

Abstract

Survey on pests, diseases and their control strategy has been carried out at Mwea-Tebere area, Kirinyaga District. There is the problem of excessive use and misuse of insecticides in the area. French beans are being grown by small scale farmers who would greatly benefit from use of an IPM strategy to better manage the pests. The area will be used as an experimental site to develop IPM technology, IPM implementation trials and participatory research. The total cost of all the research activities will be US\$89,210 for a period of 3 years.