

## **INFORMATION SEEKING BEHAVIOUR OF FACULTY MEMBERS IN A NIGERIAN UNIVERSITY**

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### **ABSTRACT**

This study investigates the information seeking behaviour of faculty members of the Federal University of Petroleum Resources (FUPRE). The Population of the study was the full time faculty member in FUPRE. A structured questionnaire was used for data gathering in the University. The questionnaire data was analyzed using frequency, bar chart and percentage for easy interpretation. The research finding show that the respondents use books (print & online) as their preferred source of information. , while the major information need of faculty members is academic and research need, the research also showed that faculties demand for information via google and other online sources. Poor internet facilities, irregular power supply, poor searching skills, lack of time, while some faculty members said they are not satisfied with the materials in the library were found as factors affecting the information seeking behaviour of respondents. The following were recommended in line with the findings of the study: FUPRE should improve on its internet facilities to assist faculties in their search for information, Faculty should ensure they have sufficient power supply in their homes since they get power throughout their working hours, faculty members should be educated more on the importance and use of information in their academic and research work.

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