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# USE OF EARNED VALUE MANAGEMENT IN TIME AND COST MANAGEMENT FOR CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS IN NIGERIA

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## SUMMARY

*Undertaking overruns are nevertheless the most commonplace problem inside the world, notwithstanding the supply of undertaking tracking equipment like Earned fee control that's proved to the effective tracking device which mixes three components like scope, time and cost right away. Creation assignment covered high risk pastime wherein should be controlled properly in all degrees, in an effort to keep away from project overruns. The aimed toward assessing the usage of Earned cost control in time and value management for creation tasks in Nigeria. But, there are few of researches that discussed Earned price control practices in Nigerian creation industry. Therefore, there has been inadequacy of documented Earned value management implementation in Nigerian production projects. The feedback from production specialists became acquired through questionnaires. Approximately 161 questionnaires survey were distributed to the contractor's groups (class I and sophistication II). Out of the 161 dispensed questionnaires. The statistics have been analysed through the usage of SPSS 20, Microsoft Excel and then ranked conferring to (M.S) mean rating for contractor. The overall response from respondents have been analysed, excessive scored factors had been discussed. All paintings scope was planned for the mission to finishing touch carried out in creation projects, all paintings scope was broken into finite pieces and assigned to either man or woman or enterprise to manipulate, Issuance of charge is based totally on work finished and actual price incurred had been used in measuring paintings price carried out; the most elements of Earned value control carried out in Nigerian construction tasks, due to having an average score above 4.00. The key gamers in Nigeria production industry implemented some parts of Earned fee management standards throughout creation initiatives.*

**Keywords:** Earned fee control (EVM), Time and price management, challenge Overrun, construction projects, Nigeria

## **INTRODUCTION**

The performance indicator in creation projects is essential as it lets in to foresee the issues that could arise throughout the executions of the initiatives, enabling corrections and adjustments, as well as fending off deviations from the plan. EVM (Earned price management) is an effective device in managing scope, time and charges, allowing scheduled overall performance indices and costs to be achieved. To screen the development mission is to examine the planned scenario with the present-day situation, with the aid of determining if the task is within/past the schedule and prices, so that it will take corrective measures. The Earned cost control (EVM) gives early indication to the assignment performance to highlight if there may be a need for eventual corrective measures, it allows measuring actual paintings performance and related cost and time versus an agreed plan. Addressed that price overrun and time table postpone should be taken into consideration in any production task because in case you did no longer positioned into attention the undertaking will be in problem at its beginning and unluckily managers of the mission will not recognise the problem till overdue, while the objectives deliberate of the assignment being tough to be recovered or the capacity to get better diminishes. In step with, EVM has proven itself to be one of the best overall performance measurement tools and comments tools for handling production initiatives and enabling project managers to close the loop in the plan-do test-act challenge management cycle. The purpose of coping with construction task is to complete it in the price range and on time while the mission may be judged through distinct traditional approaches like monthly or weekly control reports, day after day monitoring, overall performance critiques, project audit reports, key performance signs, and many others.

### **Assertion of the hassle**

It has been demonstrated that Earned value control is a powerful device in mission tracking in offering performance preferred for the evaluation of progress report of the undertaking and it additionally acts to take care of fee and time agenda by way of obligation defined in OBS (agency Breakdown structure). EVM is like an alarm to the managers to identify and control issues by way of taking well timed corrective movements earlier than they become too awesome to overcome. It presents higher overall performance photo of the mission and offers better forecast of the final touch fee. No matter the supply of EVM, contractors nonetheless fail to fulfill their dedicated time frames which at times lead to fees as end result of delays in delivery; contractors still not capable to acquire their focused earnings in a mission because of accelerated operational prices.

## **EARNED FEE CONTROL**

### **Agency coverage**

The policy is the inspiration of the EVM that places ahead the position policies to aid the system and provide enough records regarding agency manner and planning.

### **Making plans**

The following step is planning after putting the system on agency policy. This includes all essential elements required for implementation of Earned price management.

### **Project Technical goals**

Number one step in the exercise is designation of the venture technical targets. These objectives include comprehensive clarification of technical necessities of the tasks, it is price

ranged and time defined for the work to be achieved. Targeted commencing date and a finishing touch date are included in this description [13] and [15].

### **Paintings Scope Definition and Assign Most of Responsibility**

EVM calls for disintegrating the scope of the works. Breaking down sports into minor management duties, are desired as a point to manipulate then deliberate and scheduled down to the precise paintings package deal level [9]. Work Breakdown structure (WBS) is the first-class tool used for de-composition of undertaking to the bottom degree attainable detail. As soon as the scope is defined, the next step is to perceive the responsible individuals for acting the paintings [13] and [15].

### **Placing a Baseline Plan**

Baseline is a replica of the project that may be compared to the present-day development. Baselines offer a "goal" against a venture's cost, agenda, and useful resource performance. Baseline as a unique accredited task scope, timeline and price. Consistent with baseline used to locate gift performance of the challenge activity.

### **To determine Earned price (EV)**

For the duration of task implementation, as project progresses, the status date can also exchange and two or extra measures are received in order that a contrast can be made between realities and plan its Earned cost (EV) [22]. Earned cost (EV), may be determined with the aid of multiplying the actual price completed at a factor in time (AC), this is also referred to as the budgeted value of work completed (BCWP) and the share of labor complete at positive factor in time (computer) [17].  $EV = \% \text{ complete (pc)} \times BCWP$ .

### **The Earned fee evaluation performance Measures**

After the progress is measured in opposition to the plan and actual value is entered, The EVM overall performance measures indicators (variable) variances and indices are determined.

### **Variances**

Variances represent the variation between the present fame of the assignment and its baseline, in monetary phrases. The ones are value Variance (CV) and time table Variance (SV) [17]. Time table Variance (SV) determines whether or not a venture is ahead of or not on time. A fine value shows a beneficial circumstance and a terrible price indicates unfavorable condition [17]. Time table Variance:  $SV = EV - PV$ . Price Variance (CV) suggests whether or not a task is under or over budget. Terrible (advantageous) cost points out that extra (less) has been spent for the achieved activities than what become in the beginning planned. Price Variance:  $CV = EV - AC$ .

### **Indices**

Fee overall performance Index (CPI) and agenda overall performance Index (SPI). Earned value and real price used to compute value performance Index (CPI), wherein expresses the value efficiency of the carried-out work, if (CPI) is more or much less than one which means the venture is currently going for walks over or beneath budget [17]. It helps to decide the final value of the paintings for the undertaking to satisfy the desired endpoint that's Estimate at crowning glory (EAC). Price performance Index:  $CPI = EV / AC$ . Schedule overall performance Index (SPI) indicates whether a project is appearing on agenda or not. (SPI) of greater or less than one method that the project is ahead or in the back of plan. Time table overall performance Index (SPI) =  $EV/PV$ .

### **Forecasting value and Time at of entirety**

Predicting destiny with the EVM to expect the expected very last fee of the assignment – cost Estimate at crowning glory (EAC) to decide how efficaciously we have to use our last assets and the time to finish challenge, Time Estimate at of completion (EAC) are important to the undertaking on predicting very last duration for the tasks [6]. EVM acts because the early warning gadget which facilitates PMs to clear up troubles and make the most possibilities for the duration of the undertaking implementation. Also, these actions are also used to forecast future overall performance for the challenge.

### **Important Ratio (CR)**

That is a measure that considers both indices; the value performance Index (CPI) and the schedule overall performance Index (SPI). The essential Ratio is representing the general position of the challenge [6].

### **Re-Baselining**

It might turn out that the authentic baseline turns into unrealistic as the basis for management. It is able to be because of the changes in price, scope, time table or a mixture of these types of elements. Corrective measures had to bring back the undertaking on plan [18].

### **Technique**

Method and research layout used on this study became surveying research layout, which other than literature evaluate, questionnaires had been used by approaching contractors registered beneath elegance I to class II. The unit of evaluation primarily based on Nigeria contracting firms magnificence I and class II. Also, the look at used each qualitative and quantitative technique, which made easier in figuring out the planned goals, samples and layout.

### **Examine population and sample**

Population is the complete mass of observations, that's the figure organization from which a sample is to be shaped [21]. Additionally, [19] confirms that; that is a set of individuals, gadgets or objects from which the sample is taken for size, and it refers to an entire institution of men and women or elements which have one aspect in commonplace. On this study, the pattern populace includes building Contractors from class I and II, registered by CRB. The take a look at employed each probability and non-possibility sampling. Relying on the character of respondents, unique sampling approach was used:

I. Building contractor's population, stratified possibility sampling turned into used in this take a look at, with the cause behind technique is being the heterogeneity of the contractors' population in Nigeria, in which categorized into strata inclusive of elegance I to elegance VII. [21] asserts that; this technique is unique and includes all vital subpopulations; is free from bias and it ensures a pattern that appropriately reflects the populace being studied.

ii. Then, Purposive non-chance sampling become used to select the respondents inside the contracting company. These blanketed quantity Surveyors, Engineers and mission managers from the corporations. These key informants were purposively sampled due to the fact they may be believed to have technical and specialized knowledge about the subject underneath research via distinctive feature of the offices that they held. Besides, the sample length proposed to determine what is termed with the aid of [19] as precision fee of and the self-belief rate. Size of the pattern have to be superior neither huge nor small. To determine the sample length for small populations, we use the normal approximation to the hyper-

geometric distribution components. It has potential to estimate sample sizes from small populations appropriately (Yamane, 1967). The pattern length formula is; -

$$N = N / (1 + Ne^2)$$

(1) in which N is populace length, if assumed the stage of self-belief is 95%, the acceptable sampling mistakes (e) might be five%. Then the pattern size could be;

Table 1. The number of sample size from contractors in Dar-Es-Salaam and distributed questionnaire

SN.	RegistrationClass	Contractors Population	Proposed Sample(n)
01.	ClassI	140	103
02.	ClassII	61	53
	TotalPopulation	201	156

### Records Series Techniques

Typically, each primary and secondary data collection had been accomplished by way of using multiple assets of the evidence. Questionnaire survey is used to accumulate primary records from contractors in which the respondents replied questions on their own, [28]. Also, secondary statistics have been accumulated from literature review through posted and unpublished books, journals, articles and papers.

### Questionnaire Design

The Questionnaires have been designed to reflect the cutting-edge capability to answer the goal of the studies. "Self-administered semi dependent questionnaire is used to get an accurate data. The questionnaire consists of a number of questions revealed or typed in a precise order on a shape or set of paperwork". The self-administered questionnaires cowl the benefit of being flexible because they preserve both open and closed-ended questions for accumulating complete facts to make sure relevancy and consistency of facts accumulated as the responses are goal, standardized and similar. The questionnaire consist three-components element A and B. Element A convey personal data questions and component B, each query evolved to address a particular objective (i, ii, iii) respectively.

### Consequences, Evaluation and Discussion

The main objective of this research is to evaluate the utility of Earned price management (EVM) by using contractors in Nigerian creation tasks. Information had been accumulated, analyzed with SPSS (20), Excel (Tables) and Microsoft phrase for you to get greater correct computation that mapped out sample or relationship among measured or comparable variables. Quantitative evaluation method has been used for the syntax mathematical operation in determining the imply score,

$$\text{Imply rating cost} = F \times S$$

size from every registered building and civil contracting in Nigeria changed into 103 and 53 for sophistication I and II respectively. The questionnaires were distributed to the chosen groups, in which the researcher amassed an overall of 63.35% of the disbursed questionnaires as presented in table 4.2.

SN	Classes of Contractor	Questionnaire Distributed	Questionnaire Returned	Response Rate	SN.	Classes of Contractor
		No	%	No		
01	I	105	65.22%	58	01.	I
02	II	56	34.78%	44	02.	II
	Total	161	100.0%	102		Total

### Population Characteristics

This component is in particular designed to offer preferred data about the respondents in terms of category of the employer, professions of the respondent's designation and experience.

### Professions of the respondent

There are numerous designations in production enterprise which encompass amount Surveyors 40.2%, mission Managers 36.3% and Engineers 23.5%.

SN.	Respondent	Frequency	Percentage(%)	Cumulative Percent
01.	Quantity Surveyor	41	40.2	40.2
02.	Project Manager	37	36.3	76.5
03.	Engineers	24	23.5	100.0
	Total	102	100.0	

### Revel in of the Respondents

The respondents in terms of production tasks changed into a major thing to be considered in this study's seen in table 4.

Table 4. Years of experience of the respondents

			Percentage	Cumulative
01	Less than 5	7	6.9	6.9
02	5-15 years	17	16.7	23.5
03	16-25 years	44	43.1	66.7
04	25-35 years	34	33.3	100.0
	Total	102	100.0	

### Response fee

This aimed to assess the usage of Earned value management (EVM) in time and cost management for creation tasks in Nigerian.

### The Use of EVM In Time and Cost Control for Production Projects in Nigeria

The following activities had been considered constituting of EVM, all paintings scope changed into planned for the venture to completion, all work scope become broken into finite portions and assigned to either man or woman or organization to control, actual price



incurred have been utilized in measuring paintings price achieved, accomplishments had been objectively assessed at the work performance degree, analysis of data amassed through EVA, agenda analysis by comparing budgeted vs real achieved, cost analysis with the aid of evaluating budgeted vs real performed, whilst the variance from the deliberate came about the affects had been forecasted and envisioned entirety, forecasting of time performance, forecasting of price performance was finished through EVA, evaluation of EVA with the use of task management software, forecasting of mission overall performance become executed by the use of challenge control software, tracking of assignment overall performance changed through the usage of mission management software program and issuance of charge totally on work completed. The subsequent are the responses from the respondents: table 4.5 depicts that it's been recognized that the keyplay in Nigerian construction enterprise applied a few components of EVM principles all through creation projects. This locating is much like the locating found through [29], they found that only a few parts of the idea of EV is being utilized in construction. The application of EVM in Nigerian construction industry was found to be partial.

Table 4 suggests that; all work scope become deliberate for the task completion applied in construction tasks. Others had been all paintings, finite portions and assigned to either person or corporation to control, Issuance of fee was based totally on work carried out and real cost incurred had been used in measuring work price finished which suggest score more than 4.0.

### Discussion of Findings

Table 4; This became ranked first with imply score 4.48% whereby, in well-known fifty-four. 9% of the respondents very often carried it out whilst 41.2% of the respondents frequently, 1% they not often implemented and 3% of the respondents very rarely implemented. With imply rating 4.40, as seen in table 4 whereby, in widespread 45.1% of the respondents very often carried it out, while 51% of the respondents often, 2.9% they rarely applied and 1% of the respondents very rarely implemented.

**Table 4.5.** Descriptive Statistics of findings for the use of EVM in time and cost management for construction projects in Nigeria

SN	Application of EVM	VF	F	R	VR	No	M.	RAN
		%	%	%	%	%		
01.	All work scope turned into deliberate for the mission to finishing touch	54.0	41.0	1	3		4.4	1
02.	All paintings, finite portions and assigned to both individual or agency to control	45.1	51	2.9	1		4.40	2
03.	Actual value incurred have been used in measuring work cost finished	35.3	52.9	9.8	2		4.22	4
04.	Accomplishments had been objectively assessed at the work performance stage	23.5	54.9	18.6	2	1	3.98	5
05.	Evaluation of records collected through EVA	2	17.6	24.5	9.8	46.1	2.20	14

06.	Agenda evaluation with the aid of comparing budgeted vs actual done	7.8	54.9	31.4	4.9	1	3.64	7
07.	Cost analysis by budgeted vs actual executed	10.8	52	33.3	2.9	1	3.69	6
08.	While the variance from the deliberate took place, effect have been forecasted and predicted entirety	4.9	39.2	48	6.9	1	3.40	10
09.	Forecasting of Time performance is accomplished through EVA	2.9	18.6	23.5	7.8	47.1	2.23	12
10.	Forecasting of price performance is accomplished via EVA	2.9	18.6	22.5	8.8	47.1	2.22	13
11.	Analysis of EVA by way of the usage of task management	2	23.5	19.6	6.9	48	2.25	11
12.	Software program	11.8	41.2	37.2	8.8	1	3.54	8
13.	Forecasting of challenge performance is achieved	11.8	42.2	34.3	10.8	1	3.53	9
14.	Issuance of Payment is based on work performed program	5.2	37.3	8.8	2		4.39	3

Source: Datasurvey 2020

### Issuance of Charge is Primarily Based on Work Carried Out

This ranked 0.33 with suggest score 4.39%, as visible in hereby, in standard 52% of the respondents very frequently implemented it, at the same time as 37.3 of the respondents often, 8.8% they're hardly ever and 2% of the respondents very rarely implemented. The actual fee incurred were utilized in measuring work cost done this ranked fourth with mean rating 4.22, as seen in table 45 whereby, in fashionable 35.3% of the respondents very frequently carried out it, even as 52.9% of the respondents often however 9.8% they're not often carried out and 2% of the respondents very not often carried out.

### Evaluation of Records Gathered Thru EVA

This ranked first with mean score of 2.20, as visible in table 4.5 whereby, in trendy 2% of the respondents very often carried it out, even as 17.6% of the respondent entire. The application of EVM in Nigerian production projects became located to be partial. As an example, that all paintings scope become deliberate for the undertaking completion which become ranked first, accompanied through the work scope being broken into finite pieces and assigned to respective man or woman or department to manipulate. Moreover, issuance of price became based on paintings carried out and accomplishments have been objectively assessed on the painting's overall performance level. But then again, factors including analysis of facts accumulated via EVA and the forecasting of cost and time performance become accomplished via EVA were minimally used.



The study found at some point of the use of EVM only a few parts of EVM had been applied and no longer the EVM as an entire. It recommended that the effort of the usage of the remained additives have to be made. The statistics accrued must be analyzed through EVA, forecasting of cost and time overall performance have to be carried out via EVA and the use of mission management software to behavior evaluation of EVM.

### **Forecasting of Time Overall Performance Is Accomplished Thru EVA**

This ranked third with rating 2.23, as visible in 44.5 wherein, in general 2.9% of the respondents very often implemented it, at the same time as 18.6% of the respondents frequently at the same time as 23.5% they're hardly ever while 7.8 % of the respondents very uncommon and forty-seven.1% now not applied.

### **Analysis of EVA Via the Usage of Project Management Software**

This was ranked fourth with imply rating 2.25, as seen in table 4.5% wherein, in general 2% of the respondents very regularly implemented it, whilst 23.5% of the respondents frequently implemented it whilst 19.6% they rarely carried out it whilst 6.9% of the respondents very not often implemented it and 4.8% not applied it.

## **CONCLUSIONS**

The study identified that the contractors in Nigeria implemented some components of EVM standards at some stage in production initiatives however the application changed into be in depth. It was discovered that only some components of the idea of EVM had been being used in creation initiatives but not the EVM. The application of EVM in Tanzanian construction projects was discovered to be partial. As an example, the that all paintings scope was planned for the mission to final touch which was ranked first, accompanied with the aid of the paintings scope being broken into finite portions and assigned to respective person or branch to manipulate. Moreover, issuance of price becomes primarily based on work done and accomplishments had been objectively assessed on the work performance level. But on the other hand, aspects along with evaluation of records accrued through EVA and the forecasting of value and time performance become performed via EVA had been minimally used.

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