

Part 3 – Travel Report

(Maximum two pages)

1. **A brief description of the purpose of the travel.** To attend the Field to Fabric Training Course presented by CSIRO in Geelong, Victoria.

2. **What were the:**

- a) **major findings and outcomes** Everybody in the production chain, and especially the farmer, play a very important part in producing a quality product.
- b) **other highlights** Factory tours at CSIRO Geelong, Cotton Ginning, Cotton Spinning, Winding and Twisting, Fabric Formation, Dyeing and Finishing, Laboratory.

Start of Project (normally 1st July)

3. **Detail the persons and institutions visited, giving full title, position details, location, duration of visit and purpose of visit to these people/places. (NB:- Please provide full names of institutions, not just acronyms.)** Dr. Geoff Naylor, Rene van der Sluijs, Frank Dean (all from CSIRO Materials Science and Engineering), Robert Eveleigh (Cotton Seed Distributors), Dr. Mike Bange (CSIRO Plant Industry), Geoff Dunlop (Consultant Cotton Picking), Greg Parle (Cotton Classers Association of Australia), Phil Ryan (Australian Cotton Shippers Association), Ian Russell (Environmental Analysis Group at CMSE), Martin Prins (CSIRO Consultant). All visited at CSIRO Geelong, Victoria during Training Course, 23, 24 and 25 August 2011.

4. a) **Are there any potential areas worth following up as a result of the travel?** Not really, I just became more aware of how important a good quality product is to the spinners.

b) **Any relevance or possible impact on the Australian Cotton Industry?** The better the product is that we can produce, the bigger the market will be for Australian Cotton.

5. **How do you intend to share the knowledge you have gained with other people in the cotton industry?** I am already talking to various people in my community, especially mates at work, and I'm also using the course material that I received while attending the course.

6. **Please list expenditure incurred. (Double click inside the table to enter the data)**