

4.9 Indonesia



4.9.1 Joint Decree of the Minister of Agriculture, the Minister of Forestry and Estate Crops, the Minister of Health and the State Minister of Food and Horticulture (1997)

The Decree ensures the biosafety and food safety for human health, biodiversity (including animals, fish, and plants), and the environment in relation to the utilization of genetically engineered agricultural products.

The Decree covers genetically engineered agricultural products, defined as transgenic animals, materials originated from transgenic animals and its processed products, transgenic fish, materials originating from them and their processed products, transgenic plants and their parts, and transgenic microorganisms.

It regulates the kinds, requirements, procedures, rights and obligations, monitoring, controlling, and reporting of biosafety and food safety of the utilization of genetically engineered agricultural products.

4.9.2 Decree of the Minister of Agriculture: Provisions on Biosafety of Genetically Engineered Agricultural Biotechnology Products (1997)

This Decree is intended to regulate and supervise the utilization of genetically engineered agricultural biotechnology products. It covers the regulation of the kinds, requirements, procedures, rights and obligations, monitoring and reporting the utilization of genetically engineered agricultural biotechnology products and their supervision. The utilization of genetically engineered agricultural biotechnology products originating from both domestic and foreign products besides development of science, research, breeding, production and distribution including trading require to take into consideration the religious, ethical, socio-cultural and esthetical norms. Separate requirements for the utilization are elaborated for various categories of transgenic organisms and materials originating from them.

The Decree also covers the requirements for transboundary transport of genetically engineered agricultural biotechnology products. Imported/export products need to meet the requirements of quarantine, import and transport documents including packing and labeling.

4.9.3 Government Regulation of the Republic of Indonesia No 28 year 2004 on Food Safety, Quality and Nutrition (2004)

This regulation covers requirements for food safety, quality and nutrition

4.9.4 National Biosafety Framework of the Republic of Indonesia (2004)

The objective of the National Biosafety Framework was to prepare Indonesia for the entry into force of the Protocol, by, among others, assisting in the following activities:

- (a) Carrying out an assessment of the current technological capacity to manage Biosafety issues, and the implications of this on the implementation of a NBF;
- (b) Strengthening national capacity to develop national regulatory biosafety frameworks;
- (c) Strengthening national capacity for competent decision making on notifications and requests related to LMOs, including the establishment of appropriate administrative systems;
- (d) Support regional and sub-regional collaboration, including harmonization of the implementation of national regulations;
- (e) Raise public awareness and improve information flow to the public on the issues involved in the release of LMOs to promote informed debate and to ensure transparency with respect to the regulation of LMOs.
- (f) Provide all stakeholders with an opportunity to be involved in the design and implementation of a NBF.

4.9.5 Government Regulation of The Republic of Indonesia No 21 year 2005 on Biosafety of Genetically Engineered Product (2005)

The Regulation includes requirements for research and development of genetically engineered products, their importation from foreign country, procedures for risk assessment, release, and distribution and use and mechanism to control them.

Source:

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