



NATIONAL BIOSAFETY AUTHORITY

DECISION ON GM MAIZE APPLICATION

Following an application submitted by Kenya Agricultural Research Organization (KALRO) and African Agricultural Technology Foundation (AATF) in June 2015 seeking NBA approval for ***“environmental release, cultivation and placing on the market”*** of a genetically modified maize [commonly referred to as Bt Maize (MON 810)] the Authority has granted a conditional approval only for environmental release for the purpose of conducting National Performance Trials (NPTs) and collecting compositional analysis data but ***not for cultivation, importation or placing on the market*** of the Bt Maize .

This approval is granted subject to the applicants meeting the following conditions:

1. Prior to establishment of NPT sites, conduct an Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) and submit an Environmental and Social Impact Assessment (ESIA) Project Report to NEMA for review and approval;
2. Comply with other existing national laws and policies relevant to this approval; and
3. Provide a detailed Biosafety Stewardship Program and Monitoring Roadmap to NBA for approval;

Once these conditions are met, NBA will allow NPTs to be conducted by Kenya Plant Health Inspectorate Service (KEPHIS) in collaboration with other relevant government regulatory agencies.


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