

The power of Human Resources to support the achievement of your strategic objectives

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Before I start explaining how you can better leverage HR to achieve your strategic objectives, let me tell you about Tanfeeth.

Tanfeeth was established in November 2011 to help companies across the GCC achieve service and operational excellence.

# Our ambition of achieving customer service excellence is reflected in our vision and mission

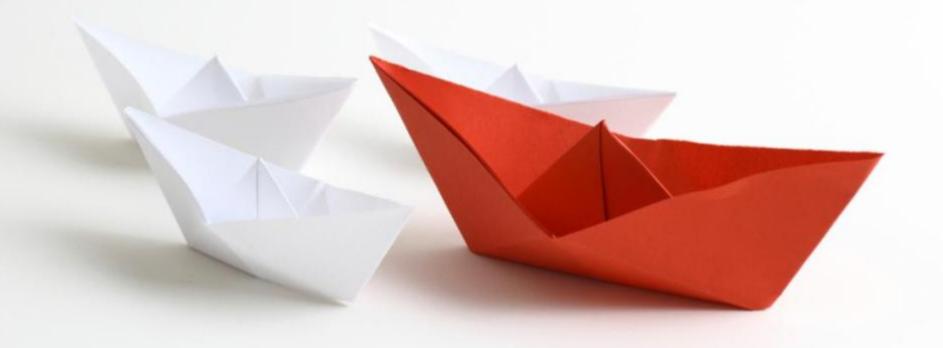


"Our vision is to be the leading provider of service excellence in the markets we serve and to be highly valued in the communities where we work."

"Our mission is to 'wow' customers by delivering services in a remarkable way. We invest in our team to make it happen."



Two of the reasons we're different from other services providers...



We deliver results through:

- 1. People
- 2. Lean

# We've already had some early successes:

- Absorbed all Emirates NBD back office functions
- Expanded to 2,000 employees
- Achieved all SLA targets including:
  - 30% service improvements
  - 20% cost efficiency gains
  - 27% employee satisfaction improvement
- Engaged three new clients in the UAE telecommunications and government sectors, and Kuwaiti banking sector

Tanfeeth HR has played a critical role in their achievement, particularly given our emphasis on investing in people to achieve results.





# Your HR function can help achieve your strategic objectives through three business improvements



#### **PEOPLE**

 Enhance skill levels across the organization while creating a rapid response system for your evolving learning needs

#### **PERFORMANCE**

- Create a performance management system that drives specific behaviors and business outcomes
- 3. Achieve performance transparency by role-modeling the right behaviors

#### **CULTURE**

- Act as a responsive and trusted business partner, and support a lean way of working
- 5. Reinforce your 'one team' culture while providing flexibility for each Business Unit.

# Enhancing skills across your organization means focusing on training and leadership development



# WHAT TANFEETH DID

### **BEFORE**

Learning and development was ad-hoc and not driven by specific business needs

No established leadership development programs

Training often de-prioritized due to business demands and volumes

## **AFTER**

Co-located Line Training teams but with KPIs aligned to Business Unit goals

Introduced a training calendar including leadership development programs

Offered a guaranteed minimum 36 training hours per year for all employees



# A performance management system that drives the right business outcomes requires four key features



# WHAT TANFEETH DID

### **BEFORE**

No defined KPIs for employees

Performance reviews undertaken on an annual basis only

Infrequent visibility over performance with only ad-hoc feedback

Incentives not linked to performance

## **AFTER**

"Lean" KPIs established

Performance reviews undertaken on a monthly basis

Daily visibility over performance through tracking of KPI achievement

Incentives linked to performance





# Role-modeling a culture of transparency means introducing regular, cascading reviews



## WHAT TANFEETH DID

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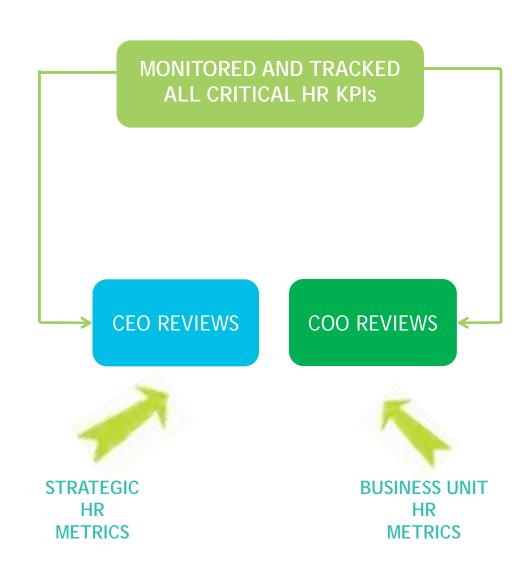
HR KPIs established but no governance model to ensure they were reviewed and measured on a regular basis

#### **AFTER**

Monitored and tracked all HR KPIs

Business Unit HR metrics evaluated at COO reviews

Strategic HR metrics evaluated at CEO reviews





# HR needs to be responsive and trusted, while supporting your way of working and which for us, meant working 'lean'



## WHAT TANFEETH DID

### **BEFORE**

Line HR established as centralized unit, located separately from Operations

No lean practices within HR team

Line HR KPIs based on needs of HR team, not operational and business needs

## **AFTER**

Created centralized reporting but KPIs aligned with Business Unit goals

Introduced lean practices within HR



Co-located Line HR with Business Units - replicating the structure of a military organization

WHAT CAN WE LEARN FROM THE MILITARY?





# Ensuring HR reinforces your 'one team' culture while providing flexibility means having the right balance between centralization and decentralization



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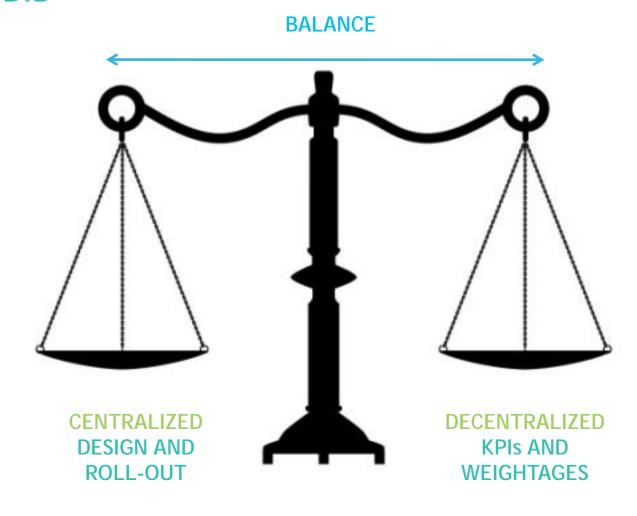
## **BEFORE**

All HR activities centralized within HR unit, which functioned separately from operational teams

#### **AFTER**

Made strategic decision to centralize or decentralize each HR activity. An example is performance management.

We also centralized communications which is a critical part of the change management process.





# Our centralized communications program reinforces our 'one team' culture while keeping employees informed and engaged























So what's the take-home message for a business leader looking to ensure their HR function supports the achievement of strategic objectives?

- Have a clear understanding of your business model and objective
- 2. Design your HR function to deliver the outcomes needed to support this model
- 3. The key components of this includes ensuring HR:
- Enhances skill levels
- Creates results-driving performance management systems
- Role models performance transparency
- Is responsive and trusted
- Reinforces your 'one team' culture while providing flexibility to Business Units



# Our change video gives a great overview of who Tanfeeth is and where we're going





# Tanfeeth's journey A story of change



