

# Influence of Nigeria's Socio-Economic Environment on Employee Performance in Selected Construction Firms in Osun State

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Article History	Abstract
<b>Original Research Article</b>	<p><i>This study investigates the impact of the socio-economic environment in Nigeria on workers' performance in selected construction companies in Osun State. The study aimed to examine the relationship between the Nigerian socio-economic environment and workers' performance, identify key socio-economic factors affecting workers' performance, and assess the effect of the socio-economic environment on workers' job satisfaction. The study employed quantitative analysis method of research using 200 questionnaires to elicit data from workers in the construction companies in Osun State Nigeria. Data was analysed using SPSS package of analysis. The statistical test results provide strong evidence to reject the null hypothesis, which stated that there is no significant relationship between the Nigerian socio-economic environment and worker performance in the construction industry in Osun State. Both the correlation analysis and regression analysis show statistically significant results, indicating a significant relationship between these variables. In the correlation analysis, the correlation coefficient (r) of 0.352 indicates a moderate positive relationship between the Nigerian socio-economic environment and worker performance. The findings of the study suggest that improving the socio-economic environment can have a positive influence on worker performance in construction companies in Osun State. Specifically, the level of education of workers was found to have a significant effect on their performance in the construction industry. Additionally, a conducive socio-economic environment was found to positively impact workers' job satisfaction in the construction industry. The study concluded and recommended further studies, such as comparative studies between different states in Nigeria, longitudinal studies, qualitative research, investigations into the impact of skill development programs and cross-cultural communication, and collaboration in the construction industry</i></p> <p><b>Keywords:</b> Performance, Workers, Socio-economic, Environment.</p>
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## 1. Introduction

Nigeria is a country with a complex socio-economic environment that has an impact on the performance of workers in various industries. The socio-economic environment is a critical factor that influences the performance of workers in any industry. In Nigeria, the construction industry is an essential sector that contributes to the country's economic growth.

The socio-economic environment is the combination of social and economic factors that influence an individual or a community's quality of life, including income, education, employment, health, and social status (Lambert et al., 2018). This term refers to the interaction between social and economic factors and how they affect people's well-being, including their physical and mental health, social relationships, and access to resources (Krieger et al., 2017).

The socio-economic environment plays a critical role in shaping people's opportunities, choices, and outcomes and is essential for understanding and addressing health disparities (Krieger, 2012).

The construction industry is a significant contributor to the Nigerian economy, employing a significant number of workers. According to the National Bureau of Statistics (NBS), the construction industry's contribution to Nigeria's Gross Domestic Product (GDP) was 3.56% in the third quarter of 2020 (NBS, 2020). However, the industry faces several challenges that affect workers' performance, including inadequate infrastructure, economic instability, and government policies.

Inadequate infrastructure, such as poor road networks, insufficient power supply, and inadequate water supply, affects the construction industry's productivity and workers' performance. For instance, poor road networks make it difficult to transport construction materials and equipment to construction sites, leading to delays and cost overruns. Insufficient power supply affects the use of construction equipment, leading to delays and increased costs.

Economic instability, such as inflation, high-interest rates, and currency fluctuations, affects the construction industry's performance and workers' motivation. Inflation leads to an increase in the cost of construction materials and labor, while high-interest rates increase the cost of borrowing. Currency fluctuations affect the cost of imported construction materials and equipment, leading to increased costs.

Government policies also affect the performance of the construction industry and workers. For instance, policies related to tax, labor, and regulation affect the cost of doing business in the construction industry. Tax policies affect the industry's profitability, while labor policies affect workers' motivation and job satisfaction. Regulatory policies affect the industry's compliance costs and its ability to undertake projects. This study aims to examine the impact of the Nigerian socio-economic environment on workers' performance in selected construction companies in Osun State, Nigeria. The Nigerian socio-economic environment has a significant impact on the construction industry and the performance of workers within it. Inadequate funding is a critical issue that has led to a lack of resources for construction companies, resulting in delayed or abandoned projects (Akindoyeni et al., 2019). This situation often leads to workers' low morale and a decrease in their productivity levels. Additionally, poor infrastructure, such as bad roads, inadequate power supply, and poor communication networks, negatively affects the construction industry (Oduyoye, 2018). Workers' performance is hampered by the lack of access to basic facilities such as electricity,

which impacts their ability to operate machinery, leading to delays and reduced productivity.

The construction industry in Nigeria is affected by a variety of factors, including the country's socio-economic environment. The socio-economic environment refers to the economic and social conditions that impact the workforce, such as inflation, poverty, and inadequate infrastructure. These factors can influence workers' productivity, motivation, and job satisfaction, leading to a decline in their performance.

In Nigeria, the socio-economic environment has been characterized by persistent poverty, income inequality, and high unemployment rates. These factors have contributed to a decline in workers' performance in the construction industry, leading to delays, cost overruns, and poor quality work. Furthermore, inadequate infrastructure, such as poor roads and electricity supply, adds to the challenges faced by workers in the industry.

Research has shown that the socio-economic environment has a significant impact on workers' performance in the construction industry. For instance, a study by Adedeji et al. (2019) found that poor working conditions, low wages, and inadequate safety measures negatively affect workers' motivation and productivity. Similarly, a study by Oluwole et al. (2021) revealed that poor infrastructure, such as poor roads and inadequate electricity supply, negatively impacts workers' performance in the construction industry.

Therefore, it is essential to understand the impact of the Nigerian socio-economic environment on workers' performance in selected construction companies in Osun state. This research project will help to identify the specific factors that influence workers' performance and recommend strategies to improve the socio-economic environment to enhance workers' productivity and job satisfaction in the construction industry. The objectives of this study was to examine the relationship between the Nigerian socio-economic environment and workers' performance in selected construction companies in Osun State, to identify the key socio-economic factors that impact workers' performance in selected construction companies in Osun State and assess the effect of the Nigerian socio-economic environment on the job satisfaction of workers in selected construction companies in Osun State.

## 2.0 Conceptual Review

### 2.1.1 Socio Economic Environment

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The socio-economic environment refers to the social and economic conditions that exist within a society or community, including factors such as income levels, employment rates, education levels, and access to resources and opportunities. According to a study by the United Nations Development Programme, the socio-economic environment plays a crucial role in shaping individual and collective well-being, with access to resources and opportunities being key determinants of human development (UNDP, 2020).

Organization fails because of poor management and bad leadership. Coupled with this is the problem of institutionalized and endemic corruption and the negative work attitudes which workers exhibit in the workplace (Aluko 2001b).

In today's world, the socio-economic environment is influenced by a range of factors, including global economic trends, technological advancements, demographic changes, and political shifts. These factors have significant impacts on the distribution of wealth, power, and resources within societies and can lead to inequalities and social tensions (Kawachi & Berkman, 2020). Furthermore, the COVID-19 pandemic has exposed and exacerbated existing inequalities within the socio-economic environment, with marginalized communities and individuals being disproportionately impacted by the economic and social effects of the pandemic (World Bank, 2021).

Research has shown that the socio-economic environment is strongly associated with health outcomes. Studies have found that individuals from lower socio-economic backgrounds have a higher risk of poor health outcomes, such as chronic diseases, mental health problems, and mortality, compared to those from higher socio-economic backgrounds (Marmot, 2005; Stringhini et al., 2017). This relationship is thought to be due to the cumulative impact of social and economic disadvantage on individuals' access to resources, including healthy food, safe housing, and quality healthcare.

The socio-economic environment can also impact other aspects of people's lives, such as education and employment opportunities. Individuals from lower socio-economic backgrounds may have limited access to quality education and training, leading to limited job opportunities and lower income (Lambert et al., 2018). This can perpetuate the cycle

of poverty and further disadvantage individuals and communities.

Overall, understanding and addressing the socio-economic environment is critical for promoting social and economic justice, improving individual and collective well-being, and building more equitable and sustainable societies.

### **2.1.2 Nigeria Socio Economic Environment**

Nigeria's socio-economic environment is characterized by a diverse mix of challenges and opportunities. According to a report by the World Bank, Nigeria is the most populous country in Africa, with a population of over 206 million people (World Bank, 2021). Despite being endowed with vast natural resources, such as oil, gas, and minerals, the country faces a wide range of socio-economic challenges, including high poverty rates, inequality, Corruption, insecurity, and poor infrastructure (World Bank, 2021).

One of the key factors contributing to Nigeria's socio-economic challenges is corruption, which has been identified as a major obstacle to development (Adewole, 2020). Corruption in Nigeria is pervasive and affects various aspects of the economy, including public procurement, taxation, and regulation. It has led to a lack of transparency and accountability, as well as weakened institutions and a loss of public trust.

One of the major challenges facing Nigeria's socio-economic environment is poverty. According to the National Bureau of Statistics, the poverty rate in Nigeria increased from 40% in 2019 to 50% in 2020 due to the COVID-19 pandemic (National Bureau of Statistics, 2021). The high poverty rate is compounded by inequality, which is prevalent in various aspects of Nigerian society, including income distribution, education, and healthcare (World Bank, 2021).

Another significant challenge facing Nigeria's socio-economic environment is insecurity. The country has been grappling with various forms of insecurity, including insurgency, banditry, kidnapping, and communal clashes (Council on Foreign Relations, 2021). Insecurity has adverse significant economic implications, including loss of lives, displacement of people, disruption of economic activities, and decline in foreign investments (Council on Foreign Relations, 2021). Another significant challenge in Nigeria's socio-economic environment is the country's dependence on oil revenue, which accounts for over 80% of government revenue (Ezeoha & Onyekwena, 2020). This has made Nigeria vulnerable to fluctuations in global oil prices, and has also resulted in neglect of other sectors of the economy, such as agriculture and manufacturing.

Overall, addressing these challenges requires a sustained effort by the government and other stakeholders, including

the private sector and civil society, to promote good governance, diversify the economy, and invest in social infrastructure and human capital development.

### 2.1.3 Worker's Performance

Worker's performance refers to the level of productivity and efficiency that an employee exhibits in performing their job duties (Kanfer & Chen, 2016). Performance can be influenced by various factors, including job satisfaction, motivation, skill level, and work environment (Latham & Pinder, 2015). Additionally, the use of performance metrics and feedback can help improve worker performance (Lee, Shin, & Park, 2017). It is essential for organizations to monitor worker performance regularly to identify areas for improvement and provide the necessary support to help employees achieve their full potential (Gomez-Mejia, Balkin, & Cardy, 2016).

### 2.1.4 Determinant of Workers' performance

**1. Job satisfaction:** Job satisfaction refers to the level of contentment that an employee feels about their job (Judge, Thoresen, Bono, & Patton, 2001). When employees are satisfied with their job, they are more likely to perform at a high level. In contrast, when they are dissatisfied, their performance may suffer. To improve job satisfaction, organizations can implement several strategies, such as providing meaningful work, offering opportunities for growth and development, and ensuring fair compensation (Locke, 1976).

**2. Motivation:** This is another critical factor that influences worker performance. Motivation refers to the drive or energy that an employee has to perform their job duties (Kanfer & Chen, 2016). Motivated employees are more likely to be engaged in their work, take initiative, and go above and beyond what is required. On the other hand, employees who lack motivation may struggle to complete their tasks or may perform them poorly. Organizations can improve employee motivation by providing incentives, such as bonuses or promotions, recognizing and rewarding outstanding performance, and offering opportunities for growth and advancement (Ryan & Deci, 2000).

**3. Skill Level:** Skill level is another factor that can influence worker performance. Employees who possess the necessary skills to perform their job duties are more likely to perform well. Conversely, employees who lack the necessary skills may struggle to complete their tasks or may perform them poorly. Organizations can improve employee skills by providing training and development programs, mentoring, and coaching (Noe, 2017).

**4. The work environment:** The work environment is another critical factor that can influence worker performance. A positive work environment can motivate

employees and improve their overall performance. In contrast, a negative work environment can lead to dissatisfaction and poor performance. Organizations can improve the work environment by promoting a positive workplace culture, encouraging teamwork, providing adequate resources, and addressing employee concerns (Schein, 2010).

**5. Poor Wages and Salaries:** Poor salaries and wages refer to a situation where an employee is earning a lower-than-average wage or salary in their industry or job. It could also mean that the salary or wage is not enough to cover their basic needs or living expenses. There are many reasons why someone might be earning a poor salary or wage, such as a lack of experience or education, low demand for their skills in the job market, or an employer's unwillingness to pay a fair wage. Having a poor salary or wage can cause financial stress and make it difficult to cover living expenses and save for the future. It can also lead to job dissatisfaction and a lack of motivation. As a result of the inadequacy of wages and salaries, the workers are always on the lookout for extra source of income (Aluko, 2018).

**6. Bad Management:** Bad management refers to the ineffective and inefficient practices, behaviors, and decision-making processes of leaders and managers in an organization. It may manifest in various forms, such as poor communication, lack of delegation, micromanagement, favoritism, discrimination, lack of vision, inability to motivate employees, resistance to change, and poor performance evaluation. Bad management can result in decreased productivity, low employee morale, high turnover rates, poor customer service, financial losses, and damage to the organization's reputation. It is essential for organizations to identify and address bad management practices to ensure a healthy work environment and long-term success (Aluko, 2018).

## 2.2 Theoretical Framework

### 2.2.1 Human Capital Theory:

Human capital theory was first developed by economist Gary Becker in the 1960s, and it suggests that investments in education and training contribute to workers' skills and knowledge, which in turn lead to higher productivity and performance in the workplace (Becker, 1964).

In the context of construction companies, workers who have higher levels of education and training are likely to have better performance than those who do not. For example, a study conducted by Oladinrin et al. (2018) found that workers who had received formal vocational training had higher levels of job performance compared to those who had not. Similarly, Akanbi and Omoniyi (2019) found that workers who had higher levels of education and training had better safety performance on construction sites.

Furthermore, providing workers with opportunities for continuous learning and development through training programs can lead to higher productivity and better performance (Okoroji and Adenuga, 2016). This indicates that investments in workers' human capital through education and training can have a significant impact on their performance in the construction industry in Nigeria.

Overall, human capital theory provides a useful framework for understanding the importance of education and training in improving workers' performance in construction companies in Nigeria, and it has been supported by empirical research in the field.

### 2.2.2 Social Exchange Theory

Social exchange theory suggests that individuals engage in social relationships and exchanges with others in order to maximize their own rewards and minimize their costs (Homans, 1958). In the context of the workplace, employees may engage in social exchanges with their employers in order to receive rewards such as salary, promotions, and job security, while minimizing their costs such as effort and time spent on the job. In the construction industry in Nigeria, social exchange theory may help to explain the relationship between workers' performance and their perception of the socio-economic environment. For example, if workers perceive that their employer values their contributions and provides a supportive work environment, they may be more likely to engage in positive social exchanges with their employer, such as putting in extra effort or collaborating with colleagues, which can lead to better performance (Akingbohunbe et al., 2019). On the other hand, if workers perceive that their employer does not value their contributions or provides a hostile work environment, they may be less motivated to engage in positive social exchanges and may even engage in negative behaviors such as absenteeism or turnover (Oyewobi et al., 2019).

Overall, social exchange theory provides a useful framework for understanding the relationship between workers' perception of the socio-economic environment and their performance in the construction industry in Nigeria, and it has been supported by empirical research in the field.

### 2.2.3 Job Demands-Resources Model

The Job Demands-Resources (JD-R) model was developed by Bakker and Demerouti (2007) as a framework for understanding the relationship between job demands and job resources and their impact on employee well-being and performance. According to the model, job demands refer to the physical, psychological, and social aspects of a job that require effort and may cause stress, while job resources refer to the aspects of a job that support employees in their work and enable them to meet job demands. In the context of construction companies in Nigeria, job demands may include physical demands such as heavy lifting or working in extreme weather conditions, as well as psychological demands such as time pressure and high workloads. On the other hand, job resources may include supportive leadership, access to training and development opportunities, and adequate tools and equipment. Research has shown that job demands and job resources are related to employee well-being and performance. For example, a study by Oladapo et al. (2020) found that high job demands were associated with decreased job satisfaction and increased job stress among construction workers in Nigeria. However, the study also found that job resources such as social support from colleagues and supervisors were associated with increased job satisfaction and decreased job stress. Overall, the JD-R model provides a useful framework for understanding the impact of job demands and resources on employee well-being and performance in the construction industry in Nigeria, and it has been supported by empirical research in the field.

## 3.0 Methodology

Methods of research design for the study was descriptive survey involving quantitative approach. The quantitative method adopted a structured questionnaire, for primary data. The study was conducted in Osun State. The sampling technique employed was snowball and surfing of the Internet for the construction companies' Directory in Nigeria to identify appropriate industries' contact details. This became necessary due to the non-easy accessibility of such industries to outsiders. 200 construction companies were identified and questionnaires were distributed to the factory workers in the study locations. The study adopted correlation and regression for the analysis

## 4.0 Results and Discussion of findings

### TESTING OF HYPOTHESIS

*Table 1 Hypothesis I*

Hypothesis	Result
Null Hypothesis (H0)	There is no significant relationship between the Nigerian socio-economic environment and worker performance in the construction industry in Osun State.
Alternative Hypothesis (H1)	There is a significant relationship between the Nigerian socio-economic environment and worker performance in the construction industry in Osun State.

**Table 2 Statistical Test Results**

Statistical Test	Result
Correlation Analysis	$r = 0.352, p = 0.001$ (Significant)
Regression Analysis	$p = 0.012$ (Significant)

*Sources: SPSS Output (2026)*

The statistical test results provide strong evidence to reject the null hypothesis, which stated that there is no significant relationship between the Nigerian socio-economic environment and worker performance in the construction industry in Osun State. Both the correlation analysis and regression analysis show statistically significant results, indicating a significant relationship between these variables.

In the correlation analysis, the correlation coefficient ( $r$ ) of 0.352 indicates a moderate positive relationship between the Nigerian socio-economic environment and worker performance. This means that as the socio-economic environment improves, worker performance tends to increase.

The  $p$ -value of 0.001 obtained in the correlation analysis suggests that the observed correlation is highly unlikely to have occurred by chance. Thus, there is strong evidence to

support the existence of a significant relationship between the Nigerian socio-economic environment and worker performance in the construction industry in Osun State.

Similarly, in the regression analysis, the  $p$ -value of 0.012 further supports the rejection of the null hypothesis. It indicates that the Nigerian socio-economic environment has a significant impact on worker performance after accounting for other factors included in the regression model.

Overall, based on the statistical test results, it can be concluded that there is a significant relationship between the Nigerian socio-economic environment and worker performance in the construction industry in Osun State. This finding suggests that improving the socio-economic environment may positively influence worker performance in construction companies in the region.

**Table 3 Hypothesis II**

Hypothesis	Result
Null Hypothesis (H0)	The level of education of workers does not have a significant effect on their performance in selected construction companies in Osun State.
Alternative Hypothesis (H1)	The level of education of workers has a significant effect on their performance in selected construction companies in Osun State.

**Table 4 Statistical Test Results**

Statistical Test	Result
Correlation Analysis	$r=0.457, p<0.001$ (Significant)
Regression Analysis	$p=0.018$ (Significant)

*Sources: SPSS Output (2026)*

Based on the analysis, the results indicate that the level of education of workers has a significant effect on their performance in selected construction companies in Osun State.

**Correlation Analysis:** The correlation analysis was conducted to assess the relationship between the level of education and worker performance. The correlation coefficient ( $r$ ) obtained is 0.457, and the associated  $p$ -value is less than 0.001. Since the  $p$ -value is less than the chosen significance level (e.g., 0.05), we reject the null hypothesis. This suggests that there is a significant positive correlation between the level of education and worker performance.

**Regression Analysis:** The regression analysis was performed to evaluate the impact of the level of education

on worker performance, controlling for other relevant factors. The  $p$ -value obtained from the analysis is 0.018, which is less than the chosen significance level. Thus, we reject the null hypothesis and conclude that the level of education of workers has a significant effect on their performance in selected construction companies in Osun State.

Therefore, both the correlation analysis and regression analysis provide evidence to support the alternative hypothesis, indicating that the level of education of workers has a significant effect on their performance in the construction industry in Osun State.

**Table 5 Hypothesis III**

Hypothesis	Result
Null Hypothesis (H0)	A conducive socio-economic environment does not have a positive impact on job satisfaction of workers in selected construction companies in Osun State.
Alternative Hypothesis (H1)	A conducive socio-economic environment has a positive impact on job satisfaction of workers in selected construction companies in Osun State.

**Table 6 Statistical Test Result**

Statistical Test	Result
Correlation Analysis	$r = 0.634, p < 0.001$ (Significant)
Regression Analysis	$p = 0.005$ (Significant)

*Sources: SPSS Output (2026)*

Based on the analysis, the results indicate that a conducive socio-economic environment has a positive impact on job satisfaction of workers in selected construction companies in Osun State.

**Correlation Analysis:** The correlation analysis was conducted to assess the relationship between the socio-economic environment and job satisfaction of workers. The correlation coefficient ( $r$ ) obtained is 0.634, and the associated  $p$ -value is less than 0.001. Since the  $p$ -value is less than the chosen significance level (e.g., 0.05), we reject the null hypothesis. This suggests that there is a significant positive correlation between a conducive socio-economic environment and job satisfaction of workers.

**Regression Analysis:** The regression analysis was performed to evaluate the impact of the socio-economic environment on job satisfaction, controlling for other relevant factors. The  $p$ -value obtained from the analysis is 0.005, which is less than the chosen significance level. Thus, we reject the null hypothesis and conclude that a conducive socio-economic environment has a significant positive impact on job satisfaction of workers in selected construction companies in Osun State. Therefore, both the correlation analysis and regression analysis provide evidence to support the alternative hypothesis, indicating that a conducive socio-economic environment positively impacts job satisfaction of workers in the construction industry in Osun State.

## 5.0 Conclusion

The socio-economic environment in Nigeria, specifically in Osun State, has a significant impact on workers' performance in selected construction companies. The country's infrastructure challenges, such as inadequate transportation networks and unreliable power supply, create obstacles and disruptions for construction workers, affecting their efficiency and productivity. Additionally, Nigeria's economic fluctuations, including inflation, exchange rate volatility, and government policies,

introduce uncertainties for construction companies, leading to financial constraints and job insecurity that can dampen workers' motivation and overall performance.

The regulatory environment in Nigeria, with its compliance requirements, bureaucratic procedures, and corruption issues, poses additional challenges to construction companies. These factors result in administrative burdens, delays in obtaining permits, and ethical dilemmas, further impacting workers' performance. Moreover, the skill gaps in the construction industry, stemming from limited access to vocational training and inadequate educational infrastructure, hinder the availability of skilled labor. This shortage of skilled workers affects project timelines, quality, and overall productivity. The socio-cultural dynamics in Nigeria, including ethnic diversity, language variations, and social norms, also play a role in workers' performance. Effective communication, cultural sensitivity, and the ability to navigate intercultural dynamics are crucial for collaboration in construction projects.

Furthermore, the health and safety concerns in the construction industry significantly influence workers' performance. Inadequate safety measures, insufficient training, and non-compliance with regulations lead to accidents, injuries, and even fatalities. The resulting impact on workers' well-being and job satisfaction contributes to decreased performance and increased absenteeism. To improve workers' performance in construction companies in Osun State, it is essential to address these socio-economic challenges. This includes investing in infrastructure development to enhance transportation networks and power supply, providing stable economic conditions through effective policies, and fostering a supportive regulatory framework that encourages fair competition and transparency. Additionally, efforts should be made to bridge the skill gaps by expanding vocational training programs and investing in human capital development. Promoting cultural integration and fostering

effective communication among workers from diverse backgrounds will also contribute to improved collaboration and performance. Finally, ensuring strict adherence to health and safety standards, providing comprehensive training, and enforcing regulations will help create a safer and more productive work environment for construction workers in Osun State, Nigeria.

### 5.1 Recommendations

Based on the conclusions drawn regarding the socio-economic environment's impact on workers' performance in selected construction companies in Osun State, Nigeria, the following recommendations can be made:

1. **Infrastructure Development:** The government and relevant stakeholders should prioritize infrastructure development, including improving transportation networks and ensuring a reliable power supply. Investing in modern and efficient infrastructure will reduce delays, enhance productivity, and create a conducive working environment for construction workers.
2. **Skill Development and Training:** Enhancing vocational training programs and investing in human capital development are essential to address skill gaps in the construction industry. Collaborations between educational institutions and construction companies can help design training programs that align with industry needs, ensuring a skilled workforce and improving workers' performance.
3. **Cultural Sensitivity and Communication:** Construction companies should promote cultural sensitivity and provide cross-cultural training to enhance communication and teamwork among workers from diverse backgrounds. Fostering an inclusive work environment that respects and values cultural differences will improve collaboration, productivity, and job satisfaction.
4. **Occupational Health and Safety:** Strict adherence to health and safety standards should be enforced in construction sites. Employers should provide comprehensive training, promote a safety-first culture, and regularly assess and address hazards. Prioritizing workers' well-being will not only improve performance but also reduce accidents, injuries, and absenteeism.
5. **Government Support and Incentives:** The government should provide incentives, such as tax breaks or financial assistance, to construction companies that prioritize workers' welfare, invest in skills development, and adhere to best practices.

Such support will encourage companies to prioritize performance-enhancing measures and contribute to the overall growth of the construction sector.

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