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#### ABSTRACT

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The study was conducted from November 2017 to March 2018 in three selected companies in Cavite.

This study was conducted to determine the spending and saving behavior of Business Process Outsourcing (BPO) employees in selected companies in Cavite. Specifically, the study aimed to: determine the demographic profile of BPO employees; determine the spending behavior of BPO employees; determine the saving behavior of BPO employees; determine the income allocation of BPO employees; ascertain the relationship of demographic profile of BPO employees to their spending behavior; and ascertain the relationship of the demographic profile of BPO employees to their saving behavior.

The participants of the study were 198 BPO employees in selected companies in Cavite namely iQor-Dasmariñas, Task Us-Imus, and Metrix Marketing Solutions-Bacoor. Mean, frequency count, percentage, and standard deviation under descriptive analysis were used to determine the demographic profile of the BPO employees. Pearson r correlation was used to determine the relationship between demographic profile of BPO employees, and their spending and saving behavior.

Based on the results of the study, it was concluded that the spending and saving behavior of the BPO employees was perceived to be a good behavior. The participants had an excellent behavior towards spending for needs and for using credit only for emergency purposes. Also, they had an excellent behavior towards saving regularly and saving for emergencies. It was also concluded in the study that there was no significant relationship between the participants' demographic profile and spending and saving behavior, which indicated that the participants' demographic profile did not affect their spending and saving behavior.

In terms of the qualitative measure of spending and saving behavior of BPO employees, it was revealed that the participants' spending behavior was perceived as good behavior, with loans/debts as having the highest mean of 4.26 among the four spending behavior categories. While for saving behavior, it was revealed that it was also a good behavior, with saving allocation as the highest mean rating of 4.13 among the five saving behavior categories.

The findings of the study also revealed that the participants spent most on food, savings, and transportation.

As for the relationship of spending behavior to the demographic profile, it was revealed that the four categories have no significant relationship to the demographic profile of BPO employees. It was also revealed that there was no significant relationship between the five categories of saving behavior to the demographic profile of BPO employees.

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#### INTRODUCTION

Money dictates people's way of living, but not everybody can spend money the way they like. Money plays a vital role in one's life. Everywhere we look, anywhere we go, and whatever we want, entails the use of money. It seems that someone can't do anything without money. Unfortunately talking about money is still seen as taboo and this can exacerbate the problem; however, it is a problem employer need to address (Watson, 2017)

Worrying about money is not limited only to those with debt, to younger workers, or the lower paid. At some point, everyone worries about money (Cotton, 2015).

One of the fastest growing industry sectors in the Philippines currently is the business process outsourcing (BPO) industry. The country's success as a BPO haven has seen its rise as a global leader in providing value-added business process outsourcing services, and according to Fiegehen (2017), CEO of Yempo, as of 2017, Philippines ranks