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**NOTIFICATION OF LAWS AND REGULATIONS  
UNDER ARTICLE 63.2 OF THE TRIPS AGREEMENT**

MYANMAR: NEW PLANT VARIETY PROTECTION LAW (LAW NO.15/2016 OF JANUARY 20, 2016)

<b>Notifying Member</b>	<b>MYANMAR</b>
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**Details of the notified legal text**

<b>Title</b>	New Plant Variety Protection Law (Law No.15/2016 of January 20, 2016)
<b>Subject matter</b>	Patents (including plant variety protection)
<b>Nature of notification</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Main dedicated intellectual property law or regulation <input type="checkbox"/> Other law or regulation
<b>Link to legal text*</b>	<a href="https://ip-documents.info/2020/IP/MMR/20_5783_00_e.pdf">https://ip-documents.info/2020/IP/MMR/20_5783_00_e.pdf</a> <a href="https://ip-documents.info/2020/IP/MMR/20_5783_00_x.pdf">https://ip-documents.info/2020/IP/MMR/20_5783_00_x.pdf</a>
<b>Notification status</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> First notification <input type="checkbox"/> Amendment or revision to notified legal text <input type="checkbox"/> Replacement or consolidation of notified legal text(s)
<b>Previous notification(s) referred to</b>	Not applicable

**Brief description of the notified legal text**

The New Plant Variety Protection Law was enacted by Pyidaungsu Hluttaw with the Law No.15/2016 dated 20 January 2016.

The objectives of this Law in line with 1991 UPOV Convention are:

- (a) to protect of the rights of breeders of new plant varieties
- (b) to develop the activities of plant breeding
- (c) to encourage investments in and development of the breeding of new plant varieties in both public and private sectors
- (d) to assist the agricultural sector development by producing and cultivation of the new improved varieties

The Law grants the plant breeder right to:

- (1) National plant breeders;
- (2) Plant breeders that are foreigners permanently residing in Myanmar and their organizations;

(3) All organizations and individuals of new plant breeding from trading partners that have entered into an agreement with Myanmar on the protection of a new plant variety	
<b>Language(s) of notified legal text</b>	English, Myanmar
<b>Entry into force</b>	20 January 2017
<b>Other date</b>	

**Notification details**

<b>Submission date of notification</b>	25 September 2020
<b>Other information</b>	
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