

'Finalise rules to import GM food soon'

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INDIA'S regulator for genetically modified crops has asked the food regulator FSSAI to expeditiously finalise the guidelines for dealing with applications related to import of GM processed foods.

During a meeting of the Genetically Engineering Approval Committee (GEAC), the members took note of the response of Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI) that they are in the process of framing Guidelines for dealing with applications related to GM processed foods.

The FSSAI has said that a time period of about nine months would be required to finalise these Guidelines. "FSSAI may be requested to finalise the guidelines for dealing with applications related to GM processed foods expeditiously," the GEAC observed.