

Renowned Automation Technologies Firm Meets Organizational Commitments with Better Project Management

Company Information

A leader in power and automation technologies. Company's operations in India include 12 manufacturing facilities with over ten thousand employees and are increasingly leveraging the same for projects, products, services, engineering and R&D.

Business's Needs, General Problem Description

Company was struggling with the existing Project Management tool in terms of system performance and maintaining the huge amount of customization done on it to make up for lack of features. Microsoft EPM was chosen by the company as a replacement for their existing Project Management System. The main objective to implement Microsoft EPM was to establish a framework for managing their projects centrally and share information organization-wide. The company required a system that would enable them to track work & cost on both projects and resources levels, effectively increasing the collaboration between team members. They also required the system to track, resolve and manage Issues & Risks.

Using the existing system, it was difficult for the company's management to Manage, Monitor and Optimize resource allocation and likewise their reporting & analysis was inconsistent due to lack of strong BI engine. The resources did not get Email Notification. Hence communication was still manual and tedious. So the new system was expected to send emails to Lotus Notes.

Further, there was a gap between its developers and project managers as their developers used visual studio for tracking their work, which could not communicate to the existing Project Management tool. Data entry effort was also required to manually extract related data from existing tool and feed manually into ERP systems to generate billing information.

Solution

Microsoft SharePoint Server 2010 and Project Server 2010 were installed and customized to meet their Business Requirements and onsite training was provided to various users. Default Microsoft EPM functionalities enabled them to have a centralized platform for collaborative and efficient Project Management.

Project Server was integrated to Lotus Notes to automate project related communication.

Management could now consistently review and analyze project costs, resource costs, resource utilization etc. using MS EPM BI engine and other default reports. The project workspaces were used to effectively track, resolve and manage issues & Risks.

In order to bridge the gap between its developers and project managers, TFS 2010 was installed and integrated to Project Server 2010. Now developers were able to use Visual Studio TFS to track their activities which automatically reflected in Project Server, thereby keeping the PMs and Developers synchronized.

Manual extraction and updation of data was replaced by one way integration between MS EPM and the ERP system.

Benefits

Since deploying its new solution, the company has gained a common project management language across the company. The EPM solution has streamlined companywide project management, increased employee efficiency, and improved team collaboration.

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