

Administrator's User Manual for Saffron HRMS



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1.0 Audience

This document is intended as a complete guide for using Saffron HRMS. This document is specially designed for non-specialists; specialists may find the document a useful point of reference. By reading this guide, you will learn how to use Saffron HRMS through the elements of the graphical user interface and what's behind some of the advanced features that are not always obvious at first sight. It will hopefully guide you around some common problems that frequently appear for users of Saffron HRMS.

2.0 Supported Environment

2.1 Minimum Hardware Requirements

- Processor Intel x86 Architecture 3GHz processor or equivalent
- RAM 2 GB RAM
- Hard Disk 40GB

2.2 Software Requirements

- Operating System Windows XP, Windows 7, Windows Server 2003, Windows Server 2008, Linux distributions such as Ubuntu, Fedora, Red hat.
- Apache Version Apache 2.2
- MySql Version 5.1.36
- PHP Version 5.3.5, 5.2.10-2Ubuntu6.4
- Browser Internet Explorer 8, Firefox, Google Chrome, Safari

*Note: JavaScript should be enabled in all the browsers

• Web Server Packages - XAMPP, WAMPP, LAMPP

*Note: If PHP, MySql & Apache are manually configured, web server packages are not required.



^{*}Note: This configuration will support up to 100 users. If you have more users, this configuration may not be sufficient. Please contact saffronsupport@techindyeah.com to get the optimized hardware requirements.



3.0 Installing Saffron HRMS

Saffron HRMS is installed in three steps:

- 1. Unzip the package.
- 2. Upload the Saffron HRMS folders and files to your server. Normally the welcome.php file will be at your root.
- 3. Open the "application/config/database.php" file with a text editor and choose your database name, username and password.

(By default Name of Database is "db_saffron_hrms", Username of Database is "root" and password field is blank.)

That's it!

If you're new to Saffron HRMS, please read the User Guide to begin learning how to use Saffron HRMS.

Enjoy!!!!





4.0 The System

Log-in to the Saffron HRMS System using the Administrator account that you created.



Figure 1.0: Login Panel





5.0 Admin Module

The Admin Module provides you with full control of all settings that affect the action of your Saffron HRMS implementation. Through the Admin Module, you can:

- Define the company hierarchy, pay grades, work shifts, projects, qualifications etc.
- Add other administrators, and set access levels for each user
- Handle security issues
- Configure email notifications

The Admin Module is the central control of the system and setting it up accurately is important for smooth operation.

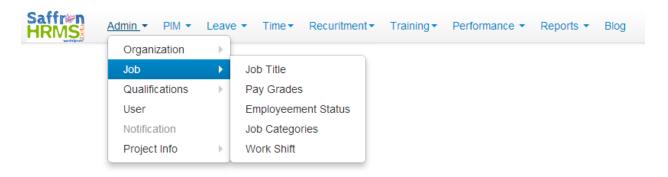


Figure 1.1: Admin Module

The Admin Module consists of:

Organization: Allows the Admin to enter/store general company info, structure of the organization and locations of sites.

Job: Allows the Admin to define job titles, pay grades, employment status, job categories and work shifts.

Qualifications: Define various skills set, education background, license types and languages

User: Add multiple Admin who will control the system, create logins for general users through ESS Users.

Notification: Define different nationalities

Project Info: Allows the Admin to define Projects and Customers.





5.1 Organization

All information about the organization, the structure and locations are defined here.

General Information

Basic details of the company can be entered on this screen. To start adding information, go to Admin>> Organization>> General Information and click "Edit".

Click "Update" once fields are entered as shown in Figure 1.2.

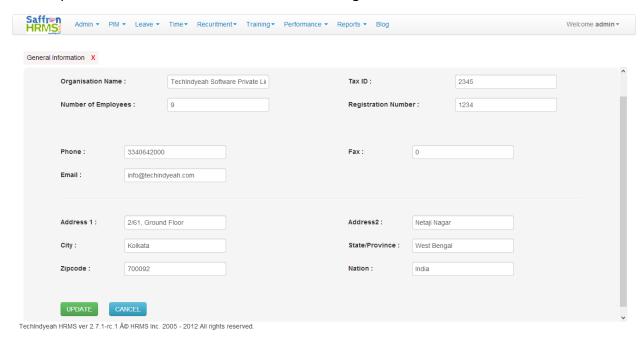


Figure 1.2: General Information





Locations

Under Locations, the Admin can add details of sites and branches of the company. You are also able to track the number of employees working for a particular location once employees are tagged to the locations when building up the PIM Module.

To add a location go to Admin>>Organization>>Location and click "Add" and the screen as shown in Figure 1.3 would appear.

Click "Create" once the fields are added.

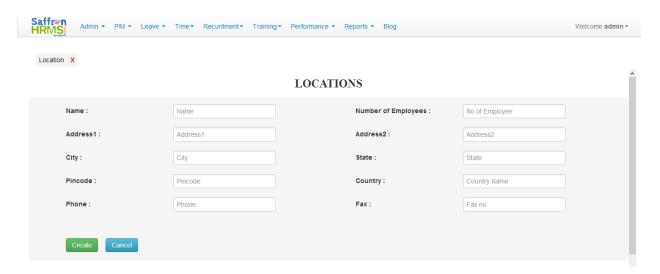


Figure 1.3: Add Location

Once a location is added, it will be listed as shown in Figure 1.4. You may also enter multiple locations. You may edit location details by clicking upon detail.

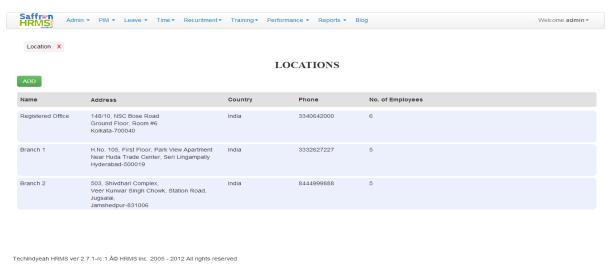


Figure 1.4: Location List





To delete a location click on the detail and click the Delete button simply.

Structure

This feature allows the admin to define the hierarchy of the company by defining sub units. Since the parent company is already defined in the General Information, it would automatically appear in the Company Structure screen.

*Note: You need to define the company name of the parent company before you create the Company Structure.

To add a sub- unit to the company structure, go to Admin>> Organization>> Structure and click on [+] as shown in Figure 1.5 and the screen shown in Figure 1.6 would appear.



Figure 1.5: Add Sub-Unit

Figure 1.6: Sub-Unit Details

*Note: Company Structure may be defined according to the company's specifications and hierarchy. When entering the fields, you need to specify if the sub-unit is a Department, Division or Team.

Once you have entered the field, click "Save" and the Sub-Unit will appear as shown in Figure 3.1.

Figure 3.1: Sub-Unit Structure

You may also add further sub-units by clicking [+] option next to the relevant fields to indicate the hierarchy levels of the company and create a pyramidal structure of your organization as shown in Figure 3.2.

Figure 3.2: Company Structure Hierarchy

To delete an entry, you can simply click "[x]" next to the relevant sub units. Click "Done" below the screen to save the information. You can also collapse/expand the sub-units by clicking on the (-) and (+) on the right hand side of the sub-units to further view the company structure hierarchy.





5.2 Job

All job related information can be defined in this feature. The sub menu consists of the following items:

- Job Titles
- Pay Grades
- Employment Status
- Job Categories
- Work Shifts

Job Titles

The job titles specific to the company can be defined in this option. To add an entry, go to Admin>> Job>> Job Titles and click "Add". A screen as shown in Figure 1.7 would appear.

Click "Create" once the fields are added.

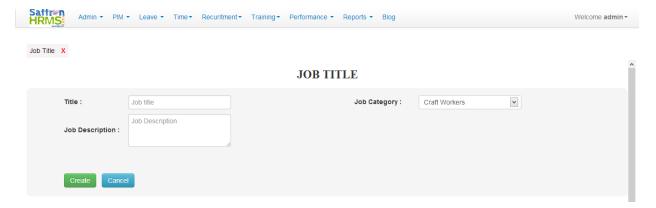


Figure 1.7: Add Job Title

A list of job title(s) will appear as shown in Figure 1.8. You may also enter multiple job titles. You may view Job Title details in lower section of the screen.





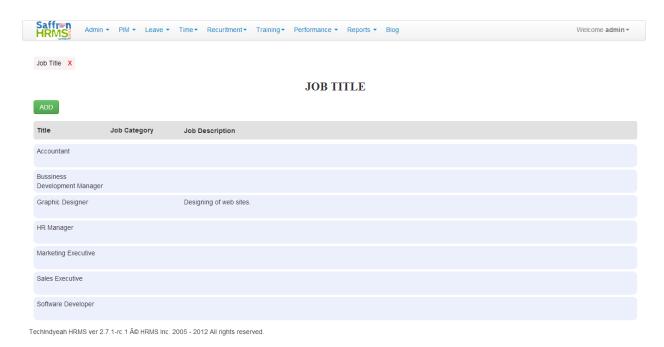


Figure 1.8: Job Title List

To delete a Job Title click on the text and click on "Delete" button. It is also possible to modify entries if someone inserts wrong detail, by simply clicking "Update" button as shown in figure 1.9.



Figure 1.9: Job Title with delete and update option





Pay Grades

The Admin can define the pay grade by setting a minimum salary, maximum salary, step increase, and the currency to be paid in. To add an entry, go to Admin>>Job>> Pay Grades and click "Add" and a screen as shown in Figure 2.0 would appear.

Click "Create" once the fields are added.

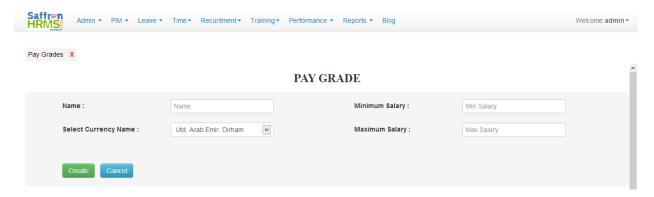
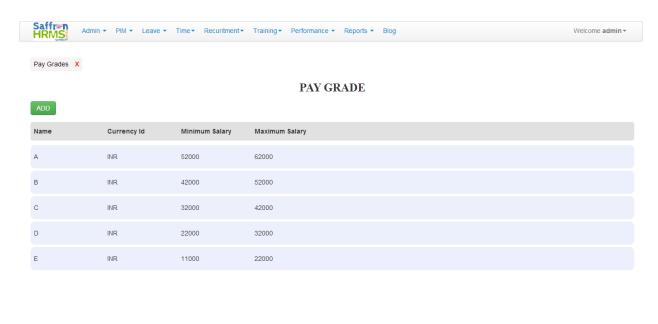


Figure 2.0: Add Pay Grade

A list of pay grade(s) will appear as shown in Figure 2.1. You may also enter multiple pay grades. You may view Pay Grades details in lower section of the screen.



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Figure 2.1: Pay Grades List





To delete a Pay Grade click on the text and click on "Delete" button. It is also possible to modify entries if someone inserts wrong detail, by simply clicking "Update" button as shown in

Figure 2.2.

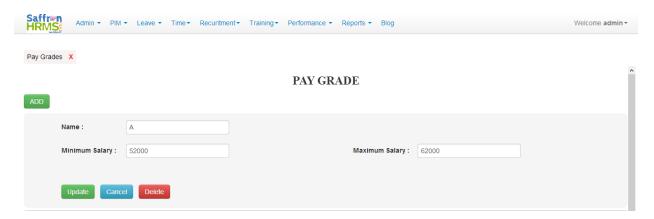


Figure 2.2: Pay Grades with delete and update option

Employment Status

Employment Status allows you to define the status of employment employees are hired for or if they are terminated. To add an entry, go to Admin>> Job>> Employment Status and click "Add" and a screen as shown in Figure 2.3 would appear.

Click "Create" once the fields are added.



Figure 2.3: Add Employment Status

A list of Employment Status will appear as shown in Figure 2.4. You may also enter multiple Employment Status .You may view Employment Status details in lower section of the screen.







Figure 2.4: Employment Status List

To delete a Employment Status click on the text and click on "Delete" button. It is also possible to modify entries if someone inserts wrong detail, by simply clicking "Update" button as shown in

Figure 2.5.

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Figure 2.5: Employment Status with delete and update option





Job Categories

This feature allows the Admin to create job categories specific to the company to aggregate job classifications.

To add an entry, go to Admin>> Job>> Job Categories and click on "Add" and a screen as shown in Figure 2.6 would appear

Click "Create" once the fields are added.

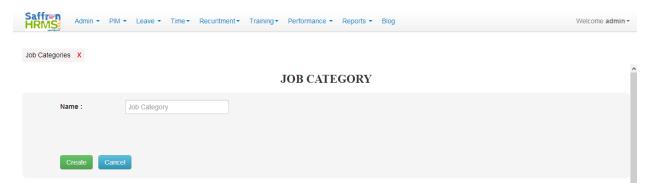


Figure 2.6: Add Job Categories

A list of Job Categories will appear as shown in Figure 2.7. You may also enter multiple Job Categories. You may view Job Categories details in lower section of the screen.

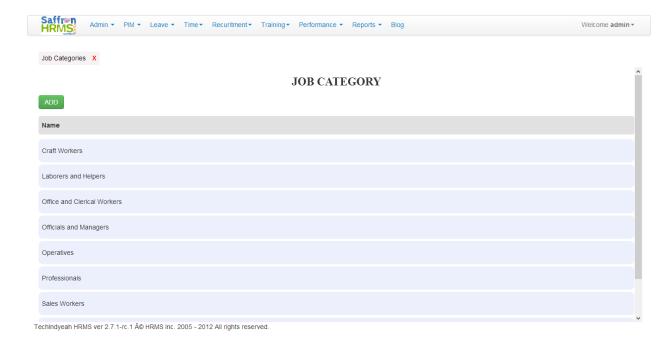


Figure 2.7: Job Categories List





To delete an Employment Status click on the text and click on "Delete" button. It is also possible to modify entries if someone inserts wrong detail, by simply clicking "Update" button as shown in figure 2.8.

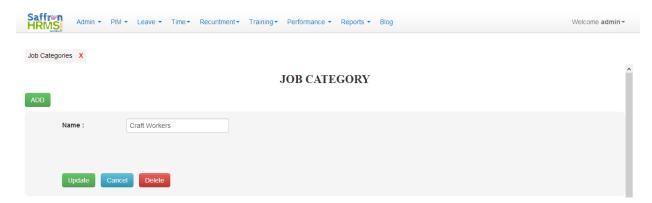


Figure 2.8: Job Categories with delete and update option

Work Shifts

In this feature the Admin can define work shifts for an individual or a group of employees. To add an entry, go to Admin>> Job>> Work Shifts and click "Add" and a screen as shown in Figure 2.9 would appear.

Click "Create" once the fields are added.

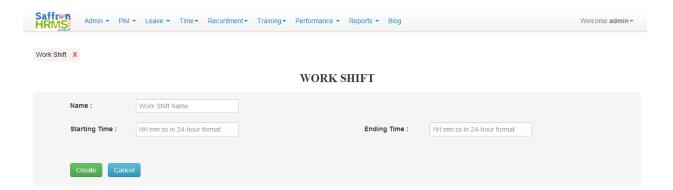


Figure 2.9: Add Work Shifts





A list of Work Shifts will appear as shown in Figure 3.0. You may also enter multiple Work Shifts. You may view Work Shifts details in lower section of the screen.

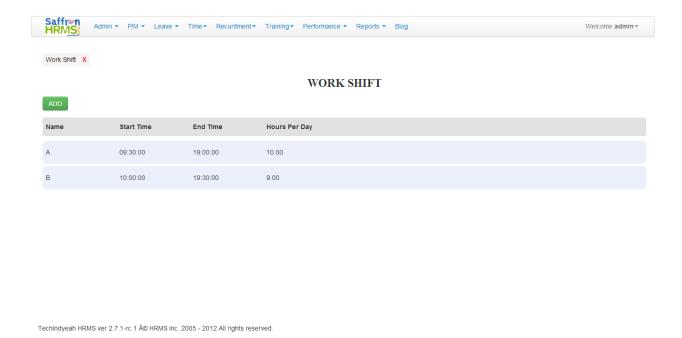


Figure 3.0: Work Shifts List

To delete a Work Shifts click on the text and click on "Delete" button. It is also possible to modify entries if someone inserts wrong detail, by simply clicking "Update" button as shown in figure 3.1.

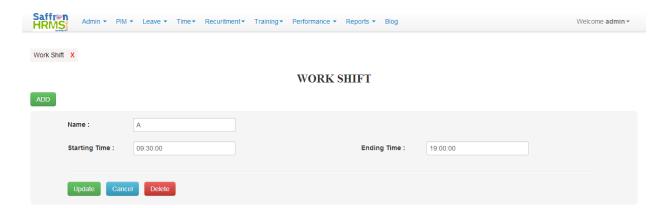


Figure 3.1: Work Shifts with delete and update option





5.3 Qualifications

This feature allows you to define all information with regards to employees' qualifications. The sub-menu consists of:

- Skills
- Education
- Licenses
- Languages

Skills

You can define various sets of skills which can be later used on the PIM Module. To add an entry go to Admin>> Qualifications>> Skills and click "Add" and a screen as shown in Figure 3.2 would appear.

Click "Create" once the fields are added.



Figure 3.2: Add Skills

A list of Skills will appear as shown in Figure 3.3. You may also enter multiple Skills. You may view Skills details in lower section of the screen.





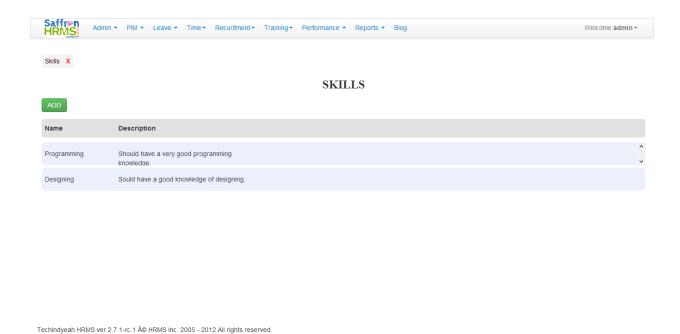


Figure 3.3: Skills List

To delete a Skills click on the text and click on "Delete" button. It is also possible to modify entries if someone inserts wrong detail, by simply clicking "Update" button as shown in figure 3.4.

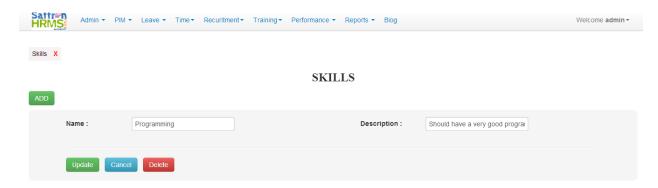


Figure 3.4: Skills with delete and update option

Education

You can define various types of educational qualifications which can be later used in the PIM Module. To add an entry select Admin>> Qualifications>> Education and click "Add", a screen as shown in Figure 3.5 would appear.

Click "Create" once the fields are added.





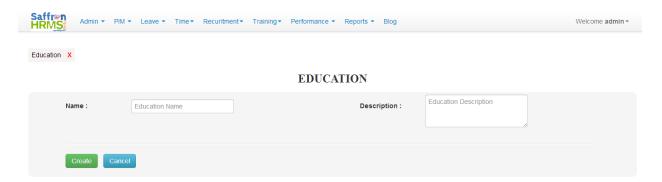


Figure 3.5: Add Education

A list of Education will appear as shown in Figure 3.6. You may also enter multiple Educations. You may view Education details in lower section of the screen.

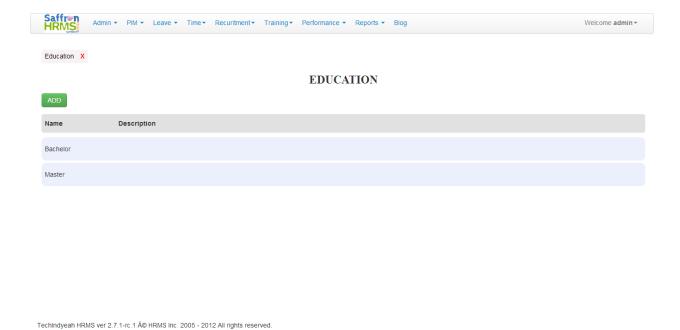


Figure 3.6: Education List

To delete a Education click on the text and click on "Delete" button. It is also possible to modify entries if someone inserts wrong detail, by simply clicking "Update" button as shown in figure 3.7.





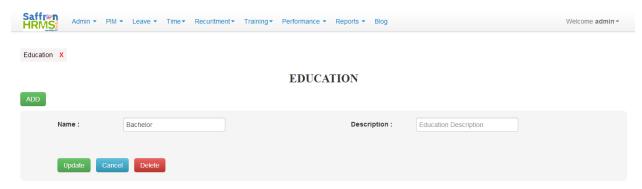


Figure 3.7: Education with delete and update option

License

You can define various types of licenses which can be later used in the PIM Module. To add an entry go to Admin>> Qualifications>> Licenses and click "Add", a screen as shown in Figure 3.8 would appear.

Click "Create" once the fields are added.

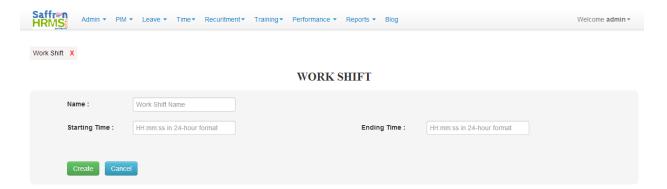


Figure 3.8: Add Licenses

A list of Licenses will appear as shown in Figure 3.9. You may also enter multiple Licenses. You may view Licenses details in lower section of the screen.





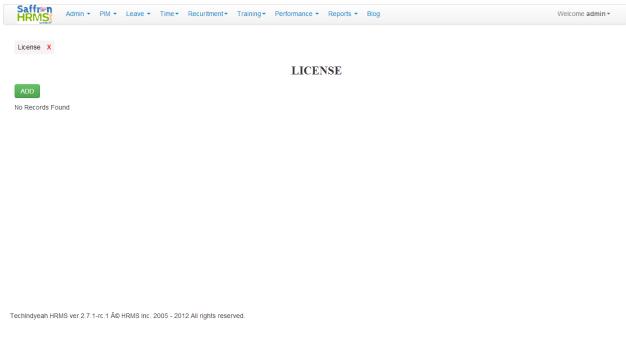


Figure 3.9: Licenses List

To delete a Licenses click on the text and click on "Delete" button. It is also possible to modify entries if someone inserts wrong detail, by simply clicking "Update" button as shown in figure 4.0.

No licence is filled so unable to show the screenshot.

Figure 4.0: Licenses with delete and update option

Languages

Different types of languages that employees in your company speak can be defined here and can be used in The PIM Module later. To add an entry, go to Admin>> Qualifications>>Languages and click "Add", a screen as shown in Figure 4.1 would appear.

Click "Create" once the fields are added.







Figure 4.1: Add Languages

A list of Languages will appear as shown in Figure 4.2. You may also enter multiple Languages. You may view Languages details in lower section of the screen.

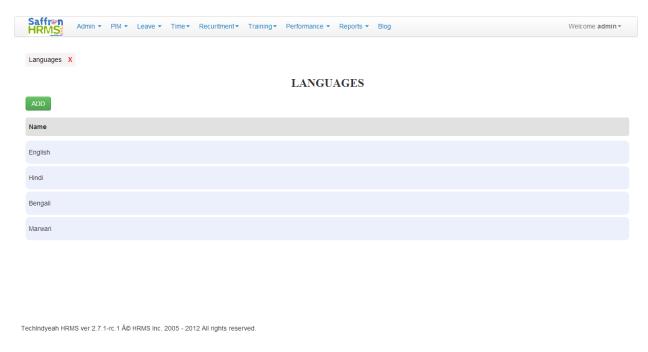


Figure 4.2: Languages List

To delete a Languages click on the text and click on "Delete" button. It is also possible to modify entries if someone inserts wrong detail, by simply clicking "Update" button as shown in figure 4.3.







Figure 4.3: Languages with delete and update option

5.4 User Management

This feature allows the Admin to administer users by creating logins and defining privileges by assigning User Types (Administrator or others).

To add a system user, go to Admin>> User and click "Add", a screen as shown in Figure 4.4 would appear.

Click "Create" once the fields are added.

*Note: An employee list needs to be created first under the PIM Module to create user logins. Alternatively, a user login could be created when adding employees under the PIM Module.

To create a user login the following needs to be entered:

- **User Role**: You can assign user roles for each user whether they would fall under as an "Administrator" or "Other" user type to define their user rights.
 - -> Admin: have access full access to the system.
 - ->Other: limited access to the system. It could be Developer or Normal user.
 - Developer: where the user has access to his/her particulars and his/her Subordinates particulars.
 - 2. Normal user: where the user has access only to his/her particulars.
- Employee Name





- * If an Admin is an existing employee, he/she needs to be defined in the PIM Module
- Username
- Password
- Confirm Password (Re-enter the password)
- Work Shift

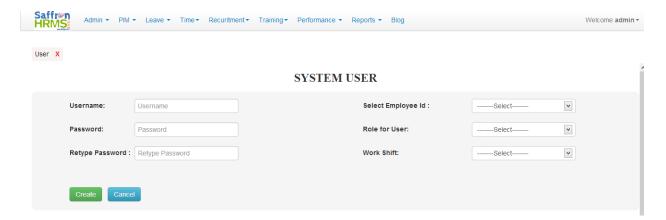


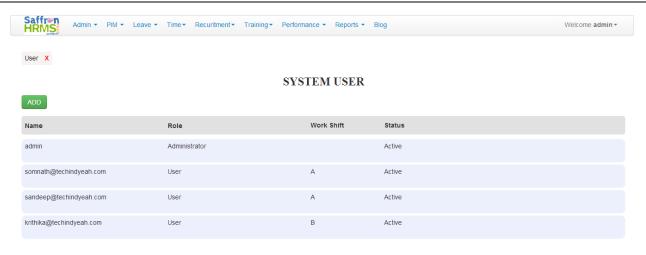
Figure 4.4: Add User

A list of user logins as shown in Figure 4.5 would appear once an entry is added. You may also add multiple entries of user logins. The default system user available will be Admin and has full access to the system.

*Note: System User Logins need to be communicated manually to employees.







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Figure 4.4: System Users List

To delete a System User click on the text and click on "Delete" button. It is also possible to modify entries if someone insert wrong detail or you change permission to particular user, by simply clicking "Update" button as shown in figure 4.5.

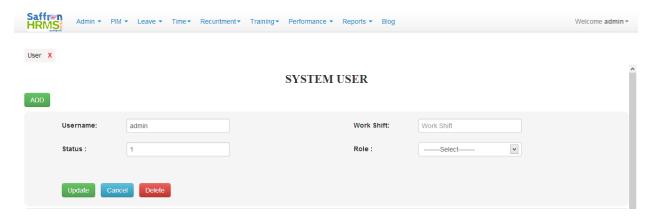


Figure 4.5: System Users with delete and update option





5.6 Project Info

This feature allows the Admin to keeps all the records of projects and customers i.e. at a particular time how many project does a company have , who are the project manager of which project and which project is completed and which are not. Similarly it will contain all details about the customers i.e. which customer is ordered for which project and what is the last date for project submission.

Projects

To add a project, go to Admin >> Project Info >> Projects and click "Add", a screen as shown in Figure 4.6 would appear.

Click "Create" once the fields are added.

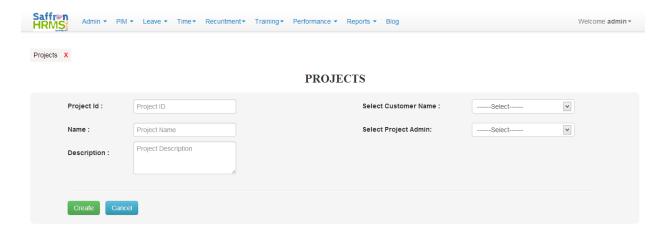
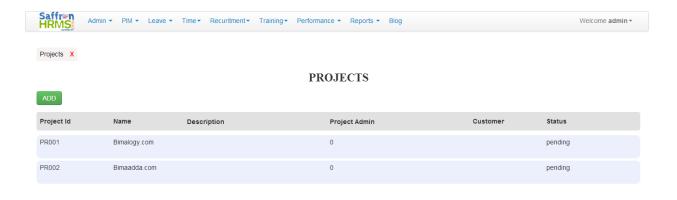


Figure 4.6: Add Projects

A list of Projects will appear as shown in Figure 4.7. You may also enter multiple Projects. You may view Projects details in lower section of the screen.







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Figure 4.7: Projects List

To delete a Projects click on the text and click on "Delete" button. It is also possible to modify entries if someone inserts wrong detail, by simply clicking "Update" button as shown in figure 4.8.

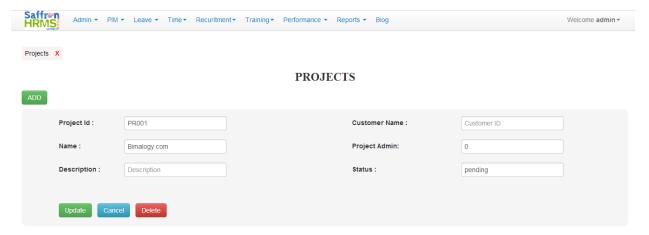


Figure 4.8: Projects with delete and update option





Customer

To add a Customer, go to Admin >> Project Info >> Customer and click "Add", a screen as shown in Figure 4.9 would appear.

Click "Create" once the fields are added.

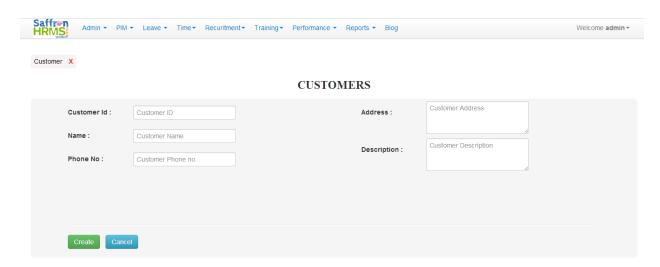


Figure 4.9: Add Customer

A list of Customer will appear as shown in Figure 5.0. You may also enter multiple Customers. You may view Customer details in lower section of the screen.

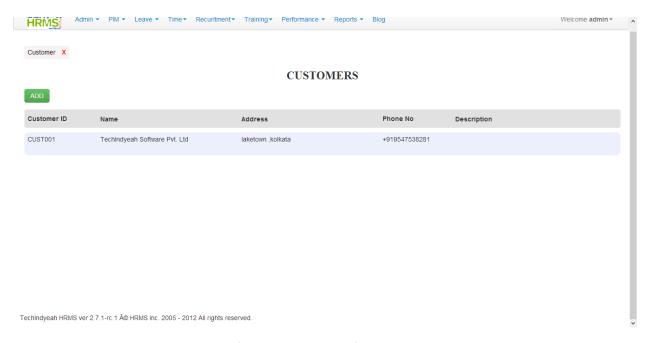


Figure 5.0: Customer List





To delete a Customer click on the text and click on "Delete" button. It is also possible to modify entries if someone inserts wrong detail, by simply clicking "Update" button as shown in figure 5.1.

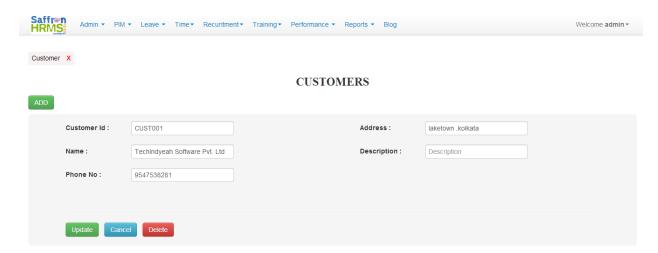


Figure 5.1: Customer with delete and update option





6.0 PIM Module

The PIM Module provides you with full control of all settings for all employees. Through the PIM Module, you can:

- Search all the details of any employee and modified it according to need.
- Add new employee for the company
- Add different jobs for different employee.

The PIM Module is the central control for controlling employee's details information and setting it up accurately is important for smooth operation.

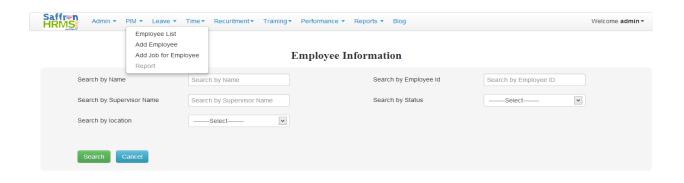


Figure 5.2: PIM Module

The PIM Module consists of:

Employee List: Allows the Admin to search any details or information about any employee within the company.

Add Employee: Allows the Admin to add or delete employee.

Add Job for Employee: Allow the admin to add particular job for particular employee.

Reports: Allow admin to generate information reports according to need.





Employee List

To search about an employee, go to PIM >>Employee List, a screen as shown in Figure 5.3 would appear.

Click "Search" once the fields are added.

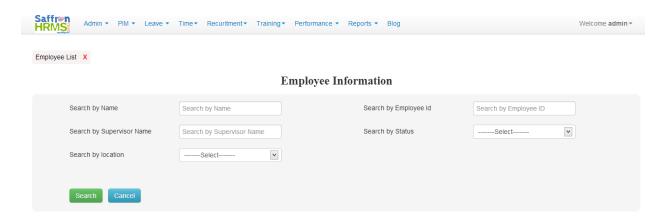


Figure 5.3: Search Employee Information

A detail information will appear as shown in Figure 5.4 regarding your query.

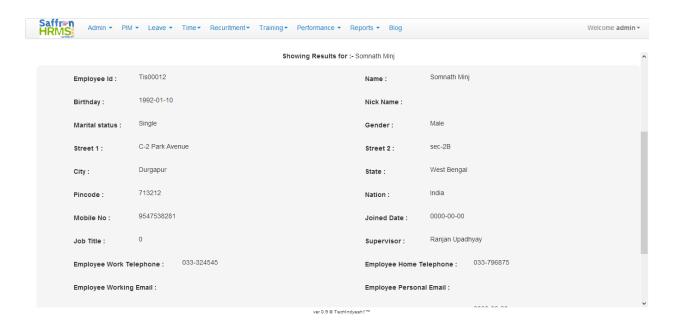


Figure 5.4: Detail Information for Query





Add Employee

To add an employee, go to PIM >>Add Employee and click "Add", a screen as shown in Figure 5.5 would appear.

Click "Create" once the fields are added.

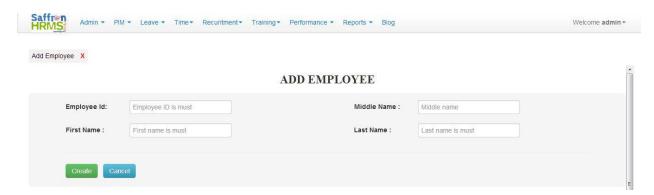


Figure 5.5: Add Employee

A list of Employee will appear as shown in Figure 5.6. You may also enter multiple Employees. You may view Employee details in lower section of the screen.

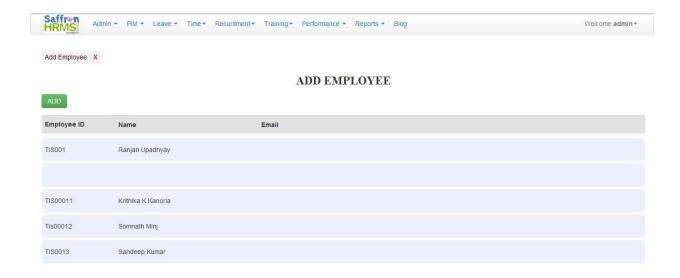


Figure 5.6: Employee List





To delete a Employee click on the text and click on "Delete" button. It is also possible to modify entries if someone inserts wrong detail, by simply clicking "Update" button as shown in figure 5.7.

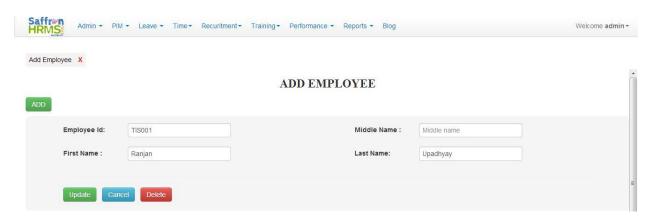


Figure 5.7: Add employee with delete and update option

Add job for Employee

To add a Job for employee, go to PIM >>Add Job for Employee and select an employee, a screen as shown in Figure 5.8 would appear.

Click "Add" once the fields are added.

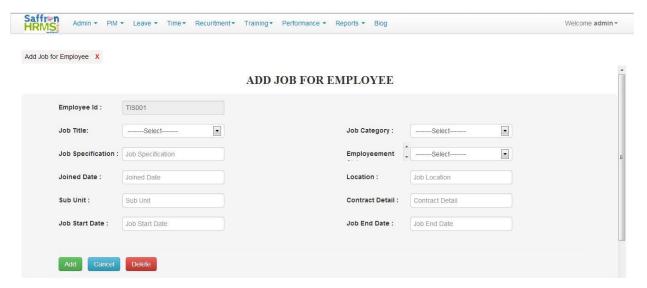


Figure 5.8: Add Job for Employee





A list of employee will appear as shown in Figure 5.9.

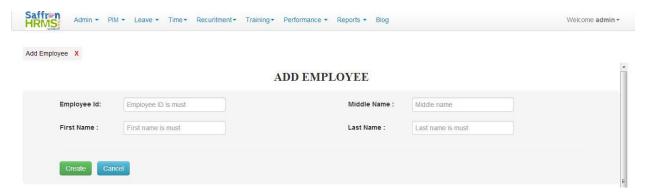


Figure 5.9: Employee List





7.0 Leave Module

The Leave Module provides you with full control of leave management for all employees i.e. which employee have how much leaves entitle, how much leaves he has already taken and how many leaves he has left. Through the Leave Module, you can:

- Search all the details of leave for any employee.
- Grant or reject leave application.
- Assign leave for any employee.

The Leave Module is the central control for controlling employee's details information about leave.

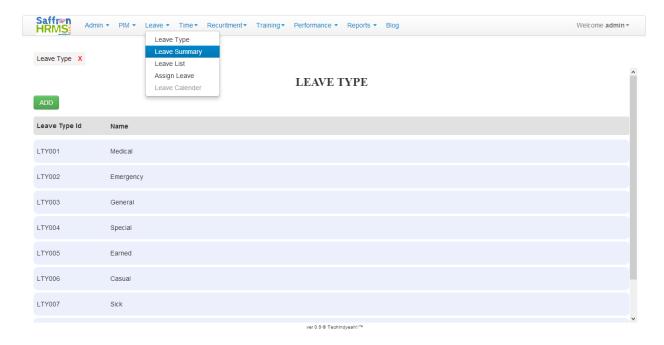


Figure 6.0: Leave Module

The Leave Module consists of:

Leave Type: Allows the Admin to add or delete different types of leave given in the company.

Leave Summary: Allows the Admin to search leave detail for any employee.

Leave List: Allow the admin to view all the application for leave.

Assign Leave: Allow admin to assign leave for any employee.





Leave type:



Figure 6.1: Leave type

Leave summary:

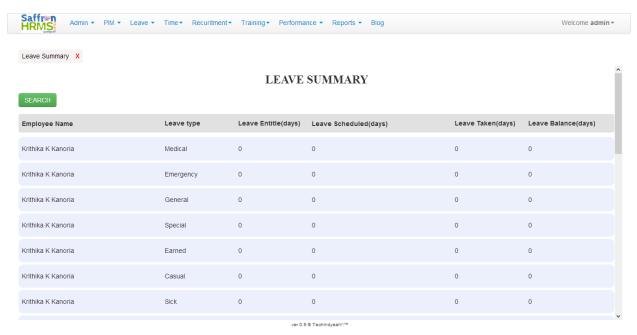


Figure 6.2: Leave summary





Leave list:

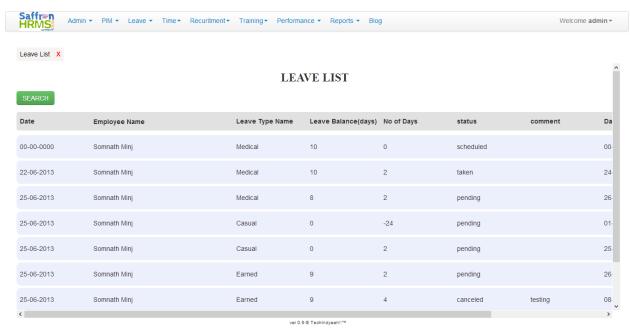


Figure 6.3: Leave list

Assign leave:

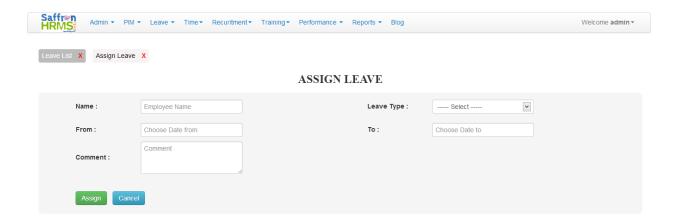


Figure 6.4: Assign Leave

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7.0 Time Module

The Time Module provides you with full control of searching about any employee's attendance or timesheet records. Through the Time Module, you can:

- Search all the details of attendance for any employee for a particular day.
- Admin can calculate total working hours through this module.

The Time Module is the central control for controlling employee's details information about attendance or keeping the records of total working hours.

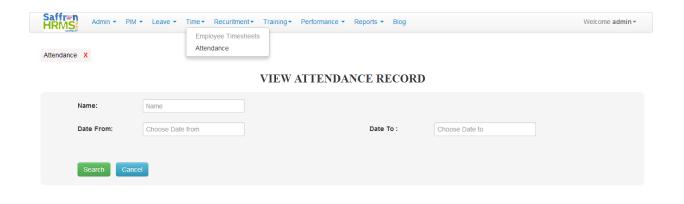


Figure 6.5: Time Module

The Leave Module consists of:

Employee Timesheet: Allows the Admin to add or delete different types of leave given in the company.

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Attendance: Allows the Admin to search leave detail for any employee.





Attendance:

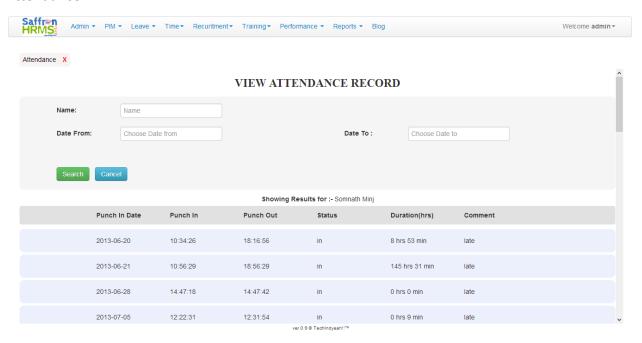


Figure 6.6: Attendance





11.0 Troubleshooting

During the Installation Process:

1. Are you receiving the following error message while installing Saffron HRMS?

Access denied for user 'root'@'localhost' (using password: NO). Please Check if Privileged Database Username and Password Correct.

This is due to an invalid MySql username or password. Once you provide a valid MySql username and password, the installation process can be continued.

2. Give a unique Database Name...

Database (end) already exists.

The set up will not allow you to have duplicate database names. If you have previously installed the Saffron HRMS application with the same database name, you need to provide a different Database Name for the Saffron HRMS system that is being installed. Therefore, make sure that the Database Name given for each Saffron HRMS system installed is unique.

