

**Arvind Limited Organic Cotton Contract Farming Project Hosted Post-Conference Tour**

October 9-10, 2015

2 days / 1 night

**About the Tour:**

To see and interact with organic cotton small and marginal farmers in Akola district, visit to organic ginning unit, organic rotational crop processing unit, and organic research farm, interact with children in local school, and meeting the Women Self Help Group. To learn and understand the challenges in doing organic farming and progress so far.



**Agenda:**

**Day One:**

- Departure from Mumbai to Nagpur
- Nagpur To Akola by road
- Check-in
- Lunch
- Travel to Organic Village - Navkhed
- Interaction with Self Help Group farmers related to their experience of doing organic farming, followed by visit to organic Cotton fields of the farmers
- Visit to the local Extension Centre office to see the documentation, record keeping, ICS, farmer meeting record, etc.
- Visit to organic ginning Unit in Apatapa
- Departure to Akola
- Cultural Program followed by Cocktail Dinner

**Day Two:**

- Breakfast
- Departure to Babhulgaon
- Meeting with Women Self Help Group
- Departure to Sasti village
- School Visit and interaction with children
- Departure to Arvind - Organic Model Farm
- Arvind Model Farm Visit
- Departure to Arvind Organic Processing Plant
- Arvind Organic Staples Processing Plant visit
- Lunch
- Travel to Akola
- Departure to Nagpur by road
- Departure to Mumbai

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 Registered tour attendees will receive updates as they occur.  
 Arrival and departure times will not change.*

**Arrival and Departure City and Dates (see bottom of this page for details on airfare):**

Mumbai to Nagpur: October 9, 2015 by 7:30am.

Nagpur to [home or other destination]: October 10, 2015 at 8:45 pm or later.

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**Lodging details:**

City Sports Club, Akola

Lodging is included in the cost to attend and reservations will be made by TE Staff.

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**Cost:**

Arvind Limited is generously covering ground transportation and meals.

**Cost per person is \$80 USD** (airfare is additional, see below). Cost includes:

- One Night Lodging
- Administrative Fees

TE has not included airfare in this rate to allow for more flexibility in attendee's return travel.

**IMPORTANT DETAILS for travel reservations:**

- **ARRIVAL:** Arvind recommends departing Mumbai on Oct. 9 via Air India Morning Flight (AI-627) at 5:55am, arriving NAGPUR at 7:20am. Attendee may choose ANY flight they want, however, the tour bus will be picking up at the airport at 7:45am in Nagpur. It is the responsibility of each attendee to ensure they are at the airport to meet the bus on time.
- **DEPARTURE:** The tour bus will return to the airport on Oct. 10 by 19:00. Please ensure your flight departure is NOT scheduled before 20:45. If returning to Mumbai, Arvind recommends Air India Flight (AI-630) departing at 20:45. Late night flights are quite common in India and will offer great connections for your route home or next destination.
- **DISCLAIMER:** Neither Textile Exchange nor Arvind Limited will be responsible for the negligence of attendees. Out of courtesy for others attending, the tour will remain on schedule as per the agenda outlined by Arvind. No exceptions will be made for late pick-ups, early drop-offs or any variants to the schedule. It is the sole responsibility of the attendee to ensure his or her travel is planned in accordance with the guidelines indicated above. If you would like assistance in booking your travel, please contact [Brittany Moore](#), Textile Exchange's Communications and Events Coordinator.

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