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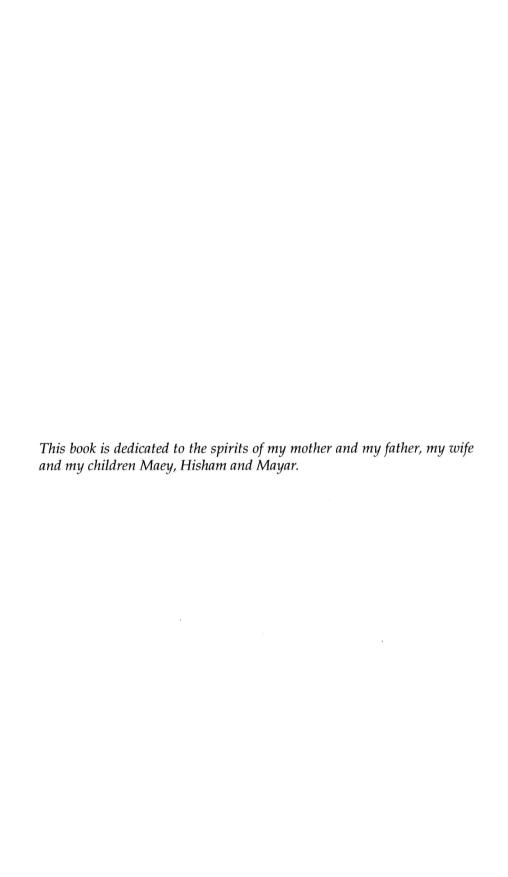
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Preface

The development of any country depends on increasing investment in industrial projects. Although there are many types of industrial projects, such as food processing plants, automobile manufacturing plants, and wind farm construction, the author has chosen oil and gas projects as the main source from which to draw examples throughout this book. The principles herein are meant to be universal and can be applied to any industrial project, but oil and gas projects were chosen as the primary focus because of the author's experience in this area and because, even now, with climate change and other questions about energy, oil and gas are still the primary fuels which drive economies and worldwide development.

Project management is the main tool to achieving a successful project. This book focuses on using practical tools and methods that are widely and successfully used in project management for industrial projects. Most engineers study subjects that focus on project management in housing projects, administration projects and commercial buildings or other similar projects, but industrial projects have their own requirements and characteristics that set them apart from those other types of projects.

This book is not only addressed to graduating engineers who wish to improve their skills in project management, but it is also helpful to upper level management. This book covers all of the project management subjects from an industrial project point of view. The aim of this book is to be helpful to any engineering discipline or any staff in sharing or applying work of an industrial project.

Why does a company have huge investments in a certain country but no investments on other countries, especially in oil and gas projects? Certainly, it isn't just because "that's where the oil is," because there are countries that are extremely rich in oil and gas reserves in which there is little investment. These questions are important for understanding project management as a discipline and why using the tools of project management correctly will lead to successful projects.

Knowledge is power. When you understand well, you will do well. So in this book we will illustrate exactly what the project manager is thinking when he is working on a project and what his objectives and goals are. On the other hand, we will discuss what team members may be thinking through the project stages and what their objectives and goals are.

The main tools in managing the project, which are time, resources, cost, and quality management, shall be illustrated by using practical examples from petroleum projects. In addition to that, this book presents all the types of contracts and methods of technical and commercial evaluation for the tenders, with highlights on the FIDIC contract and its advantages.

I have worked on major rehabilitation projects for offshore structures with the best international companies from the owner, working with the engineering offices, the contractors, and the suppliers. Often, the project management staff and all the team members have ideal skills and competence as described in many textbooks, but unfortunately, the end users are not fully satisfied, which is a situation that usually faces us in industrial projects. The solution to this problem is proposed by using a whole building commissioning system that is used successfully in administration building, and this management system is clearly illustrated in this book.

This book tries to be practical and, at the same time, match with the Project Management Professional (PMP) guide, so we selected one hundred questions from the PMP exam to help you obtain the certificate. But we chose questions that present actual cases we face in managing industrial projects.

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