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The Government of India has fixed the support price of two basic varieties of cotton viz., Medium Staple Length Cotton having Staple Length of 24.5 to 25.5 mm with micronaire value of 4.3 to 5.1 and Long Staple Length Cotton having Staple Length of 29.5 to 30.5 mm with micronaire value of 3.5 to 4.3 of new crop of Seed Cotton (Kapas) of Fair Average Quality (FAQ) for Cotton Season 2008-09 (October-September). The support price for Medium Staple Length Cotton has been fixed at Rs.2500/- per quintal and that for Long Staple Length Cotton of above classes has been fixed at Rs.3000/- per quintal.

2. Based on the support prices for these two basic classes of Seed Cotton and taking into account the quality differential, normal price differential and other relevant factors, the support prices for other classes of Seed Cotton (Kapas) of Fair Average Quality (FAQ) for the Cotton Season 2008-09 (October-September) are hereby fixed, as under: -

(Rs./Qtl)

Sr. No.	CLASSES OF COTTON	Fibre Quality Parameters		Minimum Support Price (MSP) for 2008-09	Names of the indicative varieties used by the Trade
		Basic Staple Length (2.5% Span Length) in mm	Micronaire Value		
(I)	(II)	(III)	(IV)	(V)	(VI)
	Short Staple (20 mm & below)				
1		-	7.0 - 8.0	2000	Assam Comilla
2		-	6.8 - 7.2	2000	Bengal Deshi
	Medium Staple (20.5mm – 24.5mm)				
3		21.5 -23.5	4.2-6.0	2300	V-797/G.Cot.13/ G.Cot.21
4		22.0 - 23.0	4.8 - 5.8	2250	Jayadhar
5		23.5 - 24.5	3.0 - 5.5	2350	AK/Y-1(Mah&M.P)/ MCU-7(TN)/SVPR-2 (TN)/PCO-2 (AP & Kar)/K-11(TN)

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(I)	(II)	(III)	(IV)	(V)	(VI)
	Medium Long Staple (25.0 mm-27.0 mm)				
6		24.5 – 25.5	4.3 - 5.1	2500	F-414/H-777/J-34 (Raj)
7		26.0 – 26.5	3.4 - 4.9	2600	F-414/H-777/J-34 Hybrid (Raj) / LRA-5166 / KC-2 (T.N.)
8		26.0 - 27.0	3.8 - 4.8	2700	F-1414/H-777/J-34 Hybrid (Haryana)
	Long Staple (27.5mm – 32.0mm)				
9		27.5 - 28.5	4.0 - 4.8	2800	F-414/H-777/J-34 Hybrid (Punjab)
10		27.5 - 28.5	3.5 - 4.7	2850	H-4/H-6/MECH/RCH-2
11		27.5 - 29.0	3.6 - 4.8	2850	Sankar-6/10
12		29.5 - 30.5	3.5 - 4.3	3000	Bunny / Brahma
	Extra Long Staple (32.5mm & above)				
13		32.5 - 33.5	3.2 - 4.3	3200	MCU-5/Surabhi
14		34.0 - 36.0	3.0 - 3.5	3400	DCH-32
15		37.0 - 39.0	3.2 - 3.6	4200	Suvin

- (i) If the micronaire value is in the range of 3.8 to 4.2 for Medium Staple Length group (24.5mm – 25.5mm), and Medium Long Staple (25.0 mm-27.0 mm), categorized in the above table, a premium of Rs.30/- per quintal will be given, over and above the MSP. If the micronaire happens to be less than 3.8 or more than 5.1, the MSP will be lower by Rs.15/- per quintal for every 0.2 micronaire value.
- (ii) If the micronaire values are outside the range in respect of the varieties mentioned for Long Staple (27.5 mm – 32.0 mm) and Extra Long Staple (32.5 mm and above), categorized in the above table, then lower MSP of Rs.25/- per quintal will be given for every 0.2 micronaire value.

- (iii) The base line moisture content of kapas shall be 8%. The farmer selling cotton having moisture above 8% will get less price proportionately, while it will be a proportionate incentive, if the moisture content of the produce is less than 8%. The incentive / disincentive will be made on the basis of rate per quintal of kapas.

CCI and NAFED would continue to be the Nodal Agency for procurement of cotton.

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