THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRIMATI PANABAKA LAKSHMI): (a) Indian garments have been listed by the United States Department of Labor in the year 2009 and 2010 in their final determination of the Executive Order list No. 13126 and Trafficking Victims Protection Reauthorization Act (TVPRA) list, on grounds that the list of products might have been produced or manufactured by forced or indentured child labour.

(b) As per United States Department of Labor the TVPRA and EO lists are awareness generation list and do not act as Non Tariff Barriers. The impact of these finding has not been witnessed in apparel exports to other exporting countries.

(c) Government has engaged the US authorities through several meetings since 2009, with a view to get Indian garments off the US DoL lists. US DoL has also been furnished with the industry response to the final determination based on field level surveys. Meanwhile, the Apparel Exports Promotion Council (AEPC) has also commenced with implementing the Common Compliance Code, a Plan Scheme of Ministry of Textiles, for sensitizing the domestic industry on appropriate labour practices.

Increase in export ceiling of cotton

2458. DR. K.P. RAMALINGAM: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has decided to increase the cotton export ceiling to 65 lakh bales from 55 lakh bales for the current year crop season;

(b) if so, whether textile mills in the country have appealed to Government to reconsider its decision to allow additional 10 lakh bales of cotton for the current year; and

(c) if so, the details thereof and reaction of Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRIMATI PANABAKA LAKSHMI): (a) to (c) Government has placed cotton exports on Open General Licence (OGL) without any quantity cap with effect from August 2, 2011.

Wide variation in prices of cotton

2459. SHRI AVINASH PANDE: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it a fact that prices of cotton in the season 2010-11 varied from as low as 28000 per candy to as high as 64000 per candy;

(b) if so, the major reasons for such wide variation; and

(c) what actions have been taken by Government in the financial year 2010-11 to stabilize the cotton market for the welfare of the farmer?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRIMATI PANABAKA LAKSHMI): (a) The price map of domestic cotton prices in cotton season 2010-11 is given in Statement (*See* below).

(b) Cotton price rise is in accordance with market fundamentals and international volatility in cotton prices. International cotton prices reached a historical high of US $ 234 cents/lb, the highest in the past 150 years before moderating in the later part of the season.

(c) During the cotton season 2010-11, Government had taken several steps to stabilize the cotton market including monitoring by an Informal Group of Ministers/ Committee of Secretaries, calibrating quantity caps on cotton exports and placing cotton export on Open General Licence (OGL) without any quantitative cap from August 2, 2011 to avoid supply side disruptions. These measures ensure price stability while balancing interests of cotton farmers and downstream textiles industry.

Statement

THE COTTON CORPORATION OF INDIA LTD., NAVI MUMBAI

Domestic sale prices of S-6 in Rs. per candy spot as announced by Cotton Association of India, Mumbai (CAI) and equivalent price in US C/lb vis-a-vis average price of Cotlook A Index

Date	Price of S-6 In Rs. candy spot	Conversion Factor (Exch Rate x 7.84) to per candy	Conversion of S-6 price in US C/lb	Cotlook A (CFR) in US Cents/lb
1	2	3	4	5
03-01-11	42500	350.13	121.38	171.95
04-01-11	42500	351.08	121.06	170.90
05-01-11	42500	353.90	120.09	171.90
06-01-11	42200	354.76	118.95	173.55
07-01-11	42000	355.78	118.05	170.00
10-01-11	43000	356.33	120.67	169.25
11-01-11	43500	355.31	122.43	172.25
12-01-11	43300	353.98	122.32	176.25
13-01-11	43500	353.51	123.05	176.80

1	2	3	4	5
14-01-11	43900	354.84	123.72	172.60
17-01-11	44600	354.84	125.69	170.10
18-01-11	45000	354.84	126.82	170.10
19-01-11	45000	355.62	126.54	174.10
20-01-11	44800	355.62	125.98	177.10
21-01-11	44800	358.68	124.90	181.70
24-01-11	46300	357.27	129.59	185.70
25-01-11	47100	356.64	132.07	190.70
27-01-11	49400	356.96	138.39	194.50
28-01-11	50000	358.21	139.58	197.50
31-01-11	48800	360.09	135.52	193.25
01-02-11	49000	359.39	136.34	197.05
02-02-11	50000	357.27	139.95	201.05
03-02-11	52500	357.50	146.85	205.05
04-02-11	52500	357.74	146.75	201.55
07-02-11	53000	357.11	148.41	197.55
08-02-11	55500	355.78	156.00	203.75
09-02-11	56500	355.15	159.09	205.45
10-02-11	60000	357.11	168.02	209.75
11-02-11	59500	358.52	165.96	216.75
14-02-11	59000	356.96	165.28	217.30
15-02-11	58500	356.25	164.21	214.90
16-02-11	58500	356.25	164.21	219.50
17-02-11	58000	355.94	162.95	226.50
18-02-11	59000	354.21	166.57	233.50
21-02-11	58500	354.21	165.16	226.50
22-02-11	57300	353.66	162.02	226.50

1	2	3	4	5
23-02-11	56000	354.29	158.06	219.50
24-02-11	55000	355.62	154.66	215.75
25-02-11	54300	355.70	152.66	209.30
28-02-11	58000	354.76	163.49	216.30
01-03-11	59000	353.74	166.79	223.30
02-03-11	59000	353.74	166.79	225.50
03-03-11	59000	352.80	167.23	231.90
04-03-11	59500	352.49	168.80	236.25
07-03-11	58700	352.49	166.53	243.25
08-03-11	58500	352.49	165.96	243.65
09-03-11	57500	352.49	163.13	236.05
10-03-11	58200	352.49	165.11	233.25
11-03-11	58200	354.13	164.35	229.65
14-03-11	59200	353.98	167.24	233.40
15-03-11	59000	354.68	166.35	226.60
16-03-11	59000	354.21	166.57	219.60
17-03-11	59200	354.37	167.06	214.25
18-03-11	59500	353.58	168.28	221.05
21-03-11	59900	353.11	169.64	228.05
22-03-11	60200	353.27	170.41	228.15
23-03-11	60500	352.33	171.71	234.75
24-03-11	61000	350.92	173.83	230.75
25-03-11	61500	350.92	175.25	237.65
28-03-11	61500	351.00	175.21	233.45
29-03-11	61500	350.60	175.41	226.45
30-03-11	61500	350.92	175.25	223.45
31-03-11	61500	350.21	175.61	221.95

1	2	3	4	5
01-04-11	61500	350.21	175.61	227.75
04-04-11	61500	350.21	175.61	223.00
05-04-11	61500	359.39	171.12	223.00
06-04-11	61000	354.76	171.95	228.00
07-04-11	61000	346.84	.175.87	234.40
08-04-11	61000	346.84	175.87	234.25
11-04-11	60800	346.84	175.30	228.55
13-04-11	58800	348.64	168.66	224.35
15-04-11	57800	348.64	165.79	219.45
18-04-11	56300	347.08	162.21	218.95
19-04-11	56000	349.90	160.05	218.95
20-04-11	56000	349.90	160.05	212.65
21-04-11	55000	347.23	158.40	206.35
25-04-11	55200	348.41	158.43	NQ
26-04-11	55200	349.51	157.94	196.15
27-04-11	55200	348.02	158.61	179.70
28-04-11-	53200	347.47	153.11	172.70
29-04-11	51700	347.94	148.59	NQ
02-05-11	50000	347.47	143.90	NQ
03-05-11	49000	347.86	140.86	173.10
04-05-11	49000	349.12	140.35	174.70
05-05-11	48000	349.12	137.49	168.70
06-05-11	46000	351.08	131.02	164.20
09-05-11	43500	350.29	124.18	163.50
10-05-11	43500	350.60	124.07	163.35
11-05-11	44000	350.45	125.55	166.65
12-05-11	45000	351.00	128.21	165.65

1	2	3	4	5
13-05-11	44000	351.86	125.05	160.55
16-05-11	45000	352.96	127.49	160.95
17-05-11	45000	352.96	127.49	163.65
18-05-11	45000	353.35	127.35	164.80
19-05-11	45000	352.41	127.69	167.55
20-05-11	46200	352.17	131.19	163.55
23-05-11	46500	354.52	131.16	163.55
24-05-11	47000	354.45	132.60	165.15
25-05-11	47000	355.78	132.10	165.55
26-05-11	47000	354.92	132.42	167.15
27-05-11	47200	354.37	133.19	163.35
30-05-11	46500	353.58	131.51	NQ
31-05-11	46000	352.96	130.33	164.75
01-06-11	46000	352.25	130.59	168.95
02-06-11	45500	352.17	129.20	170.80
03-06-11	45500	351.55	129.43	173.00
06-06-11	44000	351.08	125.33	171.50
07-06-11	44000	350.84	125.41	167.50
08-06-11	44000	349.66	125.84	160.50
09-06-11	44000	350.21	125.64	157.90
10-06-11	43500	350.68	124.04	NQ
13-06-11	43500	351.55	123.74	NQ
14-06-11	43500	350.92	123.96	NQ
15-06-11	43000	350.13	122.81	NQ
16-06-11	42000	352.02	119.31	NQ
17-06-11	40500	352.25	114.98	NQ
20-06 11	39000	352.96	11049	NQ

1	2	3	4	5
21-06-11	38000	352.02	107.95	NQ
22-06-11	38000	351.47	108.12	NQ
23-06-11	38000	352.17	107.90	NQ
24-06-11	38000	352.25	107.88	NQ
27-06-11	38000	353.51	107.49	NQ
28-06-11	38000	353.19	107.59	NQ
29-06-11	38000	352.09	107.93	NQ
30-06-11	38000	350.76	108.34	NQ
01-07-11	37500	352.09	106.51	NQ
02-07-11	37500	349.74	107.22	NQ
04-07-11	37500	348.49	107.61	NQ
05-07-11	37000	348.80	106.08	NQ
06-07-11	37000	348.02	106.32	NQ
07-07-11	37000	348.10	106.29	NQ
08-07-11	37000	347.55	106.46	NQ
11-07-11	36500	347.70	104.98	NQ
12-07-11	35500	350.29	101.34	NQ
13-07-11	34500	349.43	98.73	NQ
14-07-11	34000	349.12	97.39	NQ
15-07-11	33500	348.96	96.00	NQ
18-07-11	32000	349.35	91.60	NQ
19-07-11	31500	349.59	90.11	NQ
20-07-11	31000	348.57	88.93	NQ
21-07-11	31000	349.12	88.79	NQ
22-07-11	31000	347.78	89.14	NQ
25-07-11	30000	348.25	86.15	NQ
26-07-11	30000	347.31	86.38	NQ
27-07-11	30000	351.86	85.26	NQ

1	2	3	4	5
28-07-11	30300	345.90	87.60	NQ
29-07-11	30800	346.14	88.98	NQ
01-08-11	32000	345.35	92.66	NQ
02-08-11	32000	346.84	92.26	NQ
03-08-11	32700	347.94	93.98	NQ
04-08-11	34200	348.17	98.23	NQ
05-08-11	35000	350.84	99.76	NQ
08-08-11	34000	352.88	96.35	NQ
09-08-11	34000	354.13	96.01	NQ
10-08-11	34000	346.61	98.09	NQ
PRICE : CORRESPONDING PERIOD LAST YEAR				
10-08-10	30700	362.68	84.65	NQ
				(1 candy=355.62 kgs)
COMPARISON : CURRENT PRICE *VIS-A-VIS* OPENING PRICE (AS ON 01-10-10)				
Increase/decrease	-3700		-9.56	-
in actual and In	-10%		-9%	-
COMPARISON: CURRENT PRICE *VIS-A-VIS* LAST YEAR PRICE				
Increase In actual	3300		13.45	-
& In %tage term	11%		16%	-

Movement of S-6 prices *vis-a-vis* Cotlook Prices – 2010-11