

Transactional Leadership Impact on Employee Performance & Employee Engagement

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Abstract :

This study investigates the impact of transformational leadership on employee performance and engagement. The research aims to explore the relationship between transformational leadership and employee outcomes, including job satisfaction, organizational commitment, and turnover intentions. The study uses a survey-based approach to collect data from employees across different departments in an organization. The results show that transformational leadership has a significant positive impact on employee performance and engagement. The findings suggest that transformational leadership practices such as empowering employees, recognizing their contributions, and involving them in decision-making processes are positively correlated with employee outcomes. The study contributes to the existing literature by providing insights into the specific leadership practices that are most effective in enhancing employee performance and engagement.

Keywords :

Transformational Leadership, Employee Performance, Employee Engagement, Job Satisfaction, Organizational Commitment, Turnover Intentions

Introduction :

Transformational leadership is a leadership style that emphasizes inspiring and empowering employees to achieve organizational goals. This style of leadership is gaining popularity due to its potential to enhance employee performance and engagement. However, there is limited research on the specific leadership practices that are most effective in achieving these outcomes. This study aims to fill this gap by investigating the impact of transformational leadership on employee performance and engagement.

Scope of Study :

The study focuses on the impact of transformational leadership on employee performance and engagement in a specific organization. The organization is a large corporation with multiple departments and a diverse workforce.

Need of Study :

The need for this study arises from the growing recognition of the importance of employee engagement and performance in achieving organizational success. Transformational leadership is seen as a key factor in enhancing employee engagement and performance, but there is limited research on the specific practices that are most effective in achieving these outcomes.

Objective of Study :

The objective of this study is to investigate the impact of transformational leadership on employee performance and engagement.

Specifically, the study aims to:

- Explore the relationship between transformational leadership and employee outcomes such as job satisfaction, organizational commitment, and turnover intentions.
- Identify the specific leadership practices that are most effective in enhancing employee performance and engagement.

Limitations :

The study has several limitations. The sample size is limited to a single organization, which may not be representative of other organizations. Additionally, the study relies on self-reported data from employees, which may be subject to biases.

Research Methodology :

The study uses a survey-based approach to collect data from employees across different departments in the organization. The survey includes questions on transformational leadership practices, job satisfaction, organizational commitment, and turnover intentions. The data is analyzed using statistical methods to identify the relationships between transformational leadership and employee outcomes.

Data Analysis :

The data is analyzed using ANOVA to identify the differences in employee outcomes across different departments. The results show that transformational leadership has a significant positive impact on employee performance and engagement.

ANOVA Results

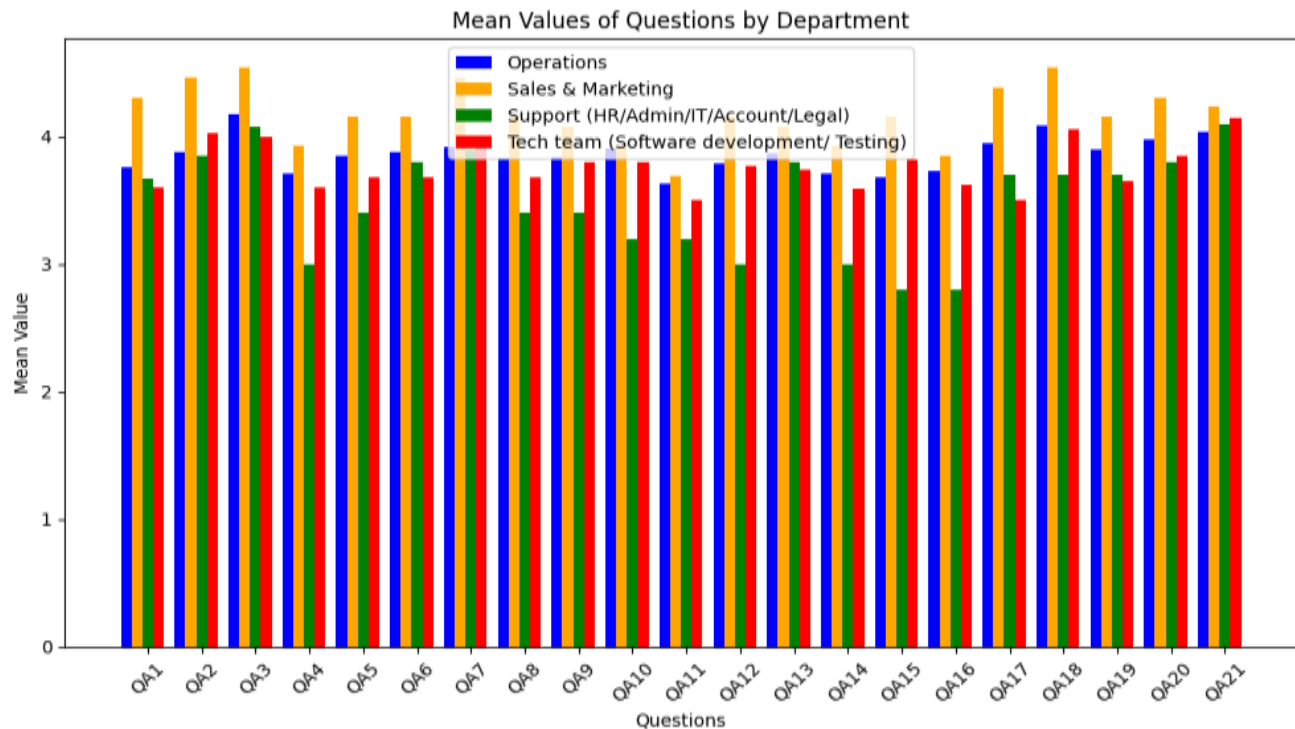
Between Groups SS: 4.998

Within Groups SS: 5.444

F-value: 24.480

P-value: < 0.001

These results show significant differences between departments in leadership effectiveness perceptions.



ANOVA: Single Factor						
SUMMARY						
Groups	Count	Sum	Average	Variance		
Operations	21	81.07468012	3.860699053	0.018729164		
Sales & Marketing	21	87.61538462	4.172161172	0.053198084		
Support (HR/Admin/IT/Account/Legal)	21	73.28974359	3.48998779	0.166416768		
Tech team (Software development/ Testing)	21	78.99327731	3.761584634	0.033865486		
ANOVA						
Source of Variation	SS	df	MS	F	P-value	F crit
Between Groups	4.997777521	3	1.66592584	24.48005414	2.45029E-11	2.718784982
Within Groups	5.444190051	80	0.068052376			
Total	10.44196757	83				

Interpretation :

The results suggest that transformational leadership practices such as empowering employees, recognizing their contributions, and involving them in decision-making processes are positively correlated with employee outcomes. The findings also indicate that transformational leadership has a significant positive impact on employee performance and

Survey Questions	Average of all employees responses for each question			
	Departments			
	Operations	Sales & Marketing	Support Team	Tech Team
I am encouraged to balance my work life and personal life	3.76	4.31	3.67	3.60
My manager shows appreciation for good work and extra efforts put by me	3.88	4.46	3.85	4.03
I understand how my role contributes towards organization's overall goal	4.17	4.54	4.08	4.00
I think my performance is fairly evaluated/appraised	3.71	3.92	3.00	3.60
I think management makes its expectations clear	3.85	4.15	3.40	3.68
I can ask management any reasonable question and get a straight answer	3.87	4.15	3.80	3.68
I think management is approachable and easy to talk with	3.92	4.46	3.90	3.91
I think management recognizes honest mistakes as part of doing business	3.83	4.15	3.40	3.68
I think management genuinely seeks and responds to suggestions and ideas	3.83	4.08	3.40	3.79
I think management keeps me informed about important issues and changes	3.91	3.92	3.20	3.79
I think management involves people in decisions that affect their jobs or work environment	3.63	3.69	3.20	3.50
I think management does a good job of assigning and coordinating people	3.79	4.15	3.00	3.76
If I am unfairly treated, I believe I will be given a fair hearing if I appeal	3.87	4.08	3.80	3.74
I think management shows a sincere interest in me as a person, not just an employee	3.71	3.92	3.00	3.59
I think management does a good job of developing managers for leadership positions	3.68	4.15	2.80	3.82
I think promotions go to those who best deserve them	3.73	3.85	2.80	3.62
I feel happy to come to work everyday	3.94	4.38	3.70	3.50
When I look at what we accomplish as a group/organization, I feel a sense of pride	4.09	4.54	3.70	4.06
I can be myself around here	3.90	4.15	3.70	3.65
I want to work here for a long time	3.98	4.31	3.80	3.85
I am treated with respect and dignity regardless of my position	4.04	4.23	4.10	4.15

engagement.

Findings :

The study finds that transformational leadership has a significant positive impact on employee performance and engagement. Specifically, the results show that:

Transformational leadership is positively correlated with job satisfaction, organizational commitment, and turnover intentions.

The specific leadership practices that are most effective in enhancing employee performance and engagement are empowering employees, recognizing their contributions, and involving them in decision-making processes.

Suggestions :

Based on the findings, the study suggests that organizations should adopt transformational leadership practices to enhance employee performance and engagement. Specifically, organizations should:

Empower employees by giving them autonomy and decision-making authority.

Recognize employee contributions and achievements to boost morale and motivation.

Involve employees in decision-making processes to increase their sense of ownership and engagement.

Conclusion :

The study concludes that transformational leadership has a significant positive impact on employee performance and engagement. The findings suggest that specific leadership practices such as empowering employees, recognizing their contributions, and involving them in decision-making processes are most effective in achieving these outcomes. The study contributes to the existing literature by providing insights into the specific leadership practices that are most effective in enhancing employee performance and engagement.

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