality recycled polyester staple fibre (RPSF) and rPET Flakes, the company has transformed millions of used plastic bottles into superior-grade, eco-friendly products. Since its inception, the company has maintained a zero liquid discharge policy, and 50% of its power is generated from renewable resources.

The Vietnam International Trade Fair for Apparel, Textiles and Textile Technologies (VIATT) is organised by Messe Frankfurt (HK) Ltd and the Vietnam Trade Promotion Agency (VIETRADE), covering the entire textile industry value chain.

VIATT will be held from 26 - 28 February 2025.

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International News



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Vietnam's fashion sector targets US \$ 100 billion in exports by 2030

By 2030, the fashion sector in Vietnam hopes to generate US \$ 100 billion in export earnings. This ambition is being supported by the construction of a new Material Trading Centre. The Vietnam Leather, Footwear and Handbag Association (LEFASO) has proposed this project with the goal of strengthening domestic supply chains and decreasing the country's dependency on imported materials. This would increase the competitiveness of Vietnamese products in the international market.

Phan Thi Thanh Xuan, Vice President and General Secretary of LEFASO, emphasised at a recent international workshop on the Comprehensive and Progressive Agreement for Trans-Pacific Partnership (CPTPP) in Hanoi that securing local raw materials, which account for 65 per cent of product costs, would be crucial in fostering the sector's growth. Vietnam's fashion exports must become self-sufficient in sourcing materials if it is to reach the US \$ 100 billion US milestone by 2030.

Global markets are pushing for net-zero and sustainability objectives more and more, and as a result, powerful economies like the EU and US have tightened laws on supply chains. This means that a significant portion of the resources must come from areas covered by free trade agreements, and there must be strict traceability requirements for both importing and producing countries. It will be simpler for Vietnam's garment industry to handle these new obstacles thanks to the planned Material Trading Centre, which is purposefully built to improve compliance and transparency.

Vietnam is actively working to improve its competitiveness and optimise its supply chain, but nearby nations like Bangladesh should take note of this progress. Bangladesh needs to evaluate its production capacity and look into deeper trade linkages in order to be competitive in the global fashion business as Vietnam develops.

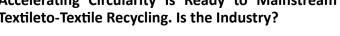
In order to make the Material Trading Centre a reality, Xuan emphasised that cooperation between different partiesincluding the government-is essential. To optimise the supply chain, support in the form of policy, logistics, and import protocols is necessary for raw materials.

According to data from the General Department of Vietnam Customs, the nation imported raw materials worth US \$ 13.42 billion for its textile and footwear industries in the first half of 2024, a 14.11 per cent rise over the same time in 2023.

Source: apparelresources.com

Accelerating Circularity Is Ready to Mainstream **Textileto-Textile Recycling. Is the Industry?**

Accelerating Circularity's trials have shown that it's possible to sort, preprocess, recycle and blend textile waste beyond what



it describes as "proof of concept." Now the New York-based nonprofit wants to kick things up a notch, repurposing 325 tons of post-consumer cotton, polyester and manmade cellulosic materials through the multiple supply chains that it's already established with brand, retail and manufacturing partners across Europe and the United States.

It's a new era in the organization's development and one that takes a three pronged approach to "scale the success" of its first systems trials, said Sarah Coulter, the organization's U.S. program director. The first workstream will result in a mapping tool to "guide the flow of textiles" through channels that have the highest circular potential according to its textile-use hierarchy, which prioritizes higher-value utilization of textiles before resorting to disposal. The second involves building markets, meaning moving beyond demonstrations that circular systems can exist to mainstreaming the inclusion of textile-totextile recycled fibers, yarns and fabrics in the marketplace. The third and last workstream will span the first two, packaging their learnings for brand, retail and corporate audiences to promote their uptake.

While Accelerating Circularity's goal attacks only a fraction of the 90 million tons of textiles that it estimates end up in landfills every year, it's still a significant amount, translating to a "couple of million T-shirts, a couple of million pairs of jeans and a million hoodies," Coulter said.

The nonprofit knows it can do this: It worked with Target, which sits on its steering committee, to develop and launch a shrunken crewneck T-shirt and cami for the big box's Universal Thread range for Earth Day. Walmart, another early backer, currently sells Wrangler jeans that Beyond Retro and Accelerating Circularity helped create using 26 percent recycled cotton. But though it has onboarded a number of participants, including returning collaborators, over the past several months, Accelerating Circularity would like to welcome more as it enters this new phase.

"Based on successful developments from our round one trials, we feel like we've hit the ground running," she said. "We know we're going to make cotton jersey, we know we're going to make denim, we know we're going News Clippings www. texprocil.org Page 7 to make fleece and we know we're going to make woven shirting material. So now is your chance, if you are not yet participating, to join us and capitalize on the work that's already been done by our partners...while the getting is good."

Coulter said that Accelerating Circularity is currently wrapping up its development phase: confirming the feedstock specifications, for instance, and "doing the hard math" on what volumes are going to be needed per project. Supply chains for mechanically recycled cotton, thermomechanically recycled polyester and chemically recycled polyester are raring to go, with those for man-made cellulosic fibers and nylon "in the works." Beginning in 2025, Accelerating Circularity will be generating prototype





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materials and soliciting bulk orders from brands and retailers. Mass production is expected to take place the following year.

The problem with the fashion industry is that it tends to get stuck in splashy but short-lived capsule or pilot mode. Breaking out of that cycle, Coulter said, involves sharing the risk of developing something new. There are challenges, to be sure. Take pre-processing, which, for the most part, is still being done manually. While automated sortation and preprocessing solutions exist-Tomra, which traffics in sensor-based sorting systems, is another steering committee member—they're not necessarily at the scale they need to be. Among the biggest stumbling blocks, however, is demand, or the potential lack thereof. It's the uptake of those 325 tons of material that's a bigger concern than Accelerating Circularity's ability to recycle them.

Other issues are stickier, such as ensuring that feedstock doesn't originate from conflict regions. Accelerating Circularity is looking at working with a DNA tracer to ensure that any cotton content doesn't violate the Uyghur Forced Labor Protection Act, or UFLPA, in the United States, said Shelly Gottschamer, its vice president of global programs and stakeholder engagement. At the same time, there is a need to legislate in a way that promotes recycled materials, she said.

"For the UFLPA...I think we need some clarity around how does recycled cotton fit into this legislation?" she said. "Because if we are subject to the laws for recycled content, we will not be able to recycle, and that's a problem. And there's other legislation around legacy chemicals that we also need to be able to figure out to promote recycling."

For the most part, however, the supply chain is ready, Coulter said. And if the industry is serious about cleaning up its textile waste problem, it needs to put its money where its mouth is. At present, the materials fashion makes outlast the products they were intended for. The organization's vision is a world where textiles are no longer wasted.

"Brands and retailers have pretty ambitious GHG goals," she said, using an acronym for greenhouse gases. "Many have recycled content goals, and we really believe that participating in collaborative projects like this is a critical way to begin to be able to meet those in a meaningful way."

Economic benefits abound, too, according to innovation platform Fashion for Good, which estimates that textile-to-textile recycling could unlock a \$1.5 billion opportunity in the United States alone. Right now, collectors and recyclers in Europe are sounding the alarm that the economics of the current setup aren't working and that their sector could be headed for collapse.

"For this unlock to happen, we need circular systems, and we need these systems to scale in parallel," Coulter said. "Figuring out the business model is critical in order for any of this to work."

Source: The Sourcing Journal

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Global cotton benchmarks see mixed movements over past month

Global cotton prices exhibited a mix of stability and growth across major benchmarks in the past month, with some regional variations, as per Cotton Incorporated. The December NY/ICE futures contract saw a rise, climbing from values below 70 cents/lb in September to as high as 74 cents/lb. However, early October witnessed a slight retreat, with prices now stabilising around 72 cents/lb.

The A Index, a global indicator, also showed strength, increasing from 79 to 84 cents/lb in the same period, Cotton Incorporated said in its Monthly Economic Letter - Cotton Market Fundamentals & Price Outlook for October 2024.

China's cotton market showed significant growth, with the Chinese Cotton Index (CC Index 3128B) rising from 94 to 100 cents/lb. In domestic terms, prices advanced from 14,700 RMB/ton to 15,600 RMB/ton. A slight strengthening of the RMB against the US dollar, from 7.12 to 7.08 RMB/USD, also contributed to this increase.

In contrast, India and Pakistan experienced price declines. Indian spot prices for Shankar-6 quality cotton decreased from 91 to 86 cents/lb, or from ₹60,000 to ₹56,700 per candy in local terms, while the INR remained stable at around ₹84 per USD.

Similarly, Pakistani spot prices fell from 81 to 77 cents/lb, with domestic prices dropping from 18,500 to 17,700 PKR/maund. The exchange rate held steady at approximately 278 PKR/USD.

Source: Fibre2Fashion

ICE cotton hits 3-week low amid crude oil weakness, market sell-off

ICE cotton declined nearly 2 per cent on Tuesday, driven by weakness in crude oil and a reduced threat to the US cotton crop. The ICE cotton contract dropped to a three-week low. A downward trend in the global financial and Chinese commodity markets also dampened market sentiment. However, the ICE cotton contract traded higher in early Wednesday's session.

Yesterday, the ICE December cotton contract settled at 72.27 cents per pound (0.453 kg), down by 1.26 cents. It reached as low as 71.11 cents, the lowest level since September 19.

Crude oil tanked by more than 4 per cent due to the possibility of a ceasefire between Hezbollah and Israel. However, concerns about potential attacks on Iranian oil infrastructure still lingered. The sharp decline in crude oil prices led to a drop in cotton, which is a natural alternative to polyester fibre.

On October 8, trading volume reached 55,494 contracts, marking the highest activity in two and a half weeks, with 38,060 contracts cleared the previous day. Total open interest in cotton futures rose by 2,603 contracts on October 8, reaching 243,334 contracts—the highest since April 9 (244,710 contracts). Open interest has increased in six of the last seven sessions, with a net

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rise of 13,079 contracts. ICE's deliverable cotton futures contract stocks remained unchanged at 265 bales as of October 7.

Market experts noted that a weak opening in the Chinese commodity market, coupled with falling stock markets, also weighed on cotton futures. Cotton demand was mixed, primarily limited to subsistence needs, though it was better than other times of the year. The market saw long-covering and proprietary selling early in the day, which added to the pressure.

The US Department of Agriculture (USDA) reported that, as of the week ending October 6, the quality of US cotton was rated at 29 per cent, down from 31 per cent the previous week and 32 per cent in the same period last year. The US cotton harvest was 26 per cent complete, compared to 20 per cent the prior week, 23 per cent a year ago, and a five-year average of 22 per cent.

Hurricane Milton, expected to make landfall on Florida's Gulf Coast as a Category-3 storm, currently poses no threat to the cotton crop unless its path changes significantly. Cleanup efforts from Hurricane Helene, which affected areas from Florida to North Carolina, are ongoing, with significant disruptions in the southern US. Discussions regarding cotton crop losses from Helene, estimated at 300,000 to 500,000 bales, are still underway.

At present, ICE cotton for December 2024 was trading at 72.67 cents per pound, up by 0.40 cents. Cash cotton settled at 66.27 cents (down 1.26 cents), the October contract at 72.03 cents (down 1.26 cents), the March 2025 contract at 74.83 cents per pound (up 0.41 cents), the May 2025 contract at 76.15 cents (up 0.40 cents), and the July 2025 contract at 76.91 cents (up 0.38 cents). A few contracts remained unchanged from the previous closing, with no trading activity noted for the day.

Source: fibre2fashion.com

Cotton Highlights from November 2024 WASDE Report

USDA has released its November 2024 World Agricultural Supply and Demand Estimates (WASDE) report. Here's this month's summary for cotton, showing lower production and export numbers for the U.S., as well as lower production, consumption, and trade numbers globally.

The U.S. cotton balance sheet for 2024/25 shows marginally lower production, lower exports, and higher ending stocks. NASS revised its estimate for U.S. all-cotton production downward by 10,000 bales to just below 14.2 million in its November Crop Production report. The Georgia crop is raised about 200,000 bales, offset by a similar reduction in the Texas crop with assorted small changes elsewhere. The national all-cotton yield estimate is unchanged from last month at 789 pounds per harvested acre.

With global consumption and imports reduced, U.S. exports are reduced 200,000 bales to 11.3 million. Ending stocks are raised 200,000 bales to 4.3 million for a stocks-to-use ratio of about 33%. The 2024/25 season average upland farm price is unchanged at 66 cents per pound. There are no revisions to the 2023/24 U.S. cotton balance sheet.

World production, consumption, beginning and ending stocks, and trade are all reduced in the 2024/25 global balance sheet. Production is lowered by 460,000 bales, with the largest reductions for Pakistan and Turkmenistan. Consumption is reduced by 515,000 bales, primarily due to decreases for Turkey and Pakistan. Ending stocks are lowered by 574,000 bales with large reductions for India, Turkmenistan, and Pakistan more than offsetting increases for the United States and Uzbekistan.

Reduced imports by Turkey, offset to a degree by higher imports by Uzbekistan and Egypt, lead to a 295,000-bale reduction in world trade. In the 2023/24 global balance sheet, historical revisions to production result in lower ending stocks.

Source: cottongrower.com

EURATEX & AMITH sign MoU to strengthen EuroMediterranean partnership

EURATEX (the European Apparel and Textile Confederation) and AMITH (Association Marocaine des Industries du Textile et de l'Habillement) signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) during the 21st edition of Maroc in Mode (MIM 2024) in Casablanca. This MoU aims to foster deeper collaboration and mutual growth within the European and Moroccan textile and clothing (T&C) industries.

The MoU underscores shared priorities, including aligning industry practices with European sustainability and circularity standards, addressing customs and regulatory challenges, and strengthening the investment and business climate between the two regions. The agreement highlights EURATEX and AMITH's commitment to advancing competitiveness in the global textile market, supporting a seamless and cohesive approach to trade under the revised rules of the Pan Euro Med Convention, which enter into force on 1 January 2025.

This partnership also opens new avenues for information exchange on industrial technology, cross-border business initiatives, and collaborative skill development projects. By enhancing cooperation in these areas, EURATEX and AMITH are working to create a sustainable, resilient, and globally competitive Euro-Mediterranean textile industry.

"The EU-Morocco textile connection has vast untapped potential," said Mario Jorge Machado, EURATEX president. "Through our collaboration with AMITH, we aim to fortify both regions' textile sectors, embracing sustainability and competitiveness as core values. This MoU is a meaningful step toward our shared vision of a thriving Euro-Mediterranean textile ecosystem."

"This Memorandum of Understanding is important for AMITH as it will help achieving our mission: drive the continuous development of the Moroccan industry and help companies rise to new levels of excellence and sustainability" commented El Ansari Anass, AMITH president. The MoU represents a pivotal commitment to a sustainable and collaborative future for the European and Moroccan textile industries, paving the way for new opportunities under the PEM Convention framework.

Source: fibre2fashion.com





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Next round of India-EU FTA talks in 2025

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New Delhi: The next round of India-European Union free trade agreement (FTA) negotiations is likely to be held in the first quarter of next year even as the two sides made limited progress on issues such as rules of origin and government procurement in the just concluded ninth round from September 23-27.

In government procurement, issues related to state owned enterprises, Make in India and its application to EU bidders and goods remain unresolved.

"Only issues related to sanitary and phyto-sanitary measures I, dispute settlement and good regulatory practices have made progress," said an official.

India and the EU re-launched negotiations for an FTA after a nine-year hiatus and started separate negotiations for an Investment Protection Agreement and an Agreement on Geographical Indications in June 2022.

Negotiators said that EU wanted India to give explanation on the foreign direct investment proposals it rejects, something that New Delhi is apprehensive about.

The positions of the two sides on the negotiations on origin rules, which are key to check FTA circumvention and cheap imports, and technical regulations and conformity assessment were different on some products. They discussed rules of origin for textile products, wood and paper products, chemicals, precious metals and related products, machinery and electronics.

On the other hand, discussions on market access in goods, sectoral annexes on cars, pharmaceuticals and disciplines relating to financial services, and recognition of professional qualifications were positive, they said.

"This was a restricted round and the aim was to make progress on the substance of the central issues and get the exact picture of the positions of the two sides," the official added.

The two sides continued discussions on investment liberalisation except services on the basis of a joint text.

Source: economictimes.com

India, Australia speed up FTA negotiations

Trade negotiators from India and Australia will intensify their engagement on the proposed Comprehensive Economic Cooperation over the next two months to achieve a closure before Australia enters the election phase.

"Ministers have guided the officials to see if the CECA can be expedited. We will be engaging with each other over the next two months to see that those sensitivities can be brought down and can be reduced until we can achieve a closure," additional secretary in the department of commerce Rajesh Agrawal said.

"Otherwise Australia goes for election next year, maybe agreement will go beyond that. Depending on the work we are able to do in these two months," he added. Commerce and Industry Minister Piyush Goyal was in Australia late last month for wide-ranging discussions on trade and economic ties between the two countries.

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The CECA builds on the Economic Cooperation and Trade Agreement which was in the nature of an early harvest deal. To the five subjects or policy areas that ECTA covered, 14 more have been added to the CECA.

On review of Asean-India Trade in Goods Agreement (AITIGA) India is seeking to address tariff asymmetries that Indian exports suffer and the demand was reiterated at the Asean-India Economic Ministers Meeting and bilateral meetings with member states by minister Goyal.

Asean members include Brunei Darussalam, Cambodia, Indonesia, Lao PDR, Malaysia, Myanmar, Philippines, Singapore, Thailand and Vietnam.

India maintains that while it has eliminated tariffs on 74% of the products for all 10 Asean members, it has got different levels of zero-duty access in each country.

"What we have got is higher tariff elimination from low order economies and low tariff elimination from fast growing and big economies. This tariff asymmetry needs to be addressed. so that it is a balanced FTA in the review process. It has been appreciated and acknowledged by the Asean side," Agarwal said.

India and Asean goods trade agreement came into force in January 2010.

"We are discussing the issue with them. We would like to go countrywise (on tariff concessions). Asean is a 10-country bloc and not a customs union," commerce secretary Sunil Barthwal said.

"We would like to see a certain amount of differentiation because all of them are at different levels of economic development. This will give us latitude to have a better fit of the tariff concessions. As practice Asean does not follow it. They like to have a single set of concessions. We are trying to discuss it and trying to see what flexibility we can build in the review so that asymmetries can be ironed out," Agrawal said.

In the recently concluded 9th round of negotiations on India-European Union FTA both sides focussed on core trade issues covering goods services, investment and government procurement along with rules of origin (ROO), sanitary and phytosanitary measures, technical barriers to trade and trade remedies. The proposed India-EU-FTA has 23 policy areas or chapters and discussions were held on 20 of them. In the meeting India also raised concerns around carbon tax and other measures the EU is taking that will result in barriers to trade and increase costs.

"The focus essentially was what is key interest and key expectations on market access. Also discussed new regulations like CBAM, deforestation or other host of regulations how they will impact trade," additional secretary in the department of commerce L Satya Srinivas said.

On India-UK trade talks, another official said that resumption of negotiations are expected only after November after the new government presents its first budget on October 30. Before both countries entered into the election mode 14 rounds of talks had been held between them on the agreement.

Source: Financial Express





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Global Organic Textiles Standards bans 5 Indian cotton firms for faking documents

Germany-based Global Organic Textile Standards (GOTS) has banned five Indian cotton companies for using fake shipping firms to show transportation of goods and defrauding the GOTS system.

In a notification on certification bans on its website, the organisation, which ensures the organic status of textiles, said it was imposing a certification ban - which means they cannot claim to have got GOTS organic certification - for two years.

Two of the companies - Farmers United House and Om Organic Cotton Pvt Ltd - are based in Odisha, while the other three -Super Cotton Industries, Shri Dwarakish Corporation and Aama Cotton Pvt Ltd - function from Gujarat.

"Investigations revealed that the shipping company did not exist, and no material movement actually took place. Based on the facts despite the company not being currently certified, the Certification Body recommended a ban on this company," GOTS said.

Spoofed website

In the cast of the Odisha-based companies, the organisation said that based on complaints received and investigations that followed, they were found to have submitted forged National Organic Program (NOP) transaction certificates (TCs) for raw cotton with a QR code that led to a spoofed website, which confirmed that these TCs were fake.

Argentina-based certification organisation Letis SA said it does not work with Om Organic or Jampati Jevik Kisan Kalyan Samiti, whose cotton Farmers United House claimed to have shipped.

The issue was taken up with GOTS, which was told that no physical procurement of cotton took place in the case of both these companies. The cotton was reported to have been transported to Maharashtra from Odisha, which activist Liam Olive claimed was against GOTS policy. Organic raw cotton cannot be transported over 500 km. In this case, the cotton was driven about 800 km.

"They (these companies) are paying huge money to staffs of IDFL, an accredited audit and certifying body, to issue transaction certificates based on fake NOP input. Documents were manipulated and fake transport documents were issued with no e-way bill of GST being paid," the activist said.

The certification body and multiple operators had allegedly indulged in similar forgery, he said in an email sent to GOTS on August 6, 2024. In the case of Aama Cotton, GOTS said the company "wilfully provided forged input transaction".

Similar Sept actions

GOTS said it studied the whole issue before imposing the ban. This is not the first instance of the organic textiles organisation taking action on companies claiming to export or trade in organic cotton.

In September, it banned four other Indian companies for two years from certification as they were involved in fraudulent activities.

In the case of Mumbai-based Maruti Fibres, GOTS said it was involved in the multiplication of stock and overselling. In the case of Axita Cotton Limited, Mumbai, and Axita Industries Ltd, Ahmedabad, the firms were found overselling besides being involved in the multiplication of stock. Similarly, Abhishek Organi Farms and Exports, Ahmedabad, was found involved in a similar activity.

Source: The Hindustan Businessline

Textile at 2030: \$350 bln industry, Rs 90,000 cr investment, says govt

India's textiles sector is set for significant expansion, with an 11% year-onyear growth in Ready-Made Garments (RMG) of all Textiles exports, as per India's trade data of August 2024, signaling a bright future. The Textiles sector in the country is expected to grow to USD 350 billion by 2030, driven by India's inherent strengths and a strong policy framework that encourages investment and exports. With end-to-end value chain capability, a strong raw material base, a large export footprint and a vibrant and rapidly expanding domestic market, India is a traditional leader in the textiles sector. The encouraging reports of a number of investment decisions in the pipeline are healthy portents for the industry.

A number of schemes and policy initiatives as part of the government's roadmap aim to leverage and catalyse these inherent strengths to help the textile sector achieve the USD 350 billion goal by 2030. While over Rs. 90,000 Crore of investment is expected to flow through PM Mega Integrated Textile Region and Apparel (PM MITRA) Park and Production Linked Incentive (PLI) Scheme in the next 3-5 years, schemes like the National Technical Textiles Mission are expected to help India acquire leadership position in emerging sectors such as technical textiles.

Last month, Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi laid the foundation stone of the PM MITRA Park at Amaravati in Maharashtra. This is one of the 7 Parks sanctioned across the country under the flagship PM MITRA Park scheme. With world class infrastructure including plug and play facilities, PM MITRA Parks shall be a major step in realizing the vision of making India a global hub for textile manufacturing investment and exports. Each PM MITRA Park when complete is expected to attract an investment of Rs 10,000 crores and generate nearly 1 lakh direct employment & 2 lakh indirect employment.

PLI Scheme, with a total projected investment of over Rs. 28,000 crore, projected turnover of over Rs. 2,00,000 crore and proposed employment generation of nearly 2.5 lakhs is intended to promote production of MMF Apparel & Fabrics and Technical Textiles products in the country to enable textile industry to achieve size and scale.

The National Technical Textiles Mission is specialized mission with a focus on developing usage of technical textiles in various flagship missions and programmes of the country including strategic sectors. The Mission promotes startups and research projects covering specialty fibres and composites, geotextiles, agro textiles, protective textiles, medical textiles, defence textiles, sports textiles, and environment friendly textiles.

The supportive policy framework at the central level is supplemented by the policy initiatives of a number of states with a high growth potential in textiles.

Source: pib.gov.in





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Quick Estimates for Textiles & Clothing (Apr-Sept 2024)

QUICK ESTIMATES FOR TEXILES & CLOTHING (APRIL – SEPTEMBER) 2024						
Exports (Million USD)	SEP'23	SEP'24	% Change	APR'23- SEP'23	APR'24- SEP'24	% Change
Cotton Yarn/Fabs/made-ups, Handloom Products etc	1,018	1,053	3.48%	5,900	5,947	0.79%
Man-made Yarn/ Fabs/ made-ups etc.	373	415	11.41%	2,336	2,405	2.95%
RMG of all Textiles	946	1,110	17.30%	6,916	7,505	8.51%
Jute Mfg. Floor Covering	29	34	16.44%	185	179	-3.11%
Carpet	114	131	14.93%	669	746	11.41%
Handicrafts excl. handmade carpet	122	180	48.10%	792	879	10.96%
Textiles	1,655	1,813	9.56%	9,882	10,155	2.76%
Apparel	946	1,110	17.30%	6,916	7,505	8.51%
Textiles & Apparel	2,601	2,923	12.38%	16,799	17,661	5.13%
All Commodities	34,408	34,582	0.51%	211,079	213,222	1.02%
% Share of T&C in Total Exports	7.56%	8.45%		7.96%	8.28%	

Imports (Million USD)	SEP'23	SEP'24	% Change	APR'23- SEP'23	APR'24- SEP'24	% Change
Cotton Raw & Waste	40	134	236.26%	402	477	18.74%
Textile yarn Fabric, made-up articles	202	198	-1.80%	1,138	1,177	3.45%

Source: DGCIS/MOC

- According to the quick estimates data released by the Ministry of Commerce & Industry, exports of cotton yarn/fabrics/made-ups, handloom products etc from India grew by 3.48% in September 2024 over September 2023.
- During Apr-Sep'24, Indian cotton yarn/fabrics/made-ups, handloom products registered a growth of 0.79%.
- During September'24, Indian Textiles Exports grew by 9.56% over the previous year and Apparel Exports registered a growth of 17.30% during the same time period.
- Cumulative Exports of Textiles and Apparel during September'24 have registered a growth of 12.38% over September'23
- During April-September24, Indian Textiles Exports registered a positive growth of 2.76% over the previous year while Apparel Exports registered a growth of 8.51% during the same time period. Overall T&A registered a growth of 5.13% during Apr-Sep'24.





World Cotton Day



The Union Minister of Textiles, Shri Girirai Singh attended the celebration of World Cotton Day 2024 on 7th October 2024. The Ministry of Textiles jointly hosted the conference with Confederation of Indian Textile Industries (CITI) and Cotton Corporation of India focusing on the theme of "Megatrends Shaping Cotton Textile Value Chain".

The Textile Minister while addressing the august gathering reiterated the commitment of the government to achieve the target of USD 350 billion by 2030 including export target of USD 100 billion. This could only be achieved, if all the stakeholders in the cotton value chain join hands together. He also shared the experience that how adoption of best farm practice like high density planting, closer spacing, drip fertigation etc., can increase the yield to even 1500 Kgs per hectares as against the present national average yield of about 450 kgs. Therefore, there is dire need to adopt best farm practices on saturation mode. The outcome of this pilot project will encourage the farmers of other area to adopt these practices for better yield.

He also expressed his concern about the problem of weed management in cotton farming which increases labour cost to cotton farmers. Further, cotton being predominantly grown in black soil causes difficulties in wet soil to have timely weed management. The efforts be made to help cotton farmers to overcome weed management problem by adopting suitable new seed varieties and he appealed to take this issue with all seriousness and examine the suitability of this new seed technology available in the world like HT BT for adoption in our country.

Smt. Rachna Shah, Textiles Secretary in her address mentioned about the importance of cotton economy, which provides livelihood to six million cotton farmers directly and another employment to 45 million people engaged directly or indirectly in various other activities in the cotton value chain. She mentioned about the share of cotton fibre to the total fibre in the country at about 60%, where the same is at 23% in the world. However, she urged that all the stakeholders of the cotton value chain to concentrate in increasing cotton productivity, as India ranks 35th in terms of yield. She appealed all stakeholders to adopt collaborative approach to address this serious challenge of productivity, being faced by entire cotton value chain.

Smt. Shubha Thakur, Additional Secretary, MoA & FW while discussing on the initiatives of the government in increasing yield of cotton, reaffirmed the ministry's commitment to work in close coordination with Ministry of Textiles, in adopting best farm practice by the farmers so as to improve livelihood of the farmers.

Smt. Prajakta Verma Joint Secretary, Ministry of Textiles while delivering key note address informed that enhancing sustainability is paramount and therefore Ministry has encouraged collaborative approach through formation of Textile Advisory Group (TAG) where the challenges of Textile Industry are being addressed through participative approach. She also highlighted inter-ministerial coordination in launching initiative of holistic plan to increase cotton production and yield which enable the farmers to increase their income.

The Union Minister of Textiles along with the dignitaries of the event visited to various exhibitor stalls who showcased Kasturi cotton products, recycled textiles, products of scrap fabrics, Handloom products etc.

The one-day conference in commemoration of World Cotton Day 2024, highlighted best practices and sustainable farming methods, traceability, ESG data points for connecting farm to fashion, targeting technology like HDPS, spanning from Farm to Fibre to Factory to Fashion to Foreign. Brainstorming sessions addressed crucial topics, including "Enhancing Sustainability & Traceability", "Decent work in cotton supply chain", "Evolving Trends in Cotton Farming" and "Cotton Trading and Risk Management "for Enhancing Quality & Productivity of Cotton".

During inaugural session Shri Rohit Kansal, Additional Secretary, Ministry of Textile highlighted that the country has set a target of creating Textile Ecosystem of USD 350 bn by 2030 from current USD 176 bn. He urged the stakeholders of cotton textile value chain to be cognisant of the challenges that are being posed by current and potential competing fibres so that cotton will be legacy sector of Indian Textile Industry, further he emphasised the sustainability is a sine qua non for cotton textile value chain.

Shri Lalit Kumar Gupta, CMD CCI highlighted the important role being played by CCI as central nodal agency in empowering cotton farmers by use of technology and provides an alternate market channel for selling their produce.

Shri Rakesh Mehra, Chairman CITI emphasized that cotton being the oldest fibre in the textile industry plays a significant role in driving economic growth, employment generation, provides livelihood to farmers, women empowerment. He urged that the cotton to be produced more and more and increase the productivity so that the industry gets the raw material at competitive price.

The various other eminent speakers shared their experience and valuable insights during the occasion.





Special Feature



Groundbreaking MoUs Signed to Propel Kasturi Cotton Bharat: India's Premium Cotton Brand Set for Global Recognition

The World Cotton Day 2024 celebrations, co-hosted by the Ministry of Textiles, the Confederation of Indian Textile Industries (CITI), and the Cotton Corporation of India, marked a significant milestone for India's cotton industry. Several Memoranda of Understanding (MoUs) were signed by Shri Sunil Patwari, Chairman, The Cotton Textiles Export Promotion Council (TEXPROCIL), to elevate Kasturi Cotton Bharat, India's premium cotton brand, across the cotton value chain-from sustainable farming to textile manufacturing and brand adoption.

Among the notable agreements was the MoU between TEXPROCIL and a range of companies and associations integral to the cotton sector. These MoUs are set to accelerate the sustainable growth of cotton, boost farmers' incomes, and promote Kasturi Cotton globally.

Shri Rakesh Mehra, Chairman of CITI, signed a pivotal MoU with TEXPROCIL to promote awareness and enhance the quality of Indian cotton, ensuring farmers benefit from the Kasturi Cotton mark. Under the CITI-CDRA Sustainability Program, launched in Khargone District, Madhya Pradesh, CITI will optimize production across 150 hectares, benefiting 200 farmers.

Additionally, Ms. Jyoti Kapoor, Country Director - India, Better Cotton Initiative, signed an MoU to support sustainably sourced

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cotton, reinforcing one of the key pillars of the Kasturi Cotton initiative.

Shri Kinner Lakhani, Chief Operating Officer of CottonConnect, also joined hands with TEXPROCIL, enabling farmers to align with Kasturi Cotton's quality standards, fostering responsible growth practices and enhancing farmer livelihoods.

On the manufacturing front, Trident Group and Vardhman Group signed MoUs to adopt Kasturi Cotton for value-added products. Dr. Pradeep Kumar Agarwal of Trident Group committed to utilizing over 500,000 bales of Kasturi Cotton over the next two cotton seasons, while Vardhman Group pledged to process 21,000 bales during the upcoming season. Shri Rajinder Gupta, Chairman, Trident Group, addressed the gathering and shared his vision of making Kasturi Cotton the leading cotton brand in the world.

Furthermore, Shri Rahul Mehta, Chief Mentor of the Clothing Manufacturers Association of India (CMAI), signed an MoU to promote the brand among its members, amplifying Kasturi Cotton's presence across fashion and apparel platforms. The Brands and Sourcing Leaders Association (BSL) will also collaborate to enhance the global marketing and branding of Kasturi Cotton, using its expertise to integrate the cotton into contemporary fashion designs.

These collaborations mark a new chapter in the global cotton landscape, positioning Kasturi Cotton Bharat as a sustainable, premium cotton brand that will shape the future of the cotton value chain worldwide.



MoU with Trident Group

















Foundation Day at the Council



TEXPROCIL celebrated its 70th Foundation Day at its H. O. in Mumbai on 4th October 2024

TEXPROCIL celebrated its 70th Foundation Day with great fervour on 4th October 2024 marking its incorporation in 1954, at its H.O. in Mumbai by lighting of the lamp and cutting of the "Commemorative Cake" at 11.30 a.m at its Head Office in Mumbai. Mr Sunil Patwari, Chairman, TEXPROCIL gave the welcome address while the Chief Guest, Mr. Suresh Kotak, Chairman, Textile Advisory Group gave the Keynote Address. The event was well attended by Past Chairmen, Committee Members of TEXPROCIL and Shri Rakesh Mehra, Chairman CITI.

This event was followed by a special webinar "Global Trends in the Textiles & Apparel Industry: Emerging Opportunities for India."

During the webinar. Mr. Prashant Agarwal, Founder & JMD, Wazir Advisors, made a presentation on "Global Trends in the Textiles & Apparel Industry: Emerging Opportunities for India" followed by a panel discussion.

The panellists included Mr K K Lalpuria, Chairman, Made-ups Sub Committee, TEXPROCIL; Mr Nikunj Bagdia, Chairman, Fabrics Sub Committee, TEXPROCIL and Dr S K Sundararaman, Chairman, Yarn Sub Committee, TEXPROCIL. The session was moderated by Dr Siddhartha Rajagopal, Executive Director, TEXPROCIL. Mr Rakesh Mehra, Chairman (CITI) summed up the discussions and concluded the session.

Shri Sunil Patwari, Chairman TEXPROCIL, said that the Council re-dedicates itself to achieving higher excellence in exports and targeting US\$ 100 billion in textile and clothing exports by 2030.



Advisory Group (TAG) Cotton, Shri Rakesh Mehra, Chairman Confederation of Indian Textile Industry (CITI), cutting the 70th Anniversary cake as the Council celebrated this momentous occasion on 4th October 2024

Webinar on Sensitizing the Trade on the new EU mandates that will impact textile exports to Europe

The Council organised a webinar on 15th October 2024, on the topic 'Sensitizing the Trade on the new EU mandates that will impact textile exports to Europe' to provide an overview of the EU's evolving sustainability framework, especially in the context of ESPR & DPP and explore strategies to stay competitive in this new regulatory landscape.

Dr. Siddhartha Rajagopal Executive Director, TEXPROCIL introduced the Session and the Speakers.

The opening remarks was given by Mr. Vijay Agarwal, Vice Chairman, TEXPROCIL.

The Keynote Address was given by the Chief Guest, H.E. Mr. Erik af Hallstrom, Consul General of Finland in India.

The Presentation during the Webinar explained the European Union's new sustainability mandates that are set to significantly impact the global textile industry. These regulations focus on promoting eco-friendly practices, reducing carbon footprints, managing waste discharge, and fostering recycling & circularity in textile production.

The Webinar concluded with a Question & Answer Session.



Policy Updates



Important Notifications on Policies & Procedures



Kindly get in touch with TEXPROCIL Grievance Redressal Cell for any clarifications, if required, on the herein shared notifications issued recently by the Council. The Member companies are appealed by the Council to send their suggestions sought on the various issues.



A) DGFT notifies the procedures for filing the Annual RoDTEP Return (ARR) on the DGFT Portal by 31st March

DGFT vide Public Notice No.27/2024-25 dated 23rd October, 2024 (**enclosed**) has notified procedure for filing the Annual RoDTEP Return (ARR) on DGFT Portal in Appendix-4RR of HBP 2023 (<u>format of this Appendix annexed to this Public Notice</u>). Accordingly, a new Para 4.94 (Filing of Annual RoDTEP Return) has been added to Chapter 4 of HBP 2023.

The requirement for filing ARR applies initially to exporters with RoDTEP claims exceeding Rs.1 crore in a financial year across all 8-digit HS codes.

RODTEP scrip holders may please make a note of the following while filing ARR:

- **Filing Requirement**: Need to file ARR for FY 2023-24 on DGFT portal by 31.03.2025.
- Deadline: A specific deadline is set for the submission of these returns.
- **Compliance:** Emphasis on compliance with guidelines to avoid penalties.
- **Eligibility:** Timely filing is essential for maintaining eligibility for RoDTEP benefits.
- Record Retention Requirement: Physical/ digital records supporting RoDTEP claims filed in ARR must be maintained for 5 years and presented to the authority if required.
- ARR Scrutiny & Liability for Excess Claims: ARR
 cases may be flagged by IT-based risk criteria for
 further scrutiny under Para 4.54 of FTP 2023 to
 assess inputs used in export production and actual
 taxes incurred. After assessment, any excess
 RODTEP claims must be refunded/surrendered.
 Failure to regularize excess claims within the given
 timeframe will result in suspension of further
 RODTEP benefits.

Link of the Circular: (https://tinyurl.com/2xjw44z8)

B) DGFT introduces an online facility for submission of Appendix 4H Certificates

DGFT has launched an online platform for submitting Appendix 4H certificates, enhancing transparency and compliance for exporters & Certifying Authorities vide Trade Notice No.21/2024-25 dated 17.10.2024.

The Appendix 4H certificate tracks and records the use of duty-free imported or local materials under AA and DFIA Schemes which is now fully online.

Exporters can fill out the form and forward it for verification and digital signing by Certifying Authorities through the DGFT Portal. Certifying Authorities needs to register with DGFT to manage drafts and approve or reject applications.

Link of the Circular: (https://tinyurl.com/3udrt22z)

C) JNCH introduces DRISHTI Software (Export Sale Proceed Monitoring System)

JNCH has issued Public Notice No.84/2024 dated 7.10.2024 on the introduction of new software system called "DRISHTI" for proper monitoring of export sale proceeds. This inhouse Export sale proceeds monitoring software will effectively monitor the realization of export sale proceeds for recovery of ineligible Drawback, RoDTEP and RoSCTL.

To handle monitoring of export proceeds for such large number of S/Bills every year which is approx. 14-15 lakhs, the need of an efficient system was felt, resulting in the development of the "DRISHTI" software.

A list of IEC's along with count of S/Bills pending for realization having LEO date between <u>April 1, 2014</u> to <u>March 31, 2023</u> is annexed to Public Notice No. 84/2024 dated 7th October 2024.

Link of the Circular: (https://texprocil.org/circular/1728974210-Eserve-177 of 2024.pdf)

D) PM Internship Scheme

The Prime Minister Internship Scheme - Pilot Project has been implemented through an online portal (www.pminternship.mca.gov.in) developed by Ministry of Corporate Affairs (MCA). The Portal will serve as a centralised platform for end-to-end Scheme implementation and Internship lifecycle management. The Scheme aims to provide internship opportunities





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to One crore youth in top 500 Companies over five years, offering a 12-month industry exposure.

Circular: (https://texprocil.org/ circular/1729234575-Eserve-179 of 2024.pdf)

Lists issued by Tuticorin Customs reg. (a) Drawback S/Bills List pending due to Query raised to the exporter (b) IGST S/Bill status for the period upto 30.9.2024

Tuticorin Customs (INTUT1) has issued the following list -

- 1) Pending S/ills for Drawback clearance due to queries raised to the exporter during 1st May, 2024 to 30th September, 2024.
- 2) IGST Shipping Status for the period upto 30th September, 2024.

Concerned members may kindly make a note of the above and do the needful to rectify the errors identified by Tuticorin Customs.

Link of the Circular: (https://texprocil.org/ circular/1728389726-Eserve-175 of 2024.pdf)

DGFT extends RoDTEP benefits to DTA units and AA/EOU/SEZ units beyond 30.9.2024

RoDTEP benefits extended for exports made from DTA/AA/EOU & SEZ beyond 30.9.2024 vide DGFT's Notification No.32/2024-25 dated 30th September, 2024.

- RoDTEP Scheme extended for exports made from DTA units till 30.9.2025.
- RoDTEP benefits available for AA holders (except Deemed Exports), EOUs a& SEZs upto 31.12.2024.
- Revised RoDTEP rates under Appendix 4R and Appendix 4RE have been notified for implementation w.e.f. 10.10.2024.
- Details of revised RoDTEP rates is available at the DGFT Portal (www.dgft.gov.in) under the link 'Regulations >>> RoDTEP'.
- Revised rates range from 0.3% to 3.9%, lower than the previous bracket of up to 4.3%, aligning with the budgetary allocation of FTP
- For exports made between 1.10.2024 and 9.10.2024, the existing rates as in Notification No.70/2023 dated 8.3.2024 shall continue to apply.
- of the Circular: Link (https://tinyurl. com/4yrue723)
- G) DGFT extends IES for Pre and Post shipment Rupee Export Credit upto 30.12.2024

DGFT vide Trade Notice No.18/2024-25 dated 30.9.2024 has further extended the Interest Equalisation Scheme (IES) for Pre and Post Shipment Rupee Export Credit by three months up to 31.12.2024.

- Fiscal benefits of each MSME, on aggregate, will be restricted to Rs.50 lakhs for FY 2024-25 till December 2024.
- MSME manufacturer exporters who have already availed equalisation benefit of Rs.50 lakhs or more in 2024-25 till 30.9.2024. will not be eligible for any further benefit in the extended period.
- This extension shall be valid for three months or such revised approval, which would be received prior to the lapse of the extension of three months.

Link of the Circular: (https://tinyurl. com/23uyy474)

H) DGFT amends Chapter 5 of HBP 2023 related to EPCG Scheme to reduce compliance burden and enhance Ease of doing Business

DGFT has issued Public Notice No.24/2024-25 dated 20th September, 2024 amending Chapter 5 of HBP 2023 regarding EPCG Scheme with an aim to reduce compliance burden associated with annual reporting and promote ease of doing business for authorization holders.

Previously, exporters were required to submit an Annual Report on export obligation fulfillment by June 30 each year.

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- Allows for the submission of this Annal Report only after the first block period of four years, with continuous reporting till the expiry of the valid export obligation period.
- The report must be submitted online and include detailed information such as shipping bill or invoice numbers, along with certification by a Chartered Accountant, Cost Accountant, or Company Secretary to verify compliance with export obligations.
- No late fee is applicable for any delay in filing such report.

Link of the Circular: (https://texprocil.org/ circular/1727336025-Eserve-164 of 2024.pdf)



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Advertisement Package for promoting products and solutions in the Publications of TEXPROCIL

Dear Madam/Sir,

As a part of TEXPROCIL's knowledge sharing initiatives, the Council is coming up regularly with various E-publications. The circulation of these publications, averaging to over 3000 avid readers, includes the Council's strong database of 2,000 nos. membership comprising manufacturers, exporters, traders of Indian cotton fibre, yarn, fabrics and madeups range of products.

The readership database also includes the contacts of textiles trade associations, government representatives, foreign missions, etc. which are being updated from time to time.

The Council has planned to offer an 'Advertisement Package' for the various Publications with a view to enhance the exposure of products and solutions being offered by various entities. We request you to kindly consider the advertisement opportunity as per details attached.

Publication details are as follows:

1. Newsletter - Published every fortnight

2. IBTEX - Published daily - Includes news clippings on articles of interest in T&C appearing in various publications.

Advertisement Package details are given below this column.

For further clarifications you may like to advise your office to kindly write to Mr. Rakesh Chinthal, IT Officer/ Mr. Rajesh Satam, Joint Director on email: rakesh@texprocil.org / rajesh@texprocil.org.

For queries related to advertisement booking kindly write to Mrs. Mrunal Sawant on email: mrunal@texprocil.org.

We look forward to receiving your enquiries / confirmation for availing the advertisement opportunity in publications of TEXPROCIL.

Regards,

Dr. Siddhartha Rajagopal **Executive Director**

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For more information please contact:

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Membership Renewal Subscription Fee for FY 2024-2025



Dear Member,

As you are aware, it is mandatory for all exporters to apply for registration/renewal/amendment of their RCMC through the e-RCMC module on the DGFT's portal www.dgft.gov.in

Accordingly, the 'Renewal of RCMC' process for 2024-2025 along with the payment of renewal subscription has to be made compulsorily at the DGFT portal only.

In this regard, please note that your Annual Renewal Subscription for the financial year 2024-2025 has become due for payment from 1st April 2024.

The Annual Renewal Subscription charges are as follows:

Type of Membership	Amount (Rs.)	GST @ 18%	Total Amount (Rs.)
Associate Member	Rs. 8,000/-	Rs.1,440/-	Rs.9,440/-
Ordinary Member	Rs. 14,000/-	Rs.2,520/-	Rs.16,520/-

You are requested to please renew your membership at the earliest.

Please ignore this email, if you have already renewed your membership for the year 2024-2025.

Steps for Renewal of Membership (Renewal of e-RCMC):

- Go to DGFT Website https://www.dgft.gov.in
- Click on the Login button and log in by using your username and password
- Go to Services >> e-RCMC >> Renewal of RCMC and click on 'Start Fresh Application'
- Choose the RCMC allotted to you by TEXPROCIL and click on 'Renew'
- Complete the details in each tab and go ahead by pressing "Save and Next"
- After filling up all the details in all the tabs, the payment of the renewal subscription option 'Payment of RCMC' will appear where you need to do the online payment and click on 'Submit' to submit the application.

Please feel free to contact us for any clarification or any guidance required from us by calling on 91-22-49444000 or sending emails to info@texprocil.org, rukshana@texprocil.org or smita@texprocil.org

Kindly renew your membership and allow us to serve you at our best.

Regards,

Dr. Siddhartha Rajagopal Executive Director :: TEXPROCIL ::











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