



## Reaching out to farmers

**Start Time:** Tue, 2013-06-11 (All day)


**End Time:** Tue, 2013-12-31 (All day)

**Location:** Bura Irrigation Scheme

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On 9<sup>th</sup> May, 2013, over 200 pastoralists and agro-pastoralists visited [Mr. Koech Oscar Kipchirchir's](#) research site in Bura Irrigation Scheme to see for themselves how some of the grasses they graze in the wild can be cultivated to produce forage which can be harvested and stored for use during the dry season. Mr. Koech is a Tutorial fellow and Ph.D (Drylands Resource Management) student in this department. This study seeks to determine the pragmatism of producing fodder within the ASAL areas of Kenya through irrigation. Increasing the availability of livestock forage during the dry period is viewed as one of the methods of reducing conflicts between crop farmers and pastoralists in this Country which has been rampant in the last few years leading loss of many lives and properties. The farmers welcomed the innovation and expressed the desire to adopt it. The research is financially supported by National Irrigation Board (NIB), National Council for Science and Technology (NCST), Centre for Sustainable Dryland Ecosystems and Societies (CSDES), and DAAD.

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