CHINA FARM TRIP INTRODUCTION

BACKGROUND
The Better Cotton Initiative brings together thousands of organizations, large and small, whose work is aimed at making cotton production better. Their efforts converge in cotton fields around the globe, where farmers and our Implementing Partners work day in, day out to bring to life more socially, economically, and environmentally sustainable growing practices.

Brands and Retailer’s investment and procurement ambition drive the BCI project step forward dramatically, and we know you are eager to know BCI standard system implementation situation on the farm level, and want to see changes happened on BCI farming communities. This inspire BCI to plan a ground trip to BCI farms.

FARM TRIP DETAILS
Date: Sept 21, 2017
Farm: Wei County, Hebei Province, China
Tour Size: 20 people (Max)
Logistic:

**International Trip:** Please arrange international flight trip according to your plan, take China Trip itinerary for reference.

**China Inner land trip:** Follow below Itinerary. Participant need to book round flight tickets as stated in Itinerary by self.

**Hotel:** BCI will make reservation for hotel for all participants, and participants need to check-in & out, and pay by self.

**Fee:** 100€/person, (to cover land transportation and meals)  
*(BCI will issue invoice, and participant pay to BCI Head Office)*

**Itinerary:**

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**Farm Brief**

Weixian is located in the southeast of Hebei province. It is an important and major cotton growing county in Hebei. The planting area of cotton keeps at about 40,000 ha which accounts for 50% of total cultivated area. CottonConnect is the implementing partner of this BCI project. They have been working on a sustainable cotton project (REEL cotton) in Weixian from 2013. This was converted to BCI project since May, 2015. Currently, they are working with 3,000 smallholder farmers in 30 villages with EST lint cotton output of 2,700 tons in 2017 season.
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We sincerely invite you to join this trip!