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**1.Introdution**

**1.1 Overview**

For the first time in the field, we have an opportunity to fully computerize a fully functioning metal crusher site. Since this is new to the field our team have to think freshly and design the way to program the functionalities of the site. The vast range of roles in the site should be implemented in away that it should blend with the culture, adaptive rate, experience and the computer knowledge of the employees in the site.

This desktop application has the ability to monitor the needs and wonts of the vehicles and the machines in the metal crusher accurately by allowing owner, department managers, engineers, technicians and other employees to do their task without any delay. So, we can assume that through the process of digitalization the site can earn more profit.

This system consists of main functionalities as vehicle, generator, crusher, hammer, compressor, loader and the excavator (\*\*should discuss\*\*) maintenance and management, employee, sales and stock management. This system allows the owner to make decisions effectively and accurately.

As the conclusion we can agree that our client Herath metal crusher can move from books and manual registers to modern and updated version which increase the accuracy of the functionalities as well as the speed of accurate decision making. With the digitize management system as well as the experience more than 15years the company have the ability to increase their profits and can stay in the competitive business world for a long time.

**1.2 Company/Client Background**

**Herath Metal Crusher** is our chosen client for the project of Metal Crusher Management System. It was built up in 2006 and is situated in Madawachchiya, Anuradapura. Currently, a manual system is being used for the usage of handling the metal crusher process. Our aim and plan is to build up a new automated system for the metal crusher to manage all their processes efficiently and conveniently. It is situated in a land area of 25-acres.

We discussed with the client, and we shared all our ideas and views of this system. Especially we talked about the parts that can be automated in the metal crusher. He also gave his ideas on what he needs us to do. He has a big plan to build up within this system. His plan is to continue this project with the help of us, until a complete system is been created. Even after the ITP project, we thought of continuing to give our hands on him to make this system a success. Herath Metal Crusher has 35 employees working under them. When we consider the main machinery and vehicles used in this metal crusher site, there are two crusher machines (mini crusher and cone crusher), 6 compressors, 10 hammer machines, 11 excavators, 2 loaders and vehicles including 5 lorries and 2 bolero trucks functioning in this metal crusher. Clients from all over the country come here as they one of the pioneers in metal crusher industry.

Metal crusher Management System to Herath Metal Crusher is a system which helps metal crusher’s maintenance management, administrative tasks management and all the other necessary metal crusher management features. This system is designed to do automate maintenance details about machines and vehicles, manipulate their payments, to handle staff and inventory including spare parts, oil, worker uniforms, tools and other small machinery. Managing all the salaries of the staff and controlling all the stocks and supplier process are also done here. Mainly all the financial remedies are smoothly and swiftly controlled with the hope of forecasting their metal crusher to an optimum peak. In general, this metal crusher management system facilitates the main processes in a metal crusher.

**1.3 Problem Statement and Difficulties they face**

Currently the company does not have an automated system to manage the things. The Plant Manager is a very busy person obviously, so he doesn’t have enough time to sit and manage the entire activities on papers and files. But now as they have no option, they use their manual system to run the crusher processes. Even all the selling and buying transactions including supplier details are recorded manually in invoices and documented into files. All the payments are handled manually through recording in a separate book. The entries of the buying and selling are entered then and there by the staff. The invoices are filed according to the invoice number and documented separately as purchases and sales. Manual documentation of sales and purchase invoices would lead to incorrect calculation of inventory. The problem of maintaining massive number of files which lead to take up space in the building has become one of the major problems at the metal crusher currently. These hardships should be minimized as soon as possible.

Furthermore, there is no proper update on the resort or its inventory. There’s an insufficient handling of finances and payment roles. Sometimes overlapping of bookings occur due lack of updates and misplacements.

The company needs to provide the method sheets and descriptions regarding deliveries and payments when customers requires them and also about supplies, stock and other additional information. But it is impossible to directly get them and also, which makes the service so slow and inefficient. The employees find it difficult to access the supplier details and it’s difficult to manage the payment details when there is a massive amount of transactions together. Duplicate entries are made when writing on invoices and spelling errors might lead to entering to wrong customer’s or supplier’s name.

Since the cash payments are handled manually, the month ended balances might not tally at some situations. The files and invoices tend to get misplaced sometimes and it is unable to store the information. Limited space available to store the physical stack of files and cannot throw away the previous year files which could be needed anytime. It also wastes time when finding an invoice for information.

Moreover, currently the employee attendance is recorded manually and thus their respective wages are calculated according to those manual records. As our client says, it is possible for the employees to get their attendance marked falsely at the current situation. And that may lead in paying them an additional amount which is totally in vain.

There are so many problems and difficulties faced by the crusher currently, due to the lack of a proper automated system.

**1.4 Proposed Solution**

As a solution for the above-mentioned problems and situation faced by the client company, we as developers have decided to develop an automated system to make the company process more reliable and accurate. The manual system which is currently used by the client company is time consuming and brings out a low performance. Hence these matters would be solved out through the proposed system.

The proposed system allows its staff and all users to enter all the transactions which are related to its inventory to be stored for later use. So that the data entered would be stored in an order and also the information will not be misplaced. For more protection, a backup system can be maintained.

This system will also solve the problem it has with the lack of space, which the massive number of files fill up. All the data entered will be stored in the database of the proposed system. The information of this system can be accessed by any managerial level in the company but through security credentials.

We have so many proposed solutions to bring this resort into an optimum level.

**2.Benefits**

**Ensure Maintenance of Data Integrity**

In the same way how documentation is done manually is done here too, but within an automated system. All the information regarding the stocks, salaries, customers, employees, finances, rooms, supplier details and payment management of the company are stored document-wise for each month. The documents are stored and the users can retrieve documents for reference. The documents are well maintained by the system and systematically organized which makes the user to understand the data contained within them. All the documents of the system are alphabetically stored and listed within the computerized system.

**Ensure Maintenance of Data Integrity**

The major problem of possessing duplicate data in the manual system is restricted in the automated system. It would notify the user when entering the same data twice to the system and make sure the errors are easily identified. The system will be processing at an optimum level by helping the users to store only the relevant to the system

**Ensure Security of the System**

The Inventory Management System is developed to manage regular operations with unforeseen break-downs. The system seek permission to save a backup copy before user shuts down the system after work. It provides users with logging credentials which includes a password and a username. According to designations and managerial level the logging credentials vary from user to user. Include functionality such as resetting the password and disabling a key to sign in.

**Allows Access for Different Managerial Levels to the System**

Not only the manager operations who handle the transactions have access to the system, but also the general manager and the sales representatives, even though when extracting information from the device, various restrictions may occur for different levels.

**Work Efficiently**

The users have the advantage of retrieving the data in less than a minute which help them to efficiently complete their work with accurate and reliable data. The device guarantees efficiency for its users at the optimal level.