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- ❖ [Networked Digital Library of Theses and Dissertations](#) (NDLTD):
This site is run by the UCT-CS Digital Libraries Laboratory on behalf of the Networked Digital Library of Theses and Dissertations, Metadata for all theses and dissertations produced internationally are collected and made accessible, as well as disseminated further, from this site.
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The Shodhganga@INFLIBNET Centre provides a platform for research students to deposit their Ph.D. theses and make it available to the entire scholarly community in open access. The repository has the ability to capture, index, store, disseminate and preserve ETDs submitted by the researchers.
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- ❖ [Hong Kong University Theses online](#):
The HKU Scholars Hub is the institutional repository of The University of Hong Kong. As a key vehicle of HKU's Knowledge Exchange Initiative, The Hub strives to make HKU authors and their research very visible, with the goal of increasing all forms of collaboration.



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Management Associations

- ❖ [The Association of Management Development Institutions in South Asia \(AMDISA\)](#)
Established in 1988, with the initiative of leading management development institutions in the South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation (SAARC) region. AMDISA is an international not-for-profit association.
- ❖ [All India Management Association \(AIMA\)](#).
Founded in the year 1957, All India Management Association (AIMA) is an apex body of management with over 30,000 individual members, 3000 institutional members and 60 Local Management Association across India and overseas.
- ❖ [Association of Indian Management Schools \(AIMS\)](#)
AIMS is a networking organisation of business schools in India.
- ❖ [Bombay Management Association \(BMA\)](#)
This is India's most premier Management Association, established in 1954. It is an Independent non-profit making entity, which focuses on providing a wide range of services aimed at enhancing managerial effectiveness in a broad sphere of activities with a common desire to improve the standards of Business Management in India.
- ❖ [World Federation of People Management Associations \(WFPMA\)](#).
The WFPMA is a global network of professionals in people management. It was founded in 1976 to aid the development and improve the effectiveness of professional people management all over the world.

General Information Links

- ❖ **[American Library Association Standards & Guidelines for Library:](#)**
This list includes documents entitled "standards" and "guidelines" as well as other documents of a similar nature entitled "statements," "rules," and "criteria." Only those documents entitled "standards" and "guidelines" have been reviewed by the ALA Standards Review Committee for consistency with ALA policy. The intent of this list is to present ALA's official standards and guidelines and to also include additional documents prepared and endorsed by various ALA units for the purpose of helping others improve library service.



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❖ **APA Referencing - 6th Edition:**

The American Psychological Association reference style uses the Author-Date format. Refer to the Publication Manual of the American Psychological Association (6th ed.) for more information. Check the Library Catalogue for call number and location(s). When quoting directly or indirectly from a source, the source must be acknowledged in the text by author name and year of publication. If quoting directly, a location reference such as page number(s) or paragraph number is also required.

❖ **Conversion rates for publishers & Booksellers:**

The Federation of Publishers' & Booksellers' Associations in India is the oldest and the largest representative body of Publishers, Booksellers, Wholesalers Publishers' Representatives etc. in the country and has been at the forefront of promoting books in India and abroad

❖ **Culture Crossing.net: A guide to cross-cultural etiquette & understanding**

CultureCrossing.net is an evolving database of cross-cultural information about every country in the world. This user-built guide allows people from all walks of life to share essential tips with each other about how to navigate our increasingly borderless world with savvy and sensitivity. Easy to navigate and free to use, CultureCrossing.net provides an opportunity for travelers, business people and students.

❖ **Economics Network**

The Economics Network is based at and supported by the University of Bristol. It receives funding from the Royal Economic Society, the Scottish Economic Society and the London School of Economics and Political Science. The network has been supporting economics lecturers, teachers and students for twelve years. Free Resources for Teaching Statistics: workshops for social scientists.

❖ **Government of India Web Directory:**

GOI Web Directory - A one-point source to access all Indian Government Websites at all levels and from all sectors. This section provides you with information and useful links to avail various Citizen Services being provided by the Central & State/UT Governments in India. . Keep visiting this section for new updates.



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- ❖ [Indian Railway Catering and Tourism Corporation Ltd.\(IRCTC\)](#)
Online Railway Bookings, Flights, Hotels, Tour packages, Cabs.....
- ❖ [International Organization for Standardization](#)
International Standards for Business, Government and Society (Quality Management)
- ❖ [Maps of India](#)
India Map provides a wide range of maps that one may need. Right from the state and union territory map along with their capitals, to the national highway map, Indian railway network map, important tourist centre maps, to easily printable maps for school children, Indian assembly election maps, history of India map, political and physical maps of India to maps on Indian census.
- ❖ [Reserve Bank of India Publications:](#)
Provide list of documents published Annually, Half-yearly, Quarterly, Monthly, and Weekly Occasional and lecture Series etc.
- ❖ [Telecom Regulatory Authority of India](#)
The entry of private service providers brought with it the inevitable need for independent regulation. The Telecom Regulatory Authority of India (TRAI) was, thus, established with effect from 20th February 1997 by an Act of Parliament, called the Telecom Regulatory Authority of India Act, 1997, to regulate telecom services, including fixation/revision of tariffs for telecom services which were earlier vested in the Central Government.
- ❖ [The Free dictionary by Farlex](#)
The world's most comprehensive dictionary: English, Spanish, German, French, Italian, Chinese, Portuguese, Dutch, Norwegian, Greek, Arabic, Polish, Turkish, Russian, Medical, Legal, and Financial Dictionaries, Thesaurus, Acronyms and Abbreviations, Idioms, Encyclopedia, a Literature Reference Library, and a Search Engine all in one!
- ❖ [The Mindful Network](#)
The Mindful Network is about creative leadership and business - and a more conscious, green and socially responsible ethic. We could call it conscious capitalism, or perhaps just say that we want to create a more mindful and profitable future.



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Management Forums

1. [12Manage](#)
All you need to know about management. Stop here to join this worldwide management network. You can discuss the topic with a variety of managers, consultants, and even academics. There is also loads of reading on topics from change to supply chain.
2. [Free Management Library:](#)
This library helps the reader to accomplish a broad understanding of management (including traditional and emerging views), and the areas of knowledge and skills required to carry out the major functions of management.
3. [Manager Tools](#) : Visit here for a popular podcast on management. The site also includes this forum which has discussions on recent episodes, book reviews, FAQ, and much more. There are also podcasts in French and German.
4. [Open Forum](#) : Not a traditional forum, it is still an essential stop for managers nonetheless. It is sponsored by American Express and intended for those in small business but has infinite help for anyone in management. Current hot topics include “What is Supply Chain Finance” and “How Small Business Owners Can Successfully Navigate the Labor Shortage”
5. [My CCL](#) :The Center for Creative Leadership is a non-profit who has been helping managers grow as professionals for years. Joining the community connects you to over 19,000 others across the world with relevant leadership resources and connections. There are also many articles and news on the homepage.
6. [MBA Depot](#) : Those with an MBA and a management career will appreciate these forums. There are discussions on both the academic and practicing side of management. You can also utilize their knowledge center, networking tools, and even school options.
7. [The Risk Management Society](#) : Learn all about the world of risk management at this online community. Create your profile to begin discussions or simply click on the one you would like to read more on. The site also has libraries, a directory, and even a risk management glossary.



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8. [The Leadership Hub](#) : This community is dedicated to the leaders of the world. There are three years' worth of pages of leadership tips, insight, conversations, wisdom to be found here. Choose from the forums or the blogs to get started.
9. [The CEO Refresher](#) : Sick of reading and ready to start writing? Then visit here to see how you can become one of the many contributors to this network. Those who have an interesting take on leadership are always welcome.

Top Management Message Boards

These message boards and other networks have even more for managers.

10. [The Informal Network for Managers](#) :Get a relaxed approach to management over at this site. They ask the question “what do you want from them?” on a regular basis. Resources include blog posts, discussions, and even surveys.
11. [Expert CEO](#) : Get message boards just for Chief Executive Officers here. Recent topics include commission, credit reports, and pricing strategies. They also offer a spotlight and knowledge base.
12. [HR Management](#): It is no secret that just about every manager has human resource questions. Check out these message boards from HR.com to get entries just for managers. You can also find blogs, webcasts, and more on the topic.
13. [Personnel Today](#): Similar to the above, this message board is for managers with human resource issues. Check out the latest discussions, which currently include training and withholding pay. The main site has much more.
14. [Leadership by Example](#) : In another entry from Yahoo, check out how to lead by example in these message boards. You can learn about topics such as selling, benefits, and more.



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Top Specialty Management Forums & Message Boards

These manager forums and message boards are for a specific type of manager.

15. [IT Management Forum](#) : Information technology managers will appreciate these forums. Sponsored by Datamation, they have many discussions on IT related topics such as security and intranet. You can also use the site to get news, expert columns, and much more.
16. [Information Technology Managers Forum](#) : If you have a LinkedIn account, stop here. Simply sign in to check out the group dedicated to the communications and sharing of information between IT managers. It is also an emerging technologies and systems management focus group created for the unsung heroes of the Age of Technology.
17. [The Project Manager Network](#) : Visit here for a leading group of project managers online. The main page greets you with the most recent and popular discussions. You can also learn more about promotions, jobs, and other related topics.
18. [Project Management Knowledge Base](#) : Stop here for another forum just for project managers. Current topics include the PMP exam, how to meet a project target, and the basis of a schedule. They also have software and book reviews on the topic.
19. [Gantthead](#) : This online social network is especially for IT project managers. Users can upload their info, profile, and more onto the site to connect with others in their field. The main site is also not to be missed for its blogs, downloads, and other tools.
20. [Retail Sucks](#) : Are you a manager in retail? Then check out these forums for loads of stories, true life humor, and more. There is even this specialty forum for managers.
27. [Internet Sales Managers Community](#) : Make a page here to connect with other managers in internet sales. They also specialize in those who deal in car sales. Get tips, blogs, videos, and more with a visit.



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20. [Small Business Forum](#) : If you are a manager in a small business, this forum is a must. Active discussions are on everything from franchising to raising capital. There are also tips for starting and maintaining a business.

21. [The Small Business Community Forums](#) : Similar to the above, this site is all about owning and operating a small business. They have specific sections such as home business and import/export, as well as tips for marketing and advertising. You can also find business news and statistics on the site.

22. [Construction Manager Forum](#) : Learn more about becoming and working as a construction manager in this forum. The latest threads are on the value of accreditation and day labor hiring. The main site has much more for the construction manager.