

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA**

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GENETICALLY MODIFIED CROPS
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Genetically Modified (GM) crops are being cultivated in the country; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the names of companies producing GM seeds in the country?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (PROF. K.V. THOMAS)

(a) & (b): Bt. cotton is the only Genetically Modified crop approved for commercial cultivation in India by the Genetic Engineering Approval Committee (GEAC) of the Ministry of Environment and Forests. List of agencies producing Bt. cotton seeds in the country is annexed.