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The project team from the Technical University of Mombasa (TUM), National Museums of Kenya (NMK) and Laikipia University (LU) through the Kericho County Director of Education visited local primary and secondary schools around Kericho forest. Out of the 10 schools visited, only six were selected based on their proximity to the forest, presence of indigenous trees and space in the compound. Among the local schools selected included Moi Tea Girls Secondary School, Kericho Tea Secondary School, Chagaik Secondary School, Kericho Primary School, Kimugu Primary School and Kapsongoi Primary School. During these visits, the team formally introduced the purpose of the project to the school administrators and students who were excited and expressed their support to the project. The head teachers and their deputies helped in identifying the relevant student clubs that would take part in the project. The next activity will involve building the capacity of the young learners on the importance of wild orchid conservation through training.

Left to right: Moi Tea Girls Secondary School; Chagaik Mixed Secondary School and Kapsongoi Primary School.