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RECONNECTING ROADS AFTER MASSIVE FLOODING



Challenge

A catastrophic weather event destroyed roads and cut off British Columbia's lower mainland, including Vancouver, from the rest of Canada.

Solution

British Columbia's Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure (MoTI) used a project management approach based on A Guide to the Project Management Body of Knowledge (PMBOK® Guide) to prioritize repairs and reopen critical routes as quickly as possible. This included:

Identifying critical paths.

Creating a work breakdown structure. Implementing communication protocols. Risk assessment.

Management of contributors and interested parties.

Outcomes

Highway 5, the principal corridor for transportation of goods to and from the port of Vancouver, was reopened to commercial traffic in 35 days.

In November 2021, a unique weather event called an atmospheric river flowed across the province of British Columbia, Canada, leaving devastation in its wake. A near-record amount of rain caused severe flooding, landslides, and bridge collapses, and eventually forced every major connection between the lower mainland and the interior of British Columbia to close.

Towns were completely cut off, travelers were left stranded and unable to get home, and an already struggling supply chain was further crippled because no commercial traffic — including rail and truck traffic from the nation's largest port, the Port of Vancouver — could move through the province.

Ultimately, the responsibility of getting British Columbia's roads up and running again fell to the Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure (MoTI). It was a challenge like nothing the organization had ever seen.

"The scale of destruction that we faced and the work ahead of us - to be able to reconnect people to jobs, to be able to reconnect our supply chains, to be able to allow people to go about their lives again — was immense," said Jennifer Fraser, executive project director, Highway Reinstatement Program, MoTI. "Once we got over the shock and awe of the incredible damage that happened in British Columbia, we very quickly shifted gears and recognized that we needed to make a plan for how we were going to reopen at least one critical linkage."

The team decided to work to reopen Highway 5 first. The 186-kilometer (116-mile) stretch of north-south road, also known as the Coquihalla Highway, serves as the backbone of the province's economy. It is the principal corridor that moves goods from the coast into the interior and from the rest of Canada back into the Port of Vancouver. It serves the 2.5 million people that live in the Lower Mainland and accommodates 5,000 commercial vehicles and approximately CAD\$250 million goods moved on any given day.

"Highway 5 is that critical linkage

between the interior and the coast," said Fraser. "Not having Highway 5 meant that grocery store shelves were bare in towns."

At the same time, Highway 5 serves as the link between British Columbia and the rest of Canada. Reopening this essential roadway would be a significant step in getting the province and its people back on their feet. But to make it happen, the MoTI would have to change how they typically approach these projects.

"For the first time, we took a project management approach and adapted it to that emergency response," said Fraser. "In the past, we would approach emergency repairs not so much as a project, but just as part of our operations."

Once the project team — led by Maike Schimpf, PMP, former Highway 5 corridor director, MoTI, and Kevin Weicker, engineering director for capital projects, MOTI — set their sights on Highway 5, their goal was to get it up and running as quickly as possible. And while they purposefully never made promises to the public, the team was able to open the road to commercial traffic just 35 days after the atmospheric river event occurred.

To read more, click on the link below https://www.pmi.org/businesss o l u t i o n s / c a s e - s t u d i e s / reconnecting-roads-after-massiveflooding

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PMI AFRICA LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE MEETING AT EMARA OLE SERENI, KENYA

Theme – "The Africa We Want: together we can."

From September 7th to 9th, the prestigious Emara Ole Sereni hotel in Nairobi, Kenya, played host to an impactful Pmi Africa Leadership Institute Meeting. The meeting aimed to bring together project management institute local chapter leaders from across Africa, with the goal of fostering transformational leadership and charting a course towards inclusive growth and sustainable development.

Key Highlights:

1. Engaging Sessions with Renowned Leaders: The Leadership Institute Meeting featured captivating sessions led by distinguished leaders from various fields such as government, business, academia, and civil society. These sessions provided a platform for attendees to gain insights, learn from their experiences, and understand the core principles of effective and ethical leadership.

2. Interactive Workshops: The meeting incorporated interactive workshops that focused on key leadership competencies, such as communication, decision-making, strategic thinking, and emotional intelligence. Participants were given the opportunity to enhance their leadership skills through practical exercises, collaborative discussions, and case studies. 3. Peer Networking and

Collaboration: The meeting facilitated networking opportunities, allowing leaders to connect, share ideas, and foster collaborations. This platform not only provided a space for building professional relationships but also created an environment for sharing best practices and learning from each other's successes and challenges.

4. Diversity and Inclusion: The meeting emphasized the importance of diversity and inclusion in leadership. Sessions explored topics such as gender equality, cultural sensitivity, and inclusive decision-making, aiming to promote a more equitable and representative leadership landscape in Africa.

5. Personal Development and Growth: The meeting acknowledged the need for continuous personal development for effective leadership. Attendees had access to resources, tools, and guidance to further their growth, enhance their leadership capabilities, and develop resilience in the face of complex challenges.

Conclusion:

The PMI Africa Leadership Institute Meeting held at Emara Ole Sereni in Nairobi provided a valuable platform for leaders across various countries to enhance their leadership skills, foster collaboration, and promote transformational leadership practices. With engaging sessions, interactive workshops, peer networking, and a focus on diversity and personal development, the meeting empowered attendees with the knowledge and inspiration needed to lead with vision and integrity.

As leaders return to their organizations and communities, it is expected that they carry with them a renewed commitment to drive positive change, foster inclusivity, and lead by example. The impact of the Leadership Institute Meeting is expected to ripple throughout African countries as participants leverage their enhanced leadership skills and collaborate with like-minded individuals to advance sustainable development and prosperity in our nations.

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'THE AFRICA WE WANT: Together We Can' - The Successful Project Management Institute African Conference in Nairobi, Kenya

The Project Management Institute (PMI) African Conference, held in Nairobi, Kenya, under the theme 'Africa We Want: Together We Can,' was a remarkable event that brought together project management professionals, experts, and enthusiasts from across Africa. The conference, held in the vibrant city of Nairobi, provided a platform for knowledge sharing, networking, and collaboration to drive change and shape the future of project management in the African context. The conference started from the 10th to the 12th of September 2023.

Theme: Africa We Want: Together We Can

The central theme of the conference, 'Africa We Want: Together We Can,' emphasized the importance of collaboration and unity in achieving the collective aspirations of Africa. The conference aimed to ignite discussions, identify challenges and opportunities, and chart a course for effective project management practices that contribute to sustainable development and inclusive growth on the continent.

Key Highlights:

Expert Speakers: 1. Keynote Recognized experts in the field of project management delivered captivating keynote addresses. sharing their insights on best practices, innovative strategies, and success stories from various sectors across Africa. Their knowledge and experiences inspired attendees and provided valuable guidance for driving successful projects in the African context.

Interactive Workshops: The 2 conference featured interactive workshops facilitated by experienced project management professionals. workshops These focused on developing practical skills and techniques required for effective project planning, execution, and delivery. Attendees had the opportunity to enhance their understanding of project management methodologies and

exchange ideas with peers, fostering a collaborative learning environment.

3. Case Studies and Success Stories: The conference showcased impactful case studies and success stories from diverse projects in sectors such as infrastructure, healthcare, technology, and education. Presenters shared valuable insights into navigating the unique challenges faced in project implementation in Africa and highlighted the potential for success through effective project management practices.

4. Thought-Provoking Panel Discussions: Engaging panel discussions were held on topics including project governance, stakeholder management, risk mitigation. and sustainability. Panelists. of eminent consisting professionals from various industries and organizations, explored solutions to common project management challenges and emphasized the significance of collaboration and shared learning in achieving successful outcomes.

5. Networking and Collaboration Opportunities: The conference provided numerous networking opportunities for participants to connect with industry leaders, experts, and peers in the field of project management. Participants were able to foster new relationships, exchange ideas, and explore potential collaborations that advance project management practices in Africa.

6. Next conference Venue: After leaders balloted, the 2024 African conference will be held in Rwanda, in August. The display of Serious Technological advancement was captivating to participants. The conference was crowned with a fun field dinner gala night.

Conclusion:

The PMI African Conference in Nairobi, Kenya, under the theme 'Africa We Want: Together We Can,' was a resounding success that showcased the commitment and potential of project management in driving positive change on the African continent. Through keynote addresses, interactive workshops, insightful case studies, thought-provoking panel discussions, and networking opportunities. the conference fostered collaboration, shared learning, and innovation among project management professionals. By bringing together a diverse group of individuals who are passionate about project management, the conference

project management, the conference offered a platform to collectively address challenges, explore new approaches, and harness the power of effective project management practices to shape the future of Africa. The PMI African Conference in Nairobi left a lasting impact on all attendees and will serve as a catalyst for continued collaboration, growth, and development in project management.

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14TH AKWAABA BREAKFAST & NETWORKING MEETING

The PMI Ghana Chapter recently held its 14th "Akwaaba" breakfast orientation and networking event at the Coconut Groove Hotel in the month of August 2023. The event, which welcomed new members, is dubbed "Akwaaba" which means "Welcome," and the event lived up to its name, giving attendees the opportunity to connect with others who share similar professional aspirations.

One highlight of the event was the presentation competition, which featured four teams presenting on unique topics. The PMI Ghana Chapter Toastmasters Club assessed each team based on criteria such as presentation, content, logical presentation of ideas, use of project management skills/concepts, and timing.

The event demonstrated the value of getting involved with PMI Ghana Chapter. Not only did attendees have the chance to network and learn from one another, but they also got to showcase their skills and compete in a friendly environment. They were also awarded with certificates of membership.

The PMI Ghana Chapter's "Akwaaba" breakfast meetings provide a fantastic opportunity for new members to get acquainted with the chapter's community and to start building meaningful connections.



UNDERSTANDING THE DIFFERENT TYPES OF INDICATORS AS A PROJECT MANAGEMENT PROFESSIONAL. MY EXPERIENCE FROM THE FIELD.



According to PMI, a project is a temporary endeavor undertaken to create a unique product, service or result. A project is temporary in that it has a defined beginning and end in time, and therefore defined scope and resources. Therefore, indicators are used to determine whether the product, service, or result is achieved. But most often Project Managers get lost with the various types of indicators and what to capture.

An indicator is a key statistical measure selected to help describe or indicate or show the state of a situation concisely, track progress and performance, and act as a guide to decision-making. Indicators provide a clue of how progress is being achieved, as spelled out in the aims and objectives of the project/initiative. They are used as an index or pieces of evidence to evaluate if the project is moving in the right direction, and if it yields expected results. The expressions of indicator could be QUANTITY DATA (number, value, percentage, ratio), and QUALITY DATA (fact, knowledge, experience, change in behavior etc.). Based on these the donors/funder/client will judge the project's successes in reaching its objectives

Today, let me share a simplified summary of the types of indicators I have encountered in my years of managing different projects across different sectors and geography. Now here we go with a summary of <u>a few of them to note;</u> Context indicators; These measure an economic, social or environmental variable concerning an entire region, sector, or group and the project location, as well as relevant national and regional policies and programs. The situation before the project starts, the (baseline) data, primarily from official statistics.

Process indicators; These indicators reflect whether a project is being carried out as planned and how well project activities are being carried out.

Exogenous indicators; These are those that cover factors outside the control of the project but which might affect its outcome of the project.

Proxy indicators; These are an indirect way to measure the subject of interest.

Coverage indicators; These measure the extent to which the target population or landscape or geographic location has received and/or has been reached by the intervention of a project.

Input indicators; These are indicators that measure the human and financial resources, physical facilities, equipment, and supplies that enable the implementation of a project. These are the lowest level of the project result chain

Output indicators; These indicators relate to activities, measured in physical or monetary units/results of project efforts (inputs and processes/activities) at the project level.

Outcome indicators; These measure the project's level of success in improving service accessibility, utilization, or quality.

Impact indicators; They refer to the long-term, cumulative effects of projects over time, beyond the immediate and direct effects on beneficiaries.

Result indicators; These are direct and immediate effect arising from the project activities that provide information on changes of the direct project beneficiaries.

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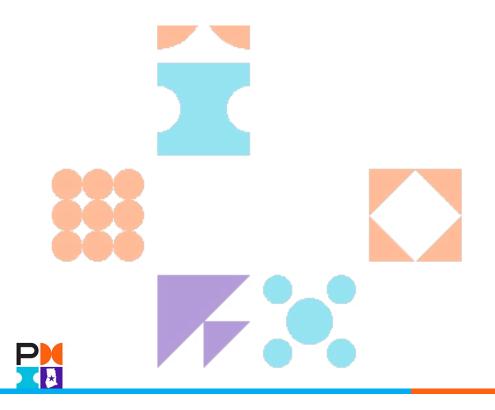
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Meaning: having or showing skill, cleverness, or resourcefulness in handling situations

Part of Speech: Adjective; Adroitly adverb; Adroitness noun

Synonyms: skillful, artful, expert, masterful, etc.

Example: She is adroit at handling problems.





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- 1. Go to www.pmi-ghana.org
- 2. Click on Events
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- 4. Download and complete
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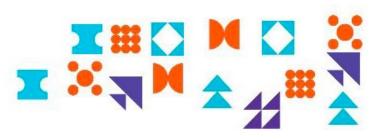


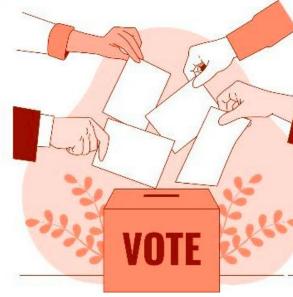
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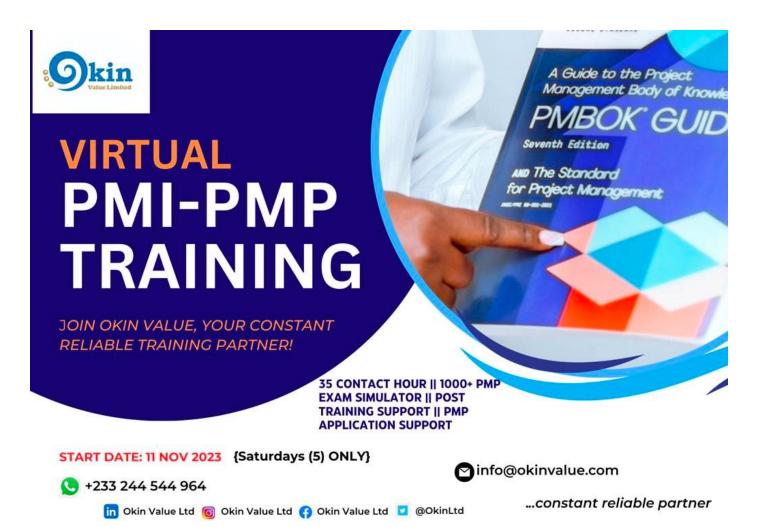
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