

## Uganda expected to pass law permitting GMOs

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The long awaited National Biotechnology and Biosafety Bill 2012 is to be passed by legislators before the 9th Parliament is dissolved Vice President Edward Ssekandi has assured scientists.

“Parliament has been reluctant to pass the Bill because of some incumbencies associated with biotechnology, Cabinet and other stakeholders, are aware that the application of biotechnology will lift up Uganda’s agriculture sector. Scientists, both from Uganda and globally, rest assured that the Bill which seeks to regulate your efforts will be passed very soon,” Ssekandi said last week.

His speech was read on his behalf by Mathias Kasamba, the Chairperson of the parliamentary committee on agricultural, animal industry and fisheries.

This was during the Second Biennial National Agricultural Biosciences Conference which was held in Uganda recently.

Ssekandi said Uganda needs technology which can transform the sector that has been affected by the impacts of climate change and several crop diseases.

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