COURSE CODE: AAD 506
COURSE TITLE: Organisation Development, Team building and Conflict Resolution
NUMBER OF UNITS: 2 Units
COURSE DURATION: Two hours per week

COURSE DETAILS:
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COURSE CONTENT:
Concept and types of organization; Meaning of Team building, stages in team building, The need for team building, group decision making, Concept of conflict; Conflict and Competition; Levels of Conflict. Principles of conflicts, Types of organization conflicts, Causes of organization conflicts, Conflict process, Function and dysfunctional aspects of conflicts, Organisational capacity to deal with conflict, Usefulness of Conflict in an organisation, Methods of handling organization conflict.

COURSE REQUIREMENTS:
Students are expected to participate in all the course activities and have a minimum of 70% attendance to qualify for writing the final examination. Students will be required to submit a report of web research and write term paper on any of the topics treated in this course. This will account for part of the continuous assessment. Students will be expected to treat all study questions and submit assignments fortnightly for grading. All class assignments should be word processed.

READING LIST:
Week 1: Concept and types of organization;

Objective: Students will be able to discuss what organisation is, describe organisation structure, and types of organisation

Description:
A general overview of the course will be introduced to students. The need for the study of organisational structure and types will be examined.
Also, definitions and the scope of organisational structure will be discussed. The distinguishing features of agricultural organisation will be explained.

Study Questions:
1. What is organisation?
2. Identify and discuss the significance of organisations
3. List various features of formal and informal organisation
4. Describe differences between formal and informal organisation.

Week 2: Meaning of Team building, the need for team building, group decision making

Objective: Students will be able to explain meaning and purpose of team building in an organisation.

Description:
1st Hour: Meaning and purpose of team building will be explained and how they benefit individual and the organisation.
2nd Hour: The need for team building, group decision making will be examined

Study Questions:
1. What is team building?
2. Why team building necessary in an organisation?
3. Explain group decision making and its impact on the organisation

Assignment: Write short notes on the following
Organisation, Informal and formal organisation, and team building

Week 3: Group Decision making in an agricultural organisation

Objective: Students will have the knowledge of types and how to make profitable decision within an organisation.

Description:
Various types of making decision in an organisation will be discussed. The benefits and limitation of each decision making will also be explained. Step to be taken in making profitable decision for the organisation will thought.

Study Questions:
1. List the various types of decision making in an organisation.

2. When and why will you recommend any of the decision making to your organisation?

**Week 4: Concept of conflict and its implication on agricultural organisation activities**

**Objective:** Students will have a clear understanding of what conflict is and its implication on agricultural organisation activities

**Description:**
Different definitions of conflict from literatures will be discussed while its implication on the organisation will be generated from the student using student/lecturer participatory approach.

**Study Questions:**
1. What is conflict?
2. What are the impact of conflict on the organisational structure and performance?

**Assignment:**
1. Investigate types of conflict within an agricultural organisation. A term paper to be submitted

**Week 5: Conflict and Competition**

The different between concept conflict and competition will be elucidated. Industrial conflict, informal and formal industrial conflict will be discussed. Types of strike will be identified within an organisation.

**Study Questions:**
1. Distinguish between conflict and competition
2. What is industrial conflict?
3. List types of strike

**Week 6: Levels and Principle of Conflict**

**Objective:** Students will be able to understand six different levels of conflict within an organisation and principles of conflict

**Description:**
1st **Hour:** Six different level of conflict within an organisation will be explained and effect on the organisation activities.

2nd **Hour:** Discussion on the principles of conflict within an organisation.

**Study Questions:**
1. Mention different levels of conflict within an organisation
2. What are the principle of conflict that administrator need to consideration in his organisation?

**Week 7: Types of organisation conflict and causes of organisation conflict**

**Objective:** Students will be able to understand types and causes conflict in agricultural organisation.

**Description:**
Different types of organisational conflict will be discussed and causes of the conflict will be explained to student. Student will be giving opportunity to investigate types and causes of conflict in an organisation of choice.

**Study Questions:**
1. Mention types of organisation conflicts
2. Identify causes of conflict in an organisation

**Assignment:**
Investigate causes of conflict in organisation section, unit or department.

**Weeks 8 & 9: Conflict process, function, and dysfunction aspect of conflict. Organisation capacity to manage conflict.**

**Objective:** Student will be able to understand 5 stages of conflict process. Differentiate between functional and dysfunctional conflicts. Determine organisation capacity to manage conflicts

**Description:**
Two weeks will be devoted to these topics so that student will be able to have indepth knowledge of the most important aspect of the organisation.

Organisation capacity to manage conflict will be explained. Students will be given the opportunity to share their experiences with organisation they have worked with or they are working with.

**Study Questions:**
1. Identify and discuss with example conflict process
2. Organisation conflicts can be handled in various ways Yes or No. Discuss various ways of handling organisational conflict

**Assignment:**
Write a case study of not more than 2 pages the organisation capacity to manage conflict of your choice.

**Weeks 10 & 11: Usefulness of conflict in organisation**

**Objective:** Students will be able to plan, design and conduct mini research on the topic.

**Description:**
Lecturer will describe and lead the student to identify usefulness of conflict to the organisation. Students will be formed into a group each group will conduct a mini research on usefulness of conflict to an organisation that will be presented in the class

**Study Questions:**
1. Mention some of the usefulness of conflict to an organisation.
2. Develop a checklist of activities in conducting mini research

**Week 12: Class Test.**

**Objective:** Students will be tested on what has been taught in the course for the past 11 weeks.

**Week 13:** Methods of handling organisation conflict
Objective: Students will be able to understand and suggest various ways of handling organisation conflict.

Description:
1st Hour: The lecturer will discuss methods of handling organisation conflict.
2nd Hour: Method of handling individual and organisation as a whole will be discussed. When and how to apply these methods will be discussed.

Study Questions:
1. What are strategies you will adopt in resolving conflict in your organisation?
2. Sometimes most managers can effectively resolve organisational conflict by changing the organisation structure by grouping people and task. Do you agree with the above statement? Defend your stand.

Week 14: Reviewed test and assignments.
Objective: Answer to test and assignment will be discussed in order to expose the student to the correct answers.
Description: The test and assignments will be discussed with specific examples.
Study Questions: 1. Test and assignment questions.

Week 15: Revision Exercise.
Objective: Students will revise all topics taught during the semester.
Description: All topics dealt with in this course will be reviewed. Students will discuss what they have learnt from the course. Students will be allowed to ask questions on specific topics that are not clear to them.

Key for the Reading List:
1 Available in the University Library
2 Available in Bookshops
3 Available on the internet.
4 Personal collections
5 Departmental Library