Bangladesh: GE eggplant taken to court

Campaigners against genetically modified (GM) crops yesterday filed a writ petition with the High Court against a government move to release Bt brinjal, a GM crop, for the first time in the country.

The court is likely to hear the writ today, lawyers concerned said. The writ was filed by five green activists including an organiser of Naya Krishi Andolon, Farida Akhter.

The move came seven days after the same group served a legal notice on the agriculture secretary, executive chairman of Bangladesh Agricultural Research Council and director general of Bangladesh Agricultural Research Institute (Bari), asking them to refrain from commercial release of Bt brinjal.

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