

NUMBER OF REGISTERED CROP VARIETIES (As of CY 2010)

Crop	Number
Rice	134
Corn	292
Sorghum	2
Fruits	121
Vegetables	25
Plantation crops	56
Ornamentals	79
Tobacco	5
Sugarcane	14
Field Legumes	44
Fiber	8
Total	780

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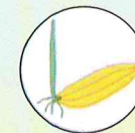
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**RA 7308, SEED INDUSTRY
DEVELOPMENT ACT: EN-
SURING QUALITY OF SEEDS
AND PLANTING MATERIALS**



DECLARATION OF POLICY

Promote and accelerate the development of the seed industry through:

- a. Conservation, preservation and development of the plant genetic resources of the nation;
- b. Encouraging and hastening of organization of all sectors engaged in the industry, integrate all their activities and provide assistance to them;
- c. Consideration of the seed industry as a preferred area of investment;
- d. Encouraging the private sector to engage in seed research and development and in mass production and distribution of good quality seeds; and
- e. Providing the local industry protection against unfair competition from imported seeds.

VARIETY TESTING FOR ACCREDITATION AND REGISTRATION

The **National Cooperative Test (NCT)**- a variety or an entry is grown together with the national check variety for agronomic and or horticultural performance evaluation.

- a. Undertaken for two distinct seasons in a year -dry and wet
- b. It usually takes a minimum of two years to complete an NCT

The NCT of Fruit and Ornamental Crops

- a. The Fruit entry variety is usually evaluated for 3 fruiting seasons or cycles
- b. Ornamental crops are evaluated to two or more flowering or growth cycles

BENEFITS DERIVED FROM USING NSIC-ACCREDITED VARIETIES

- a. Farmers are assured of the quality of the seeds that they will cultivate;
- b. Farmers can avail of farming loans from government lending institutions;
- c. Farmers can obtain crop insurance;
- d. Farmers are informed of the source of the varieties of their choice;
- e. Consumers' choice among quality farm produce