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Computer school at G-BIACK



Girls during the inauguration of the computer school at G-BIACK

Computer illiteracy is common in many parts of the world, and Kenya is among the countries where a big percentage of citizens have never used a computer. In general, Kenyans learn to use computers only if they join colleges. Unfortunately, a majority of the youth does not get a chance even to join high school and will never have an opportunity to touch a computer. When we take our computers into the field, we have found that 80% of the people living in the rural communities do not know what computers are.

In the developed world, farmers save their agricultural data in computers. Farmers need to keep good records of their activities such as planting dates, livestock dates of birth, agricultural yields, weather patterns, and other data. At G-BIACK, we emphasize good record keeping, however farmers save their farming data on paper which can get lost or fade or can even be destroyed by rodents like rats.

To address this, The GROW BIOINTENSIVE Agriculture Centre of Kenya in partnership with Connection Ubuntu, www.connectionubuntu.org (USA) has initiated a computer training school where youth and farmers will be trained in basic computer skills. After becoming computer literate, farmers who are advancing will purchase computers and will be able to record information in the computers, safely store it, and easily organize and retrieve it, which will greatly improve the efficiency of their farm management.

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