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Abstract

The main objective of this study is to measure the impact of training on human resource practices as well as to identify the factors those are related to effectiveness of training. The variables examined were demographics characteristics (age, gender, martial status, education level and length of working in current job), types of training, training environment and work environment.

A total of 92 questionnaires were distributed to the respondents in Kedah State Development Corporation (KSDC) company. This study was designed to identify through questionnaire survey, the factors that can contribute towards training effectiveness. The results of the study found that training environment and work environment significantly affect raining effectiveness. The study provides baseline data from which the training effectiveness can be assessed and improved upon so that higher benefits can be obtained by the organization.

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CHAPTER ONE

INTRODUCTION

1.1 Background

Employee training has been a matter of concern and attention by many business field nowadays. Organizations realize that employee training is an essential element to increase efficiency of job performance and keep their business running, as competition are getting more intense. Training is the process of providing employees with specific skills or helping them correct deficiencies in their performance (David, 2010). For example, new equipment may require workers to learn new ways of doing the job or a worker may have a deficient understanding of a work process. In both sides, training can be used to correct the skill deficit. Training is focus on the current job, the scope of training is on individual employees (Robert, 2010). It is also job specific and addresses particular performance deficits or problems. Training tends to focus on immediate organizational needs and fairly quick improvement in workers' performance. It strongly influences present performance levels.

A fundamental objective of training is the elimination or improvement of performance problems. To be successful, a training program must have clear stated and realistic goals (David, 2010). These goals will guide the program's content and determine the criteria by which its effectiveness will be judged. For example, management cannot easily realistically expect that one training session will make everyone an accounting

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