

Process Audit with SAP Mapping

Process Audit with SAP Mapping for a Mid-Size Chemical Manufacturing Company focusing on process Gaps and how SAP supports & controls the process for all the Operating functions.

Project Overview

- **Client:** Leading Chemical Manufacturing company being India's Largest player in Acetyls space & having a direct presence in Europe.
- **Problem Statement:** Lack of confidence on system reports leading to maintenance of Manual control sheets instead of reliance on SAP system.
- **Objective:** Identify weaknesses in process control and corresponding SAP configuration and identify the underlying derivatives behind these manual processes and suggest how SAP can be used optimally.
- **Coverage:** 3 locations with over 75 + employees

Project Challenges

- **Documentation:** Process critical SOP's, process document and flowcharts were completely missing.
- **SAP System:** SAP Blueprint was missing. User's not well versed with system functionality and features.
- **Process:** SOD issues; Reliance on Manual controls leading to time wastage; Control gaps & process issues in each cycle.

Project Methodology

- **DMAIC Approach:** Define, Measure, Analyse, Improve and Control
- **Tools:** Use of six sigma tools like Process walk through, Fishbone, SIPOC to identify and analyse wastage & Gaps.
- **Documentation:** Creating and documenting process flows and process variables for each process
- Review of **configuration of SAP Masters** and document level **controls**
- **Interviews:** Personal interview of **each human** resource and **questionnaire**.
- Analysis of SAP data to identify **exceptions and deviations**

The Benefits

250+ Observations with recommendations and Process Documents delivered.

- **Time Wastage:** Identified Wastage Elimination (Duplication, Automation of manual activities, process gaps) being 17% of observations.
- **Process Gaps:** Suggested Process controls / process modification either mapped to SAP Controls or compensatory manual controls – 45% of observations.
- **SAP Config & Control Gaps:** Mapped each process to SAP functionalities & system controls. Suggested SAP Config changes as per required process & regulatory compliance needs – 38% of all recommendations.
- **Documentation:** Created Framework for comprehensive SOP's / process documents.

