

GENERAL INFORMATION	
Name of formality	Certificate of Registration of New Plant Variety
Type of formality	Certificate
Date of last modification	27.09.2017
Responsible Authority	Intellectual Property Department
Who should apply for this formality?	The breeder of new plant variety that intends to get the legal protection for their rights under Lao PDR laws within Lao PDR.
Qualifications needed by the business to get the formality	Any individual, legal entity or organization eligible to submit an application is as follows:1. any breeder as defined above may file an application for breeder's rights;2. where two or more persons have jointly bred a new variety, such persons may jointly apply for plant breeder's rights. In the absence of any special declaration of the apportionment of ownership, they are presumed to be owners of equal part of the concerned variety;3. a foreign individual, legal entity or organization shall enjoy within the territory of the Lao PDR the same treatment as is accorded to Lao nationals, subject to the requirement that a party that does not have a residence or business premises shall appoint a representative with such premises in the Lao PDR.

LEGAL FRAMEWORK			
Name	Number	Date	Comment
Law on Intellectual Property (2017)	38/NA	15.11.2017	

REQUIRED DOCUMENTS FORMALITIES		
Name	Type	Comment
\${SUPPORT_NAME}	\${SUPPORT_TYPE}	\${SUPPORT_COMMENT}

LIST OF ATTACHED DOCUMENTS FOR FIRST TIME APPLICATION		
Name of document	Type of document	File of document
\${ATTACHMENT_NAME}	\${ATTACHMENT_TYPE}	\${ATTACHMENT_FILE}

LIST OF ATTACHED DOCUMENTS FOR RENEW APPLICATION		
Name of document	Type of document	File of document
\${ATTACHMENT_NAME_RENEW}	\${ATTACHMENT_TYPE_RENEW}	\${ATTACHMENT_FILE_RENEW}

MEAN OF PRESENTATION		
Means of presentation	At the Authority Offices	
Address of authority	Intellectual Property Department, Ministry of Science and Technology	
Time it takes to the authorities to process the formality	90	

RENEWAL INFORMATION	
Does the formality have a validity or an expiration date?	How long will the formality be valid for? (in months)
YES	300
What is the process and conditions to get the formality?	
What is the process and conditions to renew the formality?	For trees and vines, a fixed period of 25 years and for other varieties of plants, 20 years. In order to maintain the term of protection, the owner shall pay annual fees in advance.

ISSUING FEES				
Has application fees?	Service fees businesses need to disburse	Certificate fees businesses need to disburse	Application fees businesses need to disburse	Total fees businesses need to disburse

YES	0.00	700000.00	0.00	700000.00
Comments	The certificate is for 4 years. From the fifth to twenty-fifth year, it is to maintain the term of protection.			
ADDITIONAL ISSUING FEES				
Additional fee names				
NO	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Additional fee comments				

RENEWAL FEES				
Has renewal fees?	Service fees businesses need to disburse	Certificate fees businesses need to disburse	Renewal fees businesses need to disburse	Total renewal fees businesses need to disburse
YES	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Comments	Maintaining the term of protection starts after the fifth year of granting the breeder's right with the annual fee range from 300,000 to 9,500,000 LAK			
ADDITIONAL RENEWAL FEES				
Additional renewal fees names				
NO	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Additional renewal fees comments				