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**CIRCULAR**

**Sub: Draft Cotton Bales (Quality Control) Order, 2018-reg.**

Ministry of Textiles vide its letter No.1/5/2018-Cotton dated 07.08.2018 has approved the proposal to bring Indian Standard Cotton Bales – Specification IS 12171:2013, under Mandatory Conformity Assessment Scheme under Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS) Act, 2016.

Accordingly, the draft Cotton Bales (Quality Control) Order, 2018 is uploaded on the website of the Office of the Textile Commissioner. Comments of stakeholders are invited within a maximum of 30 days. Stakeholders are requested to give their comments.

All the stakeholders of cotton may furnish their views/ comments/ suggestions at email “otxccotton@gmail.com”, i.e., upto 06.09.2018.

Encl: As above.

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Textile Commissioner

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**Ministry of Textiles  
Office of the Textile Commissioner  
Government of India**

**ORDER**

New Delhi, the -----, 2018

**S.O. ----- (E).**- In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (1) and (2) of section 16 read with section 17 and sub-section 3 of section 25 of the Bureau of Indian Standards Act, 2016 (11 of 2016), the Central Government, after consulting the Bureau of Indian Standards, is of the opinion that it is necessary or expedient so to do in the public interest, hereby makes the following Order, namely:-

**1. Short title and commencement.** – (1) This Order may be called the Cotton Bales (Quality Control) Order, 2018.

(2) It shall come into force with effect from date .....

**2. Compulsory use of Standard Mark.**- Goods and articles specified in the column (1) of the Table shall conform to the corresponding Indian Standard given in the column (2) of the Table and shall bear the Standard Mark under a licence from the Bureau of Indian Standards as per Scheme – II of Schedule II of BIS (Conformity Assessment) Regulations, 2018.

Provided that nothing in this Order shall apply in relation to goods and articles as specified in the column (1) of the Table meant for export, which conform to any specification required by the foreign buyer.

**3. Certification and Enforcement Authority.**-In respect of the goods and articles specified in the column (1) of the Table, the Bureau of Indian Standards shall be the certifying and enforcing authority. In addition, an officer not below the rank of General Manager, District Industries Center in Department of Industries of the State Government shall also be the enforcing authority.

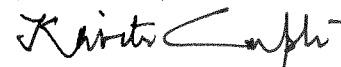
**4. Penalty for Contravention.** -Any person who contravenes the provisions of this Order shall be punishable under the provisions of the Bureau of Indian Standards Act, 2016.

**Table**

Goods and articles	Indian Standard	Title of Indian Standard
(1)	(2)	(3)
Cotton Bales	IS 12171:2013	Cotton Bales- Specification

Note: The latest version of Indian Standards including the amendments issued thereof, as published and notified by the Bureau from time to time, shall be applicable from the date as notified by the Bureau.

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