Findings and Recommendations

Firstly: Findings:

- 1- The great role of budget preparation in Khartoum Refinery helping in controlling the refining cost due to the high rate of acceptance got from the sample of the study.
- 2- The updated restricted software in Khartoum refinery contributes in cost reduction in each production stages even in management and financial transactions.
- 3- Contributions of the staff in budget preparation and implementation made them very careful in processing their jobs and controlling their budgets spontaneously.
- 4- Computerizing inventories by limiting the maximum and minimum reorder level assists in saving Khartoum refinery resources this result got 85 % agree from the sample.

Secondly: Recommendations:

- 1- Providing training courses for the budget users both staff and managers to enlighten them by the important role of budgeting process.
- 2- Repeating software training courses to the administrators and the users to remind them with the great features for these software especially in case of software upgrades.
- 3. Giving budget preparation a serious consideration, because it is the first correct step in controlling the budget.
- 4- Khartoum refinery should have well knowledge committee for choosing the new software and even when updating the old ones to justify the installation and licenses cost in order to compare it with the yields and the benefits of using this software.
- 5- The researcher suggests ABC to be adopted by Khartoum Refinery as a costing system due to its advantages besides taking in the considerations to the previous implications.

Future studies:

- 1- The impacts of process costing techniques on petroleum refining cost reduction.
- 2- The role of inventory software in controlling petroleum refining cost.
- 3- Practical design for budgetary systems for petroleum refineries.

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Appendix (1) the Questionnaire (A)**Personal Information**

Please put a tick for the suitable answer $(\sqrt{})$

1- Age:
30years &Less
2-Qualfication
Diploma BSC H.D MSC PHD
3- Specialization:
Accounting Business Administration IT Engineering others
4-Position:
Staff Supervisor Section Head Manager Division Manager
5- Experience (years)
5years & Less 6-10 11-15 16-20 21-25 more than 25

(B)Choose one of alternative below by putting tick ($\sqrt{}$) The hypotheses as follows:

(1) Well preparing for the budget effects on the variances.

1- Strongly agree 2- Agree 3-Fair 4- disagree 5-Strongly disagree

No	Questions	1	2	3	4	5
1	Well knowledge of production and its					
	stages helping in better budget					
	estimation.					
2	Starting with standard cost for each unit					
	cost contributes in preparing master					
	budget in accurate way.					
3	Choosing the method of bottom top					
	budgeting gives the employees a feeling					
	of participation then they will					
	implement the budget carefully.					
4	Connecting the annual budget with the					
	strategic objectives assists in budget					
	preparation.					
5	Giving the budget committee and the					
	concerns persons more training courses					
	support them to innovative					
	Modern techniques in budget					
	preparation.					
6	Studying general and administration					
	expenses by well prediction for					
	production volume and foreign currency					

	fluctuations leads to accurate budgeting.			
7	Providing budget manual eliminates			
	preparation efforts then precise			
	estimation.			
8	Following the approved procedures			
	from the top management in budget			
	preparation and implementation			
	accordingly reduce the variances			

2- Stricted software effects on the production cost.

No	Questions	1	2	3	4	5
1	Budgeting software helping in					
	production cost reduction because it					
	reduces the time and effort in					
	budget preparation.					
2	Using budget software assists in					
	immediate performance reports					
	then controlling the company					
	expenses.					
3	Limitation of each budget items by					
	the software and locking the spent					
	ones assists in budget controlling.					
4	Limitation of each in charge					
	people's authorities by the software,					
	helps finance department realizing					
	the budget controlling.					
5	Sending actual performance reports					
	Immediately by the software for the					
	concerns department has a big role					
	in controlling budget					
	implementation.					
6	Good design for the performance					
	reports by computer graphic and					

	charts programs helping top			
	management in correcting			
	procedures.			
7	Computerizing inventories by			
	limiting the maximum and			
	minimum reorder level assists in			
	saving company's resources then			
	control the budget.			
8	Preparing of managerial and cost			
	accounting forms for the employees			
	coming, working and departing hours			
	and connecting these forms by the			
	human resources and costing			
	departments reduces the wasting times			
	then reduces the labor budget.			

3- Users (employees) are considered as one of the important effective factors in budget exceeding.

No	Questions	1	2	3	4	5
1	After budget approval from board of					
	director the announcing of each					
	department for its concerns person by					
	their detail budget items helps in not					
	exceeding the budget.					
2	Ignoring employees in budget preparation					
	leads to misunderstanding of it's contains					
	then will exceed the budget.					
3	The absence of actual performance					
	reports and don't comparing them with					
	the planned ones to know the variances					
	then don't take any correction action					
	(punish the in charge people.) let the					
	employees don't care with the budget					
	implementation.					
4	The Contradiction of the objectives					

	between departments has a big role in			
	budget exceeding.			
5	The top management following to the			
	budget implementation makes it a			
	controllable device.			
6	The Motivating of the employees in a fair			
	way increase the production efficiency			
	then saves the budget.			
7	The interference between the employees'			
	relationship with the company and their			
	relationship with community has a big role in			
	wasting resources.			
8	Job dissatisfaction due to the co			
	interference for authorities and			
	limitations affects negatively in budget			
	performance.			

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