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Submission of information received by the Commission on Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture on the use of “digital sequence information on genetic resources for food and agriculture” and potential implications for the conservation and sustainable use of genetic resources for food and agriculture, including exchange, access and the fair and equitable sharing of the benefits arising from their use

India

Since the genetic sequence information/data has assumed global importance in view of the recent technological advances at faster pace, India is of the view that digital sequence information should be treated as “information associated” with the species. The benefits associated with it should be dealt at par with traditional knowledge associated with genetic resources within the scope of CBD.

In addition, the Protection of Plant Varieties and Farmers’ Rights Authority is planning to generate digital sequence information of the registered varieties including registered farmers’ varieties that will help in achieving the mandate under this provision.