

## Kefri hosts open day

**A**t least five hundred people attended an open day organised by the Kenya Forestry Research Institute (KEFRI). The event organised in March 31, 2016 at Kefri's headquarters in Muguga, near Nairobi set to display various forest technologies developed by the Institutes scientists, the products and services and to demonstrate the value of these innovations to the individual. The forum was also a stakeholder engagement opportunity.

Members of the public had the opportunity to interact with scientists and learn about trees and their health during the event. They also had access to plenty of knowledge about propagation and domestication of trees, tissue

culture of trees, identification and diversity of tree species as well as rehabilitation of forests, water towers and degraded sites.

High quality seeds were on sale and scientists were on hand to answer any questions. Among those who participated were groups of students who were motivated to plant trees in their homes, school and church compounds.

Other items on display included energy saving stoves, various improved types of fodder and food crops.

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