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ABSTRACT

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A three month project was conducted at Luksuhin Public Market, Alfonso, Cavite from November 23, 1998 to February 22, 1999 where the authors hoped to apply the skills and knowledge acquired in business management, to the real business world situation to and at the same time to earn while learning.

Specifically, the enterprise was conducted to develop the marketing strategies in the operation of the rice retailing business, evaluate the income generating potential of the enterprise and analyze the business performance, problems encountered and formulate some feasible solutions.

The initial capital of the enterprise was P40, 000.00. It was funded by two members who equally share P20, 000.00 each to finance the operation of the project. An initial investment of P35, 900.00 was allocated for the purchase of various rice variety.

The total sales for three months was P103,030.00, with total cost of sales amounted to P 88, 950.00, and therefore the gross income realized was P14,080.00.

After the entire operation the project had a total operating expenses of P9,798.50 and a net income of P4,281.50. The return on investment was 10.70 percent return on sale of 4.16 percent, and a gross profit margin of 13.67 percent.

After evaluating the enterprise, it was found out that the problem encountered by the proponents was the non-loyalty customers to the store. To cope with this problem, they tried to sell as many brands of rice as possible. Another problem was the poor quality of rice delivered. Oftentimes, the branded sacks contained different quality of rice. To solve this, the proponents introduced to the customer new variety of rice and convinced them to buy a variety different from the previous product they bought. The last problem was the fluctuation of the purchase price. To overcome this, the group purchased stocks if there are price decreases. The group managed to have enough stocks of rice and sold them at higher prices.

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INTRODUCTION

Retailing consists of those activities involved in the sale of goods and services to the consumers for their personal, family or household use. It is also the selling of goods in small quantities to household or ultimate consumers. The retailer serves as the last link in the series of middlemen, through which goods move on their way from the manufacturers or farmers to consumers. In fact, it provides employment to many individuals who want to manage their own business.

Rice retailing is one of the thriving retailing business in the country. A reason for this is that it is profitable, easy to manage, and can be started even with the small capital. Competitors among rice retailers is not a problem as rice is a staple food of Filipinos. Statistical data show that there is an average of 0.34 kg. per capita consumption