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ABSTRACT

The purpose of this paper is to analyse the economics of saffron production in Iran. It is based on primary data collected from 350 saffron growers - 175 in Torbat Heydarieh and 175 in Ghaen Counties – selected on the basis of multistage random sampling technique. Apart from computing the per-hectare costs, returns and profits in saffron cultivation, the economic viability of saffron cultivation was worked out by working out: (1) pay back period (2) benefit-cost ratio (3) net present value and (4) internal rate of return. The economic analysis indicated that the saffron crop in Iran is economically viable and profitable. The study revealed that saffron cultivation is highly remunerative and it has ample scope for employment generation and income enhancement for Iranian farmers. Saffron cultivation is found to be a lucrative proposition for all the categories of farmers in two counties because of substantially large element of profit in the cultivation of this high value crop. The economic analysis in terms of cost and returns, NPV, BCR, payback period, IRR, indicated that the crop is economically viable and profitable. Another important aspect of this high value crop is its international competitiveness. Iranian saffron is highly competitive in the world market (Kheirandish, 2010). Hence, Iranian saffron also has the potential of becoming an important source of foreign exchange provided the Iranian Government takes effective measures to increase saffron production, productivity and marketing through rigorous research, development and extension education.

WHY CONSISTENCY OF ACCOUNTING STANDARDS MATTERS: A CONTRIBUTION TO THE PRINCIPLES –VERSUS - RULES DEBATE IN FINANCIAL REPORTING

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ABSTRACT

Currently, the International Accounting Standards Board (IASB) and Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) are undertaking a project to develop a common conceptual framework that ... is both complete and internally consistent. Such a framework would provide a sound foundation for developing future accounting standards and is essential to fulfilling the Boards' goal of developing standards that principles-based, internally consistent, internationally converged, and that lead to financial reporting that provides the information needed for investment, credit, and similar decisions. That framework, which will deal with a wide range of issues, will build on the existing IASB and FASB frameworks and consider developments since they issued their original frameworks. An overview of the importance of the Framework, why the existing Framework does not fully meet the needs of the IASB, FASB, and other accounting standard setters, and the need to revisit document are discussed in Bullen and Crook (2005) and Johnson (2004a. b. and 2005).. As explained in these IASB and FASB staff papers, several gaps in the Framework need to be fulfilled and a number of areas need to be updated. A cross-firm consistent application of accounting standards is sought in all major accounting systems. Since many transactions and events are only vaguely or not explicitly addressed in the standards managers must often use judgment when applying accounting standards to particular transactions or events. This analysis concludes that a consistent application of accounting standards can only be ensured if the accounting standards themselves are internally consistent. By contrast, inconsistent standards— in the absence of clear quidance—permit managers to (more or less arbitrarily) choose between different accounting methods. Moreover, it is found that a consistent application presupposes the existence of specific guidance ('rules') in order to frame management's judgment. It is argued that the reliance on principles only—as requested by many in the accounting literature—fails to ensure a consistent application because it allows management to exert judgment differently in identical cases. The assessment includes arguments and propositions from the international discussion in the accounting literature and also refers to other related fields of research, such as legal theory.



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EVALUATING THE FINANCIAL SOUNDNESS OF SELECTED COMMERCIAL BANKS IN SRI LANKA: AN APPLICATION OF BANKOMETER MODEL

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ABSTRACT

Financial system of a country is broadly the mechanism in the financial market which deals with the business or transactions in money. The banking sector is moving towards the goal of integrated financial services because of the strong competition and quick changes of technology. In developing countries like Sri Lanka, banking sector provides fund for other organizational developments. Economic development of the economy is reflected through the soundness of the banking system. Therefore, the present study is initiated for evaluating financial soundness of selected commercial banks in Sri Lanka during from 2006 to 2010 (05years). The study concluded that state banks are in sound position in comparison to private banks. Bankometer will help the banks internal management to avoid insolvency issues with a proper control over their operations. For improving financial position, therefore, the necessity of qualified trained and experienced management personnel; Government realistic measure, following participative management, supply of adequate working capital, setting realistic goals, fixation of accountability and motivation for achievement of performance and penalisation for non-achievement of the same etc must be ensured in the sample selected listed companies

A STUDY ON FDI IN SULTANATE OF OMAN

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ABSTRACT

Foreign direct investment (FDI) plays an extraordinary and growing role in global business. FDI in Sultanate of Oman has played an important role in the development of the Omani economy. One of the main objectives of the seventh Five year Development plan of Sultanate of Oman (2006-2010) is to encourage the domestic and foreign private sectors' investments in the economic growth. The research work is to study the general look of FDI in Sultanate of Oman. Further the study to analyze FDI by country of origin and elucidate FDI by industry wise contribution in Oman. For all data interpretation were made by tabulation, growth rate and trend analysis through Linear trend, growth percentage and relative share percentage. On the basis of the data and analysis of the study conclude that the general performance of FDI in Oman is highly commendable.



BOARD SIZE, CHIEF COMPLIANCE OFFICER AND FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE OF BANKS IN NIGERIA

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ABSTRACT

In Nigeria, the need for the practice of good corporate governance, especially in banks has been recognized. Codes were issued by the security and exchange commission in 2003 before the banking consolidation and another code was also issued after the consolidation, in 2006 by the Central Bank of Nigeria(CBN). A recent evaluation of the implementation of these codes by the Central Bank revealed that many banks were in breach of the provisions of the codes. As a result many banks were found to be unhealthy. The major objective of this study is to determine the relationship and impact of board size on the performance of banks considered healthy by the central bank of Nigeria. Furthermore, the study had also as an objective to establish whether such an impact was attributable to the existence of a corporate governance compliance officer. The 12 banks that emerged as healthy banks, made the sample of the study. Data covering the period 2006-2010 were extracted from their financial statements. The study employed two techniques (t-test and anova) to test for the three hypotheses formulated from the mathematical models outlined for the study; the multiple regression, was employed to establish the relationship between the variables. The independent samples t-test was used to concur with the impact revealed by the anova. Findings reveal, a large board size of 20 relates to profitability but does not significantly impact on financial performance.



A STUDY ON EMPLOYEE JOB SATISFACTION IN CONSTRUCTION COMPANIES IN VIETNAM

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ABSTRACT

Employee job satisfaction has not been extensively explored yet in Vietnamese companies and therefore, there has been still a big gap in academic research on this area in Vietnam. For this reason, this study attempted to investigate whether significant differences in the demographic characteristics of employees could have different impact on the level of job satisfaction. The sample was a total of 348 participants, who work for the construction companies in Vietnam. The Job Satisfaction Survey was used to measure the level of job satisfaction. The one-way Analysis of Variance indicated that the only significant difference in job satisfaction mean scores was found when age group was the independent variable.



FACTORS INFLUENCE FINANCIAL DECISIONS UNDER THE PYRAMID OF NATURAL CONSTRAINTS

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ABSTRACT

In the present world decision is most important phenomena. Decision is sacrifice of one thing for the other for the best future benefits, So while making decisions we have to keep different things in mind. Decisions are influenced by different type of factors (i.e. Imitation, trust, Cognitive dissonance, time preference, Emotions) under the pyramid of natural constraints (i.e. duality, Perception, inter-determinacy). Keeping this in view, this paper shows how different type of factors (i.e. Imitation, trust, Cognitive dissonance, time preference, Emotions) influencing the decision making under the pyramid of natural constraints (i.e. duality, Perception, inter-determinacy). By considering this study a decision maker can take a good and successful decision for the best future outcomes and benefits.



A STUDY ON UNPRINCIPLED SELLING PRACTICES TOWARDS THE PHARMACEUTICAL INDUSTRY IN INDIA

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ABSTRACT

One side of the coin Indian pharmaceutical industry is well performing. The other side of the coin there are lot of conflicts related to violating the medical council of India guidelines from top management to medical representatives. Pharmaceutical companies are practicing unprincipled marketing tactics to get a new customers (Doctors) or for retaining the existing one. There is strong unethical alliance between doctors and pharmaceutical companies. In this article how pharmaceutical companies are influencing doctors to prescribe their brands. If this is controlled by the MCI how this is benefited to industry, patients and society are covered.



JOB STRESS & EMPLOYEE BURNOUT: AN OVERVIEW

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ABSTRACT

Stress is a state of tension experienced by individuals facing extraordinary demands, constraints or opportunities. Job stress can lead to poor performance on the job, excessive use of alcohol or drugs, poor attendance or overall poor health. This paper focuses on the current strategies adopted by the companies to overcome stress and what should company do to make the workplace stress-free. The paper also looks at the issue of employee burnout and the techniques to tackle the same.



THE CONSUMER BEHAVIOR TOWARDS PACKAGE OF COSMETICS

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ABSTRACT

Package is the most important element or important attribute of a product. In the shelves of outlet the packages are one which distinguishes brand. Packages have lot many functions to do than mere protection but, the inference of consumer behavior towards the cosmetics package can provide a hint for cosmetic marketers to include package as an integral feature of product. This article provides the focus on the meaning of package to cosmetic consumers where, the factor analysis technique has been used to locate the exact opinion of consumers.



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NPA MANAGEMENT IN PUBLIC SECTOR BANKS: A STUDY OF CANARA BANK AND STATE BANK OF INDIA

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ABSTRACT

Non performing assets (NPA) pose major challenge for banking sector which affect adversely the financial performance of banks. The accumulation of huge non-performing assets in banks has assumed great importance and now NPAs is a matter of concern to the entire banking industry to focus on non performing assets management. It has been found that Non performing assets do result as a failure on the part of monitoring and effective control measures. The banks and financial institutions have to take the initiative to reduce NPAs in a time bound strategic approach. Management of NPAs has become central performance area for all banks both public sector and private sector. Public sector banks figure prominently in the debate not only because they dominate the banking industry, but also since they have much larger NPAs compared with the private sector banks. Gross NPA reflects the quality of the loans made by banks while Net NPA shows the actual burden to banks. In order to help the management of NPA, non performing assets, sub-standard assets, doubtful assets and loss assets. The passing of the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest (SARFAESI) Act 2002; Debt Recovery Tribunals (DRTs); Lok Adalats (public courts); Corporate Debt Restructuring mechanism have been suggested to address the problem of NPA recovery.



A STUDY ON CONSUMERS PERCEPTION TOWARDS GREEN PACKAGING INITIATIVES WITH REFERENCE TO CONSUMERS IN PUDUKKOTTAI DISTRICT

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Mass marketing has occupied the centre stage in the era of globalization. Marketing policies, practices and prospects are at a new helm than ever before. On the other side the problems and side effects have also grown up in the same proportion. Today marketers are not only working to achieve a fat bottom line but they are also working towards ensuring the sustainability of the bottom line. This led to the development of new avenue of marketing called "The Green marketing". Among the 4P's of Green Marketing, green packaging assumes great significance. Various steps taken till date to ensure green packaging were very minimal, when compared to the magnitude of environmental threats faced. Also the manners in which people are accepting and reacting to this step are debatable. Paying sufficient attention to green packaging will pay rich dividend in ensuring the sustainability of the environment. The present study is undertaken to gauge the environmental awareness of the respondents, average number of non green packages used by them, the reason attributed for using, and to understand their perceptions about green packaging initiatives. Descriptive study was carried out by using a questionnaire and the collected data were analysed by using percentage analysis and Chi square test. The study reveals that reasons for using non green packages are easy availability, product protection and convenience. And it highlights that those who are having higher environmental awareness are appreciating the green packaging initiatives in the right sense.



THE EMPIRICAL EVIDENCES OF SLOWDOWN OF FDI INFLOW IN INDIA SINCE 2009

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ABSTRACT

Foreign Direct Investment inflow in India has played a major role in the recent past. The fall of stock market in the month of May 2012 can be seen as a reason of the portfolio pull out of the FII's from the market. The paper is an attempt to gather the empirical evidences to see the slow down of the FDI investments in India since 2009. The statistics published by the Department of Industrial Policy and Promotion (DIPP) and Reserve bank of India manual reveals that the Foreign Direct Investment has moderated since 2009. The paper attempts to study this fallout in the light of the potential India has for the investment. This paper has tried to analyse the Direct investment and the Portfolio investment from 2009-12 and collect the evidences to prove the moderation in the FDI inflow in India. In 2010-11 the FDI inflow has been US \$ 32,901; which is a warning bell for the nation's economy. But so far 2011-12 is seeing again an increase in the FDI inflow compare to the previous year. By February 2012 the FDI inflow had been US \$ 41,891 million as compared to the US \$ 32,901 million last year till April 2011. This can be seen as a positive sign for the economy's growth. The reforms needed to attract the FDI inflow must be taken strongly and quickly; at a time when the world economy is experiencing the jitters of recession. The Indian economy has strong foundations and thus has the capacity to endure for a longer period any strong effects of external factors.



CORPORATE REPORTING - ITs IMPACT ON INDIVIDUAL INVESTORS

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ABSTRACT

'Corporate Reporting' is an important tool of the Management to communicate the Companies' performance and governance to outside investors. The quality of financial disclosure depends significantly on the robustness of the financial reporting standards on the basis of which the financial information is prepared and reported. Over the last few decades, there has been increasing convergence towards a set of non-jurisdiction specific, widely recognized financial reporting-standards. The International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRSs) issued by the International Accounting Standards Board provide a widely recognized benchmark in this respect. The present paper describes to what extent quality of financial disclosure is effecting the individual investors decision making in investment making.



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KNOWLEDGE MANAGEMENT STRATEGY AND ACTION PLAN FOR SUCCESSFUL IMPLEMENTATION

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ABSTRACT

In the global era, competition and competitive advantage are the two common elements in any organization. Organizations that create their own dynamic capabilities are better able to sustain competitive advantage. Organizational dynamic capabilities are abilities to integrate, build, and reconfigure internal and external competencies to address rapidly changing environments. Knowledge management initiatives can play an important role to help integrate organizational resources. An organization that implements an effective knowledge management (KM) program should see a substantial payoff: Reducing duplicated work increases productivity; leveraging past experience improves quality; and tracking customer behaviors enhances customer service. In practice, this has not always happened. Many companies have invested millions, even billions, of dollars on KM technology and received little in return. After researching and reviewing numerous KM initiatives, comparing those that succeeded with those that failed, the answer becomes clear: KM isn't simply about technology. It's about people. The benefits of knowledge management can be tremendous, but getting the most from a KM initiative is no easy proposition. This article explores required stages of implementation of Knowledge Management and explains the action plan with steps to attain success, and explains them to be followed as essential during knowledge management implementation irrespective of the nature of the business as a strategy and action plan.



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HUMAN RESOURCE ACCOUNTING IN INDIA – QUANTIFICATION OF QUALITATIVE FACTORS OF EMPLOYEES

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ABSTRACT

This paper seeks to explain the quantification of qualitative information of employees by adopting Human Resource Accounting approach. The study found that human resources can be calculated by discounting of future earnings of employees as an asset under the economic value approach. The concept of Human Resource Accounting was attracted by academicians during the period of 1966-71, and this approach applied to organization initially by R.G. Barry Corporation in the year 1971 further it achieved more prominent in the year 1980 due to expansion of service sector. There are two methods to measure the human resources are (1) Cost Approach (2) Economic Value Approach. The Lev and Schwartz model was followed by most of the public sector organizations. It is suggested that working employees can be shown as an asset in the Balance Sheet like other fixed assets.



THE IMPACT OF ADVERTISING APPEALS ON CUSTOMER BUYING BEHAVIOR

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ABSTRACT

The purpose of this research was to investigate the impact of advertising appeals on Customer Buying Behavior. The second purpose was to compare the effectiveness of the different types of advertising appeals on customer buying behavior. A 2*2 factorial experiment design method was adopted. The FMCG industry was selected as the research object, and electronic advertisements were used in the experimental design. The samples were chosen from Indore and surrounded area. A total of 120 questionnaires were distributed, 96 effective questionnaires were collected, and the effective response rate was 80%. Analysis of variance (ANOVA), t-test, and regression analysis were used to test the hypotheses. The major findings are listed as follows: (1) advertising appeals have a significantly positive influence on advertising attitude. (2)Advertising appeal does not have significantly positive influence on purchase intention (3) Emotional advertising appeals are more significant than rational appeals.



ASSESSMENT OF LIQUIDITY IN INDIAN PHARMACEUTICAL INDUSTRY – A STUDY

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ABSTRACT

This paper aims at assessment of the liquidity enjoyed by the Indian Pharma Industry through the application of ratio analysis, trend analysis and statistical tests. To this end, 12 pharmaceutical companies have been chosen and categorized into three distinct groups (A) Better Performing Companies (BPCs), (B) Moderately Performing Companies (MPCs) and (C) Low Performing Companies (LPCs). The adequacy of liquidity and solvency is judged both from the point of view of technical and actual sense. Technical liquidity (Current ratio and Liquid Ratio) of BPCs was strong enough, whereas, MPCs was nearer to the industry average. But, LPCs was below the industry average, as well as the other two groups of the IPI, indicating poor technical liquidity. The actual liquidity (net cash flow coverage to current liabilities) in BPCs and MPCs was encouraging, whereas, low in LPCs which leads to lesser degree of liquidity and solvency.



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LIQUIDITY MANAGEMENT: AN EMPIRICAL STUDY OF CUDDAPAH SPINNING MILLS LIMITED, KADAPA (AP)

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ABSTRACT

This paper mainly focus on liquidity management of Cuddapah Spinning Mills Ltd, Kadapa (AP). This study tries to achieve the objective of finding relationship if any between liquidity and profitability with the help of Spearman's Rank Correlation. In this study the few financial ratios are calculated such as Current Ratio (CR), Quick Ratio (QR), Absolute Liquidity Ratio (ALR), Inventory turnover Ratio (ITR), Age of Inventory, Debtor Turnover Ratio (DTR), Average Collection Period, Working Capital Turnover Ratio (WTR), Current Assets Turnover Ratio (CATR) and Current Assets to Total Assets(CATA). This study utilized the database from 2001-02 to 2009-10 from the annual reports of Cuddapah Spinning Mills Limited, Kadapa (AP). The final results reveals excess current assets were invested, absolute liquidity ratio are not satisfactory and it not met the standard norm of 0.5 : 1, inventory turnover ratio was very high. There is a positive correlation between the liquidity and profitability. A few solutions are have been offered to ameliorate the problems such as optimum utilization of current assets to maintain the cash position properly to meet the liquidity of the firm and investment in inventory should be minimized.



INTRAPRENEURSHIP AND ORGANIZATIONAL KNOWLEDGE IN THE CORPORATE ENVIRONMENT: A THEORETICAL FRAMEWORK

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ABSTRACT

Intrapreneurship is closely related to corporate entrepreneurship which is the creation of new products and ideas within the exisisting organization using the employees. It is often associated with larger companies that have taken notice of the rise in entrepreneurial activity in recent years; these firms endeavor to create an environment wherein creative employees can pursue new ways of doing things and new product ideas within the context of the corporation. When group knowledge from several subunits or groups is combined and used to create new knowledge, the resulting tacit and explicit knowledge can be called organizational knowledge. Since organizational learning is seen as encoding inferences from history into routines that guide behavior, (Schulz 2001) it could be said that organizational knowledge is the product of those routines. In fact, small businesses, which originate as entrepreneurial ventures, are often ideally suited to foster an intrapreneurial environment, since their owners have first-hand knowledge of the opportunities and perils that accompany new business initiatives. However, the challenges today are quite different from previously. The emergence of knowledge-based organizations and increased importance of knowledge as the key to competitive advantage poses new and interesting challenges for managers and researchers alike. This paper attempts to enlighten the understanding of intrapreneurship based on the organizational knowledge as a resource towards organization.



SUGAR INDUSTRY IN INDIA – AN OVERVIEW

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ABSTRACT

India was the world's largest producer of sugar cane occupies a very pride place in the world. In India, the cultivation of sugar cane is 10,000 miles tones. Sugar cane is one of the important crops for the Indian farmer. The area under sugar cane varies from 1,176 hectares in 1930-31 to 5,151 in 2007-08. The yield of cane per hectare varies from 39 tonnes in 1930-31 to 71.1 tonnes in 1998-99. The number of factories ranges between 29 in 1930-31 to 527 in 2010-11 and shows an ever increasing trend. The average duration days ranges between 87 in 2008-09 and 181 in 1995-96. But it shows up and down trend in the study period. The capacity ranges between 644 in 1935-36 to 527 in 2010-11 and shows an ever increasing trend. Cane Crushed varies from 1,339 tonnes in 1930-31 to 279,295 in 2006-07 and shows lot of variations in the crushed crane. The total sugar production varies from 326 in 1931-32 to 131,111 in 2006-07. Recovery Performance varies from 8.96 in 1930-31 to 10.55 in 2007-08 and shows variations. The molasses in percentage to cane varies from 3.33 in 1935-40 to 4.69 in 2006-07 with lot of variations. The results show that the sugar industry is growing in area, number and duration but showing ups and downs.



PEPPER PRODUCTION TREND IN INDIA: AN OVERVIEW

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ABSTRACT

Pepper knows as black gold, is an important commodity traded globally since ancient times. A native of the Western Ghats, the fame of pepper brought traders from all over the world to the shores of the southern Indian state of Kerala. Pepper, one of the hottest agricultural commodities traded on the Indian commodity exchange, is on a bull run, at present.



FINANCING STRATEGIES FOR SMEs IN INDIA – A WAY OUT

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ABSTRACT

In this paper, a random sampling of 200 SMEs including hotels, retail shops, retail stores, trading agencies, small to medium manufacturing industries, factories, and hydro power projects are included. I found that there are various financing options for SMEs but access to these funds has been difficult inspite of government initiatives. I also found that most of the SMEs raise funds from the informal sources as it is easy and flexible option. In case of hotels the revenue comes during peak season that makes them pay monthly installments during off season, but using informal source they may avoid pay monthly installments. I also found that most of the SMEs raise funds found that most of the SMEs raise funds from both informal and formal sources and try to strike a balance between the two. SMEs rather should consider all financing options that maximize the value of the business enterprise.



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BRAND LOYALTY- A MEASURE

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ABSTRACT

Branding is a strategic tool; it creates a favourable word of mouth and great publicity. An attempt is made in this paper to understand brand loyalty levels, customer association with the particular brand. Loyal customers are treated as good as brand ambassadors. Most of the international marketing scientist believe that Indian customer are greater loyal than their foreign counterparts. It is vital to companies to know the customer grievances as well as loyalty levels. The loyal customers bring Laura of new customers to the company. Brand loyalty measure gives a panoramic picture of repeat customers.



ANALYSIS OF LIQUIDITY, PROFITABILITY AND WORKING CAPITAL MANAGEMENT - AN EMPIRICAL STUDY ON BSE LISTED COMPANIES

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ABSTRACT

Businesses are responsible for the growth of the country in the same way the three main important components are more responsible to the success of the organizations which is profits, liquidity and working capital. "Cash is the lifeblood of business" In business, cash is king, particularly during tough economic times or when the markets are turbulent. Without cash, company cannot survive and to take advantage of business opportunities, it's necessary to maintain liquidity position to overcome the difficulties. Working capital may be regarded as the back bone of business. Many organizations that are profitable on paper are forced to cease trading due to an inability to meet short-term debts when they fall due. In order to remain in business it is essential that an organization successfully manages its working capital. The working capital management plays an important role for success or failure of firm in business because of its effect on firm's profitability as well on liquidity and working capital management. This study is based on secondary data collected from listed companies in Bombay stock exchange. This paper is going to find out the impact of liquidity, profitability and working capital on the firm's financial aspects. And relationship between liquidity, profitability and working capital.



COMPLAINTS MANAGEMENT IN BANKS: AN AID TO CUSTOMER SATISFACTION

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ABSTRACT

Customer satisfaction today is the pre-requisite for the success of any organization providing services to customers. It has become one of the biggest challenges in the service sector today as customers' awareness has increased tremendously. Information technology revolution, coupled with rapid urbanization has created net-savvy customers who demand various products at the press of a button. Banks are no exception to this as they are leveraging on technology and have entered greatly into para-banking activities which have provided them higher fee-based incomes, thereby augmenting their profitability. Public sector banks in India in the last decade have metamorphosised themselves through a phase of technology upgradation and have migrated to core banking solution (CBS) platform. Complaints management has become a vital issue for banks as proper grievance handling can enhance customer satisfaction and help in retaining customers. Thus, an attempt is made to study the nature of customers' complaints, analyse their causes and suggest remedial measures for the same so that they can be redressed at the earliest, without losing the customers.



PERFORMANCE MANAGEMENT: A HOLISTIC REQUIREMENT FOR ORGANIZATIONS

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ABSTRACT

The companies these days are on the edge of the cliff due to cut throat competition, technological changes & innovation. Faced with economic uncertainties, risky strategies, competing priorities, limited resources, and managerial complexities, organizations are realising the value of human resource management. The role of HR is changing fast to adopt and adapt to new organizational structure and culture. Today, if an organization is to survive, it needs to adapt and continually seek to reduce costs, increase quality, create new products, and increase performance. Performance management has become a major element of HRM. Through performance management strategies, HR helps in identifying the skills that employees need and then providing employees with the training and structures needed to develop and deploy those competencies. This paper analyses the importance of different strategies of performance management strategies organizations can face the market competition and can achieve all the heights of success. This paper also analyses the successful implementation of performance management at various organizations in order to have a practical experience. Performance management is the backbone of human resource management at various organizations in order to have a practical experience. Performance management is the backbone of human resource management for any organization intending to produce a high performance and leverage its human capital.



WORK EFFICIENCY ACQUISITION: AN IMPERATIVE NEED FOR HUMAN RESOURCE PROFESSIONAL

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Work-efficiency means doing right work at the right time. It is one of the important modern management thoughts. There is not much difference between efficiency and effectiveness. Both the terms are used quite closely and sometimes, interchangeably. Work efficiency is a 'human capital' for the organisation. In this age of technology and industrialisation, the demand for efficient people will far exceed the availability of inefficient workers – at all levels and in all industries. Getting the efficient people and keeping the effectiveness is becoming intensely competitive. Most corporate sectors say that the biggest constraint to pursuing growth opportunities is efficiency and effectiveness. Therefore, the human resources professionals are adopting work-efficiency acquisition approach. The core concept of work-efficiency acquisition is to reach a given goal through contemplated action. Efficiency requisition is similar to the acquisition of competency and awareness. It requires emotional health, mental health and physical health. By getting self-confidence, decisiveness, emotional balance and creativity, Human Resource Professionals can acquire efficiency. Hence, the key to work-efficiency acquisition is not only finding efficiency but also developing it.



RETENTION AND SATISFACTION OF CONSUMERS: A STUDY OF UNIVERSITY OF JAMMU

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ABSTRACT

Consumer retention, loyalty and satisfaction are important ingredients for the sustainability of any organisation. Customer switching is opposite to the customer loyalty, and being loyal means satisfaction for a particular product or services. The consumers may switch to other brands if they are not satisfied with the present one. Thus, for the long term sustainability of the organisations, consumer retention has become challenge for them and hence, satisfaction plays an important role. The satisfied consumers have less probability to switch to other brands. For satisfying the consumers, one has to know about what consumer buy, why they buy it, when they buy it, how and how often they buy it and what made them to switch to other brands. The present paper is an attempt to study the toothpaste buying patterns among the individuals. The study also examines the various factors which influence the consumers to buy toothpaste of particular brand and reasons for their switching to other brands.



CUSTOMER SATISFACTION TOWARDS VARIOUS FACILITIES PROVIDED BY PUBLIC BANKS (A COMPARATIVE STUDY OF PNB AND SBP IN JIND DISTRICT, HARYANA)

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ABSTRACT

In the context of Indian market, where we are moving towards market economy with customers as the central focus, achieving total customer satisfaction, delighting the customer is a key element in setting and achieving the business goals and objectives of an organization. Satisfaction assists consumers in formulating a revised opinion about their service quality perception. In banking, it is necessary to maintain the best quality of its service to satisfy and attract more customers. Service quality of a bank also includes various facilities provided by banks to its customers to make feel them more comfortable. In this research paper, we studied the customer satisfaction towards various facilities (ATM services, E-Banking, Basic Facilities and Extra facilities to old customers) provided by Public Banks. State Bank of Patiala (SBP) and Punjab National Bank (PNB) have taken for present study. Primary data has been used for this study. Data was collected from customers of SBP & PNB, Jind District (Haryana) by using questionnaire. "A questionnaire is a formalized set of questions for eliciting information". Customer satisfaction was measured by applying one way ANOVA test.



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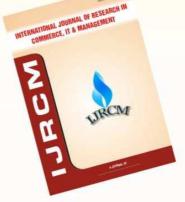
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