

KITA educates local farmers in the uses of Leuceana as a sustainable Agroforestry tree

Local farmers in the Apromase community near KITA received training in the importance and uses of leuceana as a sustainable tree for agro-forestry, woodlot and feeding of livestock. Leuceana, a nitrogen fixing tree, is good for alley cropping, woodlot for firewood, live fencing, and livestock feeding. It has a faster growth rate in relation to other trees and has different economic and environmental importance for agro-forestry.

As part of the training, leuceana seedlings were distributed to the local farmers and planted around the livestock farms as live fences. On farms and in the community, the trees will serve as windbreaks and provide shade.

Farmers were very enthusiastic about the program and thanked the KITA staff for providing leuceana as a good alternative livelihood project for their community.



KITA technical officers and volunteers ready to visit the community.



Explaining to a local farmer the uses of leuceana and cultivation methods



Planting of leuceana as live fences



KITA Volunteers, Michelle Schram introducing leuceana feed to livestock



The West African dwarf goat feeding on leuceana leaves



Sheep feeding on leuceana leaves



Seth Assisting a local farmer to plant leuceana seedlings.



An iterative session with local farmers

Technical Officers from KITA assisted in planting leuceana around the farms and houses of farmers.