

## *Repeal of Cotton Ginning & Pressing Factories Act, 1925*

The Cotton Ginning and Pressing factories Act, 1925 enacted on the 8th day of August, 1925 provided for periodical filing of returns, maintenance of registers, marking of bales and other rule making powers for the Central and State Governments for the purpose of regulating the ginning and pressing factories.

2. There have been changes in the pattern of processing, marketing and consumption of cotton since the enactment of the act. In the market driven economy needing quality products modernisation of ginning and pressing factories is essential. Further, in the present liberalized industrial scenario the restrictions laid down in the Cotton Ginning and Pressing Factories Act, 1925 are not required any longer and the Cotton control Order, 1986 issued under the Essential Commodities Act, 1955 would cover provisions considered essential to regulate working of ginning and pressing factories in future so long as cotton remains as an essential commodity. Hence it was considered that the said Act be repealed.

3. The repeal will also provide a thrust and incentive to the modernisation efforts in the cotton ginning and pressing sector to ensure quality processing of cotton and charging remunerative price for the service provided for.