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About Us

The Project Management Club (PM Club) of the Faculty of Business Studies was formed on 19th February 2021 to integrate the Project Management students' aspirations in the field of Project Management and other corresponding disciplines and to help them nature their skills and capabilities. This PMC is structured in a way to assist the students help themselves to learn and acquire the Project Management competencies and to expose themselves on how to effectively perform the PM functions in real work settings. The PMC will foster the active involvement and engagement of the students. The PM students will take the lead in arranging the specific events and join with other student clubs and societies/ unions in organizing other/ common events. This enables in developing the students to plan and arrange for the events successfully. The club activities are organized in a regular basis to promote the team spirit and implement the PM concepts and theories practically.

Vision

Employable good citizens for Social and Economic Development

Mission

PM students learn effectively and prepare themselves with the guidance of Faculty of Business Studies to mound themselves as both competent graduates and good citizens for contributing to the country's and world's sustainable development.

Goal

The purpose of establishing the Project Management students' club (PM Club) is to integrate the Project Management students' aspirations in the field of Project Management and other corresponding disciplines and to help them nature their skills and capabilities to become the best employable good citizens for sustainable development

MESSAGE FROM VICE CHANCELLOR

Prof. T. Mangaleswaran

Vice-Chancellor University of Vavuniya

I am delighted to extend my heartfelt congratulations on the successful publication of the Magazine of the Project Management Club, Department of Project Management, Faculty of Business Studies of the University of Vavuniya.
Your magazine serves as a bridge between theoretical knowledge and real-world applications in the dynamic field of project management. Each page reflects your dedication to exploring innovative strategies, embracing emerging trends, and delving into insightful analyses

As a Vice Chancellor, I am immensely proud of the Project Management Club's accomplishments and the role you play in enhancing the academic and professional landscape of our institution.

I extend my gratitude to each contributor, editor, designer, and everyone involved in bringing this magazine to life. Your collective efforts have culminated in a publication that showcases your passion, talent, and dedication.
Congratulations once again, and I eagerly anticipate the future contributions you will make to our university.

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MESSAGE FROM DEAN

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I am pleased to send a congratulatory message on the second volume of 'The Project Manager' student magazine of the Project Management Club, Department of Project Management, Faculty of Business Studies.

The Project Manager encourages the students to bring out their talents in various capacities. Significantly the magazine showcases unique student creations. Since establishing the project management club in 2021, The club has organised many student activities such as seminars, awareness programs, career guidance programs, community outreach activities, etc. In addition, the club commenced publishing magazines the last year and shows continuous progress in espousing beautiful constructions.

I congratulate the chief editor and all the other members of the publication committee for issuing this second volume of The Project Manager

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MESSAGE FROM HEAD OF DEPARTMENT

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Dear Project Management Students,
I am delighted to introduce you to the second volume of the Project Manager Magazine, a publication of the Project Management Club of the Project Management Students of the Department of Project Management. This magazine is a reflection of your passion, creativity, and professionalism in managing projects of various types and scopes.

I would like to applaud all the students who have participated in this volume as writers, editors, reviewers, and designers. You have demonstrated your skills and knowledge in project management, as well as your ability to communicate and collaborate effectively.

I would also like to acknowledge our Senior Treasurer of the PM Club, Faculty members, alumni, and industry experts who have mentored and guided us in this endeavor.I hope you take pride in this magazine and learn from the valuable insights and experiences that it offers. I encourage you to share your feedback and suggestions with us, as well as your ideas for future topics and articles. You can contact the PM Club for more information.

Thank you for being part of the Project Management Club and the Project Manager Magazine community. I wish you all the best in your academic and professional pursuits.

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MESSAGE FROM SENIOR ADVISOR

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It is with immense pleasure that I announce the release of the second annual edition of "The Project Manager," the magazine of the PM Club from the Department of Project Management, Faculty of Business Studies, for the academic year 2023/24. The undertaking of publishing a magazine in today's context is undoubtedly a demanding and formidable task.

This magazine serves as a showcase for the diligent efforts and hard work invested by PM students. It is designed to offer all students an invaluable opportunity to read and gain a profound understanding of project management practices, tools, and techniques.

As you peruse the pages, you will be enlightened by the significant milestones achieved by the PM Club throughout this academic year. Moreover, our emerging talents have eloquently conveyed their thoughts, ideas, hopes, feelings, aspirations, and convictions through creative expressions. On the whole, the magazine impeccably mirrors the genuine accomplishments of our students.

I extend my heartfelt congratulations to Mr. L. Pratheepkanth and Ms. T. Sharmini, Assistant Lecturers for their first review, Editor, and Co-editor for their editorial tasks and design.Additionally, I would like to express my sincere gratitude to all those who contributed their valuable articles, creative works, suggestions, and precious time towards the publication of this magazine.

I offer my best wishes for the realization of each and every dream.

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MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT

Thushan Wickramasinghe

President,
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Esteemed Project Management Club Members,
Greetings to you all with pride in our shared journey at the Project Management Club of theUniversity of Vavuniya.

As we reflect on our strides together, gratitude fills me for your dedication, including Prof.Y.Nanthagopan, Dean of Business Studies, Patron Mr. S. Thirugnanasampanthar, Senior Treasurer Mrs. S. Mathivathany, Exco members, and members of the club. I am sure that our journey this year has inspired all of you. Our work in the university and community, like Knowledge-sharing sessions with experts, a cultural food carnival conducted in collaboration with the Harmony Center of the University of Vavuniya and Cultural Affairs Division of the Divisional Secretariat office Vavuniya, and handicapped community service etc., showcases our commitment to excellence. These evidences prove that our club thrives as a hub of learning and collaboration.

Our shared vision of “Employable good citizens for Social and Economic Development” and mission to guide students effectively aligns with a community nurturing skills, innovation, leadership, curiosity and dedication to thrive in our space of professional growth.At the heart of our success are our dedicated members, whose passion and enthusiasm propel us forward. As we celebrate achievements, let us acknowledge the hard work of our volunteers, sponsors, and supporters who make it all possible.

As the President of the Project Management Club at the University of Vavuniya, I am excited to lead this dynamic community into a future filled with endless possibilities. Feel free to convey any ideas, suggestions, or conversations you have to develop the Project Management Club.Let's keep our passion for project management burning bright, and together, let's continue to shape the future of this remarkable club.
Warm regards,

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MESSAGE FROM CHIEF EDITOR

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As a chief editor , I would like to extend a warm welcome to all our readers, contributors and collaborators. Our mission is to provide you with timely, accurate and engaging content that informs, inspires and sparks meaningful information.

In a world where information is bundle and alot but not reliable our commitment to journalistic remains unwavering. We take pride in thoroughly researching and fact checking every piece before it reaches your hands. Our goal is to be a trusted source that you can rely on for insights into current events, in- depth analysis and thought provoking features

We believe in the power of diverse perspectives. Our team of dedicated journalists and writers comes from various backgrounds, cultures and experiences that enables us to present various viewpoints. We encourage healthy discussions and respectful debates that enrich our understanding of the complex issues we face today.
Thank you
Best regards

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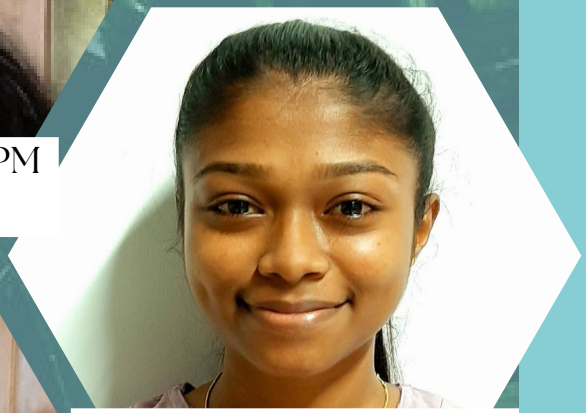

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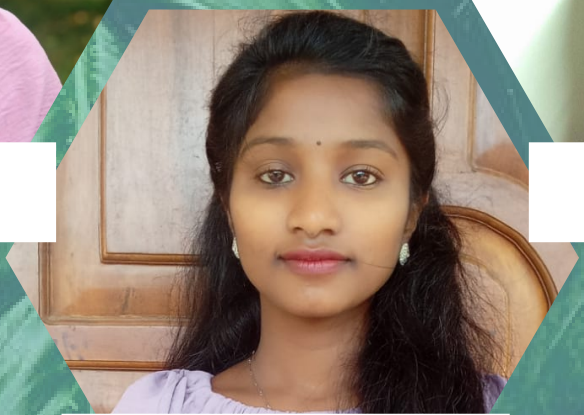

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CALL OF *DUTY*

Cambridge Dictionary online (2023) defines the call of duty as “the feeling that you should do something because it is your duty”. This short article brings some thoughts for our Project Management students to build on their competencies, discipline, leadership qualities, good citizenship, and mindset not only to give leadership in the world of business but also for the country that has been undergoing economic and social hardships

In a country where there has been a massive brain drain of people such as academics, doctors, engineers, and information technology experts followed by many people from all walks of life to leave the country at any cost in search of protection, peace, dignity, human rights, wealth and employment opportunities even though there are plenty of natural resources and potential prosperity of nature, people are not happy about their day-to-day life and future. They are not happy at last! How can we describe the country will regain from the economic and social crises and will have been developed one day?

We all know the popular main reasons such as inadequate production, corruption, lack of national policies and long-term plans, and failure of mega development projects for our country’s economic downturn. In addition, we observe and hear there is a higher rate of social issues mounting. Poverty has been increasing and the standard of living comes down day by day. People are hopeless and look for hope outside the country through legal and illegal migrations. However, the situation is worse than ever, so it is appropriate to consider America’s success Counselor Kopmeyer’s (1970) words “When it gets darkest, stars come out”.

WHAT CAN YOU DO?

You guys enjoy the free education and you have the responsibility to give your services back to the country in need, therefore, it is your obligation to maximize your competencies, soft skills, and personality during your undergraduate degree program. Then only you will find that employing others as a successful entrepreneur or being employed as a competent employee in public, private, or cooperative sectors. Above all, you cannot undermine the values of becoming a good citizen with powerful intelligent, and emotional quotients.

You may know that the marketers' job is to convert societal issues into profitable opportunities (Kotler, 1994), so, you should not be afraid of this gloomy economic situation, You must be encouraged to exploit the most difficult of times to kick-start businesses to produce innovative or import substitute items as well as not-for-profit businesses as students and friends groups to alleviate the human sufferings such as poverty, hunger, road accidents, suicides and social issues namely drug addiction, violence against children and women and unaddressed issues of elders, persons with special needs and other gender issues. The Project Management knowledge and your teachers will support you to contribute to regaining economic prosperity and social values.

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We all know the popular main reasons such as inadequate production, corruption, lack of national policies and long-term plans, and failure of mega development projects for our country's economic downturn. In addition, we observe and hear there is a higher rate of social issues mounting. Poverty has been increasing and the standard of living comes down day by day. People are hopeless and look for hope outside the country through legal and illegal migrations. However, the situation is worse than ever, so it is appropriate to consider America's success Counselor Kopmeyer's (1970) words "When it gets darkest, stars come out".

Further, your Project Management competencies and friends will help you develop not only your societal competencies but also your political competencies to prepare yourself for a new political culture towards the rule of law and good governance free from discrimination, hostility, corruption, and bribe and ethnic conflicts. You may know well that politicians in our parliament make the laws and take the control of economy whether in favour of or against people's interests and welfare. The billion-dollar question in front of you is why shouldn't you think about becoming a person to be voted for your vision and selfless best services for your motherland rather than an underprivileged voter.

Think! Act Swiftly!! You are not Alone!! Believe You can make our country more beautiful, more prosperous, more livable, more cherished, and the happiest!!!!

THE CONTRIBUTION OF PROJECT APPRAISALS IN DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS

In the realm of development projects, the process of project appraisal holds crucial importance. It serves as a crucial tool for evaluating the viability, feasibility, and potential impact of proposed initiatives. With careful assessment and analysis, project appraisal not only aids decision-makers but also contributes significantly to the success and sustainability of development projects. This article investigates the key role of project appraisal and its contribution to managing development projects toward positive outcomes.

Project appraisal involves a comprehensive evaluation of a proposed initiative's feasibility, cost-effectiveness, and potential impact on various stakeholders (Smith et al., 2020). It encompasses financial, economic, social, and environmental considerations, providing a holistic view of a project's potential outcomes. Its primary objective is to measure the merits and demerits of a proposed project before committing resources and efforts. By employing a structured framework, project appraisal helps identify potential risks, benefits, and trade-offs associated with a project, enabling stakeholders to make informed choices.

Enhanced Decision-Making:

One of the dominant contributions of project appraisal is its role in fostering sound decision-making. Studies have shown that rigorous project appraisal processes lead to more successful project outcomes by reducing the likelihood of resource misallocation and enhancing overall project efficiency (Jones & Williams, 2019). This empowers them to make informed choices regarding project selection, prioritization, and allocation of resources. Such well-informed decisions reduce the likelihood of resource misallocation and project failure

Risk Mitigation and Uncertainty Management:

Development projects often involve various uncertainties and risks that can impact their success. According to Johnson and Brown (2018), proactive risk assessment during project appraisal allows stakeholders to develop strategies for minimizing risks and maximizing project resilience. By conducting comprehensive risk assessments, project appraisal allows stakeholders to develop contingency plans and risk management strategies. This proactive approach contributes to minimizing the negative impact of unanticipated challenges

Optimized Resource Allocation:

Project appraisal's impact on resource allocation is highlighted by the work of Thompson and Clark (2021), who found that projects subject to thorough appraisal processes tend to receive better resource allocation, leading to improved project performance and outcomes. By considering the project's potential benefits and aligning them with available resources, stakeholders can allocate funds, labour, and materials in a manner that maximizes the return on investment. This strategic resource allocation contributes to the efficient utilization of resources across multiple projects.

Economic and Social Impact Assessment:

Economic and social impact assessment is a crucial dimension of project appraisal. Research by Green et al. (2017) emphasizes that project appraisal's consideration of broader societal benefits, such as job creation and community development, contributes to sustainable development goals. This comprehensive assessment enables decision-makers to prioritize projects that not only yield financial returns but also contribute positively to social development and environmental sustainability In the complex landscape of development projects, project appraisal emerges as a vital tool for guiding decision-makers toward informed choices. Its multifaceted analysis, risk assessment, and impact evaluation contribute significantly to the success and sustainability of projects. By facilitating sensible resource allocation, mitigating risks, and considering economic and social impacts, project appraisal stands as a foundation of effective project management. As development endeavours continue to evolve, the role of project appraisal remains essential in shaping a better future for communities and societies.

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PREVENTION OF COMMUNICABLE DISEASES AFTERMATH OF DISASTER

Preventing the spread of communicable diseases after a disaster is crucial to protect the health and well-being of affected populations. Here are some key measures to consider for preventing communicable diseases in the aftermath of a disaster

Rapid Assessment and Surveillance

Conduct a rapid assessment of the affected area to identify potential disease outbreaks and assess the health needs of the population. Establish a surveillance system to monitor the occurrence of communicable diseases and identify any unusual patterns or spikes in cases

Provision of Safe Water and Sanitation

Ensure access to safe drinking water and adequate sanitation facilities. Repair or establish clean water sources, distribute water purification tablets or filters, and promote proper hygiene practices such as handwashing. Establish temporary latrines or sanitation facilities to prevent the contamination of water sources.

Vector Control

Implement measures to control vectors such as mosquitoes, flies, and rodents that can transmit diseases. This may include the use of insecticide-treated bed nets, insecticides, larvicides, and environmental management to eliminate breeding sites.

Immunization Campaigns

Conduct targeted immunization campaigns to prevent the outbreak and spread of vaccine-preventable diseases. Focus on vaccinating vulnerable populations, such as children, the elderly, and those with weakened immune systems

Health Education and Communication

Conduct health education campaigns to raise awareness about communicable diseases, their prevention, and early warning signs. Use various communication channels, including community meetings, radio, posters, and leaflets, to disseminate information and promote healthy behaviors.

Medical Care and Treatment

Ensure access to medical care and treatment for those affected by communicable diseases. Set up temporary healthcare facilities, deploy medical teams, and provide necessary medications and supplies.

Psychosocial Support

Provide psychosocial support to affected individuals and communities to help reduce stress and promote mental well-being. This can include counseling services, support groups, and community-based activities to foster resilience.

Coordination and Collaboration

Foster coordination and collaboration among relevant stakeholders, including government agencies, humanitarian organizations, healthcare providers, and community leaders. Establish clear lines of communication and mechanisms for sharing information, resources, and best practices.

Monitoring and Evaluation

Continuously monitor and evaluate the effectiveness of disease prevention measures. Collect data on disease incidence, response activities, and feedback from affected populations. Use this information to adjust strategies and improve future disaster response efforts

Long-term Planning

Incorporate lessons learned from post-disaster disease prevention efforts into long-term planning. Develop comprehensive disaster preparedness plans that include strategies for preventing and responding to communicable diseases, taking into account the specific risks and vulnerabilities of the affected area

By implementing these preventive measures, it is possible to reduce the risk of communicable diseases and protect the health of communities in the aftermath of a disaster.

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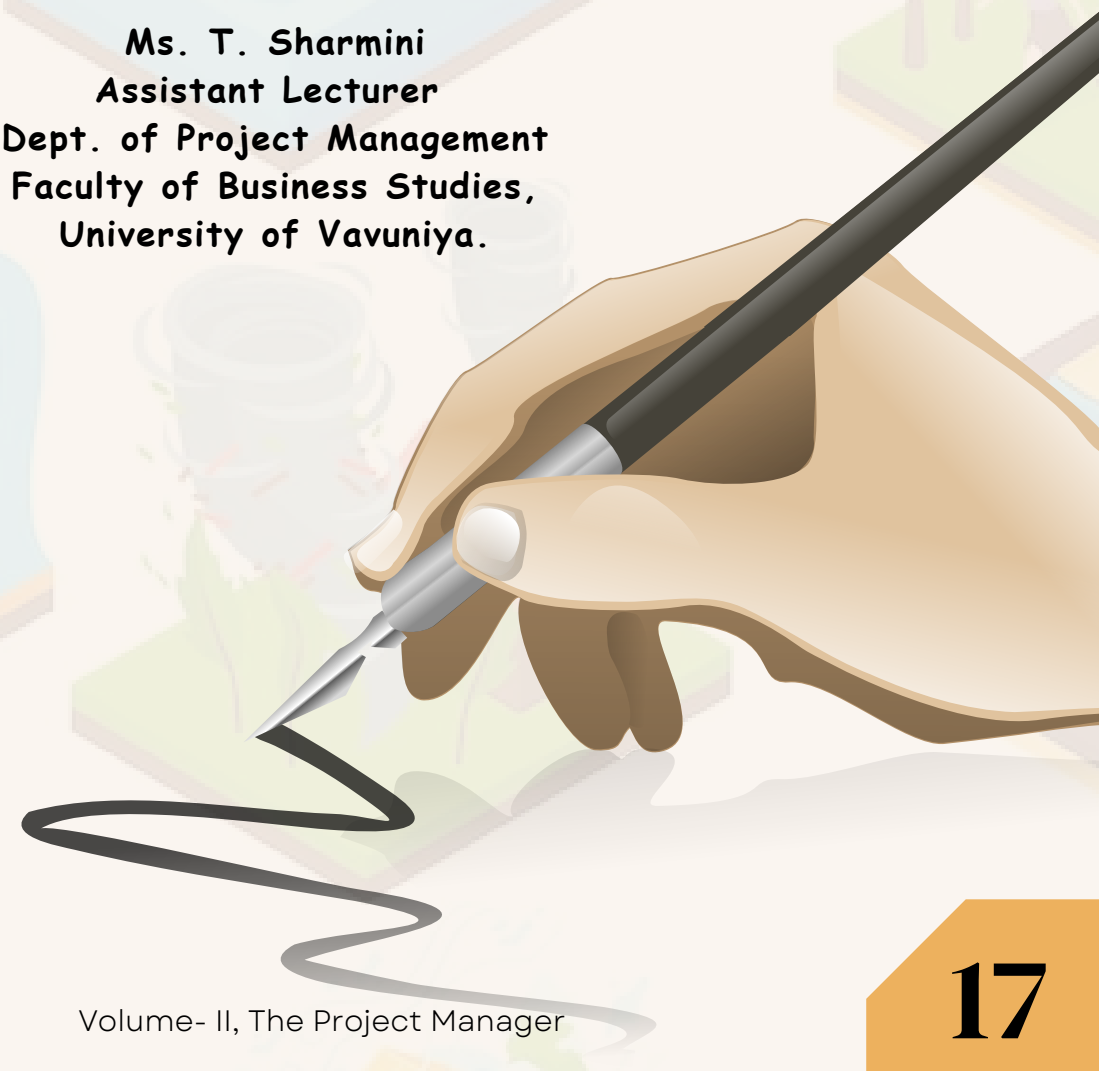

The Effect of Project Communication Management on the Success of Virtual Projects

The project management environment is evolving significantly in a world that is becoming more connected and technologically advanced. One of the most significant modifications is the increase in virtual projects, which bring together teams from different places using digital tools and online collaboration. The success of virtual projects is highly dependent on effective project communication management since they provide excellent flexibility and access to talent from across the world.

The strategic planning, implementation, monitoring, and improvement of all project communication operations is known as project communication management. Communication management is particularly crucial in virtual projects when face-to-face interaction is restricted. In these initiatives, effective communication entails more than just information transmission; it also entails coming to an understanding, setting clear expectations, and forging strong interpersonal bonds even when participants are geographically apart

1.**Clearly defined objectives and aim**

Virtual initiatives frequently have cross-cultural and time barriers. Clear communication of project goals and objectives lowers the possibility of misunderstandings or inconsistencies. This is ensured by effective communication management. Team members feel a feeling of shared purpose when project scope, timeline, and deliverables are communicated clearly.

2.Stakeholder Engagement

Engaging stakeholders in virtual projects can be complex. Project communication management facilitates the identification of key stakeholders, the determination of their communication preferences, and the regular dissemination of progress updates. This ensures that stakeholders remain informed and invested in the project's success

Best Practices for Effective Communication Management in Virtual Projects

01.Establish communication standards

Clearly define your expectations for response times, frequency of communication, and preferred methods. This makes sure that everyone in the team is adhering to the same communication standards

02.Use technology wisely

Make use of online collaboration tools like video conferencing, instant messaging, and project management software.

03.Cultural Sensitivity

Acknowledge and respect team members' cultural diversity. To prevent miscommunication and establish productive partnerships, good communication management takes cultural subtleties into account.

04.Regular Milestones

Schedule frequent online meetings to go through project updates, work out problems, and acknowledge successes. This encourages accountability and cooperation.

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3.Team cooperation

The seamless collaboration of team members who have never met in person is essential to the success of virtual initiatives. Teamwork is enhanced and a sense of camaraderie is fostered via information management techniques, such as the use of virtual collaboration tools, real-time communication, and regular video footage.

4.Risk management

Good communication makes it easier to identify potential risks and take prompt action to mitigate them. Because of differences in technology, time zones, and cultural norms, virtual projects can present special dangers. Open lines of communication make it possible to foresee and successfully reduce these hazards

5.Resolution of Conflict

Misunderstandings and disagreements will always arise in any enterprise, especially a virtual one. Conflict resolution strategies are offered by communication management. Understandings may be cleared up before they worsen with regular check-ins and open channels of communication.

05.Put everything in writing

Maintain comprehensive documentation of reports, judgments, and outcomes. These papers act as rules and guard against data loss when communicating online

06.Use technology wisely

Make use of online collaboration tools like video conferencing, instant messaging, and project management software.

The capacity to overcome geographic distances through efficient communication management is essential to the success of virtual initiatives. Project communication management is crucial in addressing the difficulties of virtual projects because it promotes cooperation, comprehension, and alignment among team members, stakeholders, and partners. Understanding the art of communication management will remain a crucial component of project success as firms continue to embrace remote work and international cooperation.

The Important role of project managers in construction projects

Project managers play a crucial role in construction projects by overseeing planning, coordination, and execution. They ensure projects are completed on time, within budget, and according to specifications. They manage resources, communicate with stakeholders, handle risk mitigation, and maintain quality and safety standards. In essence, project managers are instrumental in driving the successful completion of construction projects from start to finish.

And project managers perform lots of significant functions in construction projects that help the project get done successfully. These are some fundamental aspects of their task.

Planning and Scheduling

Project managers create detailed project plans, outlining tasks, timelines, and dependencies. They develop comprehensive schedules to ensure that every step of the project is well-coordinated and aligned with the overall timeline.

Resource Management

They efficiently distribute and manage resources, such as labor, equipment, supplies, and subcontractors. In order to keep projects efficient, resource use must be efficiency

Budget Control

Budgets are created and managed by project managers, who also keep track of costs and make sure they avoid getting over budget. To keep costs under control and avoid cost overruns, and prevent cost overruns

Stakeholder Communication

They provide as a link between different parties involved, including clients, architects, engineers, contractors, and regulatory bodies. Everyone must be on the same page in order for issues to be resolved quickly and effectively

Risk Management

A crucial role is played by identifying potential risks and creating mitigation solutions. Project managers foresee difficulties that can obstruct the project's progress and put strategies in place to lessen their effects.

Quality Assurance

It is crucial to make sure the job complies with the necessary requirements. Project managers keep an eye on quality at every stage, ensuring that construction follows rules and requirements

Problem Solving

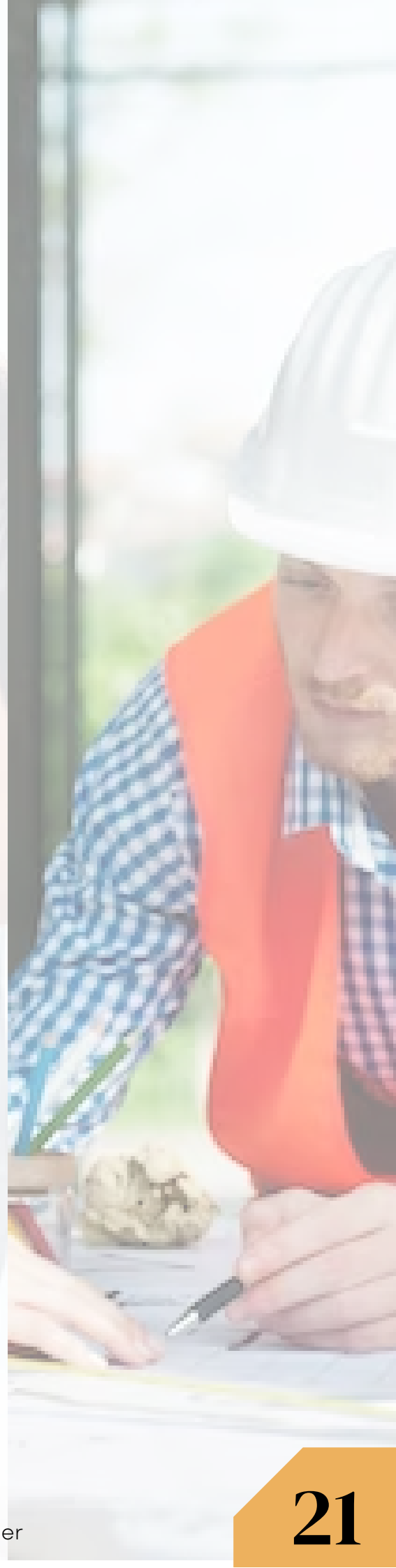
Problems inevitably come up with construction projects. Unexpected problems that can hinder the project's progress must be creatively resolved, according to project managers.

Change Management

Construction projects often encounter changes in scope, design, or requirements. Project managers evaluate the impact of these changes on the project and make adjustments as needed.

Documentation and Reporting

Keeping accurate records of project activities, decisions, and progress is crucial for accountability and future reference. Project managers generate regular reports to update stakeholders on project status



Decision Making

Project managers are empowered to make important decisions that keep the project moving forward. They balance competing priorities and make choices that align with project goals

Team Leadership

They lead and motivate project teams members , fostering a collaborative environment where everyone understands their roles and responsibilities.

In conclusion, project managers coordinate numerous moving components in construction projects to guarantee that the project is finished on schedule, within budget, and to the desired quality standards. The success of the project depends on their all-encompassing perspective, strategic thinking, and flexibility in response to changing conditions.

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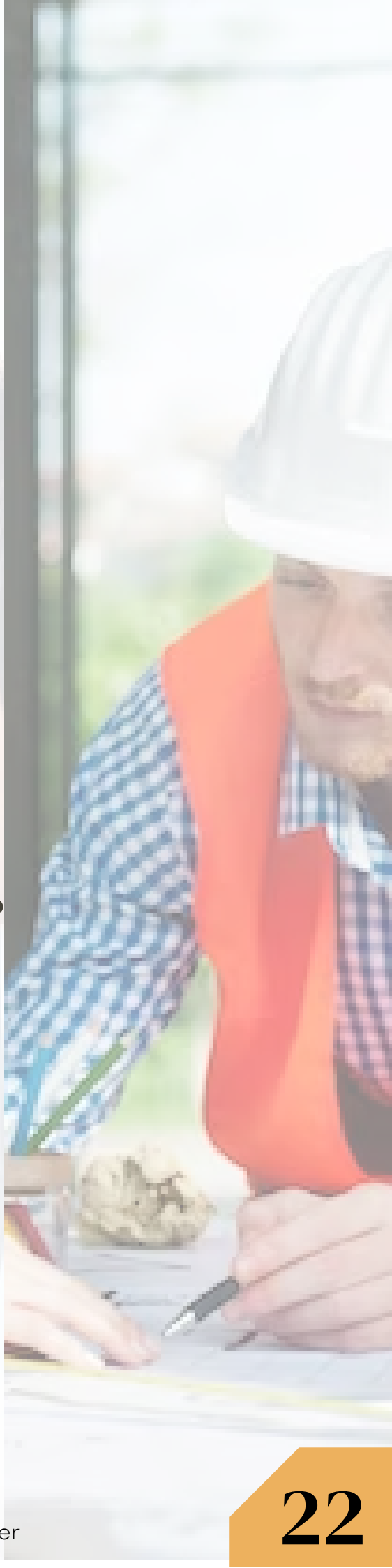

The Power of Education

Where is the real power ?

Where is the bright future?

Learners will say that

Education is the key to success.

Knowledge with promising prospects

It shapes human character.

Leading to a successful career

Education is the light

value of education

Will help sustain the student reputation

Education in peace and process

It changed me and changed you

Enabling the person to deal

With life as a whole

It is experience and motivation.

Teach us to think critically and logically.

Education is a gift

It allows us to explore the mind

Make it better environment.

It expresses our talents and strengths.

Education turns impossibilities into

possibilities.

It provides a new opportunity.

Create a world of prosperity.

It alternates destiny

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2018/PM/04

PROJECT SUCCESS PRINCIPLES

Project management encompasses various methodologies and approaches, such as traditional waterfall, agile, or hybrid models, which are selected based on the nature and requirements of the project. Ultimately, the goal of project management is to successfully complete projects on time, within budget, and in accordance with the desired quality standards while meeting stakeholder expectations.

The success of project management lies in adopting a systematic approach to planning, executing, and controlling projects. Firstly, clear project goals and objectives must be defined, along with a detailed project plan that outlines tasks, timelines, and resource allocation. Effective communication is crucial throughout the project, ensuring stakeholders are informed and engaged. A competent project manager should assemble a skilled and diverse team, delegate tasks appropriately, and foster collaboration. Regular monitoring of progress and performance metrics allows for timely adjustments and issue resolution

Risk management is also essential to identifying potential obstacles and developing mitigation strategies. Flexibility and adaptability are key, as projects often encounter unforeseen challenges. Emphasizing quality assurance throughout the project ensures the deliverables meet or exceed expectations.

Finally, a comprehensive post-project review helps identify lessons learned and areas for improvement. By following these principles, project managers can increase the likelihood of project success, delivering on time, within budget, and with high-quality outcomes

J.Karishna Daisy
2019/PM/26

Agile Approach
in Project Management

In an era marked by rapid technological advancements and dynamic market landscapes, traditional project management methodologies have often struggled to keep pace. Agile project management has emerged as a response to these challenges, offering a flexible and adaptive approach to project execution. This article explores the Agile approach in project management, highlighting its principles, benefits, and key practices that have revolutionized the way projects are managed in various industries.

Understanding Agile Project Management

Agile project management is a collaborative and iterative approach that focuses on delivering value to customers through continuous improvement and adaptation. Unlike traditional waterfall methodologies, Agile recognizes the unpredictability and ever-evolving nature of projects, emphasizing the need for flexibility and frequent feedback loops. It enables project teams to respond quickly to changes, seize emerging opportunities, and ensure customer satisfaction through early and continuous delivery of valuable outcomes.

Key Principles of Agile Project Management

Customer Collaboration over Contract Negotiation: Agile prioritizes close collaboration between project teams and customers, fostering a shared understanding of project requirements and expectations. By involving customers throughout the project lifecycle, teams can adapt and deliver solutions that align with their evolving needs. Responding to Change over Following a Plan:

Instead of rigidly adhering to a predefined plan, Agile embraces change as an inevitable reality. It encourages project teams to embrace change requests and continuously adapt their plans and approaches to achieve the desired outcomes effectively. ndividuals and Interactions over Processes and Tools: Agile emphasizes the importance of effective communication and collaboration within project teams. It values the contributions and expertise of individuals, promoting self-organizing teams that make decisions collectively.

Working Solutions over Comprehensive Documentation: While documentation remains important, Agile places greater emphasis on delivering working solutions that provide tangible value. It encourages iterative development, allowing teams to gather feedback and refine their deliverables continuously.

Key Practices in Agile Project Management:

Scrum:

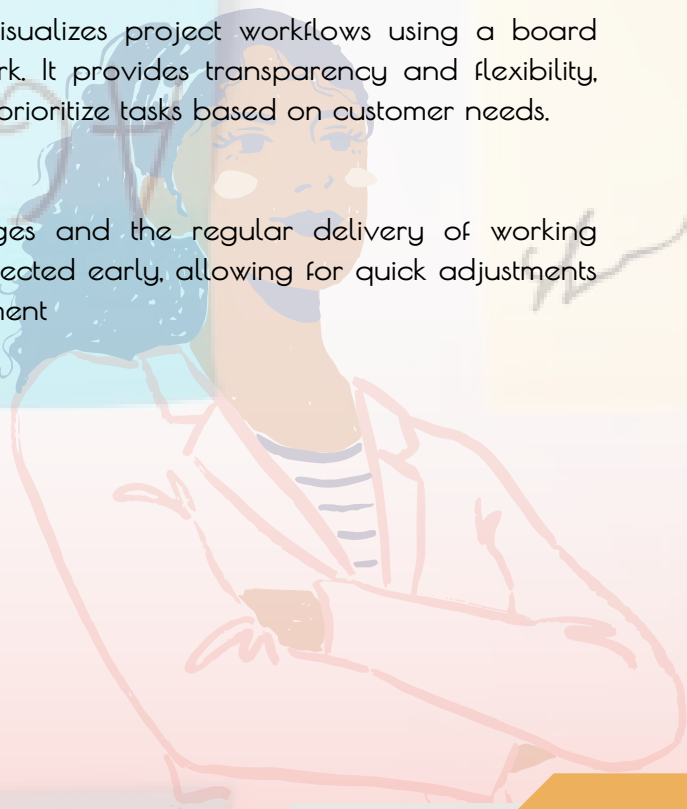
Scrum is one of the most popular frameworks within Agile project management. It divides projects into short iterations called sprints, usually lasting between one and four weeks. The project team collaborates closely, with daily stand-up meetings to discuss progress, address challenges and plan the upcoming work.

Kanban:

Kanban is another widely used Agile framework that visualizes project workflows using a board divided into columns representing different stages of work. It provides transparency and flexibility, enabling teams to manage their workloads efficiently and prioritize tasks based on customer needs.

Continuous Integration and Delivery:

Agile encourages frequent integration of code changes and the regular delivery of working software. This practice ensures that potential issues are detected early, allowing for quick adjustments and reducing the time between development and deployment



Key Benefits of Agile Project Management:

Increased Flexibility:
Amile's iterative nature enables teams to adapt quickly to changing requirements and market conditions. This flexibility allows projects to stay on track and remain relevant in dynamic environments.

Enhanced Customer Satisfaction:
Regular customer involvement and the early delivery of valuable outcomes ensure that projects align with customer expectations. Feedback loops enable adjustments and improvements, resulting in increased customer satisfaction
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Improved Project Transparency:
Agile methodologies emphasize transparency and collaboration, ensuring that stakeholders are involved throughout the project. This transparency fosters trust and effective communication among team members and stakeholders.

Faster Time to Market:
Agile's iterative approach and continuous delivery enable faster time to market. By delivering incremental value early on, organizations can gain a competitive edge and start reaping the benefits of their projects sooner.

In an ever-changing business landscape, the Agile approach has emerged as a game-changer in project management. By embracing flexibility, collaboration, and iterative development, Agile methodologies enable project teams to navigate uncertainty successfully, deliver value to customers, and achieve project success. As organizations continue to recognize the benefits of Agile, its adoptions are expected to grow, transforming the way projects are managed across industries. With its emphasis on adaptability, customer satisfaction, and continuous improvement, Agile project management is poised to remain a cornerstone of modern project management practices. By embracing Agile principles and implementing key practices, organizations can unlock the potential for greater project success, increased customer satisfaction, and improved overall efficiency.

Dhanushika Ambalavanan
2019/PM/17

Symphony of Project Management

In the realm of creation, where visions ignite,
There lies a symphony, in project management's light.
With a conductor's precision, a team takes the stage,
To weave dreams into reality, page by page.

The overture begins, as ideas are conceived,
A kaleidoscope of thoughts gently interweaved.
A project's birth, a seed in fertile ground,
Nurtured by expertise, with purpose profound.

The planning phase commences, a symphony's score,
Structure and strategy, the conductor explores.
Like a maestro's baton, guiding each endeavor,
Building a roadmap that will last forever

The stakeholders, like musicians, play their part,
Aligning their talents is a masterpiece to start with.
Each instrument is unique, in harmonious accord,
Melodies of collaboration, their voices soared

Risks and challenges emerge, like discordant notes,
But the conductor's wisdom the dissonance coats.
Mitigation and adaptation, the orchestra's task,
Turning obstacles into strength, no hurdle to unmask

Execution, the heart of the symphony's dance,
A conductor's vision is realized, through every glance.
Effort and dedication, each measure performed,
Milestones were achieved, as the team's unity warmed.

Communication, the conductor's sweet refrain,
Conveying the vision, nurturing rapport to sustain.
Clear channels of dialogue, the symphony's voice,
Harmonizing actions, choices of profound rejoice.

The climax approaches, the project's crescendo,
A culmination of efforts, as dreams and goals blend.
With precision and finesse, the final chords resound,
An audience applauds, their praise profound

And as the symphony draws to its grand finale,
Lessons learned embrace, an ode to rally.
For in project management's eternal embrace,
A melody of success forever takes its place

So let us honor the symphony of project management's grace,
A harmonious endeavor, where dreams find their space.
Where leaders orchestrate, teams unite,
Creating a symphony that reaches the greatest height.

Thevakumar Thurkka
2019/PM/21

STRUGGLING WITH MY DREAMS

Sleeplessly, I am still searching for
the border of my dreams Mom...
I'm struggling the whole day
To complete this degree, Mom...
The weight of the facts in the
subjects, getting increasing than
my height Mom...
I can bear this whole pain when I
could remember the smile on your
face, Mom...
Although I'm not having any
happiness today,
I will win the throne one day Mom...
At last, I'm writing that
This degree and all the victories
belong only to you Mom...

Gamage Ayesha Sandhamali Garusinge
2019/PM/59

FRIENDS FOR A LIFETIME

Academic life gives us memories of gold in our lives. It gives priceless friendships among juniors and seniors. Friendship is a location where unforgettable memories are formed. Everyone wants to cherish these moments and retain them eternally. Best friends care for each other and stand by each other through thick and thin, through all the hard times and all the good times. Their bond is unbreakable and this strong companionship is marked by loyalty, love, and constant appreciation

One of the most exciting and important aspects of university life is having a friend on campus, which is a crucial part of our daily routine, we make great friends at university during our university life. Some of them become a very important part of our personal lives and stay close to us for a long time in the journey of life. Some of them also end up causing us injuries that remain with us for so long.

Making and maintaining good friends is excellent for our health. Our friendships increase our overall happiness, mental health, and sense of belonging; they help our self-confidence and self-worth and can also reduce our stress. A range of psychosocial benefits can be gained from friendships.

Having valuable university friendships can also include a better social life, a successful, satisfying education, encouraging soft skills development, academic performance, and career opportunities that are highly sought-after after graduation. University friendships can be enduring because they are a time of personal development

In adolescence, friendships are also crucial for developing students' problem-solving and social skills. Additionally, we'll find that they will be helpful as we build our professional network. It is often through them that we can find networking opportunities and stay current on our field of study after graduation

In short, students who make more friends in college or university are more likely to be academically successful. It might be hard, but completely worth it. I believe that with all of its positives and negatives, it is crucial to make friends during our university time to be with us during our ups and downs. it is a once-in-a-lifetime experience to attend college, so we should enjoy it to the fullest extent possible

M.J.F.Jesna
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THE NEED FOR PROJECT MANAGERS

IN SRI LANKA'S DEVELOPMENT

Being a project manager is an attractive profession. Project managers are responsible for planning, procuring, executing, and executing any work that has a defined scope, start, and finish. A project manager is a person who directs all the human and physical resources involved in a business or project toward the right goal without any problems

Project managers are definitely needed for the development of a country. It is the case that for a country to develop, project implementation is a must. To implement them, it is a must to involve project managers for this purpose. Several points should be given considerable attention in the implementation of a project. It is the responsibility of a project manager to correctly manage all of the issues such as the scope, the time it takes, the challenges, the advantages, and disadvantages for the stakeholders. Here, in the development of a country, different cultural ideologies and human populations reside. The right to live on the earth is not only for humans but also for animals and trees. The project managers should initiate and maintain these projects to protect that right in the implementation of the project

For example,
when carrying out projects such as the construction of highways, construction of reservoirs, project managers should prevent environmental destruction such as clearing forests and implementing them in a way that does not harm the people and animals. Here it is the responsibility of the project managers to manage the time spent on it as well as pay more attention to the units of measurement at the start of the project. If something goes wrong, something catastrophic is likely to happen and it is up to project managers to prevent them

If we talk about the development of Sri Lanka here, many things need to be developed in Sri Lanka. It is important to involve project managers in that. To implement various projects, it is a must to contact the project managers. Also, project managers need to manage the resources available in the country for this purpose

B.R.P.Gangani Bogamuwa
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Examples of the conditions in Sri Lanka such as irrigation systems, transportation, and agriculture are very valuable resources. By focusing on these areas, project managers can build a developing country into a developed country. Also, Sri Lanka is a very beautiful country. Meanwhile, the water resources available around Sri Lanka and within Sri Lanka can be used as a

main item to attract tourists. If projects are built on these watercourses, rivers, streams, seas, and lakes, all of which are adapted to each environment and different from each other, will be planted in the highest places of tourist attraction.

The project managers should prepare the projects to collect the necessary foreign exchange through various elements such as hotel entertainment games through providing the necessary infrastructure and opportunities for the tourists who come to see these

By building successful projects around such diverse resources, project managers can build Sri Lanka into a developed country.

Project Management Career for the Younger Generation

Project management has emerged as a highly sought-after profession in today's rapidly evolving business landscape. As organizations continue to embrace complex initiatives and prioritize efficiency, the demand for skilled project managers is on the rise. A career in project management can be a great choice for the younger generation. It offers a wide range of opportunities for growth and development, as well as the chance to work on exciting and impactful projects. Project managers play a crucial role in planning, organizing, and executing projects to achieve specific goals within budget and time constraints. This article serves as a comprehensive guide to understanding and pursuing a career

What is Project Management?

Project management is the discipline of planning, organizing, and managing resources to successfully complete a specific project within defined objectives, scope, time, and budget constraints. It involves the application of knowledge, skill, tools, and techniques to meet project requirements and deliver desired outcomes

Why Consider a Project Management Career?

There are several reasons why a young person might consider a career in project management. Such as challenging and dynamic work, high early leadership, global opportunities to take on leadership roles, problem-solving, entrepreneurial prospects, constant demand etc. However, like any career path, it's essential to have a genuine interest in the field and be willing to continuously improve your skill to thrive in this role

1.The rise of project management

In recent years project management has gained tremendous significance across industries. Organizations increasingly rely on skilled project managers to drive innovation, streamline processes and achieve strategic objectives. This trend open-up ample opportunities for young professionals to make their mark and contribute to meaningful projects.

2.Strategic thinking Problem solving

Project managers are responsible for overseeing the entire project life cycle, from planning to execution and evaluation. This role requires strategic thinking and problem-solving abilities to identify potential risks, make informed decisions, and ensure project success. Developing these skills early in your career can set you up for success in a wide range of roles that require critical thinking and decision-making. Strategic thinking and problem-solving skills develop over time with practice and experience. By adopting these tips and actively seeking opportunities to apply them, youngers can enhance their project management career.

3.High Early Leadership Opportunities

Project management allows you to take on leadership roles and work closely with diverse teams, stakeholders, and stakeholders and clients. You'll have the chance to collaborate with professionals from different disciplines, manage resources, make strategic decisions, guide teams, and deliver successful outcomes. This provides copious opportunities for young professionals to develop their leadership skills

4.Growing professional Community

Project management offers a structured career path with ample opportunities for growth and advancement. Starting as a project coordinator or assistant, individuals can progress to roles such as project manager, program manager, or portfolio manager. There are numerous professional organizations and certifications available for project managers creating a supportive community for career growth and continuous learning

5.High earning potential

Project managers often enjoy competitive salaries and attractive compensation packages. The younger generation gain experience and demonstrate their ability to deliver successful projects, and can negotiate higher salaries and additional benefits. Experience and expertise as project managers gains more experience and demonstrate their ability to successfully lead and deliver complex projects, their earning potential increases. Employers value a track record of accomplishment and may be willing to offer higher compensation to experienced professionals.

6.Entrepreneurial opportunities

Project management skills are highly sought after by entrepreneurs and start - ups. Many younger professionals aspire to start their own businesses, and having a solid foundation in project management can greatly enhance their chance of success. Understanding how to manage resources, budgets, and timelines. With project management background, younger generation can increase your chances of success as an entrepreneur.

7.Divers opportunities

Project management is applicable in various industries, including technology, construction, healthcare, finance, and more. This provides a wide range of opportunities to work on exciting projects across different sectors. This diversification allows you to leverage your project management skills in different contexts and to adapt to various projects

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THE IMPORTANCE OF EFFECTIVE COMMUNICATION IN PROJECT MANAGEMENT

Communication is the most important aspect of project management because what project managers do most of the time is communicated to coordinate efforts. They must collect a lot of data and share it with all project teams to coordinate their activities. Without this communication, it's possible that the project's efforts will be duplicated by different individuals or teams, that significant objectives and milestones will be missed, that resources will be misallocated, or that the project's scope will start to stray from what it was originally intended to be. As a result, undertakings may come to a grinding standstill or, worse yet, fail completely.

THE IMPORTANCE OF EFFECTIVE COMMUNICATION IN PROJECT MANAGEMENT

It is an extremely crucial topic in project management. You may strengthen your relationship with the success of your leadership, teams, and projects may all be influenced by communication, making team and lead projects more successful by learning to transfer information, explain expectations, and exercise restraint in delicate situations. Effective communication can lessen conflict and increase productivity, which can speed up project completion times, enhance client satisfaction, and raise employee morale.
Project managers carry out a variety of functions and responsibilities as part of their daily work. But at its core, the position entails coordinating everyone's activities in a project to reach common objectives. A project manager must be adept at obtaining information and disseminating it to the appropriate team members to do this

HOW TO EFFECTIVELY COMMUNICATE IN PROJECT MANAGEMENT

Utilize technology.
Not all communications need to be written just because a project team may be dispersed. Face-to-face meetings are valuable, and using technology to make them possible can greatly affect how quickly a project moves forward. In this aspect, virtual meetings and video conferencing are two tremendously useful technologies. Google Meet, Google Hangouts, Zoom, Skype, TeamViewer, Microsoft Teams, and Slack are popular tools to conduct virtual meetings and video conferencing.

Keep cultural and language barriers in mind.

Because businesses and organizations are becoming more diverse, it's more likely that someone on your project team won't be a native English speaker. This could make it more likely that project communications will be unclear. Therefore, it is crucial to be aware of any cultural or linguistic variances among team members. Avoid employing sarcasm, humor, and colloquialisms whenever you can because they can be challenging to interpret between languages and cultures.

Share project goals

Make sure your staff is routinely informed of the project's objectives. This guarantees that each expert is aware of the goals of their work. Give experts the chance to contribute their suggestions on how to achieve these aims when discussing the project's objectives. This can make it easier or more effective for you to accomplish the goals of your project

Listen to your team

Communication growth requires excellent listening skills. Try to hear what your team has to say and solicit their opinions on various topics. This enables you to communicate with your staff and demonstrates your respect and appreciation for them. When you show someone, you respect them by listening to them, they are frequently more likely to do the same for you. By doing this, you improve your leadership abilities and advance the objectives of your project.

Understand who should get what information and how.

As a project manager, a significant portion of your duties is serving as an information gatekeeper. This means that in addition to being accountable for supplying the team members with pertinent information, you must also protect them against irrelevant information that could confuse them or otherwise interfere with their ability to do their jobs. The ability to decide who receives what information is a crucial component of a project manager's role. Choosing the most effective medium and mode of communication to suit stakeholders or members of your team is important.

Keep everyone updated

Make sure to inform your staff of any modifications to the project as it develops. This covers progress reports, policy modifications, new techniques, and other project-related information. By keeping your team informed, you can be sure that each expert is aware of the project's present state. Because everyone is involved in the project's procedures, it may help promote a sense of accountability and inclusion

Monitor employee performance

It is important to identify any team members who require further assistance by keeping an eye on their work performance. This aids in your comprehension of the information you must provide. Understanding how each team member is doing can also help you choose the forms of communication that are most effective for your project. For instance, you might want to think about switching your communication style to one that is more beneficial for your team if you find that a few employees are not operating under the most recent project guidelines

Kishani Jayasekara
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PROJECT MANAGEMENT LIFE CYCLE AND THE HUMAN LIFE CYCLE
A SYMBIOTIC RELATIONSHIP

Project management skills and the human life cycle share an intricate relationship that extends beyond their apparent differences. While project management is often associated with the realm of business and organizational endeavors, it is essential to recognize that these skills are deeply intertwined with various phases of the human life cycle. This connection becomes evident when we consider the parallels between project management principles and the stages of human development

The initiation phase: of a project, where goals are defined and stakeholders identified, mirrors the early stages of human life. Just as infants begin with basic needs and gradually progress to more complex interactions, projects start with foundational objectives and evolve into intricate plans. As a child's abilities expand over time, so do a project manager's skills, adapting to changing circumstances

The planning phase: characterized by meticulous strategizing and resource allocation, aligns with the adolescent and young adult stages of human life. Just as teenagers explore their identities and life paths, project managers delve into various methodologies and tools to guide projects toward success. Flexibility, a crucial attribute in both contexts, allows for adjustments as unexpected challenges arise.

The execution phase: of a project equates to the adult stage, where individuals take on responsibilities and actively pursue their goals. Similarly, project managers steer their projects through implementation, utilizing their accumulated knowledge and experience. Just as adults seek balance in their personal and professional lives, project managers manage resource distribution to maintain equilibrium

The monitoring and control phase: corresponds to the middle-aged phase of human life. As individuals assess their achievements and recalibrate priorities, project managers evaluate progress, identify deviations, and implement corrective actions. Both contexts require adaptability to ensure long-term success

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Finally, the closure phase: of a project mirrors the older stage of human life. Just as seniors reflect on their legacies and contributions, project managers review project outcomes and gather lessons learned for future endeavors. This cyclical process of initiation, planning, execution, monitoring, and closure mirrors the perpetual evolution of human life.

In conclusion, the synthesis of project management skills and the human life cycle showcases their intertwined nature. From infancy to old age, both evolve through various stages of growth, requiring adaptability, resourcefulness, and resilience. By recognizing the parallels between these domains, individuals can enhance their project management skills and, in turn, navigate the complexities of life with greater proficiency.

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THE EVOLUTION OF PROJECT MANAGEMENT

UNLEASHING THE POWER OF AI

Introduction

In a world characterized by rapid technological advancements, the intersection of artificial intelligence (AI) and project management has ignited a transformative spark. From automating repetitive tasks to making data-driven decisions, AI is reshaping the landscape of project management. Let's delve into the world of AI and explore its profound impact on the way projects are planned, executed, and optimized

WHAT IS AI AND IS THE EVOLUTION OF AI RESHAPING PROJECT MANAGEMENT?

AI, in its essence, involves the creation of intelligent systems that can mimic human cognitive processes. When integrated into project management, AI brings forth a revolution. By analyzing historical data, predicting outcomes, and automating mundane tasks,
AI is elevating project management to unprecedented heights

"The designing and building of intelligent agents that receive percepts from the environment and take actions that maximize its chance
of successfully achieving its goals."
Artificial Intelligence:
A Modern Approach. Stuart Russell and
Peter Norvig (Pearson, 2009)

HOW WILL AI TRANSFORM PROJECT MANAGEMENT?

The transformational journey of AI in project management promises to reshape core practices and outcomes. AI's trajectory through distinct phases—from integration to potential autonomy—signals its transformative potential.

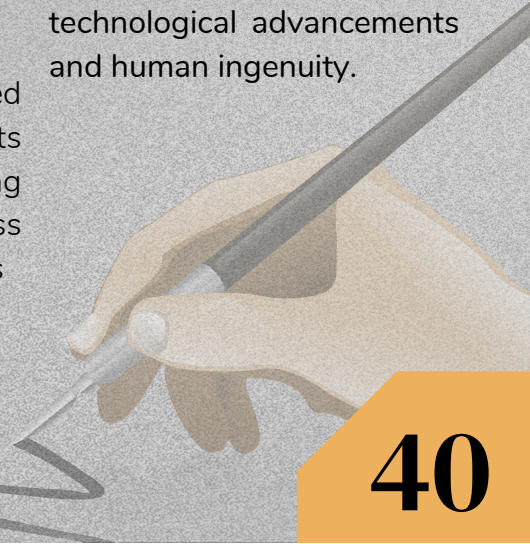
·Integration and Automation:
AI's initial impact lies in automating routine tasks through integration, streamlining project workflows, and reducing errors.

Chatbot Assistants:
The emergence of AI-powered chatbots as project assistants enhances efficiency by handling tasks like scheduling, progress tracking, and data-driven insights

Machine Learning-based Management:
Machine learning enables predictive analytics, guiding project managers with data-informed decisions and enhancing plan adaptability

Autonomous Management:
While futuristic, the concept of autonomous project management envisions AI systems requiring minimal human intervention, potentially transforming the very core of project execution

As AI evolves, its influence on project management manifests through efficiency gains, proactive decision-making, and reimagined collaboration dynamics. The journey towards AI-powered project management is a fusion of technological advancements and human ingenuity.



What Are the Challenges for the Successful Implementation of AI in Project Management?

As the landscape of project management evolves with the infusion of AI, a set of challenges emerges that organizations must navigate to ensure successful implementation. These challenges can significantly impact the integration and effectiveness of AI in project management

1.Data Quality and Availability:
AI's accuracy hinges on the quality and diversity of data it processes. Insufficient or inaccurate data can lead to flawed insights and decisions, making data quality assurance a crucial challenge

2. Change Management:
Shifting from traditional project management methods to AI-driven practices requires change. Overcoming resistance from teams accustomed to existing workflows poses a substantial hurdle.

3. Lack of Understanding:
A comprehensive grasp of AI's capabilities and limitations is essential. Misaligned expectations due to an incomplete understanding of AI can lead to disappointments in outcomes.

4. Integration Complexities:
Integrating AI tools into existing project management systems can be intricate. Compatibility issues, technical roadblocks, and the need for seamless integration challenge implementation efforts.

5. Ethical Considerations:
AI's use raises ethical concerns related to privacy, bias, and fairness. Organizations must ensure AI-driven decisions uphold transparency, fairness, and ethical standards.

6. Skill Gap:
AI implementation requires skilled professionals who understand both project management and AI technologies. The scarcity of such individuals can hinder successful integration.

7. Initial Investment:
AI adoption involves costs ranging from technology acquisition and integration to training and potential system upgrades. Organizations must assess these expenses against projected benefits

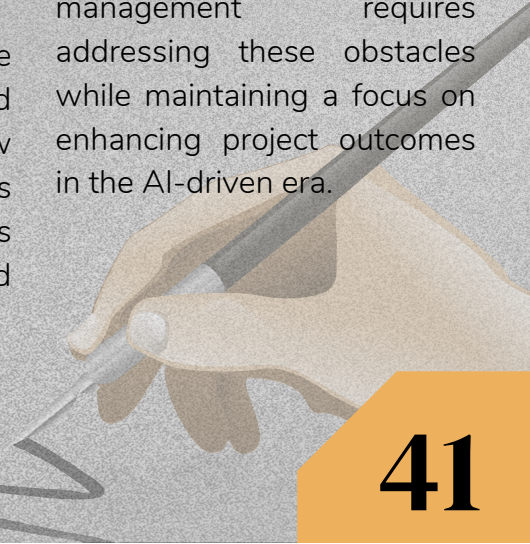
8. Continuous Learning:
AI algorithms necessitate ongoing learning and adaptation based on new data. Ensuring AI systems remain up-to-date requires continuous effort and resources.

9. Security Concerns:
AI systems handling sensitive project data must have robust security measures to prevent breaches and unauthorized access, posing a challenge for implementation.

10. Sustainability:
Ensuring the long-term relevance and adaptability of AI initiatives is critical. Organizations need strategies to keep AI solutions aligned with evolving project requirements.

11.Performance Measurement:
Measuring the tangible impact of AI on project performance requires establishing clear metrics. Defining how AI contributes to efficiency, accuracy, and overall project success demands carefully.

Navigating these challenges demands a strategic approach, collaboration across teams, and a commitment to continuous learning. Successfully integrating AI into project management requires addressing these obstacles while maintaining a focus on enhancing project outcomes in the AI-driven era.



obstacles while maintaining a focus on enhancing project outcomes in the AI-driven era.

What Does the Future Hold for Project Managers in the Age of AI?

The Project Manager of the Future

As the trajectory of projects is inevitably altered by the advent of AI, the evolution of project management practices becomes evident. Amidst this transformation, it's vital to acknowledge the irreplaceable human aspect that AI lacks. This underscores the continued relevance of project managers, who can stay indispensable by nurturing core human skills while harnessing AI's capabilities for collaborative success

In essence, AI is projected to complement rather than replace project managers. While AI's potential is vast, its success hinges on purposeful deployment. Acting as an accelerator and game-changer, AI has the capacity to enhance project managers' effectiveness and contribute to higher success rates. However, the realization of this potential rests on project managers who envision the intersection of AI with human imagination. By leveraging AI to add tangible value and drive positive change in project management and business transformations, project managers can secure their strategic relevance in the AI-empowered landscape.

Key Human Skills for Future Project Managers:

·Leadership: Guiding teams through dynamic project landscapes.

·People and Stakeholder Management: Nurturing relationships and addressing diverse stakeholder needs.

·Communication (Verbal & Non-verbal): Conveying ideas effectively across various channels.

·Storytelling: Crafting narratives that resonate and inspire action.

·Empathy: Understanding and relating to team members and stakeholders.

·Emotional Intelligence: Navigating complex emotions within project contexts.

·Negotiation: Reaching consensus and win-win agreements.

Conclusion

As AI and project management merge their capabilities, a new era of efficiency and innovation dawns. The synergistic partnership between human expertise and AI's computational prowess will redefine project management norms. Embracing AI's potential is not merely a choice—it's a strategic imperative for organizations to thrive in the ever-evolving realm of project management

S.Dhanushika
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PROGRESS REPORT OF THE PROJECT MANAGEMENT CLUB.

I am Sathuthika Sasikumar. As a secretary of the Project Management Club, I am pleased to present the latest progress report on the activities and achievements of our Project Management Club over the past few months. Our club has been bustling with a variety of events and initiatives. The Project Management Club has been actively engaging in various activities aimed at enhancing the knowledge and skills of its members in the field of project management. The following report outlines the key events and achievements of the club over the past months

First and foremost the club successfully organized a series of webinars featuring prominent speakers from the industry. The webinars aimed to provide insights into IT project management, practical applications in IT industries, guidance for capstone projects, and social impact assessment for projects. These webinars attracted a significant number of participants and received positive feedback for their informative content.

1. Stepping into IT Project Management - Mr. Vidura Bandara
2. Practical Use of Project Management in IT Industries - Mr. Aathif Nihas
3. Capstone Project Guidance - Prof. Y. Nanthagopan
4. Social Impact Assessment for Projects - Mr. Thevarajah Krishnarajah

Next second-year students actively participated in maintaining the Herbal and Nature Park. Their efforts in tending to the park's upkeep are commendable and align with the club's commitment to community engagement and environmental responsibility.

On the other hand, The Online Quiz Competition, focused on project management, took place on the 26th of May 2023, through the Learning Management System (LMS). This event provided an opportunity for first, second, and third-year project management students to test their knowledge and compete in a virtual environment. Most importantly Third-year students successfully completed various 5 S implementation projects, demonstrating their understanding of project management concepts and their practical application. The club collected membership fees from the 2020/2021 and 2021/2022 batches, with each new member contributing Rs 200. These funds will be utilized for future club activities and initiatives.

Furthermore, the club organized several fundraising activities to support its endeavors:
1. Screening of Thoovanam Sri Lankan Tamil Movie: The club screened the movie for both university insiders and the general public, attracting a diverse audience.
2. Ticket Sales: Movie tickets were sold to students, staff, and external attendees.
3. Beverages and Snack Sales: The sale of refreshments during the movie screening added to the fundraising efforts.
4. Theater Show Arrangements: The club arranged multiple shows of the movie in a theater setting.
5. Sponsorships: External organizations, including UEDS, provided sponsorships in the form of a multiuse photocopy machine and computer.
6. Cultural Food Carnival: A collaborative event with the Department of Cultural Affairs Divisional Secretariat Vavuniya and Harmony Centre, University of Vavuniya allowed for additional fundraising.

Moreover, the club, in partnership with the VAROD organization, conducted a community rehabilitation need assessment program, aligning with the club's commitment to social responsibility and community engagement.

Finally, as a Project Management Club, we proudly initiated and organized The PM CLUSTER series. The Program proved to be an enriching experience for all participants, fostering a spirit of learning, creativity, and teamwork among students and faculty members. The various speeches, role plays, and recitals emphasized the importance of project management and its applications in diverse sectors of society. Achieving its objectives of knowledge sharing, networking, and inspiration. The event provided a platform for students to showcase their talents and engage in meaningful discussions about project management's significance in various industries. The diverse range of speeches, poems, and presentations kept the audience engaged throughout the program. It was evident that the PM Club's efforts to create an enriching experience for participants were highly appreciated by all attendees.

In conclusion, the Project Management Club continues to flourish through its commitment to providing educational and engaging opportunities for its members. The diverse range of activities, including webinars, herbal and nature park maintenance projects, competitions, and fundraising initiatives, demonstrate the club's dedication to fostering both academic and practical growth within the realm of project management.
Looking forward, the club aims to continue fostering a culture of effective project management within the university community and beyond.

Sathuthika Sasikumar
Secretary, Project Management Club
University of Vavuniya

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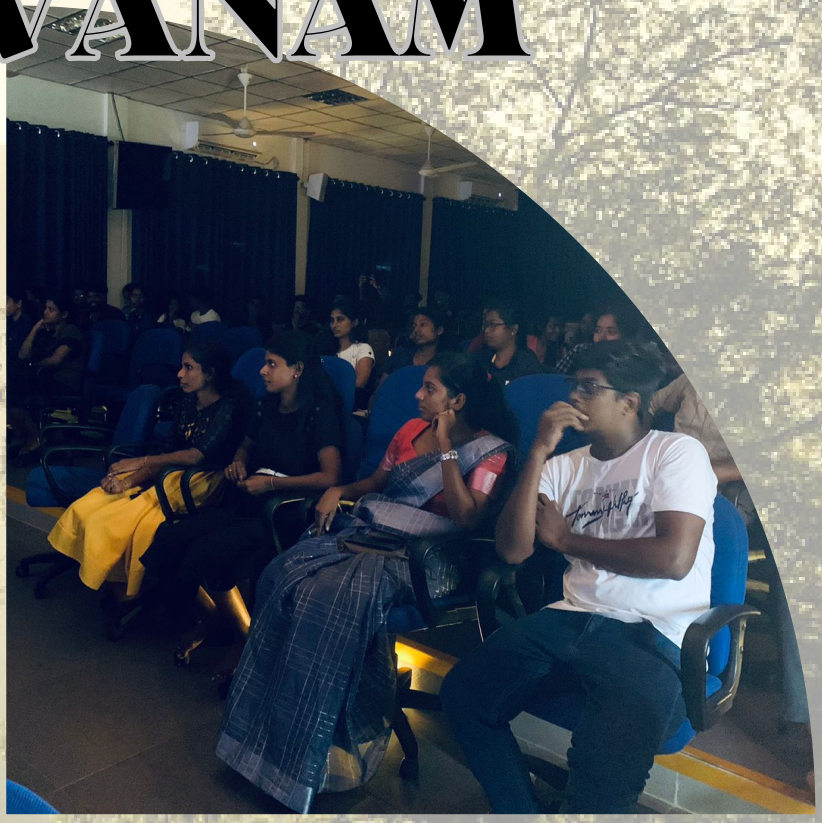

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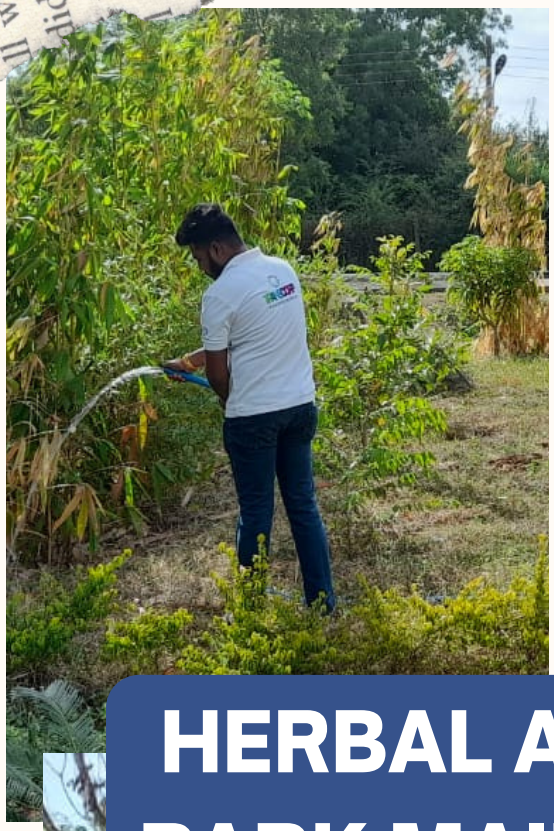

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Webinars

Stepping into IT Project Managemen

Mr.Vidura Bandara

Project & Operation manager

Sunday
26th February 2023

Time
9.00AM - 11.00AM

Mr.Aathif Nihas
Project Manager at
CodeGen International

- What is Project Management
- Agile Project Management
- Agile frameworks
- scrum and usage of JIRA software as a tool in Project management.

15th march 2023

Webinars

The Project Management Club Invites you to join a workshop on

Guide to the Capstone projects

Dr. Y.Nanthagopan
(PhD / Bournemouth, UK)
Dean Faculty of Business Studies
University of Vavuniya

Mr. Thevarajah Krishnarajah
Community Development and Social Safeguard Expert
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"IT IS CHANGE, CONTINUING CHANGE, INEVITABLE CHANGE, THAT IS THE DOMINANT FACTOR IN SOCIETY TODAY. NO SENSIBLE DECISION CAN BE MADE ANY LONGER WITHOUT TAKING INTO ACCOUNT NOT ONLY THE WORLD AS IT IS, BUT THE WORLD AS IT WILL BE" ISAAC ASIMOV