Tips of Selecting ERP (Enterprise Resource Planning)

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Evaluation of ERP software is a very challenging and difficult task. Organizations are very care full because the ERP is long term impact for the firm and organizational productivity. As people say 'ERP is like an Engagement'; Once you are start working with ERP and fill some data than after some time it is not possible to change or move in to other ERP. I donâ€™t say it is not possible but it is tedious job. The organization have done heavy investment on the ERP and after some time if this system is not comfortable than it show high loss of the firm. So be care full when choose ERP. Now day Microsoft NAV and Dynamic is good ERP for this time and itâ€™s cost is low compare to SAP and other product of ERP. An ERP module selection process will typically involve the following:

1. 1. ERP selection team: At the time of ERP selection, the process is follow by it manager. The ERP selection team should be actual user or manager of that module. Without an experience user it may not be comfortable to user. Scope of ERP Software: A best ERP package must have functionalities to meet the present as well as future needs of the organization. The full software must be expertise in following Sales, Inventory, Finance, Procurement etc. It is very difficult to get an ERP Software which matches your needs 100%. Typically 80% fit is considered fit enough. Though during the demos you may feel that software meets your requirements 100% but that doesn't happen in real. Firstly because Organizations are not very clear of the Requirements at the beginning phase. Secondly it is very difficult evaluate an ERP functionality in a demo which generally lasts about an hour.

â€¢ Accounting / Finance

â€¢ Distribution

â€¢ Manufacturing

â€¢ HRIS

â€¢ Material Management

â€¢ Procurement

â€¢ Customer Relationship Management

â€¢ Graphical Dashboards now called as Management Dashboards

â€¢ Some Reporting tool (Either inbuilt or third party ones)

â€¢ And other industry specific modules like could be a Transportation Module, Fixed Deposit Management etc.

There are lots of ERP software packages in market. They have its own strength and weakness. Every product has its own concept, architecture and set of functionalities. Organization need to identify right vendor by analyzing many factors such as the product's features, customization complexities, implementation success rate, cost, customer references, post implementation support, local and International presence and number of installations. ERP should also support multiple locations, multiple companies, multi currencies and multiple languages (if required).

2. Applications/Equipment: Organization uses much software other than ERP. An ERP also be required to integrate applications like Mail server, Attendance systems, Production Equipment, Weigh scales, Bar Coding machines etc. So organization must have to calculate the cost of this additional hardware that are use for installing in ERP and it is not included in that ERP estimate.

3. User Friendliness: Your Choosing software must be a user friendly and easy to understand by user. All software company try to make ERP software user friendly and easy to use but for that they required proper training from vendor of ERP. All ERP vendor should check the navigation structure, clicks required to open a function, drill down options in reports, Graphical options etc.

When you are in search of ERP (Enterprise Resource Planning) software the most important point to keep always in mind is that the ERP you are looking will become a lifeline and Heart of your organization. For the best ERP product of Microsoft please contact info (at) Infilon(dot)com. We have large number of experience in this field. And we are very popular in Indian IT market.

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