# Project Management 1

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#### Course Objectives

- To provide participants with:
  - An awareness of the importance of applying good practice Project Management in projects of any size.
  - An understanding of essential elements, including the Leadership Role of the Project Manager, Project Planning, Risk Management and Stakeholder Engagement.
  - An understanding of the principle elements of design control to be applied within projects.

### Project

Unique process consisting of a set of coordinated and controlled activities with start and finish dates, undertaken to achieve an objective conforming to specific requirements, including constraints of time, cost, quality and resources"

#### Project Management

The art of organising, leading, reporting and completing a project through people



#### Projects consist of three

- 1. A Project is a planned set of activities
- 2. A Project has a scope
- 3. A Project has time, cost, quality and resource constraints

## What is Project Management?

- A project is a planned undertaking
- A project manager is a person who causes things to happen
- Therefore, project management is causing a planned undertaking to happen.

#### Exercise 1

Write down three attributes of a good Project Manager



### Project Manager Role

#### A Good Project Manager

- Takes ownership of the whole project
- Is proactive not reactive
- Adequately plans the project
- Is Authoritative (NOT Authoritarian)
- Is Decisive
- Is a Good Communicator
- Manages by data and facts not uniformed optimism
- Leads by example
- Has sound Judgement
- Is a Motivator
- Is Diplomatic
- Can Delegate

#### Key Skills of Project Managers

- Project Management Fundamentals
- 2. Business Management Skills
- 3. Technical Knowledge
- 4. Communication Skills
- 5. Leadership Skills

## What Exactly Is a "Successful" Project?

- Delivered as promised Project produced all the stated deliverables.
- Completed on-time Project completed within the approved schedule.
- Completed within budget Project completed under the approved budget.

#### Cont...

- Delivered quality Project deliverables met all functional, performance, and quality specifications.
- Achieved original purpose The project achieved its original goals, objectives, and purpose.

## The important of planning to make the distinction for several reasons

- Logistically, before you develop a detailed and complete project plan, you need to know the parameters and boundaries for the project.
- Politically, you need to know the key stakeholders (project purpose, goals, objectives, and success criteria)

#### Cont...

- Practically, the work to properly define a project
- Historically, people have learned that detailed project planning and general project management are inefficient.
- Financially, effective execution of the project definition process enables the organization to leverage portfolio project management processes.