

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2216
TO BE ANSWERED ON 29.11.2016

Herbicide Tolerant Crops

2216. SHRI TATHAGATA SATPATHY:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether testing protocols and guidelines for safety appraisal of herbicide tolerant crops have been developed; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

(SHRI ANIL MADHAV DAVE)

- (a) & (b) Under the Rules for the manufacture, use/import/export and storage of hazardous microorganisms/ genetically engineered organisms or cells made under Environment (Protection) Act, 1986(Rules 1989), elaborate food and environmental safety assessment of all Genetically Modified (GM) crops are undertaken following standards protocols, testing guidelines along the global best practices published from time to time have been adopted.
