



NATIONAL BIOSAFETY AUTHORITY

NOTICE OF APPROVAL FOR ENVIRONMENTAL RELEASE OF VIRUS RESISTANT CASSAVA EVENT 4046 AND ITS VARIETAL DERIVATIVES IN KENYA

PURSUANT to Section 54 (2) of the Biosafety Act, No.2 of 2009, notice is given that the National Biosafety Authority (NBA) has approved the application by Kenya Agricultural and Livestock Research Organization (KALRO) for the environmental release of virus resistant cassava Event 4046 and its varietal derivatives in Kenya.

APPROVAL NO : NBA/GMO/C09/19/03

DATE OF APPROVAL : 18TH JUNE, 2021

In accordance with Regulation 9 of the Biosafety (Environmental Release) Regulations, the National Biosafety Authority has approved the Application by Kenya Agricultural and Livestock Research Organization (KALRO) for limited environmental release for Event 4046 in cassava varieties in Kenya for the purpose of conducting National Performance Trials (NPTs).

The approval is subject to the applicant meeting the following permit conditions:

1. This approval is for environmental release only for purposes of conducting National Performance Trials (NPT);
2. Ensure strict compliance with provisions of Biosafety Act and Regulations;
3. Ensure compliance with all other relevant laws and other Regulatory Agencies relevant to this approval;
4. Ensure proper labeling of GM cassava in line with the Biosafety (Labeling) Regulations and any other guidelines that may be provided by the Authority from time to time;
5. This approval is valid for five (5) years from the date of authorization;
6. The applicant to provide a Biosafety Stewardship and Post release monitoring plan for a period of 5 years commencing from the date of approval; and
7. The applicant to avail monitoring data annually to the Authority.

Once the above conditions are complied with, the Applicant may apply to the NBA for consideration for placing on the market of cassava Event 4046.

Dated: 9th November 2022