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Savannah Cement: Gaining Integrity and Accuracy in Operational Reporting with SAP HANA®

High business volumes required Kenya-based Savannah Cement Limited to revamp its technology to keep customers happy and staff efficiency high. It deployed SAP® ERP powered by SAP HANA®, a first in East and Central Africa. Savannah Cement is now placed well ahead of competitors in the area's cement industry segment as the only player equipped with in-memory computing technology for real-time planning and forecasting.

True real-time transaction processes

Increased visibility into operations

Objectives

- Optimize business processes to eliminate duplicate transactions
- Gain complete ownership of business processes
- Get real-time feedback when processing transactions to support corrective action
- Achieve competitive edge by being second in Africa to implement SAP® Business Suite powered by SAP HANA®

Why SAP HANA

- Need to support business processes in real time
- Requisite foundation for setting up business intelligence software
- Platform for innovation to keep pace with future trends
- In-memory computing technology for vast improvement in database handling and functionality

Why SEAI

- Adoption of the ASAP® methodology, which provides a road map for cost-effective, speedy implementation of SAP solutions
- Ability to deliver the solution within 4 months, giving Savannah Cement Limited a rapid return on investment
- Expertise to perform the first implementation of the SAP HANA platform in the region

Benefits

- Reduced period closure reporting lead time by 75%–80% (from 8–10 days to 2 days)
- Reduced operational meetings from at least 3 each day to 1 per day
- Optimized business continuity and disaster recovery
- Streamlined basis administration

"SAP HANA has changed our view of database management and greatly simplified tasks, giving our business a cutting-edge advantage and incomparable agility. Clearly to us, SAP HANA was built to keep the business running better."

Brian Wamwenje, IT Manager, Savannah Cement Limited



Company

Savannah Cement Limited

Headquarters

Nairobi, Kenya

Industry

Mill products

Products and Services

Cement and raw materials

Employees

250

Web Site

www.savannahcement.com

Partner

Sperkjet East Africa Limited (SEAI)

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