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PROFESSIONAL TRAINING COURSE

Course No. 1306

Business Management Essentials Training Course

BUSINESS MANAGEMENT
BUSINESS, MANAGEMENT & LEADERSHIP

DURATION
5 Days

DELIVERY
Classroom

Course Overview

The Business Management Essentials Training Course provides a comprehensive foundation in the principles, practices, and tools required to manage business activities effectively in today's complex organizational environment. The course is designed to strengthen participants' understanding of how organizations create value, allocate resources, manage performance, make decisions, and align operational activities with strategic priorities.

Effective business management requires more than knowledge of individual functions. Managers and professionals must understand how strategy, finance, operations, people, customers, risk, and performance interact across the organization. This Business Management Essentials Training Course develops an integrated management perspective that enables participants to evaluate business situations, identify priorities, improve processes, and contribute more effectively to organizational objectives.

The course focuses on practical management capabilities that can be applied across government entities, ministries, public sector organizations, banks, financial institutions, oil and gas companies, and large corporations. Participants will explore business planning, organizational structures, managerial decision-making, performance management, financial awareness, stakeholder management, risk considerations, and continuous improvement.

Through practical exercises, business scenarios, discussions, and workplace applications, participants will develop the ability to connect management concepts with real organizational challenges. The course is particularly valuable for professionals transitioning into management roles, existing managers seeking to strengthen their business capabilities, and specialists who need a broader understanding of how their responsibilities contribute to overall organizational performance.

Objectives

- Analyze fundamental business management principles and their application to organizational structures, functions, and operating environments throughout the course.
- Develop practical approaches to business planning by defining objectives, priorities, responsibilities, resources, and measurable performance indicators.

- Evaluate organizational structures and management responsibilities to identify opportunities for improving coordination, accountability, and operational effectiveness.
- Apply structured management decision-making techniques to assess business problems, compare alternatives, and select appropriate courses of action.
- Assess basic financial and operational information to understand its impact on business performance, resource utilization, and management decisions.
- Design practical performance management approaches using relevant KPIs, targets, monitoring mechanisms, and management review processes.
- Improve planning, delegation, communication, and coordination practices to support effective team and departmental performance.
- Assess key business risks and operational challenges and incorporate appropriate risk considerations into management planning and decision-making.
- Implement practical approaches to stakeholder management that strengthen collaboration, service quality, communication, and organizational alignment.
- Develop continuous improvement initiatives by identifying performance gaps, analyzing root causes, and prioritizing practical improvement actions.
- Align departmental activities and management decisions with broader organizational strategy, business objectives, and stakeholder expectations.
- Prepare a practical management action plan that translates the course concepts into measurable workplace improvements following completion of the training.

Who Should Attend

The Business Management Essentials Training Course is designed for managers, supervisors, team leaders, department heads, and professionals who are responsible for managing people, processes, resources, projects, services, or business activities. It is particularly suitable for newly appointed managers and professionals preparing to move into management positions who require a structured understanding of core business management principles.

The course is also relevant to executives, business unit managers, operations managers, administrative managers, finance and accounting professionals, HR professionals, procurement and supply chain specialists, project managers, business development professionals, commercial specialists, customer service managers, and performance management professionals. It can support professionals working within government entities, ministries, public sector organizations, banks, financial institutions, oil and gas organizations, industrial companies, and large corporate environments.

Senior specialists and decision makers who interact with multiple organizational functions will also benefit from developing a broader business perspective. The course enables participants to understand the relationship between strategic objectives, operational execution, financial considerations, people management, risk, performance, and stakeholder expectations, making it suitable for cross-functional management development programs.

Learning Outcomes

- Explain the core principles of business management and demonstrate how major organizational functions contribute to overall business performance.
- Analyze an organization’s operating environment and identify key internal and external factors affecting management priorities and business outcomes.
- Develop structured business objectives and translate them into practical departmental priorities, activities, responsibilities, and measurable targets.
- Apply effective planning and prioritization techniques to manage competing demands, resources, deadlines, and organizational expectations.
- Evaluate alternative solutions to business problems using structured decision-making, analytical thinking, and risk-based considerations.
- Interpret fundamental financial information, budgets, costs, and performance indicators to support more informed management decisions.
- Establish relevant KPIs and performance measures that can be used to monitor departmental effectiveness and organizational progress.
- Apply delegation, communication, coordination, and team management techniques to improve workplace productivity and accountability.
- Identify operational and business risks and incorporate appropriate mitigation considerations into management plans and business decisions.
- Manage key internal and external stakeholders by identifying expectations, communication requirements, interests, and areas of potential conflict.
- Identify process and performance gaps and develop practical continuous improvement initiatives to address operational inefficiencies.
- Prepare an actionable management improvement plan linking business management principles to specific workplace priorities and measurable outcomes.

Course Outline

DAY 01

Foundations of Business Management and Organizational Performance

- Principles and scope of modern business management
- The role of managers in organizational performance and value creation
- Understanding organizational vision, mission, values, goals, and strategic direction
- Organizational structures, functions, responsibilities, authority, and accountability
- Understanding the relationship between strategy, operations, people, finance, customers, and stakeholders
- Management roles and competencies in government, corporate, financial, and industrial organizations
- Business environment analysis: internal capabilities and external factors
- From organizational strategy to departmental and individual performance

> **PRACTICAL APPLICATION**
> Analyze a business organization and map its key functions, responsibilities, stakeholders, and performance priorities

DAY 02

Business Planning, Decision-Making and Resource Management

- Principles of effective business planning and management planning cycles
- Translating strategic objectives into operational plans
- Setting SMART business objectives, priorities, targets, and responsibilities
- Prioritization techniques for competing business requirements
- Managerial decision-making frameworks and analytical approaches
- Problem identification, root-cause analysis, and structured problem solving
- Evaluating alternatives, assumptions, constraints, and business risks

DAY 02 — CONTINUED

- Resource planning and effective allocation of people, budgets, time, and operational resources
- Delegation, accountability, authority, and management control

PRACTICAL APPLICATION

Develop a departmental business plan with objectives, priorities, resources, responsibilities, risks, and performance measures

DAY 03

Financial Awareness, Performance Management and Business KPIs

- The role of financial management in effective business management
- Understanding revenues, costs, budgets, margins, cash flow, and financial performance
- Financial information that managers should understand and monitor
- Budget planning, cost awareness, resource utilization, and management accountability
- Linking operational activities to financial and business outcomes
- Principles of performance management and organizational performance measurement
- Designing effective Key Performance Indicators (KPIs)
- Leading and lagging indicators and their application in management reporting
- Performance monitoring, variance analysis, management reviews, and corrective actions
- Using dashboards and management reports to support evidence-based decisions

PRACTICAL APPLICATION

Develop a KPI framework and performance review approach for a department or business function

DAY 04

People Management, Stakeholder Management, Risk and Operational Effectiveness

- The manager’s role in developing high-performing teams
- Effective communication and coordination across departments and organizational levels
- Delegation, feedback, coaching, accountability, and performance conversations
- Managing stakeholder expectations and building effective working relationships
- Internal and external stakeholder identification and analysis
- Managing conflicts, competing priorities, and cross-functional challenges
- Fundamentals of business and operational risk management
- Identifying risks, assessing potential impact, and establishing mitigation actions
- Business continuity, operational resilience, and management preparedness
- Process management and identifying opportunities for operational improvement

PRACTICAL APPLICATION

Conduct a stakeholder and risk analysis for a real or simulated business situation and develop appropriate management responses

DAY 05

Strategic Alignment, Continuous Improvement and Management Action Planning

- Connecting day-to-day management activities with organizational strategy
- Strategic alignment between corporate, departmental, team, and individual objectives
- Continuous improvement principles and performance gap identification
- Process improvement, efficiency, productivity, and service quality
- Root-cause analysis and corrective action planning
- Change management considerations for implementing business improvements
- Management reporting and communicating recommendations to decision makers
- Prioritizing improvement initiatives based on business value, feasibility, risk, and resources
- Building a practical management improvement roadmap

DAY 05 — CONTINUED

> **FINAL WORKSHOP**
>
> Develop and present an individual or departmental Business Management Action Plan with objectives, KPIs, priorities, risks, responsibilities, timelines, and implementation measures

Register or Request More Information

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