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**ORGANIZATIONAL CAPACITY BUILDING**



**ARDAP organization (left) and SMART Initiative (right) with their staff, board members and some farmers**

G-BIACK is hosting a number of nongovernmental organizations at our campus in Thika. The aim is to help build each other's capacities in agricultural technologies and general organizational capacities through sharing and presentations. Topics include:

1. How an organization is able to implement key organizational and programmatic functions
2. How an organization is able to utilize resources effectively
3. Understanding the strengths and weakness of the organization's leadership
4. Learn the organization's ability to monitor, assess and respond to internal and external challenges
5. How an organization can maintain good donor relationships

Two of the organizations that G-BIACK has hosted include;

***The Appropriate Rural Development Agriculture Programme (ARDAP)*** which is a Kenyan NGO close to the border of Uganda. ARDAP empowers local communities in the key issues of food security and environmental conservation. ARDAP provides women's, youth's and community self-help groups with education necessary to further the living standards.

***The Sustainable Mobilization of Agricultural Resources Technology (SMART Initiative)*** from West Pokot. SMART is dedicated to promoting low cost biologically based, environmentally friendly, and economically viable strategies for increasing productivity for small holder farm families in order to achieve social and economic sustenance.

We will be hosting more farmer organizations in the coming weeks. G-BIACK has hostels which can now comfortably host up to 40 people. Thank you all for your continued support!

Visit our web site: [www.g-black.org](http://www.g-black.org). Go to Google maps to see us from above by entering: G-BIACK, Thika, Kenya

Donations of any amount help us to reach out to vulnerable families; contributions may be made through Network for Good on our web site. G-BIACK is a registered CBO in Kenya, and donations made directly to G-BIACK are tax deductible. But to enable G-BIACK to receive the full amount, checks payable to Kilili Self Help Project may be written and sent to 260 Marion Ave., Mill Valley CA 94941 USA—no overhead will be deducted, meaning that 100% of every donation will be sent to G-BIACK for our programmes. Donations are tax deductible.

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