



India's largest online End to End Cotton & Yarn Trading & Fintech E-Commerce Platform **Series A Investor Brief – Sept 2021** 

**Funding Ask: \$18M** 

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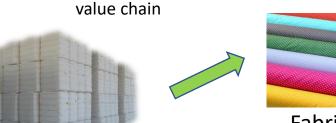


#### ICS is an Online Trading & Fintech Platform for its Members

- Members include Farmers, Ginners, Fabric Manufacturers, Exporters, FMCG Cos
- ICS Members are conducting their entire business on the ICS Online Platform

Including Buying, Selling & Financing their products across the entire cotton & yarn industry

**2021 TAM** 1 Trillion US Dollars



**Fabrics** 

Cotton/ Yarn Fabrics (Grasim, Raymond)

Consumer Apparels (Zara)



2021 Global Apparel Market is \$500BN + Global Edible Oils is another \$500BN









**Cotton Bales** 



India is the world's 2<sup>nd</sup> largest cotton exporter



Global Consumer

ONLINE



Oil Mills Crush the cotton Seeds to produce oils



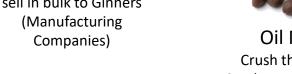
Oil Brands Consumer Oil Brands For Domestic & Exports





**FMCG** 

Future association with these players



End to End Testing, Grading, Invoicing & Finance from Farmer to the Manufacturer happen on the ICS Platform

#### Story – How we got here?



A project which was started by a Textile engineer, who has a vast experience of cotton industry straight from raw cotton to Spinning final product, from establishing spinning mill & HVI cotton testing lab to yarn trading

A project which will work in today's digital world, which will help cotton farmers and other stakeholders to enjoy their potential benefits to fullest

Hence, **Indian Cotton Solutions** is nothing, but a result of innovatory idea shared by 30 years of experience across the 3 Founders. These include Kameswara Rao & his two children Hari & Chandana. The next generation of these young entrepreneurs are the key forces to bringing this idea from conception to solid early stage revenues and operations in 2 states (Andhra Pradesh & Telangana, India)



#### **Business Concept & Idea**





Indian cotton solutions is an innovative concept with an

"e-commerce model" whose aim is to transform the existing traditional business method into an Online Platform where all cotton stake holders could participate in buying and selling of products.







"Indian Cotton Solutions" addresses all problems
 related to Indian Cotton Industry from picking of the cotton
 to finished fabrics & apparels



ICS is the only company having Patent rights for
 "systems and method for integrating cotton farmers with cloth manufacturers"



We offer a wide range of products and services
from raw cotton to yarn and cotton testing
to yarn testing straight for & from farmers to
foreign buyers at one platform.



Easy access to all products and quick
 service to all customers and stakeholders.

#### **Pain Areas & Probable Solutions**



# PROBLEMS?

Middleman's profit = Farmer's loss 01

Ginning & spinning require high working capital.

04

No ideal online platform for all cotton stakeholders. 03

Unavailability of Comparison between Minimum & Manufacturing support price and live market rate of cotton & cotton products





100% transparency in deal with quality assured and mobile labs tested products.

Providing 6 months of credit line to Spinners, Weavers & Importers (Consumers) subjected to terms & conditions

One platform for all cotton industry stakeholders, where they can sell & buy product at their finger tips.

O4 Products from Kappas to cotton yarn with their MSP prices against live market prices and suggestions for better price realisation selling options

#### **Business Model**





#### **KEY PARTNERS**

- **Cotton Farmers**
- **Cotton Ginners**
- **Cotton Spinners**
- Weavers
- **Logistic Partners**



#### **KEY ACTIVITIES**

- Innovation
- Maximum prize realisation
- Cotton testing



#### **VALUE PROPOSITIONS**

- Transparency in deal
- Quick and high-quality service.



#### **KEY RESOURCES**

- **Patent**
- **Franchises**
- Mobile testing labs with NABL IEC/ ISO17025:2017 accreditation
- Trade Mark Registration



#### **CUSTOMER RELATIONSHIPS**

- different languages
- Social Media



Through website with 8

**CHANNELS** 

**E-Commerce Platform ICS** 

India



#### **CUSTOMER SEGMENTS**

- **Cotton Ginners**
- **Cotton Spinners**
- Weavers
- **Foreign Buyers**
- Traders
- Seed & Waste Buyers
- **HVI cotton Testing Labs**
- Yarn Testing Labs
- **Franchises**



- Flexible payment options



#### **REVENUE STREAMS**

Mobile testing labs

**COST STRUCTURE** 

Franchises setup

- Salaries
- Website management

- Registration fees
- Service Charge

Interest on FD from banks

Cotton testing charges

Fintech business

#### **Dream – Vision, Mission & Values**





To transform the traditional cotton industry into new online cotton industry within next 3 to 5 years.



Mission

To integrate all cotton stakeholders on one e-commerce platform where they can sell and buy their products electronically on assured payment terms with assured quality reports and to provides after sale services for any complaints raised by customers until an amicable solution is found.



Value

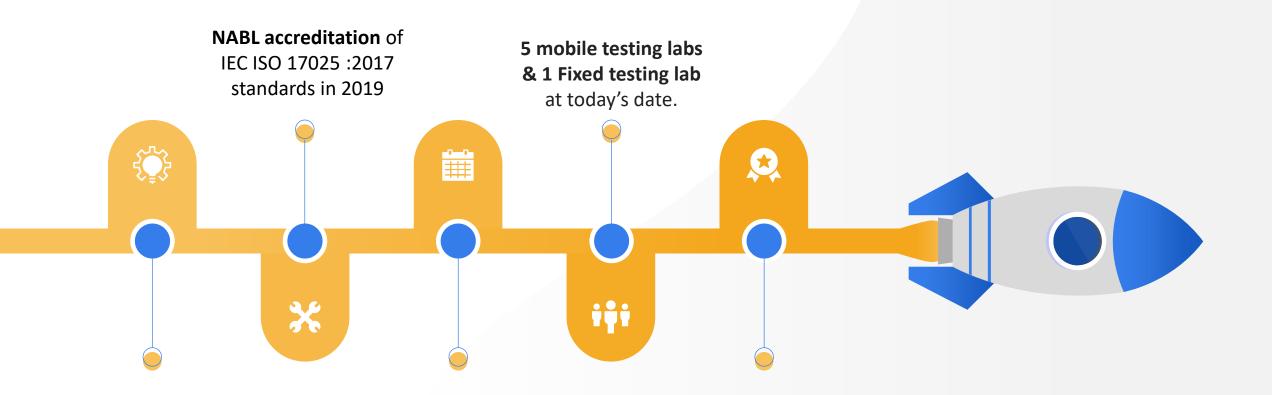
- ✓ Creative thinking: we always focus on new methods which facilitates our customers end solutions.
- ✓ Experience: we work with experienced people in their respective fields of technical, commercial and expertise.
- ✓ Responsible: we always believe customer is first and will do things right to meet our commitments.
- ✓ Adaptive: we manage risks and move forward by developing new plans with options.
- ✓ Collaborative: we are open to work together to achieve more.

#### **Business Traction**

Operating since

October 2016





Year 2020-21, sales

of INR 1042 lakhs. (200% YOY)

**AQSIQ certified** in 2018 by

State Council of the

People's Republic of China.

#### **Current Stage**



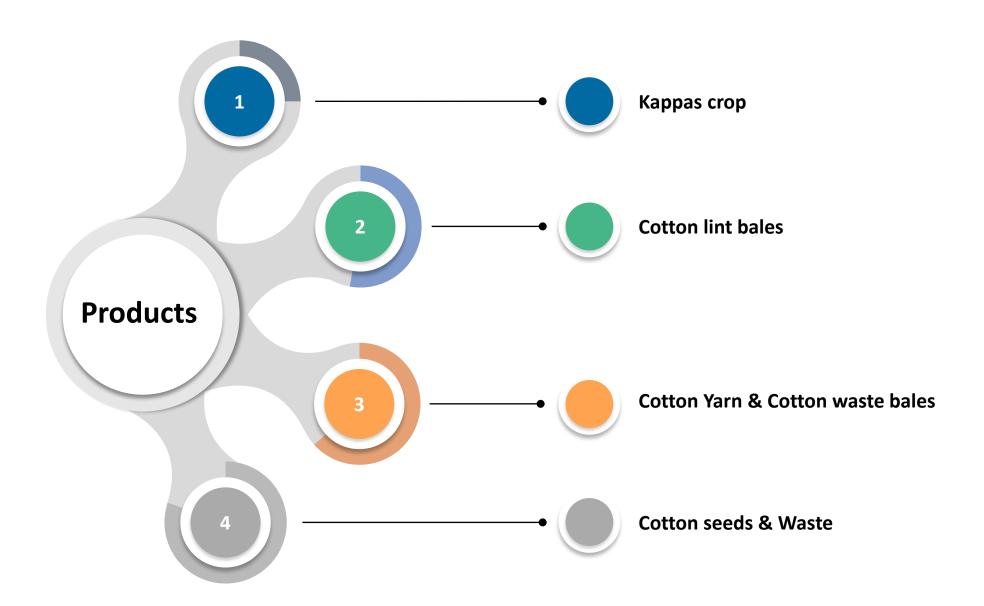
- ☐ Continuous work on updating E-Commerce Portal ICS India to make it **more-user**friendly by a team of highly qualified and experienced developers.
- ☐ Educating every stakeholder of company by uploading demo videos on YouTube about company's products, also sharing them through various **social media apps**.
- ☐ Continuous innovation of company based on feedback received from stakeholders.

Company's **software** already **updated** according to the **farmer's bill passed on 20 Sept 2020** from **Parliament (Govt. of India)** 



#### **Products**





#### **Services**





#### **Immediate Execution Plan**





Appointment of Presidents and vice presidents for all sections of business (ex-ginners section, spinners section, traders' section, etc.)

In addition, to appoint a team of 15 members who will act as subadmins to handle daily online trading activities.





Order machines such as HVI testing machine required for mobile testing labs, which will be used at different testing franchises.







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TOTAL POPULATION

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OF COTTON
FARMERS

\$21 Billion

**MARKET** 

**POTENTIAL** 

30 Million Farmers x

INR 50000 (\$700)

per Farmer

ACHIAVEABLE MARKET Valuation

25% of Market capture in 5 years

1.38 Billion

30 Million

\$25 Billion

#### **Target Market & Target Geography**



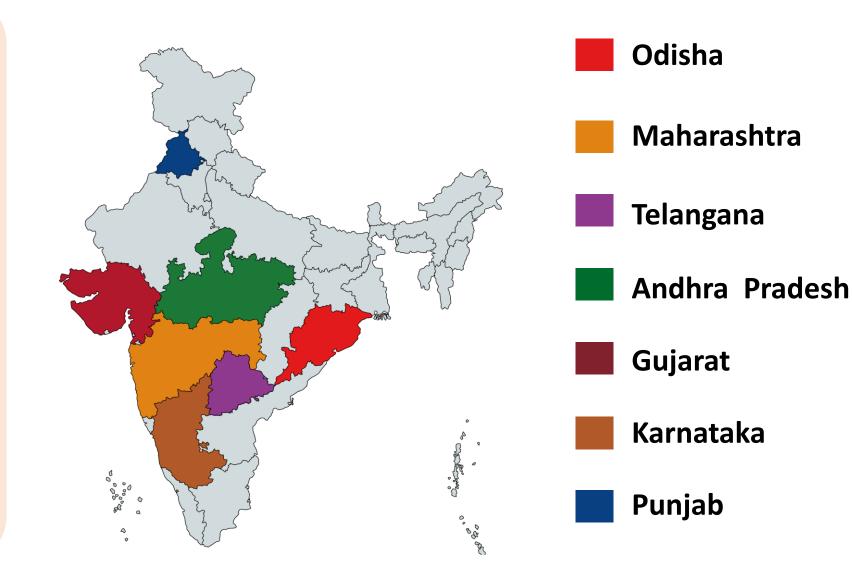


**Ginners** 

**Spinners** 

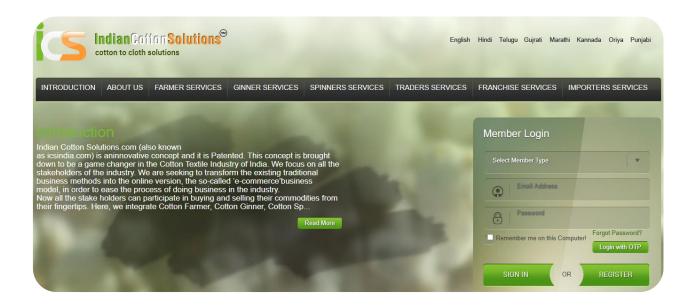
**Traders** 

**Foreign Buyers** 

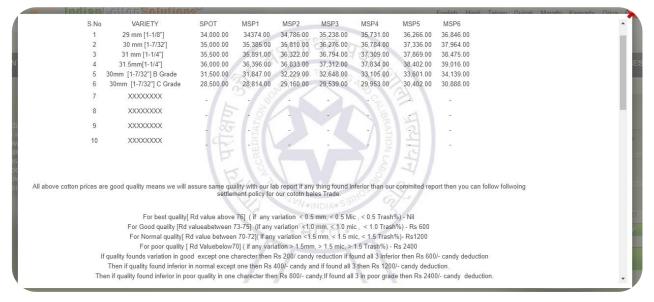


#### **Glimpse of Indian Cotton Solutions**





Website which user can access in 8 Indian languages



Daily live market rates

## **Competitive Analysis**



SERVICES		भा.क.चि. ८ С I	Cotton Vyapar.com	trade india.	indiamart
Website	<u>ICS India</u>	<u>CCI</u>	Website Down	<u>TradeIndia</u>	<u>Indiamart</u>
Manufacturing Supporting Prices	<b>✓</b>	×	×	×	×
Integrated platform for all cotton stakeholders	<b>✓</b>	×	<b>✓</b>	×	×
Daily live market rates	~	×	<b>✓</b>	×	×
Mobile cotton testing labs	~	×	×	×	×
Specialized in Cotton Industry	~	~	<b>✓</b>	×	×



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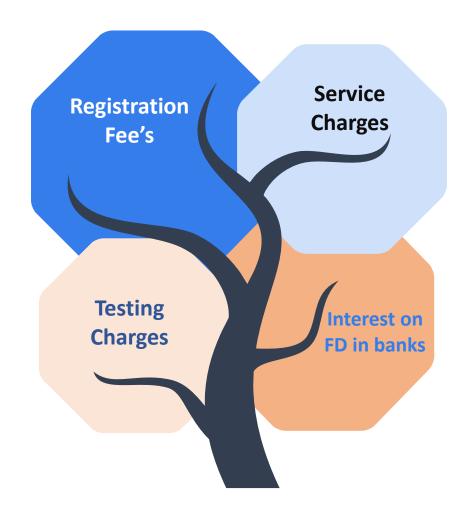
# Other Revenue Model Options (Our main business model is free registration with huge trading & fintech income)



Registration Fees : INR 500/- (\$7) from farmers & INR 1000/- (\$13) from other members

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Testing charges = 2000/- (\$3) per lot

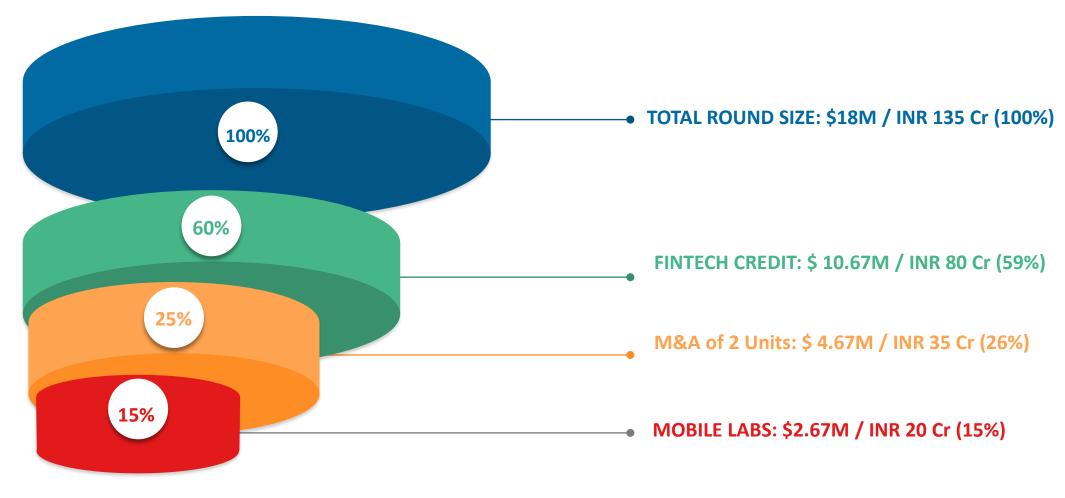


Service Charges: INR 50000/-(\$670)per from Farmer & INR 12500/- (\$170) per quintal from customers for one transaction. This is the Main Active Revenue Model

Bank guarantee from Ginner, Spinners, Weavers will be INR 1 Crore (\$133K), from Farmers will be INR 30 lakhs (\$40K), INR 10 lakhs (\$13,300) from Cotton Testing Franchises & INR 5 lakhs (\$6700) from remaining franchises.

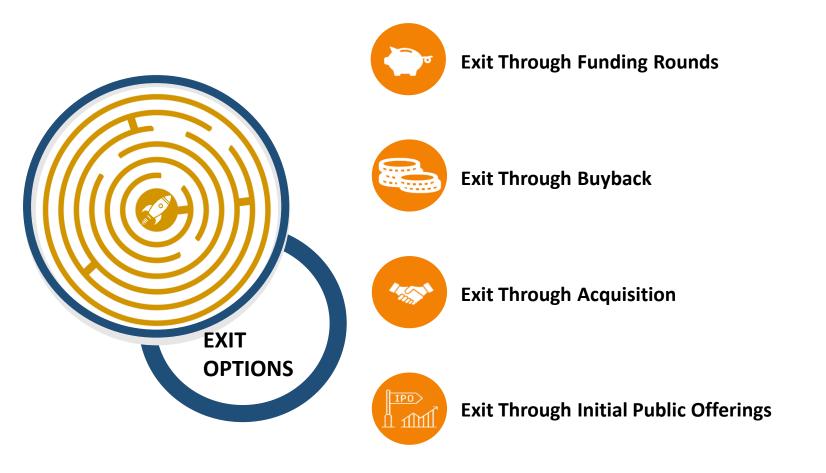
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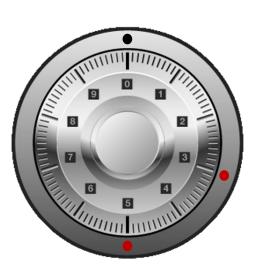




### **Exit Option**







Exit Valuation Multiplier: 153X

Minimum locking period – 3-5 years



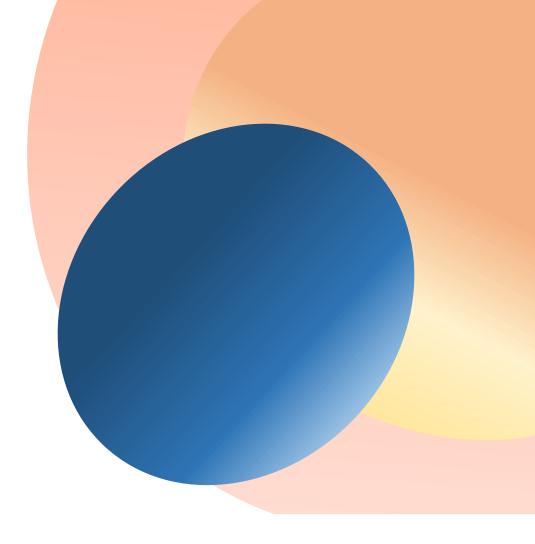


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