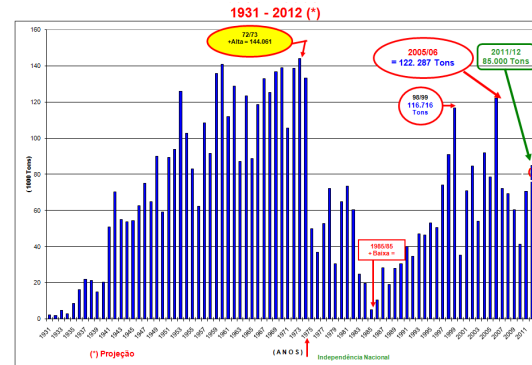


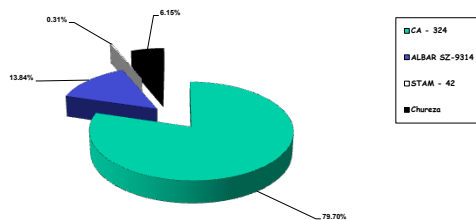
Cotton Lint

- In Mozambique all cotton lint obtained at the ginneries must be classified by IAM classifying rooms (classification under SICT method in installation process)
- The Mozambique lint is exported as a result of discontinued spinning industry in the country although the country had one of the most developed industry in Africa.
- The lint grads are: Extra-(GM) , I-(SM), II-(MPlus), III-(MVLS), IV-(SLMLS), V-(SLMS), VI (LMLT), Inferior-(Below Grade). Predominantly Grade III.

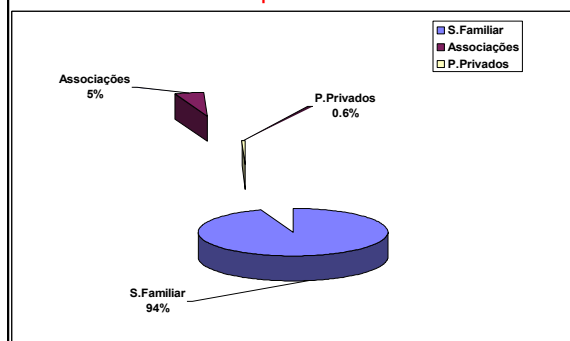
Evolution Seed Cotton Production in Mozambique



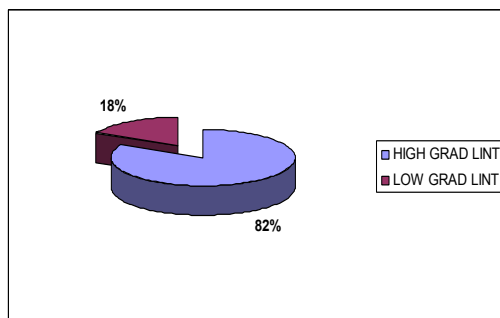
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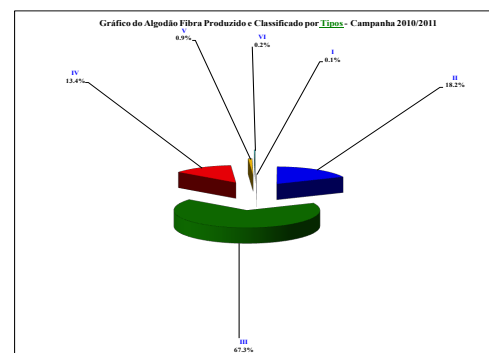
Seed Cotton Production by Farmers Group 2010/11

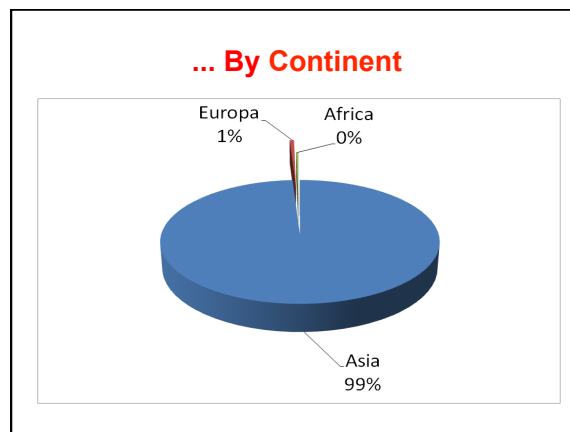
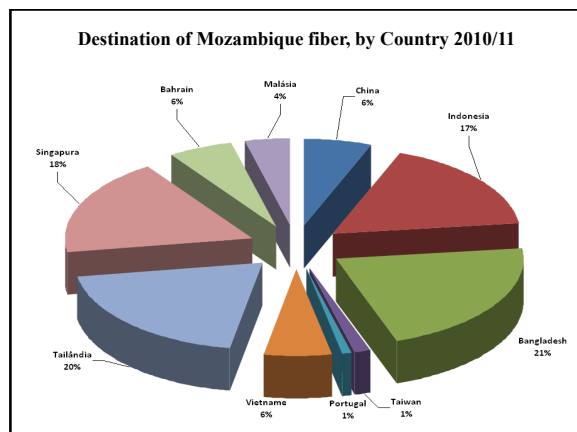


Cotton Lint Quality (2010/11)



Cotton Lint Quality - 2010/11





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Is part of...

Agricultural Research Institute of Mozambique (IIAM)
at National level

&

Northeast Zonal Center (CZNd)
at Regional level:

CIMSAN is responsible for national cotton research in Mozambique

Cotton research program








The cotton research program includes:

Three (3) sectors:

- Plant Breeding;**
- Plant Protection;**
- Agronomy & Soil Science.**

CIMSAN cotton research staff:

- i. Researchers:**
5 [(3 MSc and 2 BSc.) and 2 doing PhD.]
 - 1 MSc., Plant Protection
 - 2 MSc., Genetic and Plant Breeding
 - 2 BSc., Agricultural Sciences
- ii. Technicians:**
4 (Elementary and basic levels)

iii. Administration and support services: 10

iv. Sazonal Workers:
About 40 annual contracted for 6 months (for Field and Ginning).









Main activities by sector

Plant Breeding
Development and Evaluation of new varieties

Plant Protection
Pest and Disease Management

Agronomy & Soil Science
Crop Husbandry and Formulation of Technology Packages
















Research activities

Plant Breeding

Germoplasm maintenance

- 29 varieties/lines from Africa, USA and Turkey.

Research activities

Plant Breeding

Production of different categories of seeds (Breeder, Nucleus, Pre-basic and basic)
Varieties: CA-324, ISA-205 and STAM 42

Crossing and backcrossing for hairness introduction
Varieties CA222, CA324, IRMA1243, ISA-205 crossed with (Albar FQ902)

Multilocal evaluation of cultivars/lines









Research activities

Plant Breeding

- Diallel analysis for seedcotton yield and fiber percentage
American cultivars/lines & African Cultivars
- Seedcotton Production











Research activities

Plant Protection

- Effect of Strip intercropping for control of *Helicoverpa* sp and other insect pest.
- Seed coating
- Weed management trials
- Evaluation of different types of insecticides















Research activities

Agronomy & Soil Science

- Cotton intercropping with cowpea and maize
- Mulching for water and soil conservation
- Fertilizer trials
- Plant density (spacing for different soil types)



Constraints

- Lack of cooperation (**research experience exchange**) between CIMSAN and another cotton research centers;
- Low infrastructure capacity.












Perspectives

- Varieties maintenance and seed production system ;
- Trials for cotton fertilization;
- Breeding program for high yield, insect resistance and high quality of fiber;
- Formulation of new Technology Packages;
- Installation of laboratory for:
Seed and Fiber analysis
















Perspectives

Acquisition of:
Small ginning machine for single and bulk plants.

Maintenance of genetic purity through annual renovation of the existing germoplasm;

Germoplasm Introduction and estimation of its genetic divergence for future breeding programs;

Perspectives

Molecular and morphologic characterization of germoplasm for breeding program;

Development of high yielding varieties using biotechnology techniques;

Seed multiplication of “elite” (good yield, adaptable to local condition and resistant to pests and diseases) varieties.

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