

Maharashtra bans Bt cotton seeds

The Maharashtra government has banned the sale and distribution of the genetically modified Bt cotton seeds of Maharashtra Hybrid Seeds Company (Mahyco), a partner of US multinational Monsanto, in the state with immediate effect for supplying inferior quality seeds. "The government has banned the Mahyco company with immediate effect," agriculture commissioner Umakant Dangat told IANS(Indo-Asia News Service) 9 August 2012, when asked about the canceling of the company's license