

NOW AFRICA INITIATIVE (NAI) LEAD FARMERS PROGRAM

In a bid to accelerate our agenda toward achievement of sustainable rural development, a total of 17 lead farmers have been identified. These did undergo a 2-day intensive training about good agronomical practices in regards to coffee farming and thereafter a 3-day tour to one of the model coffee growing regions in Uganda where they were able to learn and exchange ideas with other fellow coffee farmers. These farmers are now change agents for NAI as they are sharing and guiding other NAI farmers about the new knowledge and skills acquired. Going forward, more farmers will be taken for exposure visits so as to fully equip them in terms of knowledge and skills as well as changing their mindset.

Below are some of the photos for the training and tour;



Figure 1: Farmers in a group exercise during a training session



Figure 2: In a group photo after a successful 2-day training



Figure 3: At one of the gardens during the tour



Figure 4: Host farmer delivering message to NAI lead farmers in his garden



Figure 5: Another host farmer briefing NAI lead farmers upon arrival at his home



Figure 6: NAI lead farmers in a well mulched coffee garden



Figure 7: NAI lead farmers touring around a coffee nursery bed



Figure 8: NAI lead farmers listening attentively to a host farmer



Figure 9: NAI lead farmers ready to go back home after the end of the tour