

## Tanzania: Endless debate on GMOs must come to an end

LAST week during the Africa Green Revolution Forum (AGRF) in Arusha, fresh calls were made for the government to adopt the Genetically Modified Organs (GMO) technology.

Among the proponents for the plan is the Minister for Water and Irrigation, Prof Jumanne Maghembe, who argued that an urgent policy shift is needed to enable the country improve the agricultural sector and also boost income by peasant farmers.

Prof Maghembe says that there is need to change negative mindset on the adoption of GMO technology especially in the face of uncertain weather patterns. Taking part in the panel at the forum on how technological change in agriculture is essential for improving food security and agricultural growth, the minister stuck to his position that GMOs are one way to increase productivity and enrich the African farmer.

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