# Service Operation Management

~ Case Writing --- De- Lai Scooter Shop~

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#### Preface

"Touching Your Heart" is was the slogan of YAMAHA. It made us curious to see what services YAMAHA are going to provide to customers, making them feel touched while meeting or exceeding with their need or more than their expectations. Furthermore, YAMAHA have differentiated themselves with other competitors like SYM and KYMCO. B, both of the sem are Taiwanese brands. They, it offers services oin Sundays too, which takes account of the fact that considers most customers are quite busy in weekday.

As to why do we choose De-Lai <u>is</u>which on Zhong-Shan road <u>and</u> is that it is one of the two distributors of YSP (YAMAHA Super Plaza). <u>This</u>-that means <u>that they</u> provid<u>e</u>ing the best service plaza in Chung-Hua City<sub>7</sub> and <u>they are different from</u> it also looks varying from other YAMAHA scooter shop<u>s since they are cleaner and</u> <u>brighter in , more clean and bright in</u>-appearance.

Finally, on Zhong-Shan road in, Chung-Hua City there are also, where have SYM and, KYMCO. The, YAMAHA store is also positioned there along with with another itself and another private-named scooter shop —Lian-Tong that is also owned by De-Lai. The Zhong-Shan road is a major road and so having a way, scooter shop is opening there supplies convenientee for \_-to-riders. Since they pass there every day they can , for most of them pass by there every day, they can easily do routine maintenance and repair. Consequently, the competition is quite intense, but building cluster environment simultaneously (See picture 1).

#### **Introduction of YAMAHA**

YAHAMA <u>was</u> founded in July 1<sup>st</sup>, 1955. It offers products for the land, the water, the snowfields and the sky. The president now (2008) is Takashi Kajikawa.

The corporate philosophy has taken "people" as the fundamental element, also

their product creation and other corporate activities have always been aimed at touching people's hearts. Their aim is to bring people greater joy, happiness and create" *Kando*" in their lives. *Kando* is a Japanese word for the simultaneous feeling of deep satisfaction and intense excitement that people experience when they encounter something of exceptional value. As international company, they sale motors in global. The main sales are from Asia, which is 28.6%. (As illustration 1)



Illustration 1 - Sales by region

#### **YAMAHA** in Taiwan

Taiwan YAMAHA founded in April 1<sup>st</sup>, 1987. The product they offer almost as same as the head company of YAMAHA Japan which manufactures motor for land, motor for water, sales motorcycle component, etc. They have two plants separately in Tao-Yuan and Hsin-Chu.

In Taiwan, there are 431 distributors in 22 cities/counties, in Chung-Hua there are 20. As a franchise, the YAMAHA Taiwan provides some films and lectures to train them. They also help their distributors to build their own website.

#### The Relationship between YAMAHA and Franchise

The YAMAHA divides Taiwan into four districts which are North, East, South and Central Taiwan, each of district forms an organization, called Fan-She (the term come from Japan) which means Exclusive Distributor. And each Exclusive Distributor has a chairman. The president of De-Lai, Fen Yuan, Zhang was elected as the chairman of Selling Store in Central Taiwan district where including Taichung, Changhua and Nantou. In YAMAHA they separate their franchise into three levels: Reseller, Proprietary Store and Distributor. The Reseller is the lowest level and Distributor is the highest one in the structure of franchise. Once the revenues meet the standard of YAMAHA, then you are allowed converting into another level. However, only you are distributors you can have the stocks of YAMAHA and get bonuses every year. It depends on the revenues to decide the amount of stocks. Also, only you are distributors you just need to have own inventory of scooters.

Each proprietary shop shall pay NT\$100 thousand and distributors have to offer the land plus NT\$10 million as mortgage.

#### De-Lai

De-Lai is a scooter shop which located on Zhong-Shan road in Chung-Hua City, besides, it is a second scooter shop there (See picture 2). It is also the main distributor of YAMAHA in Chung-Hua. The chairman of De-Lai is Fen Yuan, Zhang. He is the founder, and Central Taiwan district chairman. The manager is his son, Dong-Yuan, Zhang who is a qualified repair/maintenance person, too. The manager's wife is responsible for receiving customers, finance and his younger sister is in charge of Website related.

The business hours start from 8:30 to 21:00, through Mon. to Fri., 8:30 to 20:00 on Saturdays and 9:00 to 18:00 on Sundays. Including the manager's younger sister, there are 11 persons in their service team (See picture 3). On their Website they furnish some information as open hours, store location, service team, scooter's catalog and repair/maintenance mileage-table which customers will know when they should change oil and components.

•\_\_\_\_The services they provide are as following:

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Sale new and second-handed scooters

- Sale scooter accessories (including components and helmet)
- Repairing and maintaining scooters of any brand
- Towing scooters away
- Insurance for scooters
- Examining emission

When you walk into the store, you can hear their energetic greeting sound to every customer. The environment is clean and bright. They set a table with chairs to let customers sit to wait. They divide the store into different areas for providing different services, such as repairing/maintaining area, new scooters displaying area and examining emission area (See picture 4). On the wall of left side, are the certifications and awards they got, on the other side are files they made for offering service to customer and repairing scooters.

What's more, you can see they use computer to build customer data (See picture 5). The CRM system set from 1998, which other scooter shops did not have. This CRM database uses scooter license plate number to identify each customer instead of their name, and recorded transactions every time like when the customer come, for what, what service De-Lai offer and how much it cost.

De-Lai's main turnover is from two sources. First is the routine work of maintenance and repair for customers (include changing the components), this bring them about NT\$800 thousand income per month. Another is from selling scooters around 5 million dollars for an average amount of 100 scooters sold per month (include reselling scooters to resellers in Chung-Hua). Moreover, the price for YAMAHA oil and gear oil are from NT. \$190 ~ \$1,250 and \$60~80 dollars. And There are roughly 270 to 300 customers per week.

As to staff management, the boss asks the employees to get the certification which tries to show customers their employees have the ability to repair, maintain scooters for them. And manager will hold a meeting every Mondays morning, if staffs have any problem or question on repair/maintenance they can bring it up. The boss also uses money as incentive to encourage his employees to get certifications.

#### The Second Scooter Shop of De-Lai

To extend their business they open the second store named Lian-Tong, which focuses on selling different brand's scooters like SUZUKI, PGO and heavy-duty motorcycles (See picture 6). It is on Zhong-Shan road, too, just next three store to the De-Lai. This store is different from the first one in many ways. When you walk in, you'll surprise it looks like a showroom not a scooter shop, they display heavy-duty motorcycles and related accessories containing jackets, helmets, gloves, shoes in store with soft yellow light (See picture 7). They also set an area offering newspapers/magazines and tables to customers and their friends which come from the same club (De-Lai heavy-duty motorcycle team) or have the same interests to sit and chat. In the counter, they also display some accessories and behind the counter, there is a LCD TV (See picture 8), they would turn it on when there have motorcycle race, inviting friends come to watch together as well.

#### Service Provided and Customers' Reaction in De-Lai

De-Lai staffs obey 5 service missions - reliability, quick, convenience, hospitality and reasonable price. They try to give higher and better service quality beyond customers' expectations. In order to be consistent in routine work, the manager asks staffs to follow the list provided by YAMAHA. There are 11 steps that all staffs have to bear in mind (Appendix 3).

When a customer arrives at the De-Lai, one of the first line staffs (maintenance staffs) smiles and says: "Welcome" loudly. He asks customer about the needs and

record them in detail. Then he takes the customer to the round table to have a seat. The staff is sure to tell the customer about the problems, price and waiting time before doing maintenance work. If customer's scooter meets a big problem that is hard to solve in a few minutes, they will offer customer a substitute scooter. After checking with the customer, the staff puts the maintenance caps on grips and seat, prepares the accurate tools, and thinks about the technical methods. Staffs are asked to fix all broken parts at a time. They have to check the augmented service items in the form and tell customers what they did. Then they clean the scooter after the maintenance work, account for the charge and remind the customer of the next maintenance work. While paying the bill, the staff will show the customer a form of maintenance service. There are customer's information, free items of maintenance work, general items of maintenance work, other changing parts, staff's signature and total amount. There is still a part on the form that is satisfaction level about staff for customers to check, but it is a pity that staffs do not ask customers to fill in

If the customer determines to buy a new scooter, the sales staff (manager's wife) will lead the customer to the discussion area and introduce goods with professional skills. She accounts for the contents on ordering contract, which are specific and accurate and she is asked to keep the promise 100%. She has to follow the accounts in the brochure and check the scooter before selling out. She and accountant (manager's sister) should concern and contact with customers in 3 days after sales. Furthermore, sales staff (manager's wife) is so kind and easygoing that she regards all customers as friends and some customers like to chat with her.

All staffs are bound to say "Thank you" when customers depart and lead them out. If staffs meet some unusual problems, they are allowed to make decision depending on their judgment and experience.

De-Lai staffs are bound to present the product well-packaged and introduce

information to customers beforehand, especially when they change oil. They depend on customer's record and opinion and give him what he desires. If the scooter is broken in the traffic accident, they are sure to keep the scooter in store for one week or take pictures if necessary. Basically, they will show the broken parts to the customers and get rid of or recycle them.

Owing to most customers come to change oil often, the manager details a list of standard steps for staffs to follow (See appendix 1).

A customer came in and told the staff that she wanted to change engine oil. Then, a staff showed her a list of various kinds of engine oil, prices (ranging from NT\$180 to over NT\$1,000), brands, amounts, and pictures. The cheapest oil is for KYMCO scooters, and the staff said which was not good for YAMAHA scooters owing to insufficient amount. (YAMAHA scooters' oil amount is over 1,000c.c., but oil amount of other brands is about 800 to 900c.c.) She asked the staff about differences among all the items and the staff told her all the details among each other.

Because staffs always check all parts of scooter carefully and they are skilled at technical maintenance, most customers are satisfied with their service. Furthermore, they give customers a cup of tea and have a seat during waiting time. If they find that scooter's checking meets the deadline, they will show customers to check the pipeline exhaust without money and give customers a NT\$50 coupon as support (See appendix 3).

A customer said putting caps on grips and seat is not essential but important, because which means that the staff takes good care of her scooter. Her scooter was not lain down on the ground but kept clean after\_doing any maintenance work. Some customers may transfer to other stores for\_-cheaper prices and some may stay in De-Lai for skilled techniques and good quality of service.

Sometimes the customer complains about the maintenance error or high price

afterward. The manager will compensate for the mistake and discuss with the complainers. The manager said: "I must confirm that our price is not cheap but reasonable. I suppose that complaints result from not realizing each other, so we have to communicate with each other. There are some picky customers who like to complain all the time, but they still come to our shop the next time. After all, the customers who are willing to pay are good customers."

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### Appendix 1

#### 64 Standard steps of oil changing

Smile and say welcome kindly

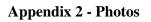
1. (收心、Put the scooter away) Receptionist

Put caps on the grips and seat

- 2. Transfer to quick maintenance staff
- 3. Maintenance description
- 4. Put scooter on the jack
- 5. Fill out the maintenance form
- 6. Date, scooter number and mileage
- 7. Reset the oil light to zero
- 8. Read the used record of maintenance
- 9. Determine the type of oil and other items of maintenance
- 10. Tell customers and check the price, reasons of replacing and waiting time
- 11. Lift the jack
- 12. Fix the tools and recycled cloth
- 13. Drain plate→small drain plate
- 14. Take apart the drain screw→gear oil screw
- 15. Drop oil→Drop gear oil
- 16. Put the screw on the recycled cloth
- 17. Fix the material

- 18. Proceeds to do maintenance work
- 19. Clean the drain screw $\rightarrow$ Clean the gear oil screw
- 20. Lock oil screw→Lock gear oil screw
- 21. Check locking tightly
- 22. Wipe out the used oil on the 鎖緊處 by using recycled cloth
- 23. Open the tank cap Open the gear tank cap
- 24. Clean the oil filler
- 25. Put the tank cap on the recycled cloth
- 26. Get rid of the used oil
- 27. Take the funnel
- 28. Clean the funnel
- 29. Put the funnel on the oil filler
- 30. Check the amount of oil(If there is leftover, we shall tell customers the reasons and whether they take it back or not)
- 31. Replenish oil
- 32. Finish replenishing oil
- 33. Take the funnel out
- 34. Put the funnel at the right place and put the oil bottle away
- 35. Clean the tank cap with recycled cloth
- 36. Clean the oil filler with recycled cloth
- 37. Lock the tank cap
- 38. Check locking the tank cap tightly
- 39. Clean the place surrounding the tank cap with recycled cloth
- 40. Check the augmented service items
- 41. Check the pressure of tire(碟煞車需風槍 clean calipers)

- 42. Lubricate every dynamic part
- 43. Put the tool box away
- 44. Lower the jack
- 45. Check the brake
- 46. Check the circuit system (wire system)
- 47. Have the emission of scooter checked
- 48. Take the new cloth
- 49. Clean the rear mirror and odometer
- 50. Clean the scooter lamp, turn signal and rear light
- 51. Check that we have finished all the items(then check on the maintenance form)
- 52. Ask the direction the customer is going to turn
- 53. Leave the jack
- 54. Put the scooter at the right position
- 55. Describe the charge and tell them the items checked for free, points of attention and remind customers of next maintenance
- 56. Ask whether the customer owns the VIP card or IC card or Is a student
- 57. Charge
- 58. Give change and receipt
- 59. Give scooter back to customer
- 60. Take off the caps on the grips and seat. Remind customers of the next maintenance
- 61. Wait for the departure of customer
- 62. Bow and say "thank you"
- 63. Put the tools at the right place
- 64. Keep the maintenance area clean









Picture 3



Picture 4



Picture 5





Picture 7



Appendix 3

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The report has come together in a comprehensive interesting way. The reader gets an interesting introduction to many aspects of a local Chinese style business. Key facts about the product-service bundle come out clearly so the reader can understand how De-Lai is differentiating itself on service and in a way that customers are willing to pay for.

In the report you could bring a more commercial or business focus. Some of the data is included on costs and prices but it would be helpful to go further. The case, as it stands, covers processes, aspects of marketing and customer experience, human resources but is light on the commercial or financial side. Actual numbers are not always possible to obtain but comparisons or estimates (e.g., "In the local hypermarket you can buy oil for NT\$X to NT\$Y.

The format of the report could be improved e.g., use of headers/footers, labelling of figures (titles), long lists (could use table) etc.

OVERALL GRADE 90%

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