

WHAT DO YOU SAY ABOUT FNS RESEARCH STATUS?

1. Increase average departmental h-index by 30% through targeted mentorship and support.
2. Increase total citations by 50% through high-impact publications, improved visibility, and global partnerships.
3. Establish 3–4 flagship research clusters aligned with top-performing areas:
 - ✓ Climate-Smart Agriculture & Food Security
 - ✓ Renewable Energy & Advanced Materials
 - ✓ Computational Modelling & Data Science
 - ✓ Environmental Health & Biodiversity

Department	Total Citations	Average Citations	Citation Leaders
Biological & Environmental Sciences	13,067	1,307	A.T. Modi (9,359)
Chemical & Physical Sciences	11,380	1,625	F. Dejene (5,734); A. Oyedeji (4,554)
Applied Sciences	2,120	707	R. Taziwa (1,730)
Mathematical Sciences & Computing	3,184	398	I.C. Obagbuwa (1,412)

Area	2026 Baseline	2030 Target
Average h-index	Based on department averages [FNS Publis...s 30032026 Excel]	+30%
Total citations	~30,000+ faculty-wide estimate [FNS Publis...s 30032026 Excel]	+50%
NRF-rated researchers	TBD	+40%
Postdocs hosted	<10	≥25
Annual publications	Baseline per department	+50%
External grants	Variable	Double baseline