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Invitation for Participation

In last 2 years, significant developments have taken place globally in organic textiles at all levels – Government, agriculture input, dyes/chemicals, processing and finally the most important in the value chain, the consumer.

Over 3 million exporters/importers, dyes/chemicals manufacturers and others have registered for organic textiles, which gives an idea about the direction on which organic textiles is going forward. The Indian Government has itself set a target of US\$ 1.0 billion – ten fold increase over 2008 of organic product sales (including textiles which contributes over 25%) by 2012. The government has appointed a special agency – National Centre for Organic Farming (NCOF) to undertake the major project under agriculture ministry. The main task of NCOF is to substantially increase the areas under organic farming to two million hectares. The government will fund the schemes to promote the increase in organic production across all 26 states.

There has been a well-marked awareness amongst all in the supply chain as far as organic textiles are concerned – seeds producers, farmers, yarn/fabric producers, dyes/chemicals. This has resulted in significant increase in area for organic textiles in stores all over the world. For the first time a leading Indian retailer has opened a separate section for organic textiles. This will give boost to the domestic demand for the organic textiles. Once it catches up, there will not be stopping, as then the Indian farmers and producers of organic textiles do not have to look to or depend totally on the West. There are many stories floating and myths regarding organic cotton fibre, yarn and fabric, which need to address & clear the air and build the confidence.

TAI Seminar

After the unprecedented success of the last seminar, there has been demand from the textile industry to have another seminar to take into account the latest developments in Organic Textiles, including farming. The TAI, Mumbai unit decided to hold the International Seminar on Organic Textiles. The Seminar will cover advances in farming, retailers who are the main force behind the drive, textiles/yarn manufacturers, dyes/chemicals suppliers and the certification bodies. The seminar will be addressed by the Indian as well as international experts including farmers, major retailers and organic textile producers, and the certification bodies. There will also be a panel discussion wherein participants' queries will be answered by the expert panel.

Your participation in this seminar by way of sponsorships, advertisements and delegates would provide a common platform to meet the expert's from industry as well as the exchange of views on the technological developments in the field of Processing will be highly valuable.

We appreciate your support extended so far to The Textile Association (India), Mumbai Unit and it will be our pleasure to invite you to be part of the event to contribute towards the betterment of the Textile Industry.

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Topics to be covered

- ❖ Indian initiatives towards Organic Cotton production
- ❖ Perspectives of Organic Cotton - Farmers Views
- Ensuring Organic Textile Processing - A Dyestuff /
- ❖ Chemical Manufacturers View
- ❖ Impact of GOTS Certification
- Marketing Strategies of Organic Textiles