



NCFA Signs MOU With ICAR -CIRCOT on 8th October 2024

Non-Conventional Fibres Association (NCFA) has entered in to an MoU with ICAR-Central Institute for Research on Cotton Technology (ICAR -CIRCOT) to undertake joint programme/Projects on promotion of the use of sustainable non-conventional fibres. The MoU with ICAR -CIRCOT will focus on utilising ICAR -CIRCOT'S R&D support for the development of various non-conventional fibre products, processes for the textile and apparel industry. ICAR-CIRCOT is one of the premier R&D institute under the Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR), Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare, Government of India. Established in 1924, the institute specializes in research and development, Training, Testing and Extension related to cotton technology, fibre quality evaluation, textile processing, and value addition of cotton and natural fibres.

ICAR-CIRCOT is recognized for its contributions in post-harvest cotton processing, testing, standardization, and development of textile technologies and machinery. The institute is also engaged in advanced research areas such as nonwoven technology, natural fibre composites, nanotechnology, and eco-friendly textile processing. The areas of collaboration identified by the two agencies include:

- Joint training programmes.
- Joint seminars, conferences Collaborative R&D projects.
- Joint consultancy programmes Sharing of testing and product development facilities, sourcing of non-conventional fibres from different parts of the globe. Knowledge/information sharing.
- Evolve and conduct R&D projects on sustainable fibres.



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