Mechanism That Secures Safety of Genetically Modified Farm Products

Only genetically modified farm products that showed no problem in scientific evaluation based on the following are imported, distributed, and cultivated.

- (1) "Feed Safety Law" and "Food Safety Basic Act" regarding feed safety as feed
- (2) "Food Sanitation Act" and "Food Safety Basic Act" regarding safety as food
- (3) "Cartagena Act" regarding effect on biodiversity

Only (3) applies when the item is used for isolation fields or as flowering plants for ornamental purposes instead of food or feed

Effect on biodiversity (Cartagena Act)

Application for approval for isolation field test

MAFF and MOE

Hearing of opinions

Biodiversity Effect Evaluation Study Committee (Farm Products Subcommittee and Comprehensive Study Committee)

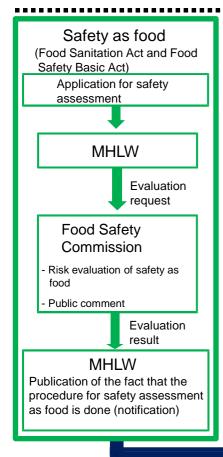
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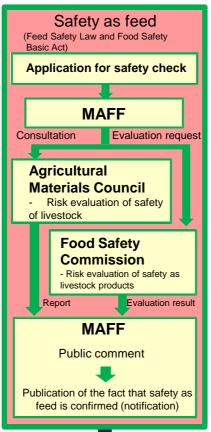
Submission of opinions

MAFF and MOE

Public comment

Publication of approval (notification)





Application for approval for general use

[Import, distribution, and cultivation as food or feed]

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Consistency with the food and feed safety check is considered (specified in the fundamental matters based on the Cartagena Act)

Publication of approval (notification)

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