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Uganda: Makerere Needs More Research

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Kampala — Makerere University researchers should undertake more studies that will help the Government in formulating policies and implementing programmes.

The State Minister for Environment, Jessica Eriyo, said this will help the country overcome poverty and promote sustainable livelihoods.

"To achieve our country's vision and aspirations, we need to do more research. We need evidence based research to improve national and regional planning," she said.

The minister was speaking on Friday during the Nile basin Research programme Book's launch and World Water Day celebrations at Makerere University.

The Nile basin which comprises 10 countries is among the poorest in the world. The members include Uganda, Rwanda, Burundi, Tanzania, Kenya and Sudan.

The minister pointed out that climate change and environmental degradation were threatening to reduce water resources in the region.

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