

COTTON SEASON 2013-14

The cotton year 2013-14 commenced with a opening stock of 35 lakh bales. The sowing for the cotton season 2013-14 started in the month of April/May, 2013. Due to timely onset of monsoon, the rains were reported good everywhere and agro-climatic conditions were favorable for cotton sowing.

2. The first meeting of the Cotton Advisory Board (CAB) for the cotton season 2013-14, was held on 1.11.2013. The Cotton Balance Sheet for 2013-14 shows estimated crop size of 375 lac bales, consumption of 297 lac bales, exports of 90 lac bales and a closing stock of 40 lac bales. India placed cotton exports on Open General Licensing category on October 1, 2012 and the policy continues. Director General of Foreign Trade continues to register the export contracts.