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## **Status of Implementation of Article 23 in China**

### **Unfold the energetic international cooperation**

Public awareness, education and participation is a key of implementing The Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety. China actively carries out academic exchanges with the States Parties to share experiences, and effectively promote the implementation.

### **BCH**

China has established the national BCH. China gain much the Party's national BCH advanced experience of establishing and running and try to strengthen information exchange with the BCH.

2011, "Asia-Pacific - Central and Eastern European regional BCH by the national focal point for training seminars" held in Republic of Korea. This meeting makes us a deep understanding of the BCH, and established cooperation with South Korea BCH. Few country truly established and master BCH. But, the Secretariat of the Convention develop an advanced the BCH which plays an important role in biosafety management.

To establish a good BCH information exchange mechanisms, the Secretariat should provide technical support by organizing the training

### **Through the media to promote public participation**

To promote public participation and awareness through the media, the measures are as follows: biosafety forum, the theme of educational activities, LMOs safety knowledge scientific propaganda activities, the establishment of a bio-safety publicity part, to the briefing other forms of knowledge informing the public about the safety of LMOs, active exchange by major media and newspapers with the public, to answer the doubts and concerns of the public with regard to the safety of LMOs.

For the general public, only by understanding the LMOs, and having access to relevant information, they can make choices and take action. At the same time, public participation is essential for increasing the transparency of the government's information and strengthening public support decision

### **Annex:**

1. Chinese government has issued a series of technical standards on the labeling, risk assessment, and detection methods of GMOs

- Established National framework of Biosafety

- Established The Safety Committee for Agricultural GMOs(including Ministry of Agriculture, Ministry of Science and Technology, Ministry of Environmental Protection, Ministry of Health,

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The national development and Reform Commission, Ministry of Commerce、 General Administration of Quality Supervision, Inspection and Quarantine)

- Established The Safety Committee for Forest Genetic Engineering

(State Forestry Administration)

- Mar 2007, MOA issued Notice No 822-Requirements for Application for Safety Assessment of Agricultural GM Crops for testing in Hai'nan Province, South China.

- Jun 2007, SFA promulgated Technical Guidelines for the Safety Assessment of Genetically Modified Forest Plants and Their Products.

- Sep 2007, MOA promulgated Notice on the Matters Related to Application for the Safety Assessment of Genetically Modified Organisms.

- Feb 2008, MOA issued Notice No 989. Simplified Procedures for Applications for Transgenic Pest-Resistant Cotton with the Safety Production Certificate.

## 2.Main Feature of GMOs Rules

- Regulations on Safety Assessment of Genetic Engineering

- Regulations on Safety Assessment of Agricultural GMOs

- Regulations on the Safety of Import of Agricultural GMOs

- Regulations for Inspection and Quarantine of Import & Export of GMOs and Products

- Contingency Plans for Accidents Caused by Agricultural GMOs

## 3.Public awareness education and participation on LMOs

- media (TV, Internet, Expert Interviews, News Paper,DVD)

- online to answer the doubts of LMOs

- Preparation of promotional materials to the public in Biodiversity-Day

- education(school university)

- Established The National BCH