

A Case Study on an Approach to Minimizing Inventory Cost through categorization of Items and forecasting Uncertain Demand

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Abstract

The Spare parts of inventory are required for appropriate maintenance and repair of finished goods, automobiles, and industrial machinery. Keeping unused spare parts for an extended period usually contributes to additional costs. Therefore, our case study sought to reduce the cost of inventory by categorizing spare parts and forecasting uncertain demand. The ABC analysis has been used to classify the essential items and exponential smoothing technique was used to estimate the customer's demand for "A" items. Although the cost of purchasing rises, the overall cost of the inventory for item "A" decreases 11.74 percent compared with the current cost of the stock.

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Inventory Cost, Uncertain Demand, Minimization, Item Categorization, ABC Analysis, Exponential Smoothing.

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