

DST/NRF/NDP South African Research Chair in Nutrition and Food Security



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ALIGNMENT



To significantly expand the scientific research base on food and nutrition of South Africa in a way that supports implementation of the National Research and Development policies translating into socio-economic benefits

ALIGNMENT

Research Chair is closely aligned to deliver on four of the six interlinked priorities of government:

- 1. Creation of decent work and sustainable livelihoods**
- 2. Education**
- 3. Health, and**
- 4. Food Security**

GOAL:

To effectively promote highly productive, market-based, sustainable food systems that support diversified, affordable nutritious and safe food for all

FOCUS AREAS

**FOCUS 1: AVAILABILITY, ACCESSIBILITY AND ACCEPTABILITY
OF FOOD FROM EACH FOOD GROUP**

**FOCUS 2: COSTS OF DIVERSE FOOD GROUPS AND
RECOMMENDED DIETS**

FOCUS 3: NUTRIENT ADEQUACY AND NUTRIENT QUALITY

**FOCUS 4: DELIVERING NUTRIENTS OF CONCERN INTO
POLICIES AND PROGRAMMES**

FOCUS AREA 1

AVAILABILITY, ACCESSIBILITY AND ACCEPTABILITY OF FOOD FROM EACH FOOD GROUP

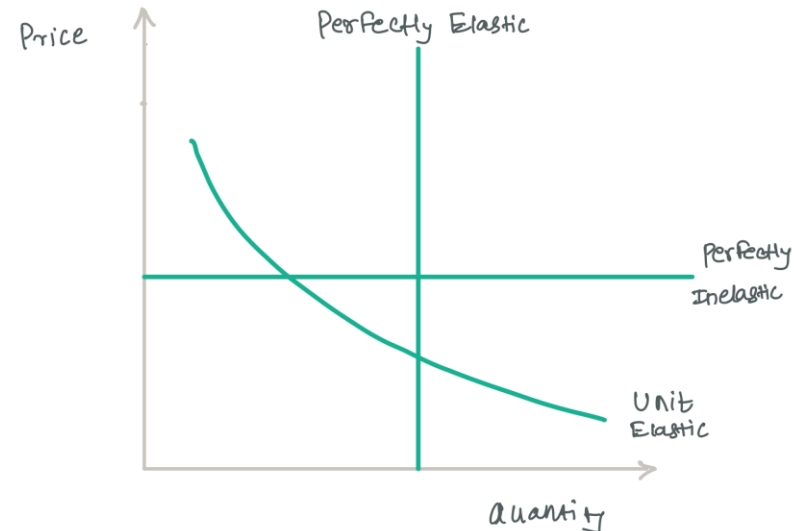
- Objective: Providing evidence on individual, household, and environmental factors that affect **food purchasing and consumption decisions** and their impact on food choices and access and purchasing behaviour, within the context of the demands of a changing society, growing middle-class in urban areas and changes in consumption patterns.



FOCUS AREA 2

COSTS OF DIVERSE FOOD GROUPS AND RECOMMENDED DIETS

- Objective: To provide scientific evidence on the **relative price and affordability of foods**, with a particular focus on the difference between 'less healthy' and 'healthy' foods and pricing strategies to inform governments around the world when considering policies to promote the consumption of healthier foods



FOCUS AREA 3

NUTRIENT ADEQUACY AND NUTRIENT QUALITY

- Objective: To describe **nutrients and anti-nutrients** of concern in the diet in terms of content, quality and strategies to increase availability and absorption within the food matrix





basic education

Department:
Basic Education
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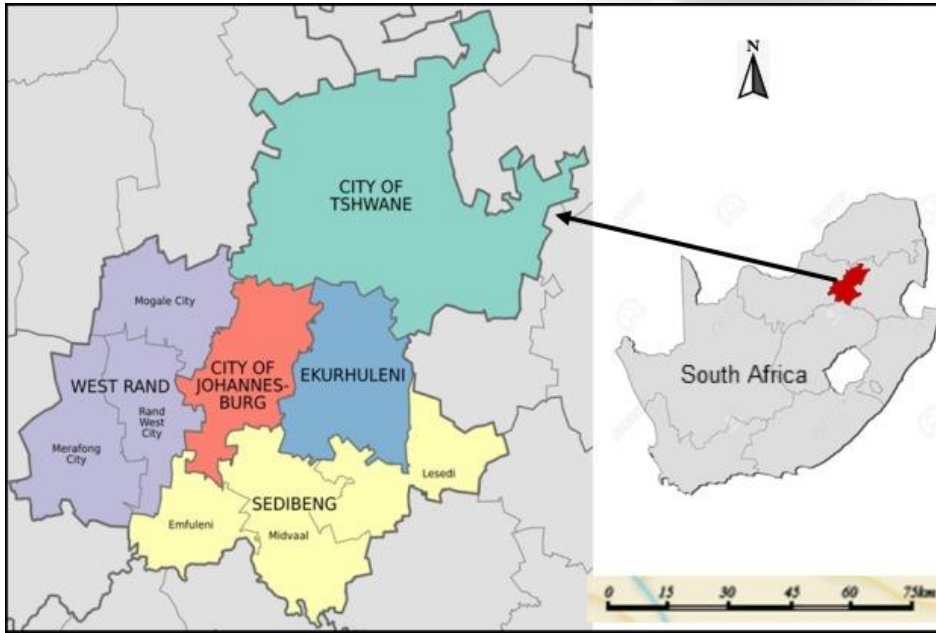


FOCUS AREA 4



DELIVERING NUTRIENTS OF CONCERN INTO POLICIES AND PROGRAMMES

- Objective: To document **barriers, bottlenecks and capacity gaps and identified solutions** through participatory policy assessment processes by research teams including researchers skilled in policy analysis, governance and institutional design along with researchers with expertise in the identified focus areas and in collaboration with a multi-sectoral team from government and the private sector (where possible)



Thank you



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