The Impact Of Organizational Learning On Crisis Management: An Applied Study On Public And Private Universities In Dhi Qar Governorate

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Abstract Purpose: This research explores the relationship between Organizational Learning (OL) and Crisis Management (CM) in Dhi Qar Governorate's Public and Private Universities using Structural Equation Modeling. Findings reveal a statistically significant connection between OL and CM, supported by well-fitting model indicators (e.g., CMIN/DF, GFI, NFI, IFI, TLI, CFI, RMSEA). The organization, exhibiting positive perceptions and strategic approaches to OL and CM, is encouraged to prioritize continuous learning, knowledge sharing, and resilience practices. The study's results affirm a collective perception among participants, highlighting the organization's preparedness for dynamic challenges and the importance of sustaining these initiatives for ongoing success.

Keywords: Organizational Learning, Crisis Management, Public and Private Universities in Dhi Qar Governorate.

1. Introduction

Organizational learning constitutes a fundamental pillar in the framework of contemporary management, serving as a dynamic process through which an organization acquires, interprets, and applies knowledge to adapt and innovate. At its core, organizational learning is more than a set of isolated activities; it represents a comprehensive approach that permeates an organization's culture, structures, and systems. It involves not only the absorption of information but also the collective ability to transform that knowledge into actionable insights and behaviors.

In essence, the concept of organizational learning recognizes that an organization is a living entity that must continually evolve to thrive in today's fast-paced and unpredictable business landscape. This evolution is not only a response to external changes but also an
internal cultivation of skills, experiences, and best practices. Organizational learning is characterized by a commitment to ongoing improvement, a culture that embraces experimentation and risk-taking, and a capacity to leverage past successes and failures as valuable lessons (Goula, 2021).

The significance of organizational learning extends beyond the individual level to encompass the entire workforce and organizational structure. It involves creating channels for information sharing, encouraging collaboration, and fostering a climate where employees feel empowered to contribute ideas without fear of reprisal. In essence, organizational learning is a catalyst for innovation, adaptability, and resilience, positioning the organization to navigate challenges, capitalize on opportunities, and maintain a competitive edge in an ever-changing business environment (Aboramadan, et al, 2021).

Crisis management stands as a critical function within the strategic framework of organizations, representing the structured approach to effectively navigating and mitigating the impact of unforeseen challenges. In the dynamic and unpredictable landscape of the business world, crises can manifest in various forms, including natural disasters, financial downturns, reputation threats, or global pandemics. The essence of crisis management lies in its proactive and reactive strategies, aiming not only to address immediate threats but also to build resilience and minimize long-term damage (Taneja, et al., 2014).

A well-designed crisis management plan involves a multidisciplinary approach, incorporating communication strategies, risk assessment, resource allocation, and decisive decision-making. It serves as a guiding framework to orchestrate an organization's response, ensuring clarity of roles, responsibilities, and communication channels when faced with adversity. Moreover, crisis management extends beyond mere damage control; it encompasses learning from the experience to fortify organizational preparedness for future challenges (Le, Phi, 2020).

Successful crisis management is contingent upon swift and effective decision-making, transparent communication, and the ability to adapt strategies in real-time. Organizations that prioritize crisis management not only safeguard their stakeholders' interests but also demonstrate a commitment to accountability and resilience. In essence, crisis management is not just a reactive measure; it is a strategic imperative that empowers organizations to navigate uncertainties, protect their reputation, and emerge stronger in the aftermath of disruption (Bhaskara, Filimonau, 2021).

The investigation into "The Impact of Organizational Learning on Crisis Management: An Applied Study on Public and Private Universities in Dhi Qar Governorate" represents a crucial exploration at the intersection of organizational dynamics and crisis resilience within the educational sector. Organizational learning, as a foundational element in contemporary management theory, is poised to play a pivotal role in shaping how universities navigate and respond to crises. This applied study, situated in the unique context of Dhi Qar Governorate, seeks to unravel the nuanced ways in which organizational
learning processes influence crisis management strategies within both public and private educational institutions.

The distinctive nature of this research lies in its focus on the higher education landscape, recognizing universities as knowledge hubs that hold societal significance. As these institutions grapple with multifaceted challenges, ranging from academic disruptions to external crises, understanding the symbiotic relationship between organizational learning and crisis management becomes paramount. By delving into the specific context of Dhi Qar Governorate, this study aims to unearth insights that could be instrumental in enhancing the adaptive capacities of public and private universities alike.

Through an empirical lens, the research endeavors to dissect how organizational learning mechanisms are embedded in the fabric of these institutions and how these processes contribute to the formulation and execution of crisis management strategies. By bridging the theoretical underpinnings of organizational learning with real-world applications in the educational sector, the study aspires to provide actionable recommendations that can fortify the resilience of universities, thereby contributing to the broader discourse on effective crisis management strategies in educational contexts.

The study and prior research identify key challenges, such as the accumulation of problems and rapid changes leading to negative crises. Leaders in Public and Private Universities in Dhi Qar Governorate must acquire sufficient learning for crisis management. The academic environment faces frequent crises linked to rumors, demanding preparedness. The lack of conceptualizations for organizational learning in crisis management indicates a critical gap. In Public and Private Universities in Dhi Qar Governorate, the absence of a training program emphasizes the need for developing academic leadership and managerial competencies to effectively handle and mitigate crises. Shortcomings in organizational learning and crisis management are revealed by the survey study. The study underscores the importance of effective crisis management through preparation, mitigation, and learning from crises, with a focus on the reciprocal relationships between organizational learning and crisis management in Public and Private Universities in Dhi Qar Governorate. The central research question examines the extent to which organizational learning influences crisis management in these universities.

2. Theoretical Framework:

Organizational learning (OL) encompasses various dimensions according to different studies. (Bhaskara, Filimonau, 2021) define OL as a transformative process occurring within an organization when it acquires expertise. This learning can manifest at different hierarchical levels, whether individual, team, organizational, or inter-organizational. At the individual level, it involves the acquisition of knowledge and skills, with the potential for enhancement through shared mental models at the team level (Goula, 2021). Concurrently, (Aboramadan, et al, 2021) officially characterizes organizational learning as the dynamic process of obtaining, creating, integrating, and distributing information. (Ali, Ali, 2020)
insights highlight OL as a dynamic, knowledge-based process that translates across various organizational levels, emphasizing the importance of retrieval in the learning process. Moreover, (İpek, 2018) perspective frames organizational learning as the maintenance of specific behaviors, standards, and values influenced by both structural and cultural forces within an organization. This process encompasses behaviors, actions, perceptions, and knowledge processes, taking the shape of lower-level learning involving the formation of initial behavioral outcomes. It also involves higher-level learning, distinguishing general rules and standards. Importantly, both forms of learning are shaped by external factors like culture, strategy, structure, and the environment.

These perspectives collectively underscore organizational learning as a multifaceted and dynamic process that occurs at different levels of an organization, involving the acquisition, creation, integration, and distribution of knowledge and behaviors influenced by both internal and external factors.

The concept of Organizational Learning has emerged as a pivotal and extensively discussed topic in management discourse, particularly in the last two decades of the previous century. This heightened attention can be attributed to the profound shifts witnessed in the business landscape, characterized by economic transformations, the ascendancy of knowledge-driven enterprises, and the global trajectory of organizational structures. At the forefront of justifying the emphasis on Organizational Learning is the overarching influence of organizational change, underscored by several compelling rationales.

First and foremost is the escalating pressure faced by organizations due to their struggle to contend with the complexities of the contemporary business environment. The imperative for adaptability and flexibility has become paramount as organizations endeavor to navigate and stay abreast of the dynamic changes in their external surroundings.

Another driving force propelling the focus on Organizational Learning is the imperative to build competencies that are not only relevant but also adaptable to novel practices and emerging situations. In a landscape marked by rapid shifts and uncertainties, the capability to swiftly and effectively navigate new challenges becomes a strategic necessity.

Furthermore, the competitive landscape of the business world introduces the notion of competitive imitation as a compelling factor. Organizations seeking to emulate and replicate competitive advantages are compelled to cultivate non-traditional capabilities, necessitating a swifter and more efficient organizational learning process than their competitors.

Employee satisfaction, motivation, and overall well-being constitute an integral facet of the justifications for prioritizing Organizational Learning. Recognizing the intrinsic human need for pride, job satisfaction, respect, and a desire for self-achievement emphasizes the intricate relationship between employee contentment and the organizational learning process.

Beyond these immediate considerations, Organizational Learning is positioned as a catalyst for broader organizational evolution. This perspective sees it as a proactive
measure to prepare the organization for an uncertain future, presenting learning as a dynamic and continuous opportunity for growth and development.

Expanding the scope, considerations for Organizational Learning extend to changes in individual needs and preferences. The organization’s ability to align itself with shifts in customer demands and go beyond traditional approaches to retain and engage customers is recognized as a pivotal aspect of the learning process.

Compliance with standards and regulations, notably the adoption of ISO systems and embracing the philosophy of Total Quality Management (TQM), adds a layer of strategic significance to Organizational Learning. This emphasis aligns with global expectations and benchmarks, positioning the organization as a player committed to excellence.

Mitigating the impacts of workforce turnover, avoiding disruptions in experience due to personnel changes, and improving internal organizational capabilities are identified as further imperatives compelling organizations to invest in systematic learning processes. Moreover, empowering employees in complex and challenging conditions is acknowledged as a key outcome of an effective organizational learning framework. This empowerment not only fosters individual growth but also contributes to the overall resilience and adaptability of the organization.

In a globalized and fiercely competitive landscape, the distinctive role of Organizational Learning in enhancing competitiveness, fostering innovation, achieving excellence, and outperforming competitors becomes increasingly apparent. The recognition of learning as a strategic tool underscores its significance in sustaining and advancing organizational goals.

The justifications for Organizational Learning extend to the rapid flow of knowledge, where the compounding rate of knowledge, ideas, and theories has accelerated, contrasting sharply with the protracted timelines observed in the past. This accelerated pace underscores the imperative for organizations to embrace continuous learning as a means to stay relevant and responsive.

Furthermore, the swift and continuous changes in the social, economic, and political environments underline the need for organizations to continually reassess their functions. Modern learning methods are deemed essential to effectively respond to these environmental variations, reflecting an adaptive and forward-looking approach.

The multifaceted justifications for Organizational Learning collectively underscore its pivotal role in contemporary organizational strategies. From adapting to environmental complexities and cultivating competencies to enhancing competitiveness and empowering employees, the significance of Organizational Learning permeates various dimensions of organizational dynamics. As organizations navigate an era marked by rapid changes and fierce competition, embracing learning as a strategic imperative becomes not only beneficial but imperative for sustained success and resilience.

Goula's (2021) study explores production processes in Greek public hospitals through innovative solutions, aiming for a transition to smart organizations. The findings highlight
the need for Greek hospitals to adopt diverse leadership and cultural models to facilitate organizational learning. This transformation should occur across individual, group, organizational, and work environment levels to enhance effective learning processes and yield tangible results.

Aboramadan et al. (2021) propose a model of inclusive leadership's impact on extra-role behaviors in academic staff, with organizational learning mediating the relationship. Data from 227 Palestinian faculty reveal that inclusive leadership positively influences extra-role behaviors, emphasizing the need for diverse academic communities and fostering educational environments to address diversity through continuous learning, collaboration, and dialogue.

Ali, Ali (2020) investigates factors influencing companies' adoption of new management practices in South Asian countries. Utilizing a Bayesian Model Averaging approach with a sample of 3,676 companies, the study finds that market competition, resource allocation to research and development, high-quality mobile network coverage, and the use of certified external auditors positively impact the propensity to learn management practices. Moreover, ineffective intellectual property rights protection may discourage learning. Companies inclined toward learning such practices exhibit higher profitability, potential, and actual innovation levels.

İpek's (2018) study conducts a comprehensive bibliometric analysis and critical review of empirical research on organizational learning in exporting from 1997 to 2017. The analysis encompasses influential publishing outlets, institutions, researchers, and articles. Despite notable progress, the study reveals that research in this area is still in its introductory phase, with identified weaknesses in research areas, designs, and theoretical understanding prompting critique. Notably, there is a dearth of integrated reviews to enhance understanding in this field despite the wealth of available research.

Crisis fundamentally disrupts or halts organizational stability and the current situation. This indicates a detrimental impact on organizational stability, prompting a crucial question about whether organizations can withstand the aftermath of a crisis. Beyond jeopardizing organizational stability, a crisis also poses a threat to the reputation of organizations. The reputation of organizations can influence public choices in consuming products and services or even entering into partnerships with them. Consequently, safeguarding and repairing the image of organizations during and after crises becomes imperative for rebuilding public trust.

Crises represent serious threats to the core objectives of an organization and the interests of stakeholders. These events are often unforeseen and unpredictable, causing disruptions in business operations, threatening future growth, profitability, and the interests of employees, managers, suppliers, shareholders, and the broader community. Consequently, crises impact individuals' perceptions of reality, security, and everyday life. Although issues arise within companies daily, a single crisis can significantly harm an organization (Oliveira, 2013).
It is generally agreed that crises have psychological effects on organizational members. The days and weeks surrounding a crisis, marked by shock-inducing pressures, lead to long-term reactions such as concentration problems, depression, feelings of weakness and sadness. These symptoms can impair individual and organizational performance. In other words, organizations may not function properly due to the crisis.

Given the negative and sometimes destructive effects of these crises, which can threaten the survival of attacked entities, whether systems or organizations, the concept of crisis management emerged to define how crises should be handled to prevent or mitigate their negative impacts when they occur. Good crisis preparedness reduces material losses and psychological suffering caused by the crisis, as well as the material costs and effort expended in attempting to mitigate the crisis's effects and repair the damage it caused. The more significant the organization's importance and impact on society, the greater its need to be protected from crises through effective crisis leadership.

However, crises can also be viewed as a critical stage for organizational development. If the parties involved can manage the crisis appropriately, organizations may move towards a better future. Therefore, crises should be seen as opportunities rather than threats, indicating that the involved parties are expected to control the crisis.

Excellent crisis management involves more than attempting to mitigate damage or risks to the organization; it must also seek to maximize the benefit from every possible opportunity. If the organization leverages the opportunity to gain new knowledge and adopt new strategies, it emerges from the crisis revitalized (Veil, 2011).

The concept of crisis management is multifaceted, with diverse definitions provided by scholars. It involves planning to prevent crises, developing response plans, and minimizing their impact across various life aspects, nations, and organizations. Crisis management, is the implementation of preventive methods to eliminate factors leading to crises, characterizes it as an organizational attempt to prevent or manage unexpected events under pressure, while Mullick (2011) emphasizes the art of decision-making in crisis situations.

This comprehensive approach to crisis management is reflected in an organization's ability to perceive and address current and potential risks and threats, restore balance to the system quickly, and extract valuable lessons for future improvement. The multifaceted nature of crisis management extends to preventive measures aimed at eliminating crisis-inducing factors. In essence, crisis management is an intricate process involving strategic planning, timely decision-making, and continuous improvement to effectively navigate and overcome crises while minimizing negative impacts.

The study by Meyer et al. (2020) explores crisis management in High-Reliability Organizations (HRO) through the analysis of two severe Brazilian air disasters. The results emphasize the importance of managerial and operational activities in maintaining conditions for high reliability, focusing on factors like concern for failure, avoiding simplistic explanations, process sensitivity, commitment to flexibility, and detailed structural specifications. The study underscores the need for organizational alertness,
advocating for reliable, flexible, and conscientious management. Adaptations in organizational processes are crucial for continuous learning in crisis management and prompt response improvement.

The study by Le and Phi (2020) focuses on the "strategic responses" of the hotel sector to the evolving COVID-19 situation. Drawing on 219 articles from global media and a comprehensive crisis management framework, the study suggests three modifications to refine and enhance the pandemic crisis management framework. It highlights that the long-term impacts of the Covid-19 pandemic necessitate the hotel sector to reassess, innovate, and transform their operations. However, the literature in this area is still significantly lacking.

The study by Taneja et al. (2014) focuses on strategic crisis management, aiming to identify essential processes for crisis management and preventive measures. The study advocates integrating crisis management into the strategic management of organizations, emphasizing proactive preparation for and prevention of crises by analyzing internal and external factors influencing crises and taking necessary actions to safeguard the organization from avoidable crises.

3. Methodology:

The primary objective of this study is to delve into the intricate relationship between organizational learning and crisis management, seeking to understand the impact of the former as an independent variable on the latter as a dependent variable. To achieve this, a descriptive-analytical approach is adopted, blending theoretical insights with empirical data.

In constructing the study's theoretical foundation, an extensive review of secondary data is conducted, encompassing a broad spectrum of sources such as books, articles, theses, and prior research. This literature review aims to synthesize existing knowledge, identify gaps in the current understanding, and establish a comprehensive theoretical framework.

Complementing this theoretical groundwork, primary data is gathered through a field survey. This survey specifically engages employees from both Public and Private Universities in Dhi Qar Governorate, offering a localized perspective on the dynamics of organizational learning and its implications for crisis management. The mixed-methods approach, combining theoretical insights with real-world experiences, is designed to provide a more robust and nuanced understanding of the subject matter.

The study not only seeks to validate theoretical assumptions but also aims to offer practical insights into the complex relationship between organizational learning and crisis management. By integrating both qualitative and quantitative data, the research endeavors to uncover patterns, trends, and correlations that contribute to a more holistic comprehension of crisis preparedness and response within educational institutions. This study represents a comprehensive exploration into the multifaceted dynamics of organizational learning and its impact on crisis management. With a specific focus on the
unique context of Public and Private Universities in Dhi Qar Governorate, the research aspires to make valuable contributions to both theoretical scholarship and practical applications in crisis management within educational settings.

4. Results and Discussion:

Table (1): Descriptive Statistics for the Organizational Learning and Crisis Management Variable.

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<tr>
<th>N</th>
<th>Statement</th>
<th>Mean</th>
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<th>Importance Ranking</th>
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<tr>
<td>1</td>
<td>Continuous learning opportunities.</td>
<td>3.29</td>
<td>0.87</td>
<td>3</td>
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<td>2</td>
<td>dialogue and inquiry.</td>
<td>3.02</td>
<td>0.92</td>
<td>6</td>
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<td>3</td>
<td>collaborative cooperation.</td>
<td>3.14</td>
<td>0.77</td>
<td>4</td>
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<td>4</td>
<td>knowledge sharing.</td>
<td>3.44</td>
<td>0.83</td>
<td>1</td>
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<td>5</td>
<td>Linking the organization to the external environment.</td>
<td>3.40</td>
<td>0.91</td>
<td>2</td>
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<td>6</td>
<td>Leadership supportive of learning.</td>
<td>3.08</td>
<td>0.93</td>
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<td>Monitor alarm signals.</td>
<td>3.20</td>
<td>0.83</td>
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<tr>
<td>Preparedness and prevention.</td>
<td>3.12</td>
<td>0.75</td>
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<td>Crisis communications.</td>
<td>3.24</td>
<td>0.71</td>
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<td>Damage containment.</td>
<td>3.19</td>
<td>0.84</td>
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<tr>
<td>Restore activity.</td>
<td>3.17</td>
<td>0.86</td>
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<tr>
<td>Learning from the crisis.</td>
<td>3.57</td>
<td>0.96</td>
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The statistical analysis of the provided table indicates positive perceptions regarding Organizational Learning and Crisis Management. In Organizational Learning, all dimensions, including Continuous Learning Opportunities, Dialogue and Inquiry, Collaborative Cooperation, Knowledge Sharing, Linking the Organization to the External Environment, and Leadership Supportive of Learning, have means above 3, reflecting a generally favorable view. The standard deviations are relatively low, suggesting minimal variability in respondents’ opinions. The highest-ranked dimension in Organizational Learning is Knowledge Sharing, emphasizing its perceived significance. In Crisis Management, dimensions such as Learning from the Crisis, Monitor Alarm Signals, Damage Containment, Restore Activity, and Preparedness and Prevention exhibit positive mean values, with Learning from the Crisis ranked highest. The standard deviations are generally low, indicating consensus among respondents. Overall, these results suggest a positive organizational stance towards learning and crisis management practices.
The study's statistical analysis reveals promising insights into the perceptions of Organizational Learning and Crisis Management among respondents. Organizational Learning dimensions, including Continuous Learning Opportunities, Dialogue and Inquiry, Collaborative Cooperation, Knowledge Sharing, Linking the Organization to the External Environment, and Leadership Supportive of Learning, all exhibit mean values above 3, indicating an overall positive assessment. The relatively low standard deviations (ranging from 0.77 to 0.93) suggest a consistent and narrow spread of opinions, signifying a high level of agreement among participants.

Among these dimensions, Knowledge Sharing stands out with the highest mean of 3.44 and is ranked first in importance. This underscores the significance attributed to knowledge sharing in fostering organizational learning. Continuous Learning Opportunities and Linking the Organization to the External Environment also receive favorable mean scores, reinforcing the positive organizational sentiment towards these aspects.

Turning to Crisis Management, the dimensions—Monitor Alarm Signals, Preparedness and Prevention, Damage Containment, Restore Activity, and Learning from the Crisis—all demonstrate mean values above 3, indicative of positive perceptions. Learning from the Crisis, with the highest mean of 3.57, is ranked first in importance, emphasizing its central role in crisis management practices. Standard deviations ranging from 0.75 to 0.96 indicate a relatively low level of variability in responses, highlighting a general consensus among participants regarding the effectiveness of these crisis management strategies.

**The main hypothesis testing:**

The main hypothesis states that there is a statistically significant relationship for organizational learning in crisis management in Public and Private Universities in Dhi Qar Governorate. To test the validity of this hypothesis, structural equation modeling was employed to study the role of organizational learning as one dimension of the independent variable in crisis management as the dependent variable. The results were as follows:
Figure 1: Structural Equation Modeling for the Organizational Learning Model

Table (2): Direct Effect of the Organizational Learning Dimension

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<tr>
<th>Latent Variables</th>
<th>Path</th>
<th>Observed Variables</th>
<th>Standard Estimate</th>
<th>Non-Standard Estimate</th>
<th>z-Test</th>
<th>Significance</th>
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<tr>
<td>Organizationa l Learning</td>
<td>crisis management</td>
<td>0.652</td>
<td>0.065</td>
<td>10.80</td>
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<td></td>
<td>y1</td>
<td>0.470</td>
<td>0.044</td>
<td>5.61</td>
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<td></td>
<td>y2</td>
<td>0.577</td>
<td>0.041</td>
<td>6.96</td>
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<td></td>
<td>y3</td>
<td>0.626</td>
<td>0.058</td>
<td>9.95</td>
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<td></td>
<td>y4</td>
<td>0.548</td>
<td>0.071</td>
<td>7.51</td>
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<td></td>
<td>Y5</td>
<td>0.614</td>
<td>0.029</td>
<td>8.69</td>
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<td></td>
<td>Y6</td>
<td>0.546</td>
<td>0.032</td>
<td>7.88</td>
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***Significant at the 0.001 level. Source: Smartpls4 program results

The preceding Table (2) illustrates the role of organizational learning in crisis management, taking into consideration the expressions representing each dimension. The following findings were revealed:
There is a statistically significant relationship between the organizational learning dimension and crisis management at a confidence level of 99%, with a standardized coefficient of 0.652.

There is a statistically significant relationship for expressions representing the crisis management variable at a confidence level of 99%, with standardized coefficients ranging from 0.470 to 0.626.

To assess the model's quality and verify the hypothesis's validity, several model goodness-of-fit criteria were tested. The results are presented in the following table:

Table (3): Quality standards for aligning the organizational learning model

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<th>Indicator</th>
<th>Code</th>
<th>Value</th>
<th>Acceptance Level</th>
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<tr>
<td>Standardized Chi-Square</td>
<td>CMIN/DF</td>
<td>2.680</td>
<td>Less than 5 (maximum value)</td>
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<tr>
<td>Goodness of Fit Index</td>
<td>GFI</td>
<td>0.967</td>
<td>0.90 ≤</td>
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<tr>
<td>Normed Fit Index</td>
<td>NFI</td>
<td>0.978</td>
<td>0.90 ≤</td>
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<tr>
<td>Incremental Fit Index</td>
<td>IFI</td>
<td>0.961</td>
<td>0.90 ≤</td>
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<tr>
<td>Tucker-Lewis Index</td>
<td>TLI</td>
<td>0.957</td>
<td>0.90 ≤</td>
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<tr>
<td>Comparative Fit Index</td>
<td>CFI</td>
<td>0.920</td>
<td>0.90 ≤</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Root Mean Square Error of Approximation</td>
<td>RMSEA</td>
<td>0.041</td>
<td>0.08 ≥</td>
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The preceding Table (3) reveals the following:

All indicators fall within the required limits. For instance, the acceptance threshold for the standardized chi-square indicator (CMIN/DF) is set at not exceeding 5. The actual value for this indicator is 2.680, indicating model quality within the acceptable range. The remaining indicators also meet the acceptable threshold, which is not less than 0.90. Specifically, the Goodness of Fit Index (GFI) is 0.967, the Normed Fit Index (NFI) is 0.978, the Incremental Fit Index (IFI) is 0.961, and the Comparative Fit Index (CFI) is 0.920. Additionally, the Root Mean Square Error of Approximation (RMSEA) is 0.041, which is less than 0.08, indicating that all indicators are within acceptable limits. Consequently, there is a possibility of aligning the actual model with the estimated model.

Thus, the validity of the hypothesis asserting a statistically significant relationship between organizational learning and crisis management has been confirmed.
5. Conclusion and Recommendation:

The comprehensive analysis of the study's findings indicates that the surveyed organization not only maintains positive perceptions but also showcases a strategic and holistic approach to both Organizational Learning and Crisis Management. The emphasis placed on knowledge sharing within the framework of organizational learning underscores a commitment to fostering a collaborative and knowledge-driven environment. This strategic orientation aligns with the organization's pursuit of continuous improvement and adaptability, key factors for success in dynamic and ever-evolving business landscapes.

Furthermore, the acknowledgment of learning from crises as a critical aspect underscores the organization's proactive stance in leveraging challenges as opportunities for growth and improvement. This recognition implies a mature understanding of the importance of resilience and the ability to extract valuable insights from adverse situations.

The low variability in responses across various dimensions in both Organizational Learning and Crisis Management not only affirms the positive sentiments but also suggests a high level of consensus among the surveyed participants. This shared understanding among respondents enhances the reliability of the study's findings and supports the notion that the organization's positive views are not isolated but rather represent a collective perception.

Overall, the study paints a picture of an organization that not only values continuous learning and effective crisis management but also strategically integrates these aspects into its operational fabric. This holistic approach positions the organization to navigate challenges successfully, adapt to changing circumstances, and sustain a positive and collaborative organizational culture.

Based on the compelling findings of the study, the following recommendations emerge:

The surveyed organization is commended for not only harboring positive perceptions but also for exemplifying a strategic and comprehensive approach to both Organizational Learning and Crisis Management. The explicit focus on knowledge sharing within the organizational learning framework reflects a commitment to nurturing a collaborative and knowledge-centric environment. This strategic orientation is well-aligned with the organization's pursuit of continuous improvement and adaptability, which are crucial elements for success in dynamic and ever-evolving business landscapes.

Moreover, the recognition of learning from crises as a pivotal aspect underscores the organization's proactive stance in leveraging challenges as opportunities for growth and improvement. This acknowledgment signifies a mature understanding of the importance of resilience and the capacity to derive valuable insights from adverse situations.

The observed low variability in responses across various dimensions in both Organizational Learning and Crisis Management not only affirms positive sentiments but also indicates a high level of consensus among the surveyed participants. This shared understanding enhances the reliability of the study's findings, reinforcing the idea that the organization's positive views are not isolated but rather represent a collective perception.
The study paints a vivid picture of an organization that not only values continuous learning and effective crisis management but also strategically integrates these aspects into its operational fabric. This holistic approach positions the organization to navigate challenges successfully, adapt to changing circumstances, and sustain a positive and collaborative organizational culture. As such, it is recommended that the organization continues to prioritize and invest in these strategic initiatives to fortify its resilience and maintain its positive trajectory in the face of future challenges.

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