THE EFFECT OF THE ADOPTION OF A COMPUTERISED ACCOUNTING SYSTEM AT APPLEVINE (PVT) LTD.

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This research sought to assess the effectiveness of the adoption of a computerised accounting system by Apple Vine (PVT) LTD in resolving the problems which were being faced at the company. These problems include failure to produce timely information, many errors and poor presentation and documentation of work. The objective of this research is to investigate the effectiveness of adoption of Computerised Accounting System in addressing these problems. In this study the researcher used the case study method in order to focus the research resources on one entity. The population in this study had 41 individuals from which a sample of 12 was chosen comprising of three company accountants, two managers, one executive director, and three logistics department workers and three other employees from selling and distribution department. These people were selected because they were considered to be the most affected either directly or indirectly by the adoption of Computerised Accounting System of the company. The researcher mainly relied on primary source of data collection as it allowed for new ideas and most relevant information. The instruments used for primary sources are questionnaire and interviews. The major findings of the research revealed that the adoption of a Computerised Accounting System has led to improvement in performance of the company even though there was an increase in some costs. It is recommended that the company uses accounting packages such as Pastel. In order to set a proficient accounting system, the firm must set a training program that will equip employees who use the computer system with any latest development concerning the system. The company can also maximise on the benefits of computerisation by setting a local network to enable sharing and fast transfer of data and this can save time and reduce printing costs.