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PROJECT LEADERSHIP

Instructions:

- ☐ اخر موعد للتسليم هو يوم الخميس 20-05-2021 في تمام الساعة ٩ مساءً.
- ☐ الإجابة متاحة باللغة الإنجليزية أو اللغة العربية مع مراعاة أن تكون المصطلحات العلمية باللغة الانجليزية.
- ☐ يتم تسليم المشروع في صيغة ملف pdf مع الالتزام بنموذج الجامعة ولن تقبل أي مستندات أخرى.
- ☐ يجب مراعاة أقسام البحث الرئيسية (مقدمة Introduction، دراسات علمية سابقة Literature Review، طريقة البحث Methodology، النتائج والمناقشة Results and Discussion، وأخيراً المراجع References. وان كان هناك ملحقات Appendices يتم إضافتها)
- ☐ يجب الالتزام بـ Theme موحد كما يلي:
 - حجم الخط 12.
 - نوع الخط Arial.
 - لون الخط أسود.
 - المسافة بين الأسطر 1.5 line spacing.
 - عدد صفحات البحث (لا تقل عن ثلاث صفحات ولا تزيد عن ستة صفحات).

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THE IMPACT OF LEADERSHIP SKILLS ON PROJECT SUCCESS IN **YOUR ORGANIZATION**: A CASE OF YOUR OWN.

Different leadership styles are the key factor in the success of any project. Project Leaders are responsible and accountable for the success/failure of the project. There are numerous responsibilities that are assigned to a Project Leader during the leadership journey.

YOUR MISSION:

Your research/project must provide an overview of information and knowledge in a corporate environment with an underlying theme of **defining leadership styles within applying the hard and soft skills** for that style needed by the leader to ensure successful project delivery in your organization. (You are required to demonstrate your understanding of the relevant body of works to real-life business research).

Choose one only of the following project leadership skills using the tools that we learned during the project leadership course; starting from identifying and assess the case till executing the project.

- Prioritization (Using tools for Estimation – Scheduling – Tracking – prioritizing stakeholders).
- Team management (Using Team structures – Team development stages – Team needs).
- Embracing Accountability (Using RASCI)
- Conflict resolution (Using the Thomas-Kilmann conflict mode instrument).
- Motivation (Using one theory of motivation – Types of motivators).
- Communication in the project.
- Influencing (Using different sources of LEADER POWER).

What you have to do:

Your project task requires the preparation of a full project proposal that should contain the following components:

- **Introduction:** A detailed statement of the problem, research aim, and objectives that you would like to investigate and discuss. **(2 points)**

- **Literature Review and Conceptual framework:** An analysis of the literature relevant to the research topic that will give you the conceptual basis for conducting your research from the previous studies. **(2 points)**
- **Methodology:** Based on the conceptual framework, research aim(s), and objectives, you need to provide a detailed description of the data collection tools, data sources. **(2 points)**
- **Results and Discussion:** Description about the main findings of a research, outline your thoughts to defend your research and to emphasize the significance of it. **(4 points)**
- **References:** Lists all the resources you've used in your project, and your refereed journal articles as well. **(2 points)**
- **Appendices (If it is available in your study):** Any supplementary material you need to add. (Optional)

[Write the names of the chapters/sections of your research/ project and briefly discuss what you will write in those chapters/sections] .

Best of luck...

Dr. Sara Adel

تأثير مهارات القيادة على نجاح المشروع في مؤسستك: حالة عملية خاصة بالطالب.

أساليب القيادة المختلفة هي العامل الرئيسي في نجاح أي مشروع. قادة المشروع مسؤولون عن نجاح / فشل المشروع. وهناك العديد من المسؤوليات الموكلة لقائد المشروع خلال رحلة القيادة.

مهمتك:

يجب أن يوفر بحثك لمحة عامة عن المعلومات والمعرفة في بيئة المؤسسة الخاصة بك وهي موضع الدراسة مع تحديد أنماط القيادة في إطار تطبيق المهارات الخاصة بالقائد والمناسبة لهذا النمط الذي يحتاجه القائد لضمان تسليم مشروع ناجح في المؤسسة. (أنت مطالب بإثبات فهمك لما تم دراسته وتطبيقه بالأبحاث الواقعية في مؤسستك).

اختر واحدة فقط من مهارات قيادة المشروع التالية باستخدام الأدوات التي تعلمناها خلال مقرر القيادة في المشاريع.

- Prioritization (Estimation – Scheduling – Tracking – prioritizing stakeholders).
- Team management (Team structures – Team development stages – Team needs).
- Embracing Accountability (RASCI)
- Conflict resolution (The Thomas-Kilmann conflict mode instrument).
- Motivation (Using one theory of motivation – Types of motivators).
- Communication in the project.
- Influencing (Using different source of power).

ما عليك القيام به:

تتطلب مهمة مشروعك إعداد مقترح مشروع كامل يجب أن يحتوي على المكونات التالية:

- **مقدمة:** بيان تفصيلي للمشكلة محل الدراسة، تحديد هدف البحث والأهداف التي ترغب في التحقيق فيها ومناقشتها من خلاله.
- **دراسات علمية سابقة:** تحليل الأدبيات والدراسات السابقة ذات الصلة بموضوع البحث والتي ستساعدك في مجال الدراسة لإجراء هذا البحث.
- **المنهجية وطريقة البحث:** بناءً على أهداف البحث، تحتاج إلى تقديم وصف تفصيلي لأساليب وأدوات جمع البيانات ومصادر البيانات والأساليب / الأدوات التي ستستخدمها.
- **النتائج ووصف المناقشة حول النتائج الرئيسية للبحث:** شرح مفصل للمشكلة محل الدراسة.
- **المراجع:** تسرد جميع المصادر التي استخدمتها في مشروعك، ومنها مقالات المجلات المحكمة أو المواقع المستخدمة للبحث.
- **الملحقات** (إذا كانت متوفرة في دراستك): أي مواد تكميلية تحتاج إلى إضافتها. (خيارية).

{اكتب أسماء فصول وأقسام (البحث / المشروع) الخاص بك، وناقش بإيجاز ما ستكتبه في كل قسم}.

كل التوفيق لكم جميعاً.....

Dr. Sara Adel

Managing a sales team in IT Distribution company in Riyadh. My Own case

1.Introduction

In this letter I will discuss the actual benefits I gained from the leadership course and the impact of the gained knowledge in my work improvement.

I am Information technology Engineer work in IT distribution company in Riyadh.

In November 2020, my company asked me to manage a team of five techno-commercial members in order to develop their performance and enable them achieve the company commercial target.

I had no team management experience before; however, the company gave me till end of June 2021 to complete my task successfully or my contract will be terminated.

I suffered for the first three months as the five members have different technical knowledge and level of experience. Different mentality and personality, and each one of them had a level of dissatisfaction that badly affected the performance and, by default, the target achievement. Needless to say, collaboration was zero!

But when I started the leadership course, and implemented the skills learnt, things began to get better gradually. I learnt not only how to lead a team, but also, I identified my dead mistakes that let me fail the first three months.

In the below few pages I will explain the team mentality, the observation and actions taken to improve the team and finally the results I have got till today.

The team member and my observation:

The first thing I did was to explore each member mentality and pain points, I listed the below information where same table was shared with my top management:

Team members personal status:

Team member	Level of experience	Personal status
AK	Expert	49 years old, feed big family of wife and 5 kids all at schools
MB	Senior	38 years old, father of 2 little daughters at KGs
SH	Senior	36 years old, father of one son at school
MU	Junior	33-year-old, father on newly born son
JO	expert	52 years old, father of one son ay school

Then I decided to follow the “Affiliative leadership style” in order to understand the team members mentality and try to find out the pain points, initially I found the following:

Team members initial observation:

Team member	Observation
AK	punctual, organized, expert in his field, prefer not to communicate with other employees. Unhappy with the salary
MB	Not punctual, social , messy, no time management, his results are fairly good, he gets daily complaints from customers . unhappy with the given title/position
SH	Punctual, organized but lazy to do a new task. Unhappy with the salary
MU	Not punctual, social, hesitant, Lazy
JO	Punctual, messy, does not like rules, does the job on his way, his results are super.

One month later, I changed my leadership style and kept it for 2 moths: as follow:

- Democratic: with AK and JO.
- Autocratic: with MB.
- Coaching: with MU and SH.

AK and JO performance enhanced very much since they started to feel their importance in the team and they started to have space to share their ideas toward business development.

SH and MU started to show development in their attitude in the office and with the customer. They engaged to learn new technology and start new tasks efficiently.

MB results improved by 75%, less customers complaints, less late days, and better customer experience.

The result:

The team is satisfied now, the achievement has been improved well.

Conclusion:

Sorry for my bad writing skills, however, I am very grateful to our beloved University for the knowledge I gain so far. Personally, I am so happy, my company as well. I am expecting promotion by end of June because of my leadership skills I showed so far. Which was not possible without “Everyone’s Smart University”.

References:

Project Leadership Course, chapter (3) and (8). MPM, Everyone’s smart University.

Thank you,

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