

SA COTTON SITUATION AS AT 31 OCTOBER 2018

2018/19 MARKETING SEASON (April to March)

GINNERS SITUATION *

| | OCT 2018 (TON) | % +/- ** | SEASON CUMULATIVE TOTAL (TON) | % +/- ** |
|----------------------------|-------------------|-------------|-------------------------------------|-------------|
| <u>SEED COTTON:</u> | | | | |
| OPENING STOCK | 43849 | 730% | 0 | - |
| PLUS RECEIVED: | 2947 | 102% | 85954 | 94% |
| - RSA SEED COTTON | 2947 | | 85104 | |
| - SWAZILAND SEED COTTON | 0 | | 850 | |
| - OTHER SEED COTTON | 0 | | 0 | |
| LESS GINNED | 8475 | 118% | 47633 | 14% |
| STOCK ADJUSTMENTS | 0 | | 0 | |
| CLOSING STOCK | 38321 | 1244% | 38321 | 1244% |
| <u>COTTON LINT:</u> | | | | |
| OPENING STOCK | 6013 | 64% | 264 | - |
| PLUS PRODUCED | 3424 | 151% | 18654 | 26% |
| LESS SOLD | 2721 | 65% | 12202 | 7% |
| STOCK ADJUSTMENTS | 0 | | 0 | |
| CLOSING STOCK | 6716 | 99% | 6716 | 99% |

SPINNERS SITUATION *

| | OCT 2018 (TON) | % +/- ** | SEASON CUMULATIVE TOTAL (TON) | % +/- ** |
|----------------------------|-------------------|-------------|-------------------------------------|-------------|
| <u>COTTON LINT:</u> | | | | |
| OPENING STOCK | 2452 | 33% | 2841 | 1% |
| PLUS RECEIVED: | 2437 | 33% | 11966 | -6% |
| - FROM LOCAL GINNERS | 375 | | 1184 | |
| - ZIMBABWE IMPORTS | 913 | | 2753 | |
| - ZAMBIA IMPORTS | 1149 | | 6892 | |
| - OTHER IMPORTS | 0 | | 1137 | |
| LESS CONSUMPTION | 1679 | -21% | 11597 | -17% |
| STOCK ADJUSTMENTS | 0 | | 0 | |
| CLOSING STOCK | 3210 | 104% | 3210 | 104% |

SOURCE: Ginnery and spinners' monthly statutory returns

* Includes Swaziland

** Percentage increase or decrease over the same period of the previous season