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ABSTRACT

This dissertation describes a study carried out to identify the training needs of professionals in a construction organisation. At first the company background was studied. In this study the present categories of employees, present status of the company, present method of providing training for the engineers were discussed.

The areas of training pertaining to the professionals were identified in the literature review.

Data required for the study were collected through questionnaire surveys among the company engineers and the senior managers. The data were analysed under the following topics to study the behaviour of the training needs of the engineers and the characteristics of the engineers.

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These topics are: 1) Gender and married status 2) Age distribution 3) Distribution of places of work 4) Experience of the engineers 5) Highest skill level of engineers 6) Distribution of professional members 7) Relevance of each area to present activities of the engineers 8) Preferred types of training courses by the engineers 9) Preferred types of training periods by the engineers 10) Requirement of training in different areas 11) Training needs of the company based on the senior management.

Then it was discussed some training courses available in Sri Lanka for engineers. Finally the results of the study were observed to make some conclusions and recommendations.

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ABBREVIATIONS

BOQ - Bill of Quantities

C.E. - Civil Engineer

CAD - Computer Aided Design

D.G.M. - Deputy General Manager

ICTAD - Institution for Construction Training And Development

IESL - Institution of Engineers, Sri Lanka

IT - Information Technology

M.E. - Mechanical Engineer

M. Sc. - Master of Science

MS - Micro Soft

P.G. - Post Graduate

Q.E. - Quarry Engineer

QS - Quantity Surveyor

RC & DC - Road Construction and Development Company

R.D.A. - Road Development Authority

S.C.E - Senior Civil Engineer

S.M.E. - Senior Mechanical Engineer

T.E. - Technician Engineer