## BUSINESS CONTINUITY REVIEW AND ASSESSMENT

Sector	Defence
Client	A major UAE Defence Company
Service	Business continuity review and assessment of multiple entities
Project Days	60

## **CLIENT PROBLEM?**

The client worked in a high hazard industry. Although they had multiple internal and external audits per year, including ISO 45001, ISO 14001 and ADOSH SF. The company wisely identified that this did not necessarily ensure a safe working environment. Further, the client also wished for a review and assessment of their business continuity systems. Against the United Arab Emirates national standard; NCEMA 7001. Additionally, how the existing system was prepared for crisis or emergency on a practical level.

The Corporate OHS Consultants assessed the adequacy of the current practices against the level of risk and compliance. Then recommended a road map to implement improvements as needed.

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## **Our Solution**

The Corporate OHS HSE Consultant devised a project methodology which included:

- Conducting an assessment of Business Continuity practices across the identified entities, ensuring compliance with the BCM standards set by NCEMA.
- This involved reviewing existing Business Continuity Plans (BCPs), evaluating their effectiveness, alignment with the NCEMA BCM standards, and their capability to ensure operational resilience.
- Recommendations will be made to address gaps and strengthen business continuity measures, along with suggestions for integrating BCM considerations into the broader HSE framework.

## **Our Outputs**

- Evaluate existing Business Continuity Plans (BCPs) against NCEMA Business Continuity Management (BCM) standards and industry best practices.
- Conduct workshops and tabletop exercises to test the effectiveness of BCPs in different scenarios.
- Identify gaps in business continuity practices and resilience measures.
- Develop customised recommendations for strengthening BCPs and integrating BCM considerations into the broader HSE framework.
- The report contained recommendations to address gaps and strengthen business continuity measures, along with suggestions for integrating BCM considerations into the broader HSE framework.
- Findings from individual entities assessed were also condensed into a single comprehensive report.
- It included a prioritised road map per company for implementing HSE improvements, including detailed action plans, resource requirements, timelines, and expected budget.
- Findings, recommendations, and action plan information was imparted to key stakeholders through interactive workshops and presentations.
- Discussions were held to ensure alignment and commitment to implementing proposed changes and improvements.

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