

**Speech by**  
**CAI President Shri Atul S. Ganatra**  
**at the Occasion of the CAI Members' Annual Gala Dinner**  
**on 25<sup>th</sup> December 2021**

Good evening my dear cotton friends, respected invitees, CAI members and my colleagues on CAI Board,

It is my great pleasure and an honour to welcome each one of you to this 'CAI Members' Annual Gala Dinner 2021'.



I also specially welcome Shri. Suresh Bhai Kotak, our past CAI President and Bhishma Pitamah of our cotton trade. I also welcome Shri. Manoj Kumar Patodiaji, the Chairman of TEXPROCIL, Shri. S. K. Panigrahi, CGM (Marketing) of CCI, Shri. Sharad Kumar Saraf ji, Chairman of BTRA and Shri. Bhupendra Singh Rajpal, our Vice President.

For CAI, this is an important yearly event in our cotton calendar. Due to the ongoing Covid-19 pandemic, we could not host the CAI Members Annual Gala Dinner 2020. However, this year, we have resumed our tradition and hosted today's Gala Dinner. I am indeed delighted with the overwhelming response to this event. Also, I am sorry for the members who could not get registered for this event due to government restrictions for the number of guests.

As I have informed previously, CAI has completed 100 years of its useful services to the cotton trade and textile industry on 19.10.21. Our hard-working Event Committee members have planned to celebrate this occasion in a grand and befitting manner. Soon, we shall come out with the details of such events. From this platform I request all of you to lend your support and actively participate in all such events.

Friends, today we are here to celebrate the Annual Dinner and I will not take much of your time in giving the details of CAI activities or cotton related news. All I can say is that after two very successful MSP years, 2021-22 season has brought a positivity in the market and the entire stakeholders from farmers to the spinning mills are all happy and getting good profits. In short, our entire textile value chain is in a win-win situation from last one year. I hope this win-win situation will continue in coming years as well.

Friends, I want to say that if the Covid situation improves, CAI is planning to host two Conferences this year - one International Conference and another Domestic Conference. Once our Event Committee will take necessary decision, you all will hear more details from CAI regarding these events very soon.

Dear Members, lastly, I am glad to inform you all that our Association is working hard to resolve the cotton related issues with the government. Also, all our testing laboratories are performing well and our Association is running in good profit. Reserve funds of our association have crossed Rs.40 crores and I want to assure you all members that everything is going on smoothly and CAI is performing very well.

Thank you, Thank you very much to all.

I also wish everybody a Merry Christmas and greetings for the New Year 2022.

Please enjoy the evening.

Thanks once again.