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Change Management Practices in Malaysian Educational Institutions: A Comprehensive Analysis

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Abstract

Change management in educational institutions is an essential area of study, particularly in diverse sociocultural contexts like Malaysia. This research aims to explore the dynamics of change management within Malaysian educational institutions, focusing on the strategies, challenges, and outcomes associated with implementing change initiatives. The study utilizes a mixed-methods approach, combining quantitative surveys and qualitative interviews to gather comprehensive data. The research begins with an extensive literature review to establish a theoretical framework for understanding change management in educational settings. It examines established models and theories of change management, adapting them to the Malaysian context. Additionally, it considers the unique cultural, organizational, and structural factors that influence change processes within Malaysian educational institutions. Through surveys administered to a diverse sample of educational stakeholders, including administrators, educators, and support staff, the research assesses the prevalence and effectiveness of various change management strategies. It investigates the degree of readiness for change, identifies common challenges encountered during implementation, and evaluates perceptions of success or failure regarding past change initiatives. Furthermore, qualitative interviews are conducted with key stakeholders to gain deeper insights into their experiences, perspectives, and recommendations regarding change management. This qualitative data enriches the understanding of the contextual nuances and intricacies of change processes within Malaysian educational institutions. The findings of this research contribute to both theoretical and practical understandings of change management in educational contexts. They provide valuable insights for policymakers, administrators, and educators seeking to navigate and facilitate change effectively within Malaysian educational institutions. By identifying best practices, addressing challenges, and promoting a culture of adaptability and resilience, this research aims to enhance the capacity of Malaysian educational institutions to respond to evolving needs and demands in the 21st century.

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