

## Indian ag scientist: Blaming GM crops entirely for farm problems an 'oversimplification'

Eminent agriculture scientist MS Swaminathan has said it is not right to put the entire blame on the GM (genetically modified) crops for the farm distress in the country. He said it is one of the several factors that affect the farm sector and requires a different approach to tackle it.

"I am not defending anything but putting the entire blame on GM crops would be oversimplifying the fundamental problem of farm distress. The Government has set up a mechanism to look into the concerns on the GM issue," he said.

"It is a political decision. But what must they do is to put money in areas that would help farmers improve their income. There is a huge mismatch between the production and post-harvest technologies. They should build infrastructure such as cold storages," he said.

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