

11. NATIONAL COTTON VARIETY LIST

Species: *Gossypium hirsutum*

Variety name/code	Official variety release Name	Year of release in Kenya	Owner(s) / Licensee	Maintainer and seed source	Optimal production altitude range (Masl)	Duration to maturity (months)	Lint yield (t ha-1)	Special attributes
1. KSA 81 M		1998	KARI	KARI-Kibos	0-1300	4-5	2-5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Fine fibre lint
2. AF0903	IRMA L457	2012	CIRAD/IRA D/SODECOTON*	IRAD	0 - 1650	2.5 at 0 - 500m 2.5-3 at 1000-1650m	2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Tolerance to Bacterial blight
3. AF0904	IRMA L484	2012	CIRAD/IRA D/SODECOTON*	IRAD	0 - 1650	2.5 at 0 - 500m 2.5-3 at 1000-1650m	2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Tolerance to Bacterial blight
4. 06K486	DP 486	2012	Monsanto (K) Limited	Monsanto Inc.	0 - 1300	4-5	3-5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ High GOT ▪ Long , strong lint
5. 06K485	DP485	2015	MONSANTO (K) LTD	MONSANTO (K) LTD	0-1300 m ASL	4-5	1.1 5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ High yield ▪ Long fiber length ▪ Good leaf pubescence (hairiness).
6. HA-211 / Intercott 211	HA - 211	2017	Hazera Seeds	Hazera Seeds	Medium Altitude	1 yrs	1.9	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Lint Quality ▪ Values Strength (gr/tex): 34 – 36 ▪ Elongation %: 7.5 - 8.0 ▪ Fineness (micr.): 3.6 - 3.8 ▪ Length (inch): 1.36 - 1.37
7. HA-701 / Intercott 701	HA - 701	2017	Hazera Seeds	Hazera Seeds	Medium Altitude	1 yrs	1.9	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Lint Quality Values ▪ Strength (gr/tex): 33 – 35 ▪ Elongation %: 6.5 - 7.5 ▪ Fineness (micr.): 3.6 - 3.8 ▪ Length (inch): 1.33 – 1.34
8. C 567	MAHYCO C 567	2020	Mahyco Kenya	Mahyco, India	Altitude: 1 to 1500, AEZ: LM 3,	5-6	1.9 6 -	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Medium Maturity

			Private Limited		LM 4,LM 5, L3, L4, Sites:Mwe a,Perkerra, Kibos,Barw essa,Matu ga, Bura and Alupe		2.2 9	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Tolerant to sucking pests such as jassids and aphids ▪ Medium hairy leaves ▪ Long staple length with high fibre strength
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9. C 569	MAHYCO C 569	2020	Mahyco Kenya Private Limited	Mahyco, India	Altitude: 1 to 1500, AEZ: LM 3, LM 4,LM 5, L3, L4, Sites:Mwe a,Perkerra, Kibos,Barw essa,Matu ga, Bura and Alupe	5-6	1.5 5- 2.8 9	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Medium Maturity ▪ Tolerant to sucking pests such as jassids and aphids Large Boll Size ▪ Long staple length with high fibre strength ▪ Large Boll size
10. C 570	MAHYCO C 570	2020	Mahyco Kenya Private Limited	Mahyco, India	Altitude: 1 to 1500, AEZ: LM 3, LM 4,LM 5, L3, L4, Sites:Mwe a,Perkerra, Kibos,Barw essa,Matu ga, Bura and Alupe	5-6	1.5 5- 1.9 3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Early Maturity, Large Boll Size ▪ Tolerant to sucking pests such as jassids and aphids ▪ Long staple length with high fibre strength
11. C 571	MAHYCO C 571	2020	Mahyco Kenya Private Limited	Mahyco, India	Altitude: 1 to 1500, AEZ: LM 3, LM 4,LM 5, L3, L4, Sites:Mwe a,Perkerra, Kibos,Barw essa,Matu ga, Bura and Alupe	5-6	1.8 9- 2.5 0	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Early Maturity ▪ Tolerant to sucking pests such as jassids and aphids ▪ Long staple length with high fibre strength

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12. MRC 7017 BG-II	MAHYCO C 570 BGII	2020	Mahyco Kenya Private Limited	Mahyco, India	Altitude: 1 to 1500, AEZ: LM 3, LM 4, LM 5, L3, L4, Sites: Mwea, Perkerra, Kibos, Barwessa, Matuga, Bura and Alupe	5-6	2.2-3.0	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Tolerant to Bollworm Complex ▪ Early Maturity, Large Boll Size ▪ Tolerant to sucking pests such as jassids and aphids ▪ Long staple length with high fibre strength
13. MRC 7031 BG-II Bt. Cotton	MAHYCO C 569 BGII	2020	Mahyco Kenya Private Limited	Mahyco, India	Altitude: 1 to 1500, AEZ: LM 3, LM 4, LM 5, L3, L4, Sites: Mwea, Perkerra, Kibos, Barwessa, Matuga, Bura and Alupe	5-6	2.7-3.1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Tolerant to Bollworm Complex ▪ Medium Maturity ▪ Tolerant to sucking pest such as jassids and aphids ▪ Long staple length with high fibre strength ▪ Large Boll Size
14. MRC 7361 BG-II Bt. Cotton	MAHYCO C 571 BGII	2020	Mahyco Kenya Private Limited	Mahyco, India	Altitude: 1 to 1500, AEZ: LM 3, LM 4, LM 5, L3, L4, Sites: Mwea, Perkerra, Kibos, Barwessa, Matuga, Bura and Alupe	5-6	2.5-2.6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Tolerant to Bollworm Complex ▪ Medium Maturity ▪ Tolerant to sucking pest such as jassids and aphids ▪ Long staple length with high fibre strength ▪ Long staple length with high fibre strength
15. MRC 7377 BG-II Bt. Cotton	MAHYCO C 567 BGII	2020	Mahyco Kenya	Mahyco, India	Altitude: 1 to 1500, AEZ: LM 3,	5-6	2.3-4.8	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Tolerant to Bollworm Complex

			Private Limited		LM 4, LM 5, L3, L4, Sites: Mwea, Perkerra, Kibos, Barwessa, Matuga, Bura and Alupe			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Medium Maturity ▪ Tolerant to sucking pest such as jassids and aphids ▪ Long staple length with high fibre strength ▪ Long staple length with high fibre strength
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16. US 401 Non Bt	US 401 Non Bt	2023	Seedsworld International Private Limited India	Seedsworld International Private Limited, India	Altitude: 50 to 2600 AEZ: LM 1-4 Sites: Mwea, Kitui, Homabay, Bura, Kisumu, Hola and Alupe	5-6	2.4-2.6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Med-Late maturity ▪ Very Big bolls High boll retention ▪ Highly tolerant to sucking insects pests(Jassids, Whitefly, Aphids, Thrips) ▪ Drought Tolerant Rejuvenation capacity
17. US 402 Non Bt	US 402 Non Bt	2023	Seedsworld International Private Limited India	Seedsworld International Private Limited, India	Altitude: 50 to 2600 AEZ: LM 1-4 Sites: Mwea, Kitui, Homabay, Bura, Kisumu, Hola and Alupe	5-6	2.2-2.4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Medium maturity ▪ Big bolls ▪ Highly tolerant to sucking insects pests(Jassids, Whitefly, Aphids, Thrips) ▪ Drought Tolerant suitable for dual cropping
18. US 406 Non Bt	US 406 Non Bt	2023	Seedsworld International Private Limited India	Seedsworld International Private Limited, India	Altitude: 50 to 2600 AEZ: LM 1-4 Sites: Mwea, Kitui,	5-6	2.4-2.6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Medium maturity ▪ Medium bolls Good boll retention

					Homabay, Bura,Kisu mu,Hola and Alupe			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Highly tolerant to sucking insects pests(Jassids, Whitefly,Aphids, Thrips) ▪ Drought Tolerant
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19. US 408 Non Bt	US 408 Non Bt	2023	Seedswor k s Internatio nal Private Limited India	Seedswor k s Internation al Private Limited, India	Altitude: 50 to 2600 AEZ: LM 1-4 Sites: Mwea, Kitui, Homabay, Bura,Kisu mu,Hola and Alupe	5-6	2.2 -2.4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Mid-Early maturity ▪ Medium big bolls ▪ Highly tolerant to sucking insects pests(Jassids, Whitefly,Aphids, Thrips) ▪ Drought Tolerant Tolerant to moisture stress
20. US 409 Non Bt	US 409 Non Bt	2023	Seedswor k s Internatio nal Private Limited India	Seedswor k s Internation al Private Limited, India	Altitude: 50 to 2600 AEZ: LM 1-4 Sites: Mwea, Kitui, Homabay, Bura,Kisu mu,Hola and Alupe	5-6	2.2- 2.4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Medium maturity ▪ Medium big bolls ▪ Highly tolerant to sucking insects pests(Jassids, Whitefly,Aphids, Thrips) ▪ Drought Tolerant
21. US 410 Non Bt	US 410 Non Bt	2023	Seedswor k s Internatio nal Private Limited India	Seedswor k s Internation al Private Limited, India	Altitude: 50 to 2600 AEZ: LM 1-4 Sites: Mwea, Kitui, Homabay, Bura,Kisu mu,Hola and Alupe	5-6	2.3 -2.4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Mid-Late maturity ▪ Very Big bolls Open plant type ▪ Highly tolerant to sucking insects pests(Jassids, Whitefly,Aphids, Thrips) ▪ Drought Tolerant
22. MIC 563	MIC 563	2024	Mahyco Kenya Private Limited	Mahyco Private Limited, India	Altitude: 1 to 1500 AEZ: LM 3, LM 4, LM	4-5	2- 2.5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Early Maturity Long Staple length &

					5, L3, L4, Sites: Mwea, Perkerra, Kibos, and Alupe			medium fibre strength
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23. MIC 561	MIC 561	2024	Mahyco Kenya Private Limited	Mahyco Private Limited, India	Altitude: 1 to 1500 AEZ: LM 3, LM 4, LM 5, L3, L4, Sites: Mwea, Perkerra, Kibos, and Alupe	5-6	2.5 -3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Medium Maturity ▪ Large boll size ▪ Long Staple length ▪ Medium fibre strength
24. MIC 562	MIC 562	2024	Mahyco Kenya Private Limited	Mahyco Private Limited, India	Altitude: 1 to 1500 AEZ: LM 3, LM 4, LM 5, L3, L4, Sites: Mwea, Perkerra, Kibos, and Alupe	5-6	2.5- 3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Medium Maturity ▪ Large boll size ▪ Long Staple length ▪ Medium fibre strength
25. MAHYCO C577	MAHYCO C577	2024	Mahyco Kenya Private Limited	Mahyco Private Limited, India	Altitude: 1 to 1500 AEZ: LM 3, LM 4, LM 5, L3, L4, Sites: Mwea, Perkerra, Kibos, and Alupe	5-6	2.2 -2.7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Early Maturity with good plant type ▪ Good Fibre percentage ▪ Long staple length with excellent fibre strength

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26. MAHYCO C577 BGII	MAHYCO C577 BGII	2025	Mahyco Kenya Private Limited	Mahyco Private Limited, India	Altitude: 1-1500 m.a.s.l AEZ: LM 3, LM 4, LM 5, L3, L4 Sites where testing was done: Bura, Perkerra, Kitui, Mwea, Kibos, Homa bay	4-5	2-2.5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Early Maturity with Good plant type ▪ Resistant to Bollworms ▪ Tolerance to Sucking Pest such as Jassids and Aphids ▪ Good Fibre Percentage, Long staple length with excellent fibre strength
27. MIC 561 BGII	MIC 561 BGII	2025	Mahyco Kenya Private Limited	Mahyco Private Limited, India	Altitude: 1-1500 m.a.s.l AEZ: LM 3, LM 4, LM 5, L3, L4 Sites where testing was done: Bura, Perkerra, Kitui, Mwea, Kibos, Homa bay	5-6	2-2.5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Medium Maturity ▪ Large Boll Size ▪ Resistant to Bollworms ▪ Tolerance to Sucking Pest such as Jassids and Aphids ▪ Long staple length & Medium fibre strength
28. MIC 562 BGII	MIC 562 BGII	2025	Mahyco Kenya Private Limited	Mahyco Private Limited, India	Altitude: 1-1500 m.a.s.l AEZ: LM 3, LM 4, LM 5, L3, L4 Sites where testing was done: Bura, Perkerra,	5-6	2-2.5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Medium Maturity ▪ Large Boll Size ▪ Resistant to Bollworms ▪ Tolerance to Sucking Pest such as Jassids and Aphids ▪ Long staple length & Medium fibre strength

					Kitui, Mwea, Kibos, Homa bay			
29. MIC 563 BGII	MIC 563 BGII	2025	Mahyco Kenya Private Limited	Mahyco Private Limited, India	<p>Altitude: 1-1500 m.a.s.l</p> <p>AEZ: LM 3, LM 4, LM 5, L3, L4</p> <p>Sites where testing was done: Bura, Perkerra, Kitui, Mwea, Kibos, Homa bay</p>	4-5	2- 2.5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Early Maturity ▪ Resistant to Bollworms ▪ Medium Tolerance to Sucking Pest such as Jassids and Aphids ▪ Long staple length & Medium fibre strength
30. US 406 BGII	US 133 BG2	2025	SEEDWOR KS INTERNATI ONAL PRIVATE LIMITED, INDIA	SeedWork s Internation al Pvt Ltd, India	<p>Altitude: 1 to 1500 m.a.s.l</p> <p>AEZ: LM 3, LM 4, LM 5, L3, L4</p> <p>Sites where testing was done: Bura, Perkerra, Kitui, Mwea, Kibos, Homa bay</p>	4-5	2.4- 2.6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Open plant type ▪ Early maturity ▪ Medium big bolls ▪ Good boll retention ▪ Tolerant to sucking insect pests (Jassids, Whitefly, Aphids, Thrips) ▪ Tolerant to bollworms ▪ Long staple length with strong fibre strength
31. US 408 BGII	US 244 BG2	2025	SEEDWOR KS INTERNATI ONAL PRIVATE LIMITED, INDIA	SeedWork s Internation al Pvt Ltd, India	<p>Altitude: 1 to 1500 m.a.s.l</p> <p>AEZ: LM 3, LM 4, LM 5, L3, L4</p> <p>Sites where testing was done: Bura, Perkerra, Kitui,</p>	5-6	2.2- 2.4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Open plant type ▪ Mid-early maturity ▪ Medium big bolls ▪ Tolerant to sucking insect pests (Jassids, Whitefly, Aphids, Thrips) ▪ Tolerant to moisture stress ▪ Tolerant to bollworms

					Mwea, Kibos, Homa bay			▪ Long staple length with strong fibre strength
32. US 402 BGII	US 111 BG2	2025	SEEDWOR KS INTERNATI ONAL PRIVATE LIMITED, INDIA	SeedWork s Internation al Pvt Ltd, India	Altitude: 1 to 1500 m.a.s.l AEZ: LM 3, LM 4, LM 5, L3, L4 Sites where testing was done: Bura, Perkerra, Kitui, Mwea, Kibos, Homa bay	4-5	2.2- 2.4	▪ Early maturity ▪ Suitable for dual cropping ▪ Big bolls ▪ Higher yield potential, quicker & faster ▪ Tolerant to sucking insect pests (Jassids, Whitefly, Aphids, Thrips) ▪ Potential to escape late dry spell situations
33. US 401 BGII	US 222 BG2	2025	SEEDWOR KS INTERNATI ONAL PRIVATE LIMITED, INDIA	SeedWork s Internation al Pvt Ltd, India	Altitude: 1 to 1500 m.a.s.l AEZ: LM 3, LM 4, LM 5, L3, L4 Sites where testing was done: Bura, Perkerra, Kitui, Mwea, Kibos, Homa bay	5-6	2.4- 2.6	▪ Med-Late maturity ▪ Very Big bolls ▪ Chain boll bearing ▪ Highly tolerant to sucking insect pests (Jassids, Whitefly, Aphids, Thrips) ▪ Tolerant to water stress ▪ Rejuvenation capacity ▪ Tolerant to bollworms ▪ Long staple length with strong fibre strength
34. US 409 BGII	US 266 BG2	2025	SEEDWOR KS INTERNATI ONAL PRIVATE LIMITED, INDIA	SeedWork s Internation al Pvt Ltd, India	Altitude: 1 to 1500 m.a.s.l AEZ: LM 3, LM 4, LM 5, L3, L4 Sites where testing was done: Bura, Perkerra, Kitui, Mwea,	5-6	2.2- 2.4	▪ Medium maturity ▪ Medium big bolls ▪ Tolerant to sucking insect pests (Jassids, Whitefly, Aphids, Thrips) ▪ Tolerant to bollworms ▪ Long staple length with strong fibre strength

					Kibos, Homa bay			
35. US 410 BGII	US 255 BG2	2025	SEEDWOR KS INTERNATI ONAL PRIVATE LIMITED, INDIA	SeedWork s Internation al Pvt Ltd, India	Altitude: 1 to 1500 m.a.s.l AEZ: LM 3, LM 4, LM 5, L3, L4 Sites where testing was done: Bura, Perkerra, Kitui, Mwea, Kibos, Homa bay	5-6	2.3- 2.5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Mid-late maturity ▪ Open plant type ▪ Big bolls ▪ Tolerant to sucking insect pests (Jassids, Whitefly, Aphids, Thrips) ▪ Tolerant to moisture stress ▪ Tolerant to bollworms ▪ Long staple length with strong fibre strength

