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ActionAid Delegation Visits G-BiACK for Agroecology Learning Exchange

Resilience

There is but one word that can speak of the future of agriculture: resilience. Climate change, collapsing input prices, and shaking consumer demands are drastically reshaping food production. Farmers today can no longer rely on time-tested methods that exhaust soils and leave crops at the mercy of pests and drought. Rather, attention is now being placed on resilience enhancing techniques that include agroecology, regenerative agriculture, and indigenous seeds that are better embraced by the local environment.

On 19th August 2025, ActionAid Kenya and ActionAid Zimbabwe representatives visited the G-BiACK's Training Centre for a day-long learning exchange on agroecology and sustainable farming practices.

The visit commenced with an introduction to the center's philosophy of farmer-led solutions and food sovereignty. They then proceeded to tour the seed learning center and were educated about current efforts to conserve indigenous seed varieties and keep them available for future generations. Trainers further presented more practical demonstrations of soil fertility management, climate-resilient farming, and other agroecological methods central to empowering smallholder farmers.

The exchange created space throughout the day to discuss how agroecology may contribute to resolving food security and climate change challenges in very diverse contexts. Both teams exchanged experiences and started reflecting on ways for cooperation between the two communities of Kenya and Zimbabwe.

"We were very happy to host the ActionAid team," said the host. "This visit has strengthened our common commitment to farmer-centered approaches and knowledge sharing undertaken in building."



Agroecology Training Promotes Organic Bio-Inputs in Kenya.

A training session held this week at RODI Kenya and organized by BIBA Kenya, where G-BiACK is a member organization, highlighted agroecology as a transformative path for Kenyan farmers, focusing on the use of organic bio-inputs such as bio-fertilizers and bio-pesticides. Participants explored how these inputs improve soil health, cut reliance on synthetic chemicals, and boost resilience to climate change.

The event also introduced a new compendium, Organic and Bio-Inputs in Kenya: Commercial Products & Farmer Innovations for Agroecological Crop & Livestock Production, designed to make information on bio-inputs more accessible.

September Intake 2025.

G-BiACK has opened its latest student intake, welcoming young people eager to learn agroecology and sustainable farming practices. This program equips trainees with practical skills to improve food security and livelihoods in their communities.

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