

Moth-resistant Bt cotton revived Indian cotton industry

[lakh bales
of 170 kgs]

Cotton exports from India



- ❖ Bt-cotton cultivation in India started in 2002
 - Now its share is more than 80 % of cotton cultivation area
 - Accordingly, cotton exports from India have risen exponentially after their chronic stagnation
 - ...i.e. by 13 600 % since the years 2000–2002
- <http://www.cotcorp.gov.in/statistics.asp>
- ❖ Now Pakistan is starting its own ambitious program of Bt-cotton breeding
 - ...in order to reproduce the Indian success story