

A
Simple Guide
(Handbook)

To
On-Farm Tree Nurseries

In
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FORWARD:

Kenyan/Japan Social forestry Training Project has since 1987 have been collaborating with women groups, Schools, individual farmers etc. in various stages of tree planting Activities particularly establishment of small scale nurseries (on-farm tree nurseries).

Upto the beginning of the 2nd phase in 1993, the project has had upto 40 women groups and seven Primary Schools and is infact now extending its Activities to the other neighbouring locations of Kyangwithya, Matinyani, Kathivo and Nzambani.

The Project has been training the farmers, teachers, front-line Extension workers, and technical assistants mainly on the on-farm Nursery management and techniques. The Project even provide at the end of every course some seeds and polythene tubes to enable them start an on-farm nursery.

From this context it has therefore been seen necessary to come up with a simple guide on on-farm tree nurseries in ASALs with particular reference to Kitui District. This will be a simple portable handbook for use mainly by individual farmers, women groups, schools, and Technical staff in Extension services.

The same handbook could also be used by other Officers in the related Ministries/ Departments, in areas that have similar climatic, soil condition like that of Kitui.

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