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<th>Full Form</th>
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<td>CEOs</td>
<td>Chief Executive Officers</td>
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<td>CCK</td>
<td>Communication Commission of Kenya</td>
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<td>SMEs</td>
<td>Small and Medium Enterprises</td>
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<td>NGO-</td>
<td>Non Governmental Organizations</td>
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<td>SPSS</td>
<td>Statistical Package for Social Sciences (SPSS) computer software</td>
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<td>ANOVA</td>
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DEFINITION OF TERMS

Charismatic Leader: Leaders who push the performance of employees by being visionary, motivational and powerful, confident and captivating to followers (Dumdum, Lowe, & Avolio, 2002).

Employee Performance: Ability to achieve the set objectives within the required timelines and parameters (Yusuf, Mohammed and Kazeem, 2014).

Individualized Consideration: Socio-emotional support given by leader to his/her followers, in response to their specific needs, which promotes their development and empowerment (Riggio and Conger, 2008).


Inspiration motivation: It’s the promotion of the leader to the members about a consistent vision, which offers them a set of values that provide a meaning. Members invest considerable effort to achieve their tasks having a firm belief in their abilities. (Burns, 1978).

Laissez faire Leadership: Leadership style of letting things takes their own course, without interfering (Bass & Steidlmeier, 1999).

Leader: Person in charge and accountable for employees performance (Riggio and Conger, 2008).

Transformational Leadership: Style of leadership where the leader works with employees to identify the needed change, creating a vision to guide the change through inspiration, and executing the change in tandem with committed members of the group (Riggio and Conger, 2008).
ABSTRACT

Safaricom limited has enjoyed phenomenon success in its organizational history starting as a department of the state Telkom Parastatal to the largest company in East and Central Africa. The success of Safaricom has largely been attributed to its innovativeness as a competitive strategy under the leadership of visionary management team. The study examined the three components of transformational leadership that is inspirational motivation, individualized consideration and intellectual stimulation application at Safaricom. The theories that have been used for the study included the transformational leadership theory, and the transactional theory. The study utilized a sample size of 109 respondents and proportionate stratified sampling. The structured questionnaire was utilized for data collection. The pilot study was used for checking of the reliability and validity. The SPSS was used for the data analysis. The study found a positive influence between inspirational motivation and employee performance. Respondents on average tended to agree with the presence of motivation to accomplish job goals and objectives, support for team building, leader’s expression of what employees should do, and leaders’ helping employees find meaning in their work. This implied that the changes in the inspirational motivation had significant changes in employee performance in which an increase in inspirational motivation led to an increase in employee performance. The analysis of the relationship between individualized consideration and employee performance was negatively correlated and statistically significant. The influence of the individualized consideration on the employee performance were measured using five metrics: receipt of support to improve on employee’s work; employee’s satisfaction with workplace conflicts settlements; employee’s receipt of help to find meaning in their work; employee’s receipt of support to overcome job challenges; and leadership issuance of job performance feedback. The responses for employee’s satisfaction with workplace conflicts settlements indicated lack of consensus due to a high standard deviation of 1.151 therefore the leadership need to put emphasis on conflict management mechanism so as to improve employee performance. Finally, the study found a positive influence between intellectual stimulation and employee performance. The influence of the intellectual stimulation on employee performance
was examined using five metrics: Employee’s opportunity to work in a way he thinks’ best; employee’s permission to set own pace for change; employee’s allowance to make judgment in solving problem; employee’s receipt of help to rethink of ideas that had never been questioned; and employees’ challenge to think of old problems in new ways. The study therefore suggests the following aspects of transformational leadership for further studies; a research on effect of transformational leadership on organizational performance of Safaricom Limited and the effect of transformational leadership on financial performance on other communication service providers, government and private sector.
CHAPTER ONE

INTRODUCTION

1.1 Background of the Study

The comprehension of the concept and even the definition of leadership style vary from one individual to another. For example, persons in various human endeavors such as politics, social works, academics and even business utilize the term to imply different meanings and expectations may differ from one person, or situation, to the other (Yusuf, Mohammed & Kazeem, 2014). The extent to which people portray leadership traits is reliant on not only personal abilities and characteristics, but also aspects of the situation and environment in which they find themselves (Mesick & Kramer, 2004).

It has been determined that the type of leadership style in an organization largely contributes to its success or failure. Yusuf, Mohammed and Kazeem (2014), notes that organizations in the world today are realizing that, adequate achievement of business’ short and long-term aims, and objectives, as well as the optimum employee performance and effectiveness, management should give full devotion to leadership style. Numerous substitutive ways to conceptualize and exercise leadership have had a profound influence on how the Managers and CEOs run organizations and the consequence effect on performance. Consequently, leadership has been a critical subject of examination over the years by diverse scholars in an endeavor to find and or develop the most effective type and style for exemplary employee performance, (Den & Paul, 2011). According to Yusuf et al., (2014), leadership style in an organization is one of the critical factors that play important role in enhancing or impending the interest and commitment of the employees in the organization. Therefore, we cannot ignore the value of leadership style in any establishment.

In the periods prior to the 1980s, the main paradigms to leadership were the trait style, and contingency approaches. The trait approach emphasizes the personal characteristics of leaders and the general idea was that leaders are born rather than
made. People perceived leaders to possess certain characteristics in personality, physique and personal abilities that transformed them into leaders. Measurement of these traits distinguished leaders from non-leaders or the effective from the ineffective leaders. Investigation into the trait approach up to 1950 did not produce a consistent image of leader traits, slowing research as development of this form of leadership (Burns, 1978). The Leadership style approach is about leader behavior. The efficiency and effectiveness of leaders is reliant on the applied style of leadership. The implication here is that people can learn leadership as it is a behavioral pattern. The approach however had failures in the inconsistent study findings, causality problems, measurement problems, group problems, informal leadership, and, most importantly failure to yield situational analysis. On the other hand, Contingency approaches attempted to solve issues of previous models. The approach proposes that the effectiveness of any given leadership style is subject to or contingent on a situation. In essence, the implication is that the behavior of a leader will be effective on some situations and not in others. So far, there is little empirical support for this model, (Bryman, 1992; Burns, 1978).

The new leadership approach also referred to transformational leadership was a major area of research from the 1980s onward. Transformational, Charismatic “leaders’, visionary or value-based, transforming, inspirational are terms majorly used to refer to this leadership approach. Often, transformational and charismatic are the mainly used terms, (Hunt, 1999). Theories on this style of leadership attempt to elucidate how particular leaders achieve remarkable levels of admiration, loyalty, trust, dedication, follower motivation and performance. In addition, they further explain how these or some of these leaders manage to succeed in leading their organizations or achieving outstanding performance. While comparing House’s path goal theory with his 1976 charismatic theory, it is clear that the path–goal theory illuminates on how follower needs and conditions determine leader behavior, (House, Delbecq & Taris, 1998). On the other hand, the charismatic theory focuses on how leaders change people rather than respond to them. Another difference is that where in path goal theory leaders are effective when they complement the environment, the new leadership focuses more on changing and creating the environment,
The goal of this study is to examine on how transformational leadership influences employee performance. Table 1.1 below presents a main leadership approaches from a historical perspective.

**Table 1.1:** Trends in Leadership Theory and Research

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<th>Period</th>
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<th>Core theme</th>
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<td>Up to late 1940s</td>
<td>Trait</td>
<td>Leaders are born; leadership as an innate</td>
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<td>Late 1940s to late 1960s</td>
<td>Style</td>
<td>what do they do; effectiveness has to do with how the leader behaves</td>
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<td>Late 1960s to early 1980s</td>
<td>Contingency</td>
<td>It all depends; effectiveness of leadership</td>
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<tr>
<td>Since early 1980s</td>
<td>New leadership (including charismatic/ and emotional)</td>
<td>Leaders need vision and inspire loyalty</td>
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Adapted from Den and Paul: (2011)

**1.1.1 Transformational leadership**

It is critical to explore the concept of transformational leadership in order to evaluate its influence on the performance of enterprises effectively. As intimated by Riggio and Conger (2008), leadership involves a learning process, centered not only in what is supposed to be communicated but also in learning how to communicate it in ways that other people can comprehend and follow. AS a result, there is a leader-follower relation in place to enhance doing of the right things. They further state that this learning is a continuous process in which leaders and followers may change their roles, but followership and leadership function in the same way always.
On another front, Gallos (2008) perceives leadership as multidimensional in orientation in skill. He asserts that successful leaders have an obligation to their staff, their organization, the processes and tasks involved as well as individual and other people capacity evaluation. In addition, they must embrace contemporary realities while envisioning future possibilities. Besides, they need to have confidence and strategies for working competently across a spectrum of diverse issues – from developing the organizational clarity that comes from sound structures and policies to unleashing energy and creativity through bold visions. Moreover, they ought to have capacity to create learning organizations where workers mature and develop as everyday leaders as well managing the conflict inevitable in a world of enduring differences.

As Gallos, Kotter (1999) observes similar views on leadership. He states that the fast-moving and competitive environment of the 21st century ultimatums more leadership from more people for the prosperity of organizations. He ascertains that lack of such leadership is the reason for organizational stagnation and failure in the business. Arnold and Fielder, (2007) explain that transformational leaders directly give confidence their followers to challenge accepted methods and answer their own questions when doing their own work.

The ideals and perceptions of leadership as envisioned by Gallos (2008) and Riggio and conger (2008) are tenets that are key in the transformational leadership style. Burns (1978) while discussing research on politics, though the term is used in organizational psychology today, first introduced the concept of transformational or transforming leadership in 1978. He explains that both leaders and followers help each other to advance higher levels of motivation and morale. He further explains that the transforming approach of leadership creates significant change in the life of people and organizations. It redesigns perceptions and values, and changes expectations and aspirations of employees. In addition, this form of leadership is founded on leader's personality, traits and ability to make a change through example, articulation of an energizing vision and challenging goals. Various other scholars discuss transformational leadership on the same principles as Burns.
Alrifi (2012) explains that transformational type of leadership plays a critical role in motivating followers to levels beyond expectations. He points that it triggers them to be creative. It further transforms personal values and self-concepts of followers and shift them to a new level of needs and aspirations. According to Balyer (2012), transformational leadership is a style in which leaders and followers are enhanced to motivate and execute the change with the members of any institution. Transformational leaders focus on making tomorrow better. They are willing to take risks and venture into the unknown. They are willing to examine and challenge their beliefs. Bass (1985) formulated the term transformational leadership, depicting such leaders as change agents that elicit and transform followers’ beliefs, attitudes and motivations. These leaders provide a vision and develop an emotional relationship with their followers, increasing the latter’s consciousness and belief in higher goals, above their own interests. According to Lewis, Goodman and Fandt (1998), in order to make the work to be effective, the leaders and followers required several abilities which includes, team-oriented, strong communicators, team players, problem solvers, change-makers and transformational leaders, Just as Gallos (2008) explains.

Scholars have characterized transformational leadership as having four components famously known as the four Is of transformational leadership (Avolio, Waldman, and Yammarino (1991). These four factors include idealized influence, inspirational motivation, intellectual stimulation, and individualized consideration (Bass & Avolio, 1993; Balyer, 2012). According to Bass (1985) and Balyer (2012), idealized influence is the attributes ascribed by followers to their leader, according to their perceptions of the leader’s power, confidence and transcedent ideals. These perceptions are driven by specific behaviors of the leader that reflect his/her values and beliefs. Inspirational motivation implies to leader’s behaviors aimed at inspiring and motivating followers to attain ambitious and challenging goals, or even apparently unattainable ones. Intellectual stimulation refers to the way a leader questions the status quo and appeals to the intelligence of followers to prompt them to question their own ideas, thus motivating innovative and creative decision-making. Lastly, Individual consideration refers to the socio-emotional support given
by leader to his/her followers, in response to their specific needs, which promotes their development and empowerment.

A transformational culture fitting in the model of the four Is creates a sense of purpose and feelings of family. Commitments are long-term. Leaders and followers share mutual interests and a sense of shared fates and interdependence. The inclusion of assumptions, norms, and values based on transformational leadership does not preclude individuals pursuing their own goals and rewards. This can occur at the same time where there is alignment with a central purpose and the coordination required to achieve it. Leaders and followers go beyond their self-interests or expected rewards forth good of the team and the good of the organization. Further, in this type of leadership, superiors serve as mentors, coaches, role models, and leaders, socializing members into the culture, not necessarily because they are expected to do so but because they feel personal obligation to help new members assimilate into the culture. There is a rich set of norms that cover a wide range of behaviors; norms that will adapt to and change with external changes in the organization’s environment. There is much talk at all levels in the organization about purposes, visions, and meeting challenges, (Bass & Avolio, 1993).

Studies show transformational leadership as having positive association with performance outcomes (Avolio, 1999; Bass & Jung, 1995; Lowe & Barney, 1996), particularly in private companies (Dundum, Lowe, & Avolio, 2002). Similarly, meta-analyses covering empirical studies portray a strong connection between transformational leadership and subordinates’ formal task performance and contextual performance; i.e., undertaking actions that go beyond formal roles, but that also contribute to the good functioning of the organization (Judge & Piccolo, 2004). Awamleh and Gardner (1999) reported that employee performance had a significant, positive relationship with followers ‘perception of their leaders’ charisma and effectiveness. According to Koene, Vogelaar and Soeters (2002), the charismatic aspect of transformational leadership produces increased employee performance and this was true in a study of 50 sampled supermarkets in the Netherlands. Further, a study by Xenikou and Simosi (2006) in financial firms revealed that when
management practiced transformational leadership, the organizations performed well. It is beyond doubt that most studies point to appositive correlation between transformational leadership and employee performance. The attempt in this study is to examine the effects of this type of leadership on the performance of Safaricom Limited Company.

1.1.2 Safaricom Limited Company

Safaricom Limited is the leading provider of communications services in Kenya offering cellular network access and business solutions. The firm was formed in 1997 and in May 2000; Vodafone group acquired a stake and management responsibility for the company. In 1999, the communication sector was deregulated and opened up for private sector to put up commercial communication networks in the country and Communications Commission of Kenya (CCK) was established as the regulator. The Company has since emerged as one of the fastest growing companies in Kenya. The Company is still a aggressively expanding the market network throughout the country and developing strategic business relationships with leading global telecommunication players that help in ensuring that Safaricom has access to the world’s latest technology to maintain its market leadership. Safaricom has been the market leader in offering innovative products like M-PESA to the Kenyan people to enhance their lifestyle and their way of efficiently doing business. However, due to the growing rivals in and outside the African continent, the telecommunications company finds itself in peril. In 2011, Safaricom Limited moved to shake and there by change its top structure, a move it believed, would act as a competitive advantage in ensuring he firm is efficient in its work. Several departments that were headed by chief officers were consolidated and headed by a Director who reports directly to the CEO. The CEO unveiled an organizational structure, positioning amongst Chief Officers and top Managers as they sought to head the new departments. This move was deemed to make Safaricom Limited more customer-focused, to eliminate unnecessary duplication of roles and decentralized decisions, also to facilitate their values of speed, simplicity and trust (Mativu, 2012).
1.1.3 Transformational Leadership at Safaricom Limited

The function that every manager must execute in his or her work place is leadership. Many leaders often make the mistake of assuming that because they are the managers, they are also the leaders and that their associates will automatically follow. However, position only denotes title and not leadership. In reality, an excellent leadership involves a leader who influences a group of individuals to accomplish a shared vision and goal. In essence, an effective leader influences those he leads positively in an endeavor to attain organization goals. This is what we call a transformational leadership style. In its simplest description, transformational leadership is a process that changes and transforms individuals. In other words, transformational leadership gets employees to want to change, and to improve. The leadership assesses associates’ motives, satisfying their needs, and valuing them (Northhouse, 2001). One such example is Sam Walton, founder of Wal-Mart, who often visited Wal-Mart stores across the country to meet with associates and appreciate them for their input towards company success. Appreciating junior leaders or associates is one of the principles Sam Walton gave in his auto biography “rules for success” (Walton, 1996). This too has been true of the leadership Safaricom’s Limited Company and this study investigates how transformational leadership at the company has influenced its employees’ performance.

1.2 Statement of the Problem

Fundamental research on transformational leadership on employee performance has been conducted widely worldwide as well as in leading organizations in Kenya. Choudhary, Akhtar and Zaheer (2012) examined the impact of Transformational and Servant Leadership on Employee performance from profit-oriented service sector of Pakistan. They discovered that transformational leadership enhances employee performance. Jelovac and Matjaz (2012) had a similar finding on an empirical survey of leadership styles of Slovenian entrepreneurs’ founders of SMEs. Their results suggested that the use of transformational leadership was correlated with increased self-reported effectiveness of their organization. Comparable studies conducted in Kenya have parallel results. For example, (Mbithi, 2014) conducted a
study to understand how universities in Kenya responded to reforms, focusing on their leadership which is critical in both managing the transformation and creating academic excellence. It emerged that transformational leadership behavior of the top leadership of universities in Kenya led to high employee and employee performance and that the top leadership of these universities is able to match their strategy with the correct structure, systems and technology to achieve organizational effectiveness.

On another study, Koech and Namusonge (2012) investigated the main effects of leadership styles on employee performance at state-owned corporations in Kenya. Their inquiry specifically sought to determine the impact of laissez-faire, transactional and transformational leadership styles on employee performance at state-owned corporations in Kenya. The study outcomes revealed correlations between the transformational-leadership factors and employee performance ratings were high whereas correlations between the transactional-leadership behaviors and employee performance were relatively low. As expected, laissez-faire leadership style is not significantly correlated to employee performance. In essence, transformational leadership results in high employee performance as all these studies demonstrate. While these studies provide the influences of transformational leadership on employee performance, a gap exists on how individual component factors of transformational leadership influence employee performance. This research aims to fill this gap.

Safaricom Limited Company is case study of interest as it is one of the leading mobile telecommunications firm in East and Central Africa. Its success story needs to be told. It is, however, important to state that this story is incomplete without knowing the contributions of transformational leadership on the organization’s performance. Through three components of transformational leadership namely; inspirational motivation, individualized consideration and intellectual stimulation, this study seeks to enlighten on the effects of transformation leadership to the performance of Safaricom Limited Company.
1.3 Objectives of the study

The objectives of the study were divided into the general and specific objectives.

1.3.1 General Objective

The main objective of this study is to elucidate the effects of transformational leadership on employee performance through a case study of Safaricom Limited Company.

1.3.2 Specific Objectives

Specific objectives include:

1. To determine the influence of inspirational motivation on employee performance
2. To establish the influence of individualized consideration on employee performance
3. To determine the influence of intellectual stimulation on the employee performance

1.4 Research Questions

The study will be guided by the following questions

1. What is the influence of inspirational motivation on employee performance?
2. What is the influence of individualized consideration on employee performance?
3. What is the influence of intellectual stimulation on employee performance?

1.5 Justification of the Study

This study contributes significantly in the management of strategic change. The study enables drawing of sound recommendations on how transformational leadership style can influence a firm’s performance from this study. The findings of the study also inform on how a transition between leaderships can determine either retardation or growth of an organization. Besides, areas for potential improvements
are explored to embrace transformational leadership to improve strategic decisions to many diverse stakeholders in managing change in their organizations. It thus enhances knowledge in the area of management of strategic change. Researchers in the subject area also utilizes the result findings as are reference point on studies done on transformational leadership style and its effects on a firm’s results output. Lastly, the findings are also of help to managers at Safaricom Limited, as it enables an understanding on the influence of their transformational leadership style and its effectiveness on enhancing the company’s performance.

1.6 Scope of the Study

The study covered the influence of transformational leadership on employee performance with reference Safaricom Limited. Data was collected from Safaricom Customer Care Management Branch in Nairobi, Moi Avenue. The choice of Safaricom as case study was due to the fact that the company is one of the leading and successful telecommunication firms’ in East Africa and it can be a model study for other firms. This study will focus on the three aspects of transformational leadership; inspirational motivation, individualized consideration and intellectual stimulation. The goal was to determine how each of the three influences employee performance. Further, the research was also limited to the use of both correlational and descriptive survey design as it was deemed useful to bringing out the true relationships between the independent and dependent variables. The study also adopted two theories in explaining the influence of transformational leadership on employee performance: Transformational leadership theory and transactional leadership theory.

1.7 Limitation and Delimitation of the Study

The study was limited in the context of data collection due to the sensitivity of the nature of data collected. There were concerns from potential respondents on the use of the data which the researcher mitigated through issuance of a consent statement that explained the use of the collected information.
Since the respondents were Safaricom’s employees, there were numerous disruptions in the filling of the questions as they had to attend to the customers. This led to the adoption of the drop-and-pick method with a view of providing more time for the respondents.
CHAPTER TWO

LITERATURE REVIEW

2.1 Introduction

This chapter assimilates and describes the literature regarding transformational leadership and its impact on employee performance. The chapter reviews theoretical framework, it then covers the conceptual framework and critique of the existing literature to the study. Finally, research gaps are identified and then a summary of the chapter made.

2.2 Theoretical Framework

2.2.1 Transformational Leadership Theory

In discussing transformational leadership theory, Bass (1985) defined transformational leadership in terms of how the leader affects followers, who are intended to trust, admire and respect the transformational leader. He identified three ways in which leaders transform followers: Increasing their awareness of task importance and value; getting them to focus first on team or organizational goals, rather than their own interests; and activating their higher-order needs.

In his proposition, charisma is seen as necessary, but not sufficient, as an attribute of a transformational leader. The deficiency of charismatic leadership could be alluded to charismatic movie stars who may not make good leaders. However, the two key charismatic effects that transformational leaders achieve are to evoke strong emotions and to cause identification of the followers with the leader. This may be through stirring appeals. It may also occur through quieter methods such as coaching and mentoring (Bass, 1990).

Bass has recently noted that authentic transformational leadership is grounded in moral foundations that are based on four components: Idealized influence; Inspirational motivation; Intellectual stimulation; and Individualized consideration.
(Bass & Riggio, 2006). The three moral aspects include: the moral character of the leader; the ethical values embedded in the leader’s vision, articulation, and program; and the morality of the processes of social ethical choice and action that leaders and followers engage in and collectively pursue (Bass & Steidlmeier, 1998).

In contrast to Burns (1978) who sees transformational leadership as being inextricably linked with higher order values, Bass (1985) originally saw it as a moral value, and attributed transformational skills to people such as Adolf Hitler and Jim Jones, although later changed his view after discussion with Burns. Bass, however, made assumptions in his approach to the theory. He assumed that awareness of task importance motivates people and that a focus on the team or organization produces better work.

While various scholars argue out on what they perceive as the most critical factors of transformational leadership in as far as influencing performance is considered, it is without doubt that all factors are important. However this study will focus on three elements of transformational leadership: inspirational motivation, individualized consideration and intellectual stimulation. The endeavor is to bring out an understanding of how each individual factor contributes towards influencing the performance of an organization.

2.2.2 Transactional theory

The concept of transactional leadership was first mentioned by Max Weber in his socio-economic considerations of the organization. Twenty-seven years after his death and publishing a reprint of his book, academic and professional audience accepts his definition of leadership (Weber, 1947). Weber description of transactional leadership style and his basic facts are accepted by Bernard Bass in 1981. In his definition he identified three kinds of leaders, bureaucratic, traditional and charismatic leaders. Transactional leadership is based on classical principles of exchange with followers who are part of interactions and therefore are rewarded for meeting pre-defined standards and performance. This form of leadership is also focused on maintaining the status quo, so transactional leadership present traditional
approach of leadership. First Bass's research of transactional and transformational leadership led to his conclusion that transactional leaders can be successful in a short period of time, but the leadership must focus on the changes, if they want to continue to retain a leadership position. According to Bass and Avolio (1993), transactional leadership involves motivating and directing followers, appealing to their own interests. The power of the leader comes from formal authority and responsibility in the organization. The main task of the followers is to respect the instructions of leaders. The leader provides rewards and punishments in the organization of its legitimacy. Transactional leadership is, in essence, oriented on monitoring organization, processes and outcomes in the market.

In transactional leadership, the interpersonal relationships between leaders and followers have a four dimensional approach: The possibility of reward, as a result of well-performed tasks and achieved goals that followers are expected to successfully completed the process. Actively engaging leaders in managing, which followed the work of his followers, gives consideration to any deviation from established standards and procedures by taking corrective measures in case of errors. Passive engagement of leaders, where the leaders are involved in the process only when standards are not met, or performances are not achieved. Laissez-Faire dimension, which is a form of leadership that provides the possibility of freedom in the choice of goals and behavior of organizational participants. There are some assumptions in transactional leadership theory: Employees are motivated leader through rewards and punishments; Followers receive a directive from the leader, which must be respected through production process; there is no self-motivation, but the followers are controlled by leader during the manufacturing process (Bass & Steidlmeier, 1999).

The transactional theory builds on transformational leadership in that through motivation employees are empowered to achieve organizational goals and objectives and ultimately high employee performance.
The essence of this research is to demonstrate the influence of the three elements of transformational leadership, inspirational motivation, individualized consideration and intellectual stimulation, which are intrinsic in nature, on employee performance.

2.3 Conceptual framework

The study used the conceptual framework illustrated below in order to meet its objectives. In this study employee performance is conceptualized as being influenced by component factors of transformational leadership: inspirational motivation, intellectual stimulation and individualized consideration. This relationship was represented in the figure 2.1 below.

**Figure 2:1: Conceptual framework**

The use of correlation analysis approach will assist in determining the effect of size and the contribution of each individual independent variable on the dependent variable.
2.3.1 The influence of inspirational motivation on employee performance

The Inspirational Motivation dimension is produced through behaviors that facilitate a feeling of optimism and a commitment to organizational goals and vision. Further, inspirational motivation provides meaning to the work of followers. A leader’s charisma, a process where leaders arouse followers by being visionary, motivational and powerful, confident and captivating to followers” is the sum of inspirational motivation and idealized influence. Leaders who display charismatic leadership are able to use expressive language that is emotionally appealing and communicate a clear vision that is related to the need and values of the followers.

Bass (1990) described inspirational motivation as providing followers with challenges and meaning for engaging in shared goals. Bass and Steidlmeier (1999) expanded on this description of inspirational motivation as the leader’s ability to communicate his or her vision in a way that inspires followers to take action in an effort to fulfill the vision. According to Kent, Crotts, and Azziz (2001), inspirational motivation enables leaders to remain focused on the vision of the group despite any obstacles that may arise. Yukl (2010) described inspirational motivation behaviors as communicating an appealing vision, using symbols to focus subordinate effort, and modeling appropriate behaviors. Banjeri and Krishnan (2000) relate inspirational motivation to concepts of ethics, claiming that when leaders show concern for organizational vision and follower motivation, they are more inclined to make ethical decisions.

In inspiring their workforce, the management of an organization can build goodwill at the group level by creating an organizational culture that’s friendly to employees. A worker-friendly organization can inspire both motivation and organizational loyalty. Appropriate leadership has the responsibility of enhancing inspiring motivation and enhancing job satisfaction. Salanova and Kirmanen (2010) explain that a person can be motivated without leadership but leadership cannot succeed without the motivation of the followers’ side.” Productivity improvement requires and demands more than just decentralization, customer service, technology or
renovation: the success of organizations will depend on inspiring employee motivation. Human resources are the only assets demanding generous nurturing.

2.3.2 The influence of intellectual stimulation on employee performance

Intellectual Stimulation involves followers in developing new and different solutions to common problems and conducting work in new ways. Leaders challenge the process and confront old and outdated assumptions, traditions and processes. Further, they involve others in the discussion and stimulate new ways of thinking. According to Northouse (2001), “This is leadership that stimulates followers to be creative and innovative, and to challenge their own beliefs and values as well as those of the leader and the organization. This type of leadership supports followers as they try new approaches and develop innovative ways of dealing with organizational issues. It promotes followers’ thinking things out on their own and engaging in careful problem solving.” Avolio et al., (1999) described intellectual stimulation as getting followers to question the tried and true methods of solving problems by encouraging them to improve upon those methods. Intellectual stimulation involves exciting individual’s cognitive ability, so that he or she can engage in independent thinking in the course of carrying out job responsibilities (Jung, Chow, and Wu, 2003). According to Bass and Steidlmeyer (1999), intellectual stimulation encourages followers to challenge leader decisions and group processes. This encourages innovative thinking. Dansereau et al. (1995) state that by creating intellectual stimuli, managers can excite employees’ ability to experiment with new practices and generate ideas that can greatly impact performance. Intellectual stimulation component of transformational leadership plays a healthy and beneficial role in organizational learning (Brown & Posner, 2001). Intellectual stimulation appeals to follower needs for achievement and growth in ways that the follower finds attractive. According to Hult et al., (2004), leaders, especially transformational leaders, have considerable control of the presence or absence of organizational innovativeness. Because transformational leaders are oriented toward innovation, their propensity to motivate and intellectually stimulate their followers imbues the follower with that same innovative inclination (Keller, 1992; Lee, 2007; Mumford, et al., 2002;
The end result is exemplary performance both for the employee and the organization.

2.3.3 The influence of individualized consideration on employee performance

Transformational leaders provide distinct attention to every single employee’s needs for attainment and development by assuming the responsibility of a coach or a mentor. The staffs are made to progressively achieve higher levels of potential. Individualized consideration is implemented after newly discovered opportunities are crafted alongside a supportive climate (Long, Yusof, Wan, Kowang, Tan and Heng, 2014). Bass (1995) discussed individualized attention as occurring when a leader pays attention to the differences among followers and discovers what motivates each individual. He proposed that individualized attention allows leaders to become familiar with followers, enhances communication and improves information exchange. Theorists have begun to shift the focus of individualized attention from a means to promote familiarity with followers to a means to provide support. For example, Avolio and Bass (1995) stated that a ‘leader displays more frequent individualized consideration by showing general support for the efforts of followers’. Karamat (2013) holds similar views as he states that consideration style leaders show a high level of concern for people and are supportive of them. He explains that such leaders seek and accept suggestions from subordinates, consult with employees in advance on important matters, and criticize the work rather than the people.

The actions by the leaders will demonstrate consensus on the virtue of individual differences between various followers in terms of needs and desires taken into account. While some employees will be accorded extra motivation, others will receive extra autonomy while some others will require firmer standards. Some other aspects of individualized communication include an inspired two-way communication and a practice of management by working around workspaces. In most instances, communication alongside followers are personalized, for instance, the leader remembers preceding conversations, is cognizant of employee’s personal concerns and sees them as people rather than just workers. The employees are also
carefully listened to, by the leadership. It is a practice by the leadership to spend time coaching and teaching the staff.

Attaining employees’ job satisfaction is crucial to retain productive and efficient employees. One of the ways that may be effective help managers in increasing the satisfaction among their followers is employing the right leadership style. According to Long et al., (2014), on research to find the impact of transformational leadership on job satisfaction, individualized consideration characteristic of transformational leadership was found to be contributing most in job satisfaction. “A satisfied worker is a productive worker” is a commonly held view. As Pushpakumari, (2008) explains a satisfied work force will create a pleasant atmosphere within the organization to perform well. He further asserts that a satisfied employee leads to extend more effort to job performance, then works harder and better. The end result is high performance by the organization.

2.3.4 Employee performance

The employee performance is evaluated on the ability of the employee to perform the given function or assigned duties within the required timelines, and the required quality output of the work.

2.4 Empirical Review

In a longitudinal study of 48 research and development project groups comprising of 349 professionals, Keller (1992) found that transformational leadership had a significant positive relationship with higher overall quality of the project as well as budget and schedule performance. Similarly, Howell and Avolio (1993) found that leaders who displayed fewer of the transactional leadership characteristics and more of the transformational leadership characteristics had a positive effect on business-unit goals. Sosik, Avolio, and Kahai (1997) conducted a longitudinal study of 36 under graduate student work groups performing a creativity task using a Group Decision Support System. They evaluated the effects of leadership style on group effectiveness and found that transformational leadership had both a direct and
indirect relationship with performance of the group. One of the most researched outcomes is financial performance. Parry (2000) stated that decades of research have provided consistent evidence (i.e., correlations of 0.30 or higher) that transformational leadership has a significant positive impact on the financial measures of organizations. It was also shown to affect employee perception of firm’s financial standing relative to industry peers.

A pretest-posttest study of the effects of transformational leadership training, on 20 managers who were randomly assigned to either training or a control group found that transformational leadership had significant effects on two aspects of financial performance. Awamleh and Gardner (1999) reported that employee performance (measured as sales, profit, market share, and other financial information) had a significant, positive relationship with followers ‘perception of their leaders’ charisma and effectiveness. The charismatic aspect of transformational leadership was shown to have substantial effect on climate and financial performance in a sample of 50 supermarket stores of a large retail chain in the Netherlands (Koene, Vogelaar & Soeters, 2002). A survey of 293 employees from 32 business units within a large financial organization in Greece found an indirect positive relationship between transformational leadership and performance via its impact on achievement orientation (Xenikou & Simosi, 2006). Performance was measured as two separate objective measures of financial performance provided by the organization. In their study of nearly 100 Malaysian chief executive officers, Idris and Ali (2008) found that the relationship between transformational leadership and financial performance was mediated by best practices (i.e., business methods that provide competitive advantage through improved operational performance). Wang, Tsui, and Xin (2011) studied the link between leadership and firm performance using data gathered from 739 matched pairs of middle managers and their supervisors within 125 Chinese firms. They found a direct relationship between transformational leadership behaviors that focus on the task and financial performance. However, the relationship between transformational leadership behaviors that focus on relationships and financial performance was mediated by employee attitude.
Change is the central process of transformational leadership, which makes it the ideal leadership style for promoting innovation (Bass and Riggio, 2006; Jaskyte, 2004; Pieterse, et al., 2010). Organizations adjust to change through its innovativeness and the creativity of its employees. There is growing interest in the relationship between transformational leadership and the creativity of the follower and the innovativeness of the organization (Gumusluoglu & Ilsev, 2009). Jung et al. (2003) acknowledged that only handful of studies have looked at the relationship between transformational leadership and organizational innovativeness. Their study of 32 Taiwanese firms found a significant positive relationship between transformational leadership and organizational innovativeness. Eisenbeisse. (2008) found that the relationship between transformational leadership and team innovation was mediated by support for innovation, which was moderated by climate for excellence. Similarly, a study of 163 research and development personnel and managers at 43 Turkish software development companies found that transformational leadership positively influenced both organizational innovativeness and employees’ creativity (Gumusluoglu & Ilsev, 2009).

On another study, Koech and Namusonge (2012) investigated the main effects of leadership styles on employee performance at state-owned corporations in Kenya. Their inquiry specifically sought to determine the impact of laissez-faire, transactional and transformational leadership styles on employee performance at state-owned corporations in Kenya. The study outcomes revealed correlations between the transformational-leadership factors and employee performance ratings were high whereas correlations between the transactional-leadership behaviors and employee performance were relatively low. Mbithi (2014) conducted a study to understand how universities in Kenya responded to reforms, focusing on their leadership which is critical in both managing the transformation and creating academic excellence. It emerged that transformational leadership behavior of the top leadership of universities in Kenya led to high employee and employee performance and that the top leadership of these universities is able to match their strategy with the correct structure, systems and technology to achieve organizational effectiveness.
A number of studies have been previously carried on the case study for this paper, which is Safaricom Company Limited. For example Maina (2010) carried out a customer satisfaction survey on Safaricom Limited Company. The objective of this study was to measure and assess the level of customer satisfaction for Safaricom, to reveal problems that customers have come across and seeks ways to improve products and services for this telecommunications company. A major drawback on the survey, however, is that it does not mention on how organizational leadership could have effect on the firm’s products-end receiver and the performance of the company. Mativu (2012) undertook a study to examine management of strategic change at Safaricom Limited Company. His study discusses changes in the company management overtime as well as management strategies adopted to overcome external challenges. Although the firm’s supervisory approaches employed in midst of challenges to solve crisis and steer performance are highlighted, a gap exists on the influences of leadership, and more specifically transformational leadership on the employee performance. In 2013, Kesenewe, Oima and Oginda undertook a study to examine the effects of strategic decision making on Safaricom’s performance. Disappointingly enough, their findings do not allude to any form of leadership as far as strategic decision-making is in question. Therefore, a gap exists on the effects of transformational leadership on employee performance. More recently, Tiri, Ogollah and Mburu (2015) investigated the influence of transformational leadership styles on virtual team project performance in Safaricom Company limited. The study established that there existed a positive relationship between influence of transformational leadership styles and virtual team performance in Safaricom Company limited. A major gap in their study as previously highlighted is lack of explanation of how individual factors of transformational leadership impacts on employee performance. Their research too, narrowed down on the performance of virtual teams and we do not get to know on the impact of transformational leadership on the entire employee performance.
2.5 Research gaps

As evidenced by the empirical research in this study, many studies have had a narrowed approach while examining the influence of transformational leadership on employee performance. Many researchers accept, transformational leadership comprises four factors; idealized influence; individualized consideration, inspirational motivation and intellectual stimulation. A gap exists on how these individual factors impact on employee performance. This is one of the gaps that this research intends to fill. Although many studies have been conducted on Safaricom Limited Company, a holistic approach to understanding the influence of transformation leadership on the employee’s performance has not been conducted. The existing research investigates on how transformational leadership impacts on the performance of virtual teams in the organization. We don’t get to know the influence on employee performance. Therefore, a gap exists and this study endeavors to fill it too. While investigating the influence of transformational leadership on employee performance, three factors of transformational leadership will used as the independent variables namely; inspirational motivation, intellectual stimulation and individualized consideration. The dependent variable is employee performance.

2.6 Summary

This chapter reviewed literature on the research study with the initial section exploring the relevant theories; the transformational leadership theory and the transactional leadership theory. The chapter also reviewed the conceptual framework and it identified the independent variables which include: inspirational motivation; intellectual stimulation and individualized consideration. The dependent variable was identified as employee performance which looks at issues employee productivity, organizational market share growth, Innovation of new products and services among others. This chapter also explored studies done by other researchers on the influence of transformational leadership on organizational. Finally the research gap the study sought to fulfill was identified.
CHAPTER THREE

RESEARCH METHODOLOGY

3.1 Introduction

This chapter discusses the ways through which this research was carried out. It explains the study design used, target population, the sample size, the instrument that was employed to facilitate the collection of data and the methods of data analysis.

3.2 Research Design

To develop an understanding of the influence of transformational leadership on employee performance, this study will adopt both a descriptive and correlational research design. Correlational design entails reporting on condition of relationships as they exist. The approach explains the uniqueness of a particular individual or group. In this type of research design, the researcher has no control over the variables; they can only report on the occurrence (Kothari, 2004).

Hopkins (2000) elucidates that correlational research mainly establishes the relationship between an independent variable and a dependent or outcome in a population, ascertaining the correlations and causality between variables. This explains majorly why this design will be employed: the fact that it will facilitate an assessment of how each individual factor of the three considered in this study; inspirational motivation, individualized consideration and intellectual stimulation contributes towards employee performance. This research also consists of both qualitative and quantitative approaches. While the qualitative approach involves subjective assessment of attitudes, opinions and behavior, the quantitative technique is used in presenting numerical information.
3.3 Population

Mugenda and Mugenda (2003) define population as a whole group of persons or individuals, events or objects with common observable characteristics. On the other hand, target population implies to the population which a researcher intends to generalize the study findings (Kombo & Tromp, 2006). The study utilized Moi Avenue Branch of Safaricom as the unit of observation due to accessibility of the center. The Moi Avenue branch has employee population of 1092 staff according to Safaricom 2015 head count. In addition, while it is only the management who exercise leadership, the junior staffs are influenced by it resulting to either poor or good performance by the individual staff and the organization as a whole. It was therefore deemed important to target the entire accessible population in Safaricom customer care who includes the management and customer care representatives as well as other employees.

3.4 Sampling Technique and Sample Size

This section examined the sampling technique and sample size. The study utilized a sample size of 109 respondents. This is in line with Mugenda (2003) that a sample size of 10% of the accessible population which is 1,092 Safaricom staff is sufficient. The study adopted the proportionate stratified sampling method. The stratified sampling method measures the overall population parameters with greater precision and ensures an extraction of a representative sample from a relatively homogenous population (Kothari, 2004). The stratified sampling also reduces the standard errors through having a greater control over the variance. On the other hand, the proportionate stratification ensures that the sample size of each stratum is proportionate to the population size of the stratum (Mugenda & Mugenda, 1999). The proportionate stratified sampling was adopted because it provides a better precision than a simple random sampling of the same size.
Table 3.1: Sampling Frame

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Source: Safaricom HR Head Count Report (2015)

3.5 Data Collection Instrument

For primary data, in this study, questionnaires were used to collect data. The questionnaires comprised of both open and closed ended questions. The choice of this method of data collection will be based on the fact that questionnaires are low cost even when the population is large; it is free from the bias of the interviewer. (Mugenda & Mugenda, 2003). The use of questionnaires in this case was important so as to be able to obtain personal data from the respondents that would be otherwise impossible to collect by other means.

3.6 Data Collection Procedure

The data was collected using a self-administered questionnaire procedure, where the questionnaires were administered to the selected respondents through drop and pick later technique. This gave the respondents enough time to fill the questionnaire.

3.7 Reliability and Validity of Data

The reliability was ensured by testing the instruments for the reliability of values (Alpha values) as recommended by Cronbach, (1946). Cronbach recommends analysis for Alpha values for each variable under study.
According to Sekaran (2001) Alpha values for each variable under study should not be less than 0.6 for the statements in the Instruments to be deemed reliable. Consequently, all the statements under each variable were subjected to this test and proved to be above 0.6. A measure is reliable when it is error free and consistent across time and across various items in the instrument. A test questionnaire was administered to five safaricom staff. According to Mugenda and Mugenda (2003) subjects in the actual sample should not be used in the pilot study. The pilot study was used for checking the validity of the questionnaire. The validity of the data collection instruments was done with the help of an Expert (the Researcher’s Supervisor) to edit the questionnaire. The researcher forwarded a closed ended questionnaire to supervisor who is an expert in the area covered by the research for editing and reviewing.

3.8 Data Processing and Analysis

Data analysis involved data coding and analysis (Gatara, 2010). Data analysis was done using quantitative approaches. Descriptive statistics such as mean and percentages were applied in the data analysis. The results were presented using tables with explanations on all parameters used. Descriptive statistics method was applied to analyze quantitative data where data was scored by calculating the percentages, means and standard deviation. This was done using Statistical Package for Social Sciences (SPSS) computer software.
CHAPTER FOUR

RESULTS AND DISCUSSIONS

4.1 Introduction

This chapter examines the research findings and the discussions of those findings. Both the descriptive and inferential statistics have been used for the study.

4.2 Response Rate

The target sample size of the study was 109 respondents and therefore 109 questionnaires were distributed. A total of 100 filled questionnaires were collected back while 9 questionnaires were not responded due to diverse issues. The response rate was therefore 91.74%. A further 9 questionnaires were not analyzed as some were incompletely filled while others had identifiers. The number of questionnaires that were thus analyzed was 91 questionnaires.

4.3 Respondent’s Characteristics

The respondents’ characteristics were analyzed in terms of gender, age, department, and length worked at Safaricom. The gender distribution indicates that 47.3% of the respondents are male while 52.7% of the respondents are female. The gender distribution is important due to the fact that some of the employee performance may be affected along gender lines such as long working hours into the night. In the context of the distribution by age, 3.3%, 38.5%, and 58.2% of the respondents were below 25 years, 25-30 years, and above 30 years respectively. In the context of the distribution by department, 83.5%, 3.3%, 4.4%, and 8.8% of the respondents worked in customer care, quality analyst, management, and support staff departments respectively. In the context of the length of time worked at Safaricom, 12.1%, 30.8%, 35.2%, and 22.0% of the respondents had worked for less than 1 year, 1-3 years, 3-5 years, and above 5 years respectively.
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4.4 Descriptive Statistics

The descriptive statistics were examined for both the dependent and independent variables using the frequency distributions, means and standard deviations.

4.4.1 Influence of Inspirational Motivation on the Employee performance

The influence of the inspirational motivation on the employee performance was examined using five metrics that is; motivation to accomplish job goals and objectives, improvement of respondent’s services to the company, support for team building, leader’s expression of what employees should do, and leaders’ helping
employees find meaning in their work. A likert scale of Strongly Disagree (SD), Disagree (D), Uncertain (U), Agree (A) and Strongly Disagree (SA) was used. The results in regards to motivation to accomplish job goals and objectives were 35.2% (SA), 44.0% (A), 20.9% (N), 0.0% (D), and 0.0% (SD). The results for improvement of the respondent’s services to the company were 0.0% (SA), 0.0% (A), 14.3% (N), 49.5% (D), and 36.3% (SD). On the other hand, the results for the support for team building were 23.1% (SA), 50.5% (A), 24.2% (N), 2.2% (D), and 0.0% (SD). The results for leadership expression of what employees should do were as follows: 38.5% (SA), 48.4% (A), 9.9% (N), 2.2% (D), and 1.1% (SD). Finally, the results for leaders’ helping employees find meaning in their work were as follows: 30.8% (SA), 38.5% (A), 24.2% (N), 4.4% (D), and 2.2% (SD).

Table 4.2: Frequency Distributions of Inspirational Motivation

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<td>I am very motivated towards accomplishing my job goals</td>
<td>35.2%</td>
<td>44.0%</td>
<td>20.9%</td>
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<td>I am pushed to improve my services in the company</td>
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<td>14.3%</td>
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<td>I get support for team building</td>
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<td>Our leaders express with a few simple words what we could and should do</td>
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<td>The leadership helps me find meaning in my work</td>
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The means and standard deviations of the inspirational motivation were also examined. The inspirational motivation metrics were measured through the use of the likert scale with the descriptors Strongly Agree (SA), Agree (A), Neutral (N), Disagree (D), and Strongly Disagree (SD) represented as 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 respectively.
in the SPSS input spread sheet. A score of less than 1.5 means the respondents strongly agreed with the statement given. A score 1.5 and above but less than 2.5 meant the respondents agreed with the statement given. A score of 2.5 and above but less that 3.5 meant the respondents were neutral. A score of 3.5 and above, but less that 4.5 indicated that the respondents disagreed. A score of 4.5 and above indicated strong disagreement with the statement given.

In this context, the means for motivation to accomplish job goals and objectives, improvement of respondent’s services to the company, support for team building, leader’s expression of what employees should do, and leaders’ helping employees find meaning in their work were 1.86, 4.22, 2.05, 1.79, and 2.09 respectively. These means indicate that the respondents on average tended to agree with the presence of motivation to accomplish job goals and objectives, support for team building, leader’s expression of what employees should do, and leaders’ helping employees find meaning in their work since the means were between 1.5 and 2.5. On the other hand, the respondent’s tended on average to disagree that the inspirational motivation leading to improvement of respondent’s services to the company due to a mean of 4.22. These results are consistent with the literature review on the area. For example, Kent, Crotts, & Azziz (2001), inspirational motivation enables leaders to remain focused on the vision of the group despite any obstacles that may arise. Yukl (2010) described inspirational motivation behaviors as communicating an appealing vision, using symbols to focus subordinate effort, and modeling appropriate behaviors. Banjeri & Krishnan (2000) relate inspirational motivation to concepts of ethics, claiming that when leaders show concern for organizational vision and follower motivation, they are more inclined to make ethical decisions.

The standard deviations for motivation to accomplish job goals and objectives, improvement of respondent’s services to the company, support for team building, leader’s expression of what employees should do, and leaders’ helping employees find meaning in their work were 0.739, 0.680, 0.751, 0.796, and 0.962 respectively. This indicates that the responses were moderately distributed.
Table 4.3: Means and Standard Deviations of Inspirational Motivation

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<th>Statement</th>
<th>N</th>
<th>Mean</th>
<th>Std. Dev.</th>
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<tr>
<td>I am very motivated towards accomplishing my job goals and objectives</td>
<td>91</td>
<td>1.86</td>
<td>.739</td>
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<tr>
<td>I am pushed to improve my services in the company</td>
<td>91</td>
<td>4.22</td>
<td>.680</td>
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<td>I get support for team building</td>
<td>91</td>
<td>2.05</td>
<td>.751</td>
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<tr>
<td>Our leaders express in simple words what we could do and should do</td>
<td>91</td>
<td>1.79</td>
<td>.796</td>
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<td>The leadership helps me find meaning in my work</td>
<td>91</td>
<td>2.09</td>
<td>.962</td>
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4.4.2 Influence of Individualized Consideration on the Employee performance

The influence of the Individualized Consideration on the employee performance was examined using five metrics that is; Receipt of support to improve on employee’s work, employee’s satisfaction with workplace conflicts settlements, employee’s receipt of help to find meaning in their work, employee’s receipt of support to overcome job challenges, and leadership issuance of job performance feedback. A likert scale of Strongly Disagree (SD), Disagree (D), Neutral (N), Agree (A) and Strongly Disagree (SA) was used. The results for Receipt of support to improve on employee’s work 41.8% (SA), 40.7% (A), 13.2% (N), 4.4% (D), and 0% (SD). In relations to the employee’s satisfaction with workplace conflicts settlements, 25.3% 35.2% 22.0% 12.1% and 5.5% of the respondents chose strongly agree, agree, neutral, disagree and strongly disagree respectively. On the other hand, the employee’s receipt of help to find meaning in their work results were; 39.6%, 45.1%, 15.4%, 0%, and 0% of the respondent’s chose strongly agree, agree, neutral, disagree, and strongly disagree respectively. The results for the employee’s receipt of support to overcome job challenges were; 28.6% (SA), 42.9% (A), 24.2% (N), 3.3%
(D), and 1.1% (SD) while that of the leadership issuance of job performance feedback were 34.1% (SA), 46.2% (A), 15.4% (N), 3.3% (D), and 1.1% (SD).

**Table 4.4: Frequency Distribution of Individualized Consideration**

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<td>I get support to improve on my work</td>
<td>41.8%</td>
<td>40.7%</td>
<td>13.2%</td>
<td>4.4%</td>
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<td>I am satisfied with the settlement of the conflicts that may happen in the workplace</td>
<td>25.3%</td>
<td>35.2%</td>
<td>22.0%</td>
<td>12.1%</td>
<td>5.5%</td>
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<tr>
<td>I get help to find meaning in my work</td>
<td>39.6%</td>
<td>45.1%</td>
<td>15.4%</td>
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<td>0%</td>
<td>100%</td>
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<tr>
<td>I get support to overcome challenges I face in my job</td>
<td>28.6%</td>
<td>42.9%</td>
<td>24.2%</td>
<td>3.3%</td>
<td>1.1%</td>
<td>100%</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>The leadership gives me feedback on my job performance</td>
<td>34.1%</td>
<td>46.2%</td>
<td>15.4%</td>
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The means and standard deviations of the individualized consideration were also examined. The individualized consideration metrics were measured through the use of the likert scale with the descriptors Strongly Agree (SA), Agree (A), Neutral (N), Disagree (D), and Strongly Disagree (SD) represented as 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 respectively in the SPSS input spread sheet. A score of less than 1.5 means the respondents strongly agreed with the statement given. A score 1.5 and above but less than 2.5 meant the respondents agreed with the statement given. A score of 2.5 and above but less that 3.5 meant the respondents were neutral. A score of 3.5 and above, but less that 4.5 indicated that the respondents disagreed. A score of 4.5 and above indicated strong disagreement with the statement given.

In this context, the means for Receipt of support to improve on employee’s work, employee’s satisfaction with workplace conflicts settlements, employee’s receipt of help to find meaning in their work, employee’s receipt of support to overcome job
challenges, and leadership issuance of job performance feedback were 1.80, 2.37, 1.76, 2.05, and 1.91 respectively. The means of all the parameters for individualized considerations were between 1.5 and 2.5 thus on average the respondents’ tended to agree with the given metrics. The standard deviations for Receipt of support to improve on employee’s work, employee’s satisfaction with workplace conflicts settlements, employee’s receipt of help to find meaning in their work, employee’s receipt of support to overcome job challenges, and leadership issuance of job performance feedback were 0.833, 1.151, 0.705, 0.874, and 0.852 respectively. The responses for employee’s satisfaction with workplace conflicts settlements indicated lack of consensus due to a high standard deviation of 1.151 while for the rest of the responses were moderately distributed.

The metrics and results for Receipt of support to improve on employee’s work, employee’s satisfaction with workplace conflicts settlements, employee’s receipt of help to find meaning in their work, employee’s receipt of support to overcome job challenges, and leadership issuance of job performance feedback are critical in the performance. The ability of the leaders to provide distinct attention to each employee’s needs is critical in their performance. The staffs are made to progressively achieve higher levels of potential. Individualized consideration is implemented after newly discovered opportunities are crafted alongside a supportive climate (Long, Yusof, Wan, Kowang, Tan and Heng, 2014). He proposed that individualized attention allows leaders to become familiar with followers, enhances communication and improves information exchange. On the other hand, Karamat (2013) holds similar views that consideration style leaders show a high level of concern for people and are supportive of them. These kind of leaders seek and accept suggestions from subordinates, consult with employees in advance on important matters, and criticize the work rather than the people.
Table 4.5: Means and Standard Deviations of Individualized Considerations

<table>
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<th>Consideration</th>
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<td>I get support to improve on my work</td>
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<td>.833</td>
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<td>I am satisfied with the settlement of conflicts that may happen at my workplace</td>
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<td>2.37</td>
<td>1.151</td>
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<tr>
<td>I get help to find meaning in my work</td>
<td>91</td>
<td>1.76</td>
<td>.705</td>
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<tr>
<td>I get support to overcome challenges I find in my job</td>
<td>91</td>
<td>2.05</td>
<td>.874</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>The leadership gives me feedback on my job performance</td>
<td>91</td>
<td>1.91</td>
<td>.852</td>
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Valid N (List Wise) 91

4.4.3 Influence of Intellectual Stimulation on the Employee performance

The influence of the Intellectual Stimulation on the employee performance was examined using five metrics that is; Employee’s opportunity to work in a way he think’s best, employee’s permission to set own pace for change, employee’s allowance to make judgment in solving problems, employee’s receipt of help to rethink of ideas that had never been questioned, and employees’ challenge to think of old problems in new ways. A likert scale of Strongly Disagree (SD), Disagree (D), Neutral (N), Agree (A) and Strongly Disagree (SA) was used. The results for the employee’s opportunity to work in a way he think’s best were 15.4% (SA), 45.1% (A), 23.1% (N), 9.9% (D), and 6.6% (SD). In relations to the employee’s permission to set own pace for change the results were 20.9% (SA), 46.2% (A), 17.6% (N), 12.1% (D), and 3.3% (SD). On the other hand, the results for employee’s allowance to make judgment in solving problems were 24.2% (SA), 49.5% (A), 15.4% (N), 9.9% (D), and 1.1% (SD). The results for employee’s receipt of help to rethink of ideas that had never been questioned were 28.6% (SA), 47.3% (A), 15.4% (N), 6.6% (D), and 2.2% (SD). Finally, the results for employees’ challenge to think of old
problems in new ways were 20.9% (SA), 30.8% (A), 41.8% (N), 6.6% (D), and 0% (SD).

Table 4.6: Frequency Distribution of Intellectual Stimulation

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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>I get opportunity to work in the way I think is best</td>
<td>15.4%</td>
<td>45.1%</td>
<td>23.1%</td>
<td>9.9%</td>
<td>6.6%</td>
<td>100%</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>I get permitted to set my own pace for change</td>
<td>20.9%</td>
<td>46.2%</td>
<td>17.6%</td>
<td>12.1%</td>
<td>3.3%</td>
<td>100%</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>I am allowed to have my own judgment in solving problems</td>
<td>24.2%</td>
<td>49.5%</td>
<td>15.4%</td>
<td>9.9%</td>
<td>1.1%</td>
<td>100%</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>I get help to rethink ideas I have never questioned before</td>
<td>28.6%</td>
<td>47.3%</td>
<td>15.4%</td>
<td>6.6%</td>
<td>2.2%</td>
<td>100%</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>I am challenged to think of old problems in a new way</td>
<td>20.9%</td>
<td>30.8%</td>
<td>41.8%</td>
<td>6.6%</td>
<td>0%</td>
<td>100%</td>
</tr>
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</table>

The means and standard deviations of the intellectual stimulation were also examined. The intellectual stimulation metrics were measured through the use of the likert scale with the descriptors Strongly Agree (SA), Agree (A), Neutral (N), Disagree (D), and Strongly Disagree (SD) represented as 1,2,3,4 and 5 respectively in the SPSS input spread sheet. A score of less than 1.5 means the respondents strongly agreed with the statement given. A score 1.5 and above but less than 2.5 meant the respondents agreed with the statement given. A score of 2.5 and above but less that 3.5 meant the respondents were neutral. A score of 3.5 and above, but less that 4.5 indicated that the respondents disagreed. A score of 4.5 and above indicated strong disagreement with the statement given.

In this context, the means for Employee’s opportunity to work in a way he think’s best, employee’s permission to set own pace for change, employee’s allowance to make judgment in solving problems, employee’s receipt of help to rethink of ideas
that had never been questioned, and employees’ challenge to think of old problems in new ways were 2.47, 2.31, 2.14, 2.07, and 2.34 respectively. The means of all the parameters for individualized considerations were between 1.5 and 2.5 thus on average the respondents’ tended to agree with the given metrics. The standard deviations for Employee’s opportunity to work in a way he think’s best, employee’s permission to set own pace for change, employee’s allowance to make judgment in solving problems, employee’s receipt of help to rethink of ideas that had never been questioned, and employees’ challenge to think of old problems in new ways were 1.078, 1.040, 0.938, 0.952, and 0.885 respectively. There was lack of consensus among the respondents in relations to employee’s opportunity to work in a way he think’s best, and employee’s permission to set own pace for change due to standard deviations of 1.078 and 1.040 respectively. The other metrics had their responses moderately spread.

The results of this section are able to integrate with the literature view. Northouse (2001) argues that leadership that stimulates followers to be creative and innovative, and to challenge their own beliefs and values as well as those of the leader and the organization is critical for the performance of the organization. According to Bass & Steidlmier (1999), intellectual stimulation encourages followers to challenge leader decisions and group processes. This encourages innovative thinking. According to Hult et al., (2004), leaders, especially transformational leaders, have considerable control of the presence or absence of organizational innovativeness. Because transformational leaders are oriented toward innovation, their propensity to motivate and intellectually stimulate their followers imbues the follower with that same innovative inclination (Keller, 1992; J. Lee, 2007; Mumford, et al., 2002; Vinkenburg, 2011). The end result is exemplary performance both for the employee and the organization.
Table 4.7: Means and Standard Deviations of Employee performance

|                                                                                          | N  | Mean | Std. Dev. |
|                                                                                          |    |      |           |
| I get opportunity to work in the way I think is best                                  | 91 | 2.47 | 1.078     |
| I get permitted to set my own pace for change                                      | 91 | 2.31 | 1.040     |
| I am allowed to have my own judgment in solving problems                              | 91 | 2.14 | .938      |
| I get help to rethink ideas I have never questioned before                            | 91 | 2.07 | .952      |
| I am challenged to think of old problems in a new way                                 | 91 | 2.34 | .885      |
| Valid N (List wise)                                                                      | 91 |      |           |

4.4.4 Employee Performance

The employee performance was examined using five metrics that is; employee’s productivity improvement, employee’s establishment of good working relations with co-workers, employee’s improvement in job competence, employees’ rewarded for meeting job goals, and employee’s achievement of career advancement. A likert scale of Strongly Disagree (SD), Disagree (D), Neutral (N), Agree (A) and Strongly Disagree (SA) was used. The results for the employee’s productivity improvement were 35.2% (SA), 45.1% (A), 18.7% (N), 1.1% (D), and 0% (SD). In relations to the employee’s establishment of good working relations with co-workers 17.6%, 51.6%, 25.3%, 3.3%, and 2.2% of the respondents chose strongly agree, agree, neutral, disagree and strongly disagree respectively. In relations to the employee’s improvement in job competence, the results were 39.6% (SA), 46.2% (A), 14.3% (N), 0.0% (D), and 0.0% (SD). On the other hand, in relations to the employees’ rewarded for meeting job goals the results were; 13.2% (SA), 37.4% (A), 17.6% (N), 23.1% (D), and 8.8% (SD). Finally, the results for employee’s achievement of career advancement were 23.1% (SA), 41.8% (A), 18.7% (N), 13.2% (D) and 3.3% (SD).
Table 4.8: Frequency Distribution of Employee Performance

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<td>My productivity in the organization has improved</td>
<td>35.2%</td>
<td>45.1%</td>
<td>18.7%</td>
<td>1.1%</td>
<td>0%</td>
<td>100%</td>
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<tr>
<td>I have established good working relation with the co-workers</td>
<td>17.6%</td>
<td>51.6%</td>
<td>25.3%</td>
<td>3.3%</td>
<td>2.2%</td>
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<tr>
<td>I have become more competent in my Job</td>
<td>39.6%</td>
<td>46.2%</td>
<td>14.3%</td>
<td>0.0%</td>
<td>0.0%</td>
<td>100%</td>
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<tr>
<td>I have been rewarded for meeting my job goals</td>
<td>13.2%</td>
<td>37.4%</td>
<td>17.6%</td>
<td>23.1%</td>
<td>8.8%</td>
<td>100%</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>I have obtained career advancement</td>
<td>23.1%</td>
<td>41.8%</td>
<td>18.7%</td>
<td>13.2%</td>
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The means and standard deviations of the employee performance were also examined. The employee performance metrics were measured through the use of the likert scale with the descriptors Strongly Agree (SA), Agree (A), Neutral (N), Disagree (D), and Strongly Disagree (SD) represented as 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 respectively in the SPSS input spreadsheet. A score of less than 1.5 means the respondents strongly agreed with the statement given. A score 1.5 and above but less than 2.5 meant the respondents agreed with the statement given. A score of 2.5 and above but less that 3.5 meant the respondents were neutral. A score of 3.5 and above, but less that 4.5 indicated that the respondents disagreed. A score of 4.5 and above indicated strong disagreement with the statement given.

In this context, the means for employee’s productivity improvement, employee’s establishment of good working relations with co-workers, employee’s improvement in job competence, employees’ rewarded for meeting job goals, and employee’s achievement of career advancement were 1.86, 2.21, 1.75, 2.77, and 2.32 respectively. The means for employee’s productivity improvement, employee’s establishment of good working relations with co-workers, employee’s improvement
in job competence, and employee’s achievement of career advancement were between 1.5 and 2.5 therefore on average the respondent’s tended to agree with the given metric. On the other hand, the respondents tended to be neutral in relations to the metric that the employees’ rewarded for meeting job goals due to a mean of 2.77.

On the other hand, the standard deviations for employee’s productivity improvement, employee’s establishment of good working relations with co-workers, employee’s improvement in job competence, employees’ rewarded for meeting job goals, and employee’s achievement of career advancement were 0.754, 0.850, 0.693, 1.203, and 1.074 Respectively. The metrics for employees’ rewarded for meeting job goals, and employee’s achievement of career advancement had no consensus on the responses due to standard deviations of 1.203 and 1.074.

Table 4.9: Means and Standard Deviations of Employee Performance

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<td>My performance in the organization has improved</td>
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<td>1.86</td>
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<td>I have established good working relation with the co-workers</td>
<td>91</td>
<td>2.21</td>
<td>.850</td>
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<td>I have become more competent in my job</td>
<td>91</td>
<td>1.75</td>
<td>.693</td>
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<td>I have been rewarded for meeting my job goals</td>
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<td>I have obtained career advancement</td>
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4.5 **Inferential Statistics**

The inferential statistics were conducted using the linear correlation and multiple linear regressions.

4.5.1 **Influence of Inspirational Motivation on the Employee performance**

The linear correlation will be used to test the formulated hypotheses that will lead to answering the following research question; what is the influence of inspirational motivation on the employee performance?
The formulated hypothesis to aid in answering the research question is as follows:

$H_{01}$: There is no significant statistical relationship between inspirational motivation and employee performance

$H_{A1}$: There is significant statistical relationship between inspirational motivation and employee performance

The relationship between inspirational motivation and employee performance is positively correlated and statistically significant ($r=0.283; p=0.007<0.05$). This led to the rejection of $H_{01}$ and acceptance of $H_{A1}$.

**Table 4.10 Linear Correlation between Inspirational Motivation and Performance**

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### 4.5.2 Influence of Individualized Consideration on the Employee performance

The linear correlation will be used to test the formulated hypotheses that will lead to answering the following research question; What is the influence of individualized consideration on the employee performance?

The formulated hypothesis to aid in answering the research question is as follows;

$H_{02}$: There is no significant statistical relationship between individualized consideration and employee performance

$H_{A2}$: There is significant statistical relationship between individualized consideration and employee performance

The relationship between individualized consideration and employee performance is negatively correlated and statistically significant ($r=-0.334; p=0.001<0.05$). This led to the rejection of $H_{02}$ and acceptance of $H_{A2}$. 

Table 4.11: Linear Correlation between Individualized Consideration and Performance

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Consideration</th>
<th>Pearson Correlation</th>
<th>Sig. (2-tailed)</th>
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<td></td>
<td>-.334**</td>
<td>.001</td>
<td>91</td>
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</table>

4.5.3 Influence of Intellectual Stimulation on the Employee performance

The linear correlation will be used to test the formulated hypotheses that will lead to answering the following research question; what is the influence of intellectual stimulation on the employee performance?

The formulated hypothesis to aid in answering the research question is as follows;

H₀₃: There is no significant statistical relationship between intellectual stimulation and employee performance

Hₐ₃: There is significant statistical relationship between intellectual stimulation and employee performance

The relationship between intellectual stimulation and employee performance is positively correlated and statistically significant (r=0.820; p=0.000<0.05). This led to the rejection of H₀₃ and acceptance of Hₐ₃.

Table 4.12: Linear Correlation between Intellectual Stimulation and Performance

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Stimulation</th>
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<td></td>
<td>.820**</td>
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4.6 Conclusion

The conclusion of this study will be based on the multiple linear regression which examines the cumulative effect of the independent variables on the dependent variable. The multiple linear regressions gave a multiple correlation coefficient of 0.920 which indicates that the relationship between the three independent variables cumulatively on the dependent variable is strong and positively correlated. The multiple linear regression also gave a coefficient of determination of 0.846 indicating that the three variables contributed to 84.6% of the variance in the dependent variable.

Table 4.13: Model Summary

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<td>.920a</td>
<td>.846</td>
<td>.841</td>
<td>.31441</td>
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a. Predictors: (Constant), Intellectual Stimulation, Individualized Consideration, Inspirational Motivation

The F-ratio in the ANOVA table tests whether the overall regression model is a good fit for the data. The table shows that the independent variables statistically significantly predict the dependent variable, F (3, 87) = 159.306, p < .0005 (i.e., the regression model is a good fit of the data).
Table 4.14: ANOVA

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Model</th>
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a. Predictors: (Constant), Intellectual Stimulation, Individualized Consideration, Inspirational Motivation

b. Dependent Variable: Performance

The unstandardized coefficients which indicate the variance of the dependent variables with an independent variable when all other independent variables are held constant are indicated below.

Performance = 1.843 + 0.051 Inspirational Motivation - 0.788 Individualized Consideration + 0.783 Intellectual Stimulation

The coefficient for the intercept is 1.843 implies that if the factors (Intellectual Stimulation, Individualized Consideration, and Inspirational Motivation) are equated to zero then the performance will improve by a margin of 1.843. The beta coefficient of inspirational motivation is 0.051 implying that a unit increase in inspirational motivation will lead to an increase in performance by a margin of 0.051. Similarly, the beta coefficient of individualized consideration is -0.788 meaning that a unit increase in individualized consideration leads to a decrease in performance by a margin of 0.788. Finally, a unit increase in intellectual stimulation leads to an increase in performance by a margin of 0.783.
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a. Dependent Variable: Performance
CHAPTER FIVE

SUMMARY, CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

5.1 Introduction

This chapter presents the summary, conclusion and recommendations of the study.

5.2 Summary

The summary of the study is based on the each specific research objective.

5.2.1 Influence of Inspirational Motivation on the Employee performance

The influence of the inspirational motivation on employee performance was examined using five metrics that is; motivation to accomplish job goals and objectives, improvement of respondent’s services to the company, support for team building, leader’s expression of what employees should do, and leaders’ helping employees find meaning in their work with means of 1.86, 4.22, 2.05, 1.79, and 2.09 respectively. These means indicate that the respondents on average tended to agree with the presence of motivation to accomplish job goals and objectives, support for team building, leader’s expression of what employees should do, and leaders’ helping employees find meaning in their work since the means were between 1.5 and 2.5. On the other hand, the respondent’s tended on average to disagree that the inspirational motivation leading to improvement of respondent’s services to the company due to a mean of 4.22. The analysis of the relationship between inspirational motivation and employee performance is positively correlated and statistically significant ($r=0.283$; $p=0.007<0.05$).

5.2.2 Influence of Individualized Consideration on the Employee performance

The influence of the individualized consideration on the employee performance were measured using five metrics; receipt of support to improve on employee’s work, employee’s satisfaction with workplace conflicts settlements, employee’s receipt of help to find meaning in their work, employee’s receipt of support to overcome job
challenges, and leadership issuance of job performance feedback with means of 1.80, 2.37, 1.76, 2.05, and 1.91 respectively. The means of all the parameters for individualized considerations were between 1.5 and 2.5 thus on average the respondents’ tended to agree with the given metrics. The analysis of the relationship between individualized consideration and employee performance was negatively correlated and statistically significant ($r=-0.334; p=0.001<0.05$).

5.2.3 Influence of Intellectual Stimulation on the Employee performance

The influence of the intellectual stimulation on employee performance was examined using five metrics; Employee’s opportunity to work in a way he think’s best, employee’s permission to set own pace for change, employee’s allowance to make judgment in solving problems, employee’s receipt of help to rethink of ideas that had never been questioned, and employees’ challenge to think of old problems in new ways with means of 2.47, 2.31, 2.14, 2.07, and 2.34 respectively. The means of all the parameters for individualized considerations were between 1.5 and 2.5 thus on average the respondents’ tended to agree with the given metrics. The analysis of the relationship between intellectual stimulation and employee performance is positively correlated and statistically significant ($r=0.820; p=0.000<0.05$).

5.3 Conclusions

Transformational leadership is important as leaders are reliable to generate commitment from followers. Safaricom has the ability to inspire motivate and intellectually stimulate its employees which results to positive impact on employee performance.

The multiple linear regression was used to examine the cumulative effect of the independent variables on the dependent variable. The multiple linear regressions gave a multiple correlation coefficient of 0.920 which indicated that the relationship between the three independent variables cumulatively on the dependent variable is strong and positively correlated. The multiple linear regressions also gave a coefficient of determination of 0.846 indicating that the three variables contributed to 84.6% of the variance in the dependent variable. The multiple linear regression
equation indicated that the intellectual stimulation led to the greatest change in employee performance. The findings of this study will help other institutions to understand the influence of transformational leadership on employee performance in Kenya; the findings will provide a new dimension on how institutions can achieve best employee performance.

5.4 Recommendations

5.4.1 Inspirational Motivation on the Employee performance

The respondents on average tended to agree with the presence of motivation to accomplish job goals and objectives, support for team building, leader’s expression of what employees should do, and leaders’ helping employees find meaning in their work. However there’s need on the leadership to improve on its employees response to improve service to the company due to the high mean of 4.22

5.4.2 Individualized Consideration on the Employee performance

The responses for employee’s satisfaction with workplace conflicts settlements indicated lack of consensus due to a high standard deviation of 1.15; therefore the leadership need to put emphasis on conflict management mechanism so as to improve employee performance.

5.4.3 Intellectual Stimulation on the Employee performance

There was lack of consensus among the respondents in relations to employee’s opportunity to work in a way he think’s best, and employee’s permission to set own pace for change due to standard deviations of 1.078 and 1.040 respectively. In this regard I recommend that major improvement in strategies to harmonize recognizing employee’s cognitive ability in regard to work and innovation
5.5 Suggestions for Further Studies

The transformational leadership has an influence on aspects of performance within an organization. The study therefore suggests the following aspects of transformational leadership for further studies; a research on effect of transformational leadership on organizational performance of Safaricom Limited and the effect of transformational leadership on financial performance on other communication service providers, government and private sector.
REFERENCES


APPENDICIES

APPENDIX ONE: QUESTIONNAIRE

INFLUENCE OF TRANSFORMATIONAL LEADERSHIP ON EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE. A CASE STUDY OF SAFARICOM LIMITED

Dear respondents,

The researcher is a Master’s student at Jomo Kenyatta University carrying out a study that aims to investigate, Influence of Transformational Leadership on Employee Performance; a Case Study of Safaricom Limited. You have been selected as the respondent and as one of the respondents, your opinions are very important to this study. This is an academic research and the information provided is purely for academic purpose and will be treated with utmost confidentiality. Your co-operation will be highly appreciated.

Instructions: Please complete the following questionnaire appropriately.
Confidentiality: The responses you provide will be strictly confidential. Please tick or answer appropriately for each of the Question provided.
**SECTION A: DEMOGRAPHIC INFORMATION OF RESPONDENTS**

1) What is your gender?
   - Male (   )
   - Female (   )

2) What is your age?
   - Below 25 years (   )
   - 25-30 Years (   )
   - Above 30 Years (   )

3) Which department do you work for in Safaricom?
   - Customer Care (   )
   - Quality Analyst (   )
   - Management (   )
   - Support Staff (   )

4) How long have you worked in Safaricom?
   - Less than one year (   )
   - 1-2 Years (   )
   - 2-3 Years (   )
   - 3-4 Years (   )
### Section B. Inspirational Motivation

In a range of 1 to 5, how would you rate each of the following factors? Note: 1= Strongly Agree, 2= Agree, 3= Neutral, 4=Disagree, 5 = Strongly Disagree (Tick where appropriate)

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<td>Our leaders express with a few simple words what we could and should do</td>
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**TOTAL** | **65,200**

**Contingencies (10%)** | **6,520**

**GRAND TOTAL** | **71,720**

Sources of funds: Self