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MGMT404 Week 6: Course Project Part 3

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1. Introduction

1.1 Project goals and objectives

The Getta Byte Software project is a mission that is formed with the main goal in mind of substituting the on-going manual online-based billing system that will enable a concise, easy, and fast data entry system. It is worth noting that the existing system has the capability of helping the company to carry out the duties in daily operations. This is quite fine, but there are a few challenges that call for an online system. The first concern is that the existing system is manual and, therefore, time-consuming and very inaccurate. A lot of time is needed in entering the information into the system, and the result is the inconsistency of the data entered and, therefore, putting the company at risk. The solution to this problem is to come up with an automated system that shall be very fast and produce accurate data. The system shall be base on the online operation, which will enhance an easy way of entering the data, conceive a dynamic update towards the receivables. The system shall have a goal of saving up to 25 % of the total labor per month since human resources to operate the billing system shall be reduced. The extra cost saved by the company shall be used elsewhere and hence, raising the total profits made by the company each month. The project focuses on working with a bunch of people to spread risks in the company. These people shall include the CFO, CEO, the billing department, and also customer care services. The success of the project shall be attributed to the fact that the billing cycles are reduced to more than 30% each month.

As per the project schedule, it is expected that the first piloting shall be done by September 1st. This shall imply that the development and testing of the software shall be done by 15th August. This shall give ample time to facilitate the first piloting study and see if the system is working correctly and in accordance to the expectations and goals of the project. The final real ease of the software shall be done by September 1st, this will be after having checked all parts that are not in a good working condition and rectify them accordingly. The project is budgeted \$ 250, 000 for the entire work. Therefore, the work shall be scheduled accordingly, and individual tasks split to enable the project team to carry out all duties with little or no friction.

1.2 Management of the project

The project charter shall establish the needs of the project and the basic needs of the project. Besides, the person who shall be liable for carrying out the entire project is the project manager. The project manager shall then appoint their teams, such as the human resource manager, the software engineer, the project coordinator, and other different people who shall carry out duties assigned to them by the project manager. Each person shall be responsible in their area of operation to make sure that there is a smooth running of activities. The project manager role shall be to oversee the entire process and therefore, provide all the resources, including the human resource, material and cost that shall be used in the project. The project manager will also ensure that communication is done and there is adequate control of all the resources provided.

1.3 Internal and external factors that may affect the processes and procedure of the project

As the project progresses, there is a likelihood that other internal and external factors may pose risks and hence challenging or even controlling the decisions made by the people, processes, project, and even the procedure followed when carrying out individual tasks. The first factor is understanding the risks that may come to a place or the potential risks that are likely to happen. The project team needs to understand the risks that are likely to affect the project so that they can devise a method that will ensure that the impact of all negative risks is reduced as much

as possible. The network issue has been identified as an external factor that may affect the normal operation of the project. It is worth noting that the project is online-based, and therefore, a network must be provided to ensure that everything is running smoothly as per the project objective. The network problem shall affect the rate at which data is transferred and the replacement process. Another factor is the hacking of the data and information. This is an external factor that needs to be put into consideration when building up the system and hence affecting the processes. Another factor that has to be given consideration is the budget issue. It is worth noting that the budget is a constraint. The project team should come up with procedures and processes that shall take into account the budget issue and hence, minimizing the project cost to attain the set objective. Communication is an internal factor that ensures that everything runs smoothly and in accordance with the plan put in place. The team members have to be given information regarding what is transpiring and what should be done regarding a given task. Proper communication is the main tool that shall ensure that each team member is on the same page and knows what is happening and what they are supposed to do. Communication shall help to fix all issues at the moment they happen. Therefore, all these factors have to be given consideration in terms of project operation, procedure, and processes followed in the project.

Project Charter

Project Name			199910
Project Team	Team Getta Byte	Prioritization	Medium
Owner(s)	Getta Byte	Start Date:	August 2020
		Scheduled Completion Date:	September 2020

Mission/ Purpose

To start an online billing system that will benefit a firm by reducing the labor cost by 25% and reducing the billing cycle by 30%. Additionally, the project shall ensure that there is a high level of accuracy in the billing system.

Project Description and Project Product

The project shall come up with an online billing software called Getta Byte Software. The software shall reduce the overall cost of labor by 25% and increase accuracy of the data stored. The tasks shall be split into subtasks and each subtask assigned different resources and timeline. The subtasks shall be executed within the predetermined timelines. The following are high level tasks that shall be completed in the project

- a) Finalize on project requirement
 - Gathering the information required by the user
 - Gathering the requirements by the customers
- b) Purchase the software
 - Selecting the appropriate vendor
 - Negotiating the contract with the appropriate vendor
 - Executing the purchase
- c) Customize the software
 - Defining the features required
 - Setting up testing environment
 - Developing customization
- d) Transfer the data to

cloud

- Validating the data
- Creating map fields
- Transferring the data
- e) Train the personnel
 - Recruiting the personnel
 - Developing the training manual using vendor
 - Scheduling the training for all CSR's
 - Carrying out training
- f) Go live

• the software shall be released into the production and go live

The project is scheduled to go live by 1st September.

Objectives

To set up the Getta Byte Software for online billing system, that will enhance speed and accuracy in data management the following shall be major objectives of the project:

- ❖ To work within a budget of \$ 250,000 for the entire project and ensure that the end objective is attained within the set budget
- To ensure that there is an increased benefit of serving the customers quickly and addressing the issues of inaccurate data.
- ❖ To ensure that the project go live by 1st September
- ❖ To reduce labor needs by 25% and therefore, ensuring that the company maximizes on profits earned.
- ❖ To ensure that there is loyalty to customers and users by delivering accurate information within a short period of time.

Milestones

In order to attain the overall set objectives, the following are major milestones that shall be attained with the following dates:

- a) Requirements from users gathered by 5th August 2020
- b) Appropriate vendor selected by 7th August 2020
- c) Purchase the software by 10th August 2020
- d) Customization tested by 15th August 2020
- e) Data transferred to cloud and validated by 20th August 2020
- f) Data transferred to cloud and map fields by 21st August 2020
- g) Appropriate personnel recruited by 22nd August 2020
- h) Appropriate manual for training developed in accordance to the vendor by 25th August 2020
- i) The product goes live by 1st September 2020

Budget

In order to complete the project, the budget estimation was adopted using the top-down method. The following gives budget estimation for the entire project.

Estimated Labor	\$40,000
Estimated Materials	\$120,000
Estimated Contractors	\$20,000
Estimated Equipment and Facilities	\$20,000

Estimated Travel	\$50,000
Total Estimated Cost	\$250,000

User Acceptance Criteria

- ❖ The software to go live by 1st September
- ❖ The software has highest level of security and protects the data from theft
- ❖ The software to reduce the labor requirement by 25%
- ❖ The software has a reduced level of being hacked.
- ❖ The project to be completed within the prescribed budget

High-Level Project Assumptions

- The project shall be completed with the prescribed budget
- The system shall be secure and it shall not be susceptible to hacking
- The project shall be live by 1st September 2020
- A reasonable vendor for software supply shall be found
- The software shall be working properly without collapsing
- Personnel shall be hired and trained appropriately
- The project shall not have struggles along the way and all risks shall be handled appropriately.

High-Level Project Constraints

- > Getting a license may prove to be a challenge
- > Passing data security inspection shall be a challenge
- ➤ Getting the software live may take longer than expected
- ➤ Finding the appropriate vendor for the software may prove to be a problem
- > The software may not be working appropriately
- > The budget might not be enough
- > The subcontractors may not deliver services on time
- > The time schedule may not be adequate

Exclusions and Boundaries

Boundaries:

- Minor changes on the software design while the project has already resumed
- Removing all unnecessary expenditures that may have big impact on the project
- Shortening and extending time if deemed
- The software may crash during installation

Exclusions:

- Major changes on the software design after the project has commenced
- > Personnel hired for training
- > Project finances
- > Product when making the software go live
- > Guarantee from the clients

➢ Guarantee from the vendors
 ➢ Profits generated from the project during operation
 Major Risks

 a) Delay in the delivery of the software by vendors
 b) Insufficient finance to run the project
 c) Delay in acquiring the license
 d) Delays in mapping and transferring data
 e) Miscalculations of project estimates
 f) Failure or crash in the software
 g) Inflation and hence, budget going up than expected
 h) Lack of skilled labor
 i) Language barrier

KEY STAKEHOLDERS

Project Manager Authority	
Level	Ima Payne
Project Core Team	
·	General contractors
Subject Matter Experts (SMEs) (What resources will you need with special expertise?)	
win special expertise.)	Usage of equipment

APPROVALS

Type Name	Signature	Date
Project Manager Approval		
	T	10th 07 2020
	Instructor	18 th 07,2020
Customer/Sponsor Approval		
	Getta Byte	
	2700	18 th 07,2020
		18 07,2020

	2 Stakeholder Engagement Plan								
Project Name:	Getta Byte Sof	tware proj	ect			Project	Manager: Im	na Payne	Date: 0
Who What				How Who			When		
Stakeholder	Stakehol der's	Categ	Influe n ce	Intere st	Supp ort Neutr	Monit or Infor m	Method (e-mail, meetings , posting	Strat e gy	Freque
	Role	ory	High/L ow	High/L ow	al Again st	Satisf y Mana ge	on collabora tive site, etc.)	Owne r	ncy
Damiel Pishem	CEO	Key	High	High	Neutr al	Inform	Meeting and Mail	Project team	Weekly
Subcontracto rs	Supplies	Second ary	Mediu m	Mediu m	Neutr al	Satisfy	Posting and mails	Project team	Daily
Kent C. Detrees	CFO	Key	High	High	Supp ort	Manag e	Meeting and Mail	Project team	Daily
Lou Seguzi	Director Fin	Key	High	High	Again st	Manag e	Postings	Project team	Daily
Accounts Payable Team	Billing	Primar y	High	High	Supp ort	Manag e	Meeting and Mail	Project team	Daily
Finance Department	Reporting	Primar y	High	High	Again st	Satisfy	Meeting and Mail	Project team	Weekly
Accounting team	Processing	Primar y	High	High	Supp ort	Satisfy	Meeting and Mail	Project team	Daily
Sales team	Sales	Second ary	Mediu m	High	Neutr al	Monito r	Meeting and Mail	Project team	Weekly
Ima Payne	Team member	Key	High	High	Supp ort	Manag e	Meeting and Mail	Project team	Daily
Hugh Duitt	Team member	Key	Mediu m	Low	Supp ort	Manag e	Meeting and Mail	Project team	Daily
Nonia Bizness		Key	Low	Mediu m	Neutr al	Manag e	Meeting and Mail	Project team	Daily
Don Testit	Team member	Key	Low	Mediu m	Neutr al	Manag e	Meeting and Mail	Project team	Daily
Kurt Anser	Team member	Key	Low	Low	Again st	Manag e	Meeting and Mail	Project team	Daily
Hugh Alsre	Team member	Key	Low	Low	Neutr al	Manag e	Meeting and Mail	Project team	Daily
Don Velv	Team member	Key	Low	Low	Neutr al	Manag e	Meeting and Mail	Project team	Daily

		Getta Byte Software Project
3	Communication management plan	

		Billing software				
Communication Vehicle	Target Audience	Description/Purpose	Frequency	Sender	Distributio n Vehicle	In Ex
Weekly status meeting	Project Team	Communicate updated project status	Weekly	Project manager	Meeting	E
Steering Committee Review	CEO, CFO, Finance, Director sales, Prospect, Manager, Data architect	updating the team on the current status of the project	Monthly	Project manager	Meeting	E
Weekly status report	CEO, CFO, Finance, Director sales, Prospect, Manager, Data architect	Status updates regarding the current timelines, key accomplishments, planned works	Weekly	Project manager	E-mail	Inter
Team stand-up reports	Project Team members	Discuss on the achievements of the team members in attained in the previous day	Daily	Heads of department	Meetings	Inter
Project Review meeting	All departmental heads	To provide feedbacks regarding project deliverables and discussing the subsequent stage	Bi-Weekly	Project manager	Meetings	Inter
Project Post Mortem Report Meeting	Head of Departments	Analyzing on what was attained, the achievement and the failures after project completion	Monthly	Project manager	Meeting	Int E
Daily mails	Project team	Informing all team members on the progress, work to be done, among other important information	Bi-Weekly	Project manager and project teams	Mail only	Int E
Project kick-off meeting	Project team and stakeholders	introducing the project targets and goals to the team members and stakeholders	Once	Project manager	Meetings	Int E
Technical meetings	Project technical team	Reviewing and discussing on various technical matters that are affecting the progress of the project	Weekly	Project Technical manager	Meetings	Inte
Stakeholder update meeting	Stakeholders	Updating stakeholders on the current status and the plan of the project	Bi-Weekly	Project manager	Meetings	Ir E:
Board Members meeting	Board members	Discussing the financial status and progress made and solving matters related to different certification	Bi-Monthly	Project manager	Meetings	Ir E:

Project Monthly status report	Project Team	Giving monthly updates regarding achievement and status of the project	Monthly	Project manager	Meetings	In Ex
Newsletter	Wider development	updating the wider development on various achievement and what is being offered by the project	Once	Project communication team	Meetings	In Ex
Project Documents	Entire project team	All documents related to the project	When needed	Project team members	emails	Inter

4 Project Scope Statement

Scope Statement

Project Name	Getta Byte Software project	Date	18 th 07, 2020
Project Number	199910	Project Manager	Ima Payne

Project Description

and accessed elsewhere by the user. The system shall have a very high speed and quite accurate as compared to the current r

Project Requirements

The designed system must fulfill the following to prove that it is working accordingly:

The system must have the capability of auditing all information entered and give accurate information to the users The system must have the capacity to generate very specific, accurate and dynamic billing reports.

Project Deliverables

The project has two main goals or deliverables. These goals include the following:

the data for all customers must be as accurate as possible. Therefore, all sources of error must be eliminated the system should be easily accessed by all billing departments and they can be able to manipulate it as far as possible. The data stored in the software must be protected from hackers and theft.

The system must have very high speed that shall enhance speedy processing of the reports and generating the billing repo The system must be reliable, always available to each individual in need of using it. It should not crash at any time.

Project Does Not Include (Exclusions)

The project will not include the following:

- a) The financial records shall be out of scope of this project
- b) Shall not include the financial statements and standing of the entire company
- c) Database regarding 10 years pay slips of employees and related information

Acceptance Criteria

The software to go live by 1st September

The software has highest level of security and protects the data from theft

The software to reduce the labor requirement by 25%

The software has a reduced level of being hacked. The project to be completed within the prescribed budget

Estimated Project Schedule							
Milestones	Estimated Date of Completion						
a) The project shall begin on 1st August 2020 b) Requirements from users gathered by 5th August 2020 c) Appropriate vendor selected by 7th August 2020 d) Purchase the software by 10th August 2020 e) Customization tested by 15th August 2020 f) Data transferred to cloud and validated by 20th August 2020 g) Data transferred to cloud and map fields by 21st August 2020 h) Appropriate personnel recruited by 22nd August 2020 i) Appropriate manual for training developed in accordance to the vendor by 25th August 2020 j) The product goes live by 1st September 2020	The estimated completion date shall be 1 st September 2020						
Total Estimated Length of Project	30 days						

Resource Requirements		
Role	Quantity	Estimated Length of Time
Project manager	1	30 days
IT specialists	2	30 days
Software engineer	1	30 days
Billing software	1	30 days
Complete Desktops	10	30 days
Human Resource manager	1	30 days
Laborers	10	15 days

Estimated Cost of	Project	
Expense Type	Description	Estimated Cost
Labor	The labor shall include payments made to different people such as engineers, the project manager, IT	\$ 40,000

	manager for offering different services required to accomplish the project. The payments shall be made promptly to the parties delivering the services. Other payments such as payment to different services not outlined in this section shall also be termed as labor	
Material	The material cost shall include but not limited to purchase of all materials such as purchasing of Desktop, the billing software, the testing kit and other materials needed for this purpose	\$ 120,000
Contractor's payment	Different contractors hired to deliver given services such as connection, processing of licenses and other payment to external parties shall be paid under this bill.	\$ 20,000
Equipment and Facilities	All equipment hired for the purpose of installation shall be paid under this bill. The equipment shall be hired and paid on hourly basis. The facility fee shall also include payment of different venues for meeting and processing all documents required by the project.	\$ 20,000
Travel cost	The travel cost shall facilitate travelling of different parties in delivering project duties. Such travels shall include going for meetings, meeting different stakeholders among other travels as long as they are beneficial to the project	\$ 50,000
	Total Estimated Cost of Project	\$ 250,000

Project Constraints

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Finding the appropriate vendor for the software may prove to be a problem

The software may not be working appropriately

The budget might not be enough

The subcontractors may not deliver services on time

The time schedule may not be adequate

Language barrier may be a problem since the project shall have to look for different people to help in carrying out different d

Project Assumptions

The project shall be completed with the prescribed budget
The system shall be secure and it shall not be susceptible to hacking
The project shall be live by 1st September 2020

- d) A reasonable vendor for software supply shall be found
- e) The software shall be working properly without collapsing
- f) Personnel shall be hired and trained appropriately
- g) The project shall not have struggles along the way and all risks shall be handled appropriately
- h) The software shall be perfect and shall be appropriate for this project

Ima Payne		
Approver's Printed Name	Date 18th 07, 2020	
Project Manager Title	_	
DP	_	
Signature		

5 WBS And the Project Schedule

5.1 WBS

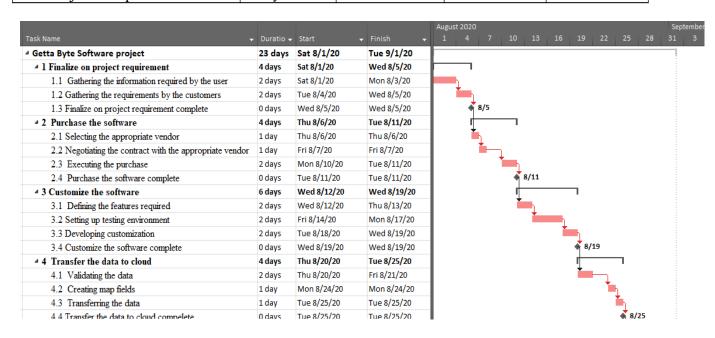
Work Breakdown Structure is the way a major project can be split into different subtasks that will enhance faster performance (Baguley, 2008). It is worth noting that a project has a main aim of attaining the major goal prescribed in the project charter. However, for the goal to be attained, the tasks have to be split into individual subtask for easy performance. There are several ways through which a WBS can be prepared. This include an outline format, table format and tree format (United States. Bureau of Land Management, 2008). Other project management software such as MS Project prove to be handy in preparing WBS. In this section the WBS was prepared by both manual and using the MS project as follows:

- 1. Finalize on project requirement
 - 1.1 Gathering the information required by the user
 - 1.2 Gathering the requirements by the customers
 - 1.3 Finalize on project requirement complete
- 2. Purchase the software
 - 2.1 Selecting the appropriate vendor
 - 2.2 Negotiating the contract with the appropriate vendor
 - 2.3 Executing the purchase
 - 2.4 Purchase the software complete
- 3. Customize the software
 - 3.1 Defining the features required
 - 3.2 Setting up testing environment
 - 3.3 Developing customization
 - 3.4 Customize the software complete
- 4. Transfer the data to cloud
 - 4.1 Validating the data
 - 4.2 Creating map fields
 - 4.4 Transferring the data
 - 4.5 Transfer the data to cloud compelete
- 5. Train the personnel
 - 5.1 Recruiting the personnel
 - 5.2 Developing the training manual using vendor
 - 5.3 Scheduling the training for all CSR's
 - 5.4 Carrying out training
 - 5.5 Train the personnel complete
- 6. Go live
 - 6.1 Go live
 - 6.2 Project complete

5.2 Project scheduling

Task Name	Duration	Start	Finish	Predecessors
Getta Byte Software project	23 days	Sat 8/1/20	Tue 9/1/20	
Finalize on project requirement	4 days	Sat 8/1/20	Wed 8/5/20	
Gathering the information required by the user	2 days	Sat 8/1/20	Mon 8/3/20	
Gathering the requirements by the customers	2 days	Tue 8/4/20	Wed 8/5/20	2
Finalize on project requirement complete	0 days	Wed 8/5/20	Wed 8/5/20	3
Purchase the software	4 days	Thu 8/6/20	Tue 8/11/20	
Selecting the appropriate vendor	1 day	Thu 8/6/20	Thu 8/6/20	4
Negotiating the contract with the appropriate vendor	1 day	Fri 8/7/20	Fri 8/7/20	6
Executing the purchase	2 days	Mon 8/10/20	Tue 8/11/20	7

Purchase the software	0 days	Tue 8/11/20	Tue 8/11/20	8
Customize the software	6 days	Wed 8/12/20	Wed 8/19/20	
Defining the features required	2 days	Wed 8/12/20	Thu 8/13/20	9
Setting up testing environment	2 days	Fri 8/14/20	Mon 8/17/20	11
Developing customization	2 days	Tue 8/18/20	Wed 8/19/20	12
Customize the software complete	0 days	Wed 8/19/20	Wed 8/19/20	13
Transfer the data to cloud	4 days	Thu 8/20/20	Tue 8/25/20	
Validating the data	2 days	Thu 8/20/20	Fri 8/21/20	14
Creating map fields	1 day	Mon 8/24/20	Mon 8/24/20	16
Transferring the data	1 day	Tue 8/25/20	Tue 8/25/20	17
Transfer the data to cloud complete	0 days	Tue 8/25/20	Tue 8/25/20	18
Train the personnel	4 days	Wed 8/26/20	Mon 8/31/20	
Recruiting the personnel	1 day	Wed 8/26/20	Wed 8/26/20	19
Developing the training manual using vendor	1 day	Thu 8/27/20	Thu 8/27/20	21
Scheduling the training for all CSR's	1 day	Fri 8/28/20	Fri 8/28/20	22
Carrying out training	1 day	Mon 8/31/20	Mon 8/31/20	23
Train the personnel complete	0 days	Mon 8/31/20	Mon 8/31/20	24
Go live	1 day	Tue 9/1/20	Tue 9/1/20	
Go live	1 day	Tue 9/1/20	Tue 9/1/20	25
Project complete	0 days	Tue 9/1/20	Tue 9/1/20	27



Task Name	→ Duratio →	Start	→ Finish →	August 2020 1 4 7 10 13 16 19 22 25 28
4 4 Transfer the data to cloud	4 days	Thu 8/20/20	Tue 8/25/20	
4.1 Validating the data	2 days	Thu 8/20/20	Fri 8/21/20	
4.2 Creating map fields	1 day	Mon 8/24/20	Mon 8/24/20	—
4.3 Transferring the data	1 day	Tue 8/25/20	Tue 8/25/20	<u> </u>
4.4 Transfer the data to cloud compelete	0 days	Tue 8/25/20	Tue 8/25/20	₩ 8/25
4 5 Train the personnel	4 days	Wed 8/26/20	Mon 8/31/20	
5.1 Recruiting the personnel	1 day	Wed 8/26/20	Wed 8/26/20	L
5.2 Developing the training manual using vendor	1 day	Thu 8/27/20	Thu 8/27/20	<u> </u>
5.3 Scheduling the training for all CSR's	1 day	Fri 8/28/20	Fri 8/28/20	<u> </u>
5.4 Carrying out training	1 day	Mon 8/31/20	Mon 8/31/20	
5.5 Train the personnel complete	0 days	Mon 8/31/20	Mon 8/31/20	
△ 6 Go live	1 day	Tue 9/1/20	Tue 9/1/20	
6.1 Go live	1 day	Tue 9/1/20	Tue 9/1/20	
6.2 Project complete	0 days	Tue 9/1/20	Tue 9/1/20	