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**INTERNATIONAL TEXTILE FORUM AND
TEXTILE MACHINERY EXHIBITION**

CONCEPT NOTE

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Dushanbe (Tajikistan)**

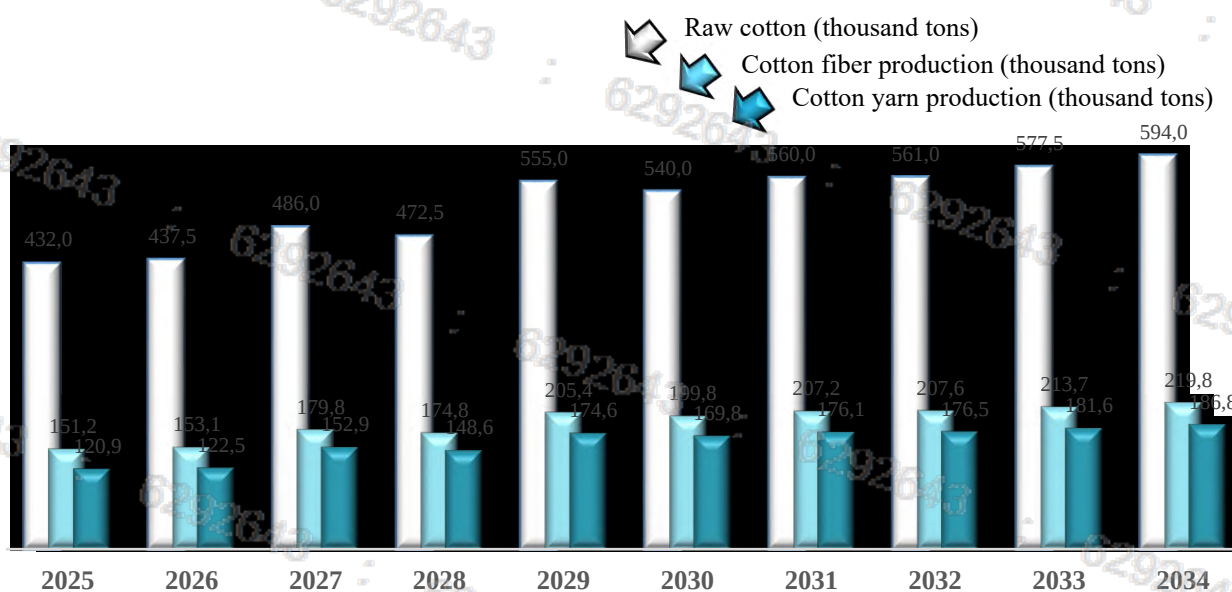
Preface

Weaving and textile production hold a special place in the history and culture of the Tajik people, reflecting their rich heritage and artistic traditions. Over the centuries, these crafts have evolved, adapting to changing times while preserving their unique national characteristics. Archaeological findings indicate that advanced weaving centers existed here in ancient times. The region of Sogd was particularly renowned for producing high-quality silk fabrics with intricate patterns, which were in demand far beyond the region's borders.

Nearly 100 years ago, Tajikistan's textile industry underwent significant transformations. In 1926, the first cotton processing plant was established in Dushanbe, marking the beginning of the sector's industrialization. In the following decades, large textile enterprises, such as the Dushanbe Textile Complex, were built, providing jobs for thousands of people and producing goods that were in demand both domestically and internationally.

Today, Tajikistan is experiencing a revival of interest in traditional weaving as a form of national handicraft, along with the development of innovative advanced technologies in the cotton and textile industry. The country is home to over 500 textile enterprises, employing more than 25,000 people.

Planned future prospects:



- **Cotton ginning plants (100 currently operating plants)** have a total annual capacity of about 2 million tons of organic cotton, which is certified by Better Cotton and GOTS.
- **Spinning production (16 enterprises)** has a total annual cotton fiber processing capacity of about 70,000 tons of yarn, ranging from Ne8/1 to Ne60/1.
- **Weaving production (25 enterprises)** has a total annual capacity of about 120 million square meters of fabric, including types such as chintz, batiste, satin, calico, coarse calico, atlas, adras, marquisette, flannel, baize, and buzamea, all made from 100% organically pure cotton.
- **Dyeing production (10 enterprises)** has a total annual capacity of about 100 million square meters of high-quality cotton fabric and cloth. The dyeing process uses paints from brands such as Little Greene, Farrow & Ball, Paint Library, Argile, Designers Guild, Sanderson, and Zoffany.
- **Hosiery production (across 6 enterprises)** has a total annual capacity of about 50 million pairs of hosiery products, including men's, women's, and children's knee-highs, tights, thermal socks, leg warmers, stockings, and socks made from hypoallergenic and 100% natural cotton fiber.
- **Garment production (over 200 enterprises)** has a total annual capacity of about 300 million finished products, with approximately 12,000 sewing machines in operation. The range of sewn products includes bed linen and home textiles, satin and adras dresses, T-shirts, trousers and shorts for children and adults, suits, workwear, medical cotton gowns, children's and adult underwear, shirts, blouses, sundresses, gloves, socks, pajamas, and more. All our enterprises are ready to undergo all types of quality control audits—from raw materials to finished products.

Special attention is given to the creation of textile clusters that cover the entire production cycle—from cotton cultivation to the manufacturing of finished products. In recent years, the silk sector has also been developing with a focus on a cluster approach and a full production cycle, including the production of finished products. The wool processing sector is also an integral part of Tajikistan's textile industry, with great potential for future development given the ample availability of local raw materials. These initiatives help enhance domestic raw material processing and reduce dependence on the export of unprocessed cotton, silk, and wool.

The reconstruction of the textile and garment industry is a key focus of the National Strategy for Cotton Production and Processing, as well as the Textile Industry

Development in the Republic of Tajikistan for 2024–2040. This strategic approach will enhance Tajikistan's competitiveness in the global market, creating new employment opportunities and driving economic growth.

In the context of rapid industrialization and the strategic goals of the Republic of Tajikistan, the development of the textile industry plays a crucial role in accelerating the country's industrial transformation. Emphasizing modern methods and practices, this sector is key to integrating Tajikistan into global value chains.

The Ministry of Industry and New Technologies of the Republic of Tajikistan has initiated a three-day international forum dedicated to discussing the strategy for textile industry development and strengthening production chains.

The forum aims to discuss key issues related to the development of the textile and clothing industry in the region, create a platform for strengthening international cooperation in the textile sector, demonstrate the potential of Tajikistan as a promising center for textile production and innovation, and promote interaction between manufacturers of textile equipment, textile products, and wholesale and retail chains.

Forum Objectives:

- ✓ Present the current state and achievements of Tajikistan's textile and garment industry.
- ✓ Facilitate dialogue between local and international experts, business representatives, government officials, and academia.
- ✓ Attract investor interest in the development of the textile sector by showcasing promising projects and initiatives.
- ✓ Develop recommendations and strategies to expand the presence of Tajik textile products in international markets.
- ✓ Discuss strategies for integrating Tajikistan's textile and garment industry into global supply chains.
- ✓ Establish direct connections between Tajik manufacturers and key players in the global textile market.

Forum Format

- ✓ Plenary Session and Panel Discussions – The forum will be opened with participation of a representative from the Government of the Republic of Tajikistan, along with international partners and participants.
- ✓ Textile Equipment Exhibition – A showcase of the latest textile machinery and technologies.
- ✓ Textile and Apparel products Exhibition (fabric, home textile, apparel, accessories)
- ✓ Industrial Equipment Exhibition – A display of advanced industrial equipment relevant to the textile sector.
- ✓ Fashion Show – A presentation of modern and traditional textile designs from Tajikistan and international designers.
- ✓ Visits to Textile Enterprises – Guided tours of key textile production facilities in the country.
- ✓ Cultural and Historical Site Visits – Excursions to museums and cultural landmarks to explore Tajikistan's rich heritage.

Forum Panel Sessions

I. Cotton Farming – The Raw Material Base of the Textile Industry

Discussion on existing challenges, hidden risks, untapped potential, and opportunities for industry development through innovative and digital technologies. The session will focus on enhancing cotton farming as a primary supplier of raw materials for the textile sector.

II. Textile Industry Development: New Challenges and Solutions

Exploring the diversification of the textile industry towards high-value-added products, modern cotton processing methods, and energy-efficient technologies. Special attention will be given to the development of technical textiles and innovative materials, as well as adapting to global trends such as digitalization, sustainability, and changing consumer preferences.

III. Premium Quality in Textile Production

Addressing challenges and risks in adopting international standards, including the mandatory use of digital components in production and quality control. The session will discuss digital labeling and tracking systems for raw materials, semi-finished, and finished products, which are essential for the full-scale development of Tajikistan's cotton-textile sector.

IV. Investment Potential in the Textile Industry: Partnering and Financing

Discussion on government support, tax incentives for investors, and successful investment cases in Tajikistan's textile sector. Special focus will be on developing textile clusters, their role in industry growth, attracting international partners, and ensuring sustainable financing for modernization and expansion.

V. New Technologies in Design, Production, and Consumer Experience

Exploring the latest advancements in textile and fashion design, including artificial intelligence, 3D printing, and smart fabrics. The session will highlight innovative production methods such as automation, digital printing, and sustainable technologies.

VI. Global Trends in Apparel Sourcing and Integration into International Supply Chains

Strategies for efficient sourcing and procurement of garments in international markets, along with insights from Tajikistan's companies on their role in global value chains. The session will address supplier selection, digital supply chain management, product transparency, and traceability. Special emphasis will be placed on sustainable production, environmental standards, responsible consumption, and adapting to shifting global market conditions.

Expected Outcomes

- ✓ Strengthening collaboration with international partners across the global textile value chain.
- ✓ Establishing business connections between companies in the textile and garment industries, ensuring their sustainable development.
- ✓ Facilitating knowledge exchange on the use of innovations and new technologies in the textile sector.
- ✓ Enhancing expertise and professional capacity of local textile and garment manufacturers, artisans, young craftsmen, and designers.

Forum Participants

- ✓ Government Representatives – Officials involved in the production and regulation of the textile and garment industry.
- ✓ Business and Private Sector Representatives – Companies, manufacturers of textile equipment, and producers of textile and garment products.

- ✓ Diplomatic Corps – Accredited representatives of foreign embassies and international organizations in Tajikistan.
- ✓ Industry Experts and Researchers – Specialists studying and analyzing trends in the textile sector.
- ✓ Educational Institutions – Representatives from universities and training centers specializing in textile education.
- ✓ The forum will host approximately 70 leading global manufacturers of textile equipment and over 200 international participants representing major textile and apparel brands.

Organizational Details:

- ✓ The International Textile Forum and the Textile Equipment Exhibition of Tajikistan will take place from July 8 to July 10, 2025, in Dushanbe, under the auspices of the Government of the Republic of Tajikistan.
- ✓ The event is organized by the Ministry of Industry and New Technologies of the Republic of Tajikistan.
- ✓ The Organizing Committee includes other relevant government agencies and companies representing the textile and apparel sectors of Tajikistan.
- ✓ The Forum will be held at the Hyatt Regency Dushanbe.
- ✓ The Textile Equipment Exhibition will take place at the Dushanbe Expo Centre.
- ✓ International participants will receive official invitations from the Ministry of Industry and New Technologies of the Republic of Tajikistan, following the established procedure.
- ✓ Media support will be provided by the Committee for Television and Radio Broadcasting under the Government of the Republic of Tajikistan, the Khovar National News Agency (AMIT "Khovar"), and other accredited media outlets in Tajikistan.

The forum is financially supported through:

- ✓ Participation and partnership fees from attendees and partners;
- ✓ Sponsorship contributions from local businesses and companies;
- ✓ Support from international partners.

Application for Participation

Detailed information about the format of the Forum and Exhibition, as well as registration details, can be found on the website www.textileforum.tj or by contacting us at info@textileforum.tj for further information.

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