Organization Culture and its Impact on Firm Performance

with Special Reference to Listed Companies in Sri Lanka

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Abstract

The goal of this study is to identify the impact of organization culture on firm

performance in listed companies in Sri Lanka. Further we set apart the findings

relating to different industries and compared how firm performance changes in

manufacturing and service organization as culture differs. The purpose of this study

to know; how culture of an organization assists or hinders the organizational

performance. Return on Investment and earning per share was used to measure the

organizational performance.

Our main focus is on Hofstede's cultural dimensions theory and its role in increase

organizational performance. Structured questionnaire used, which consisted of four

parts of Hofstede's culture dimensions (power distance, uncertainty avoidance,

individualism and masculinity) were employed. The samples was selected through

random stratified sampling at sample size of 50 with companies covering both service

and manufacturing industries in western region and survey data use from around 150

respondent which include both manager and employees.

Quantitative research approach was followed and adopted survey method in which a

questionnaire is used to collect the data. Regression and mean models used to test the

research hypothecs. The study variables consisted of both dependent variables and

independent variables, with organization culture being the independent variable and

performance as dependent variable. The findings revealed that culture has a strong

impact on company financial performance while uncertainty avoidance and power

distance clearly indicated major association with organizational culture

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