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SUPPLIER PARTNERSHIP

# **Supplier Partnership**

Partnering is a long-term commitment between two or more organizations for the purpose of achieving specific business goals & objectives

The relationship of customer and supplier should be based upon trust, dedication to common goal and objective, and an understanding of each party's expectation and values

# **Benefits of Partnering**

- Improved Quality,
- Increased efficiency,
- Lower cost,
- Increased productivity
- Increased opportunity for innovation, &
- Continuous improvement of products and services
- Increased market share

# **Japanese View on Partnering**

The Japanese partnering concept is keirestu

 The key point is developing a long term relationships with a key suppliers rather than having a short term relationship with many suppliers.

# key elements of Partnering

The three key elements of partnering are:

- »Long-term commitment.
- »Trust.
- »Shared vision.

## **Long-term commitment**

- Long-term commitment provides the needed environment for both parties to work toward continuous improvement.
- Total organization involvement is necessary, CEO to the workers.
- Each party contributes its unique strengths to the process.
- A supplier may only take risks in a long-term commitment.
- Dependency appears as a national consequence in a long term commitment, it is not a sign of weakness, but a sign of strength of the relationship and is necessary for competitive advantage.

# Trust

- > The strength of Partnering is based on fairness and parity.
- Trust enables the resources and knowledge of each partner to be combined to eliminate an adversarial relationship.
- Mutual trust forms the basis for a strong working relationship.
- Open and frequent communication avoids misdirection, disputes and strengthens the relationship.
- The parties may share or integrate resources such as training activities, administrative systems and equipment.

## **Shared Vision**

- Each of the partnering organizations must understand the need to satisfy the final customer.
- There should be an open and candid exchange of needs and expectations.
- Shared objectives and goals ensure a common direction aligned with each parties' mission.
- Partners must understand each other's business so that equitable decisions are made.
- These decisions must be formulated and implemented as a team. SUPPLIER PARTNERSHIP/TOTAL QUALITY MANAGEMENT /NANDHINI.D/AP/CST

## SOURCING

There are three types of sourcing:

### Sole sourcing

- Organization is forced to use only one supplier.
- Technical specifications, patents, raw material location, etc. cause this kind of sourcing.
- Partnering is a natural consequence, to benefit the end user.

### Multiple sourcing

- Two or more suppliers for an item are used.
- Competition will result in better quality, lower costs and better service.
- It eliminates disruption of supply due to strikes etc.

### Single sourcing

- o A planned decision by the organization to select one supplier for an item when several sources are available.
- o Advantages for the organizations include reduced cost, complete accountability, supplier loyalty, partnering and a better end product with less variability.
- o Advantages for the supplier include new business from the customer, reduced cost of the business and production processes.
- It has allowed organization to reduce their supplier base.