

# TEHRAN METRO LINE#6

## *Improvement of Production and Quality Through Lean Methods and Cooperation With The Public Client*

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# AHAB Company Profile

**Engineering and Construction of Infrastructures:  
*Dams, Tunnels, Pipe Lines, Irrigation Plants,...***

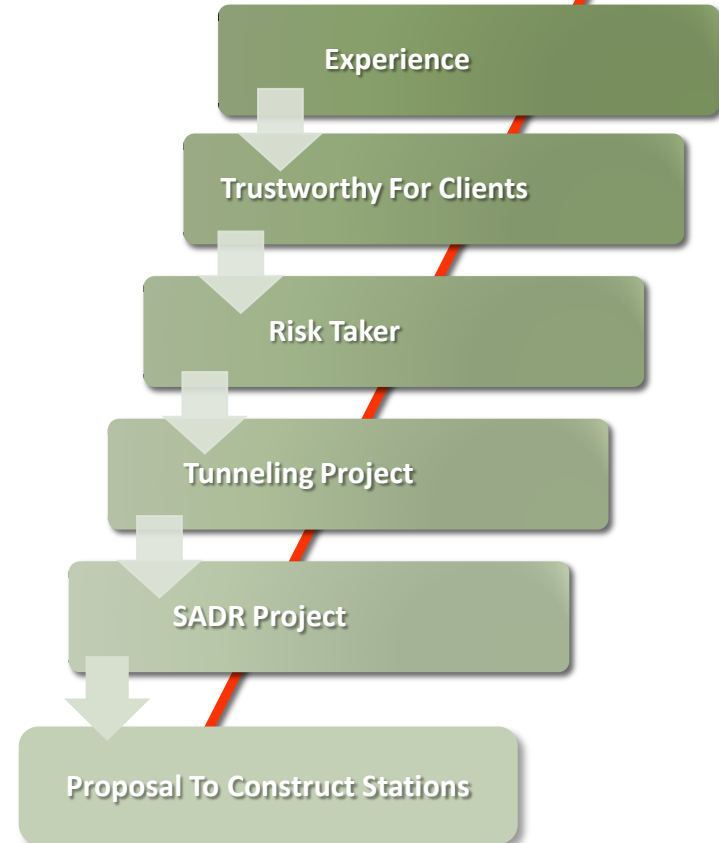


# Main Concepts

## History Of Lean Idea In Engineering Department



## AHAB Background



2005

- Course About Waste Management In Manufacturing Including:

2006

- Search To Check Lean Application
- Acquainted With Lean Construction Institute Web Site

2009

- Karlsruhe - LIPS conference

2010

- Tehran workshop

2011

- Application of lean on mechanized tunneling

General terms learned:

- ✓ *Poka yoke*
- ✓ *Mistake proof*
- ✓ *6 sigma*
- ✓ *5 S*
- ✓ *Design for production*
- ✓ *Lean production*

Master minds:

- Glenn Ballard, PhD
- Gregory Howell, P.E.
- ...

participants of the tunneling project who attended in workshop:

**Client: Tehran metro**  
**EPC Contractor: AHAB Co.**  
**MC: Behro**

# Tehran workshop

***Teheran Sept. 27 - 29, 2010***

***By Prof. Dr. – Ing. Fritz Gehbauer. M.S***

**participants of the workshop:**

**❑ Client: TEHRAN URBAN AND SUBURBAN**

**RAILWAY COMPANY (METRO)**

**❑ MC: TEHRAN BEHRO CONSULTING ENGINEERS**

**❑ EPC CONTRACTOR OF TUNNELING OF**

**PHASE ONE: AHAB CO.**

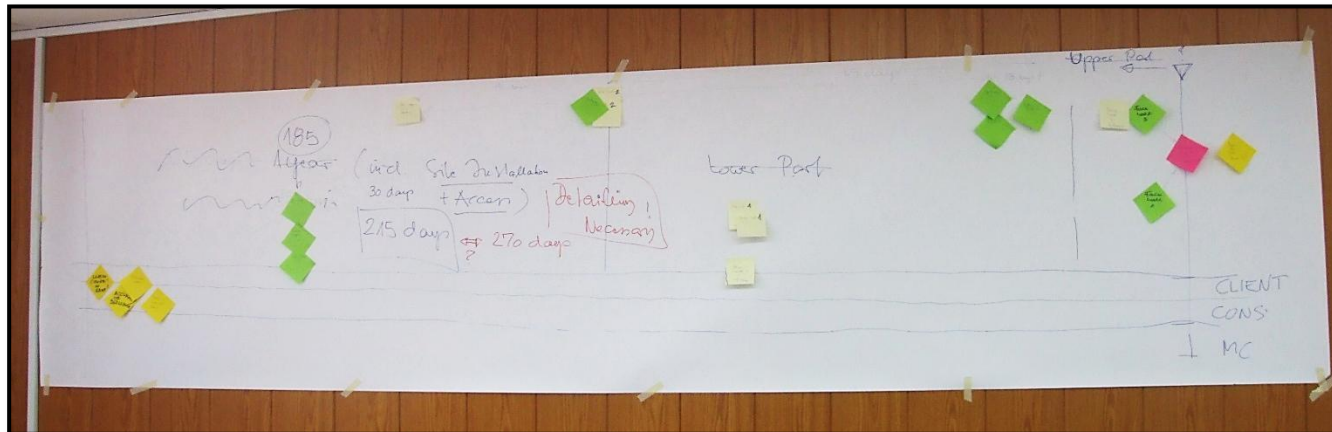
**Main concepts of seminar:**

- ❖ *What is Lean?***
- ❖ *factors which are hindering project work***
- ❖ *The Last Planner System (LPS) of Project Planning and Control***
- ❖ *New forms of cooperation***
- ❖ *Alliancing, Team building***
- ❖ *The Big Room***

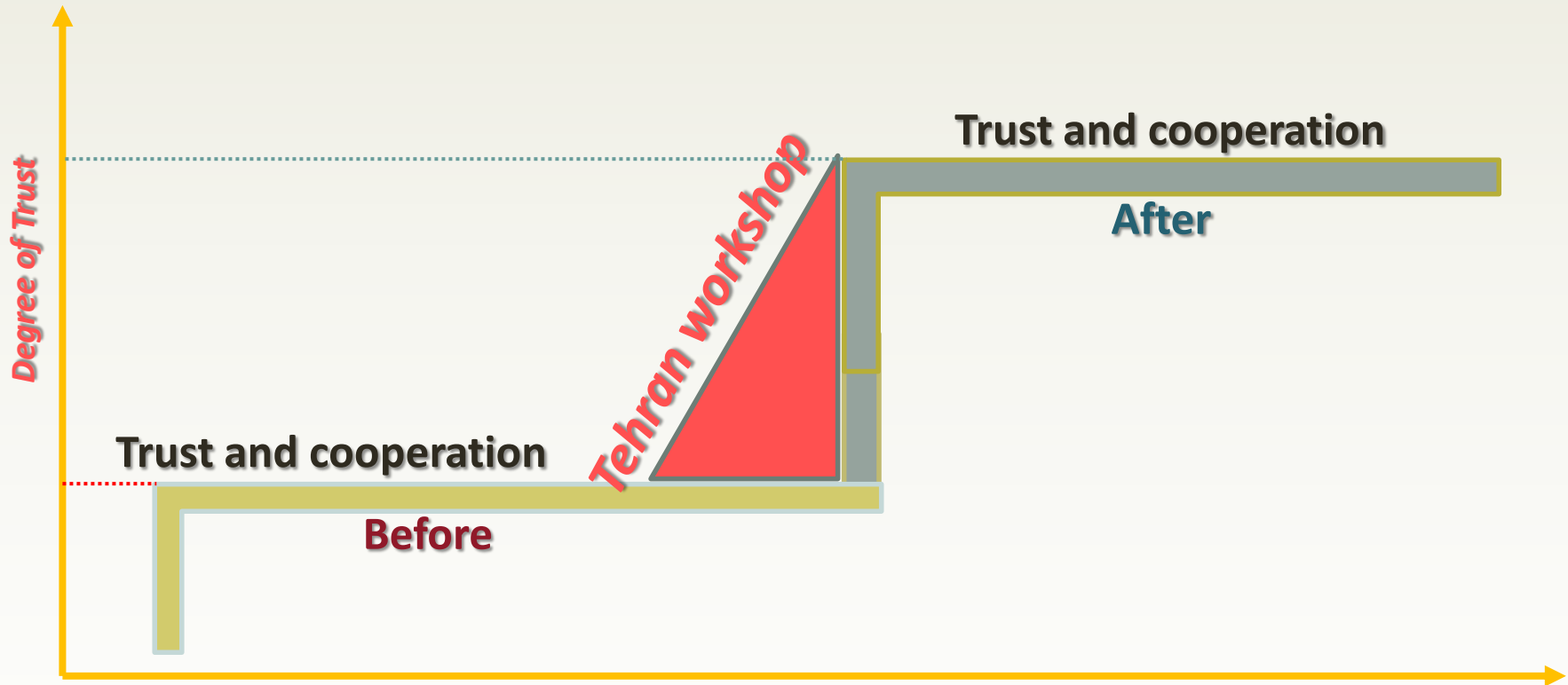
# Tehran workshop



**Group work on  
the planning of  
tunneling  
project phases**



# What Were Tehran Workshop's Effect...?

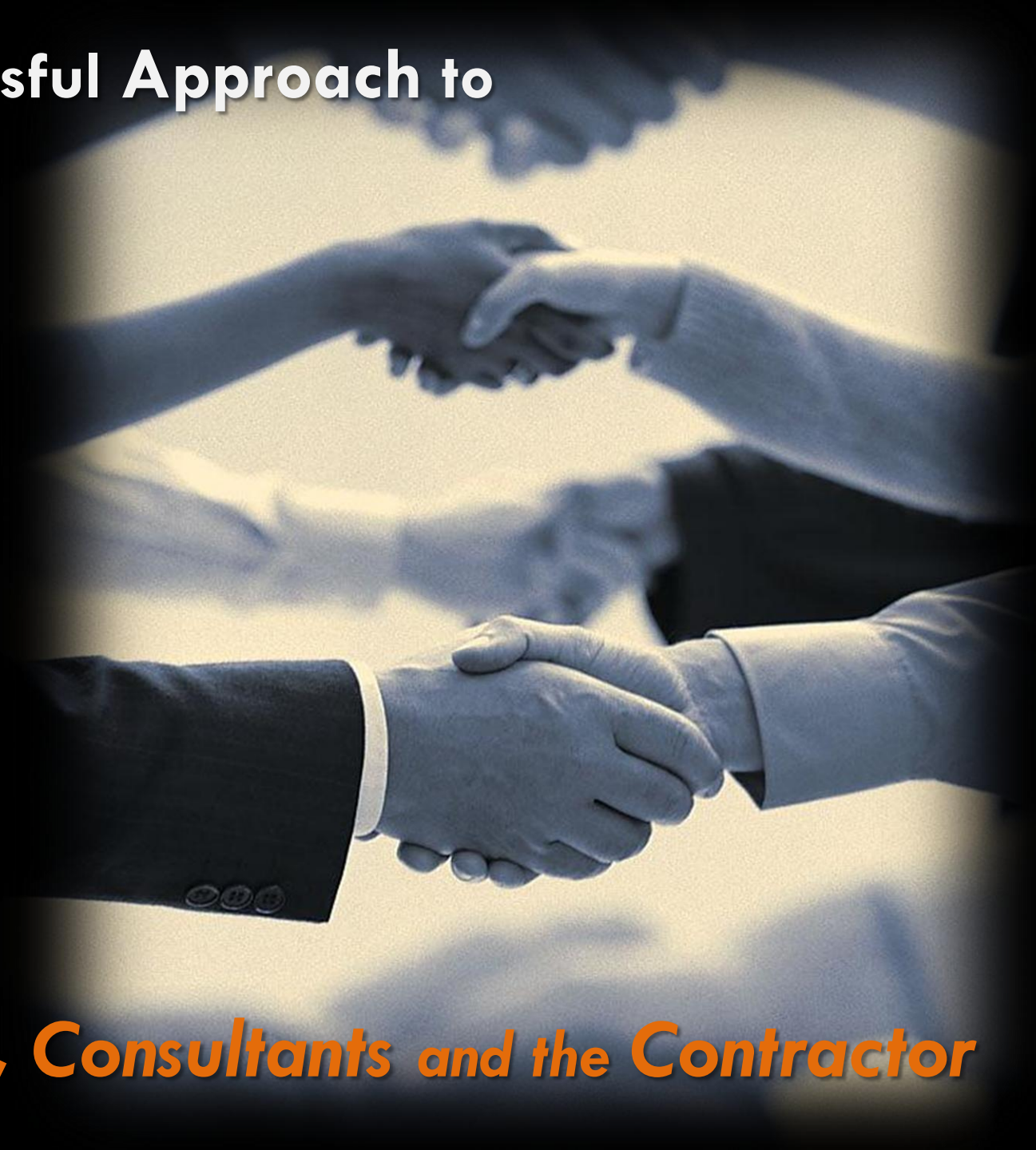


**New and Successful Approach to**

**Collaborative  
Planning**

**With The**

***Public Client, Consultants and the Contractor***

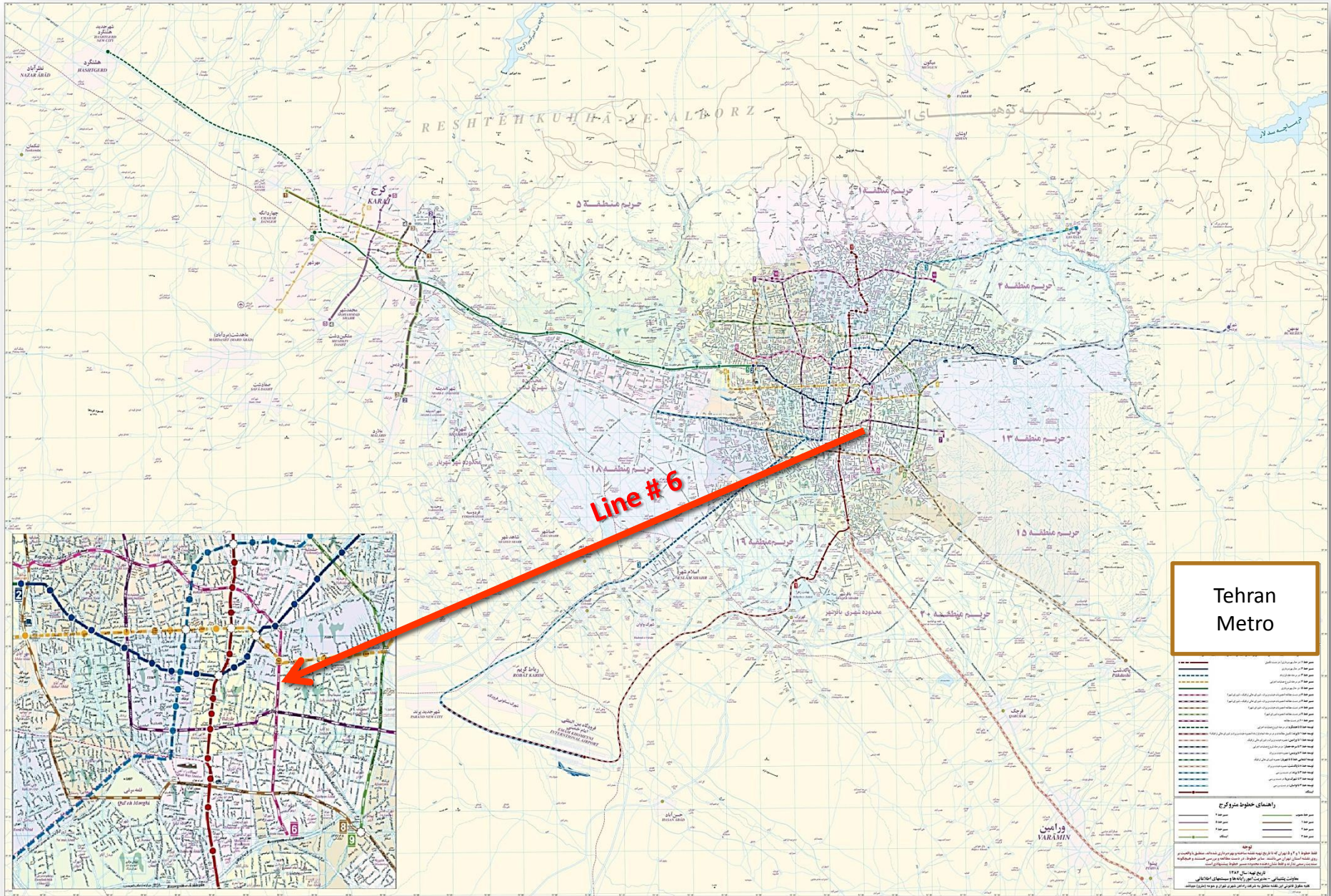




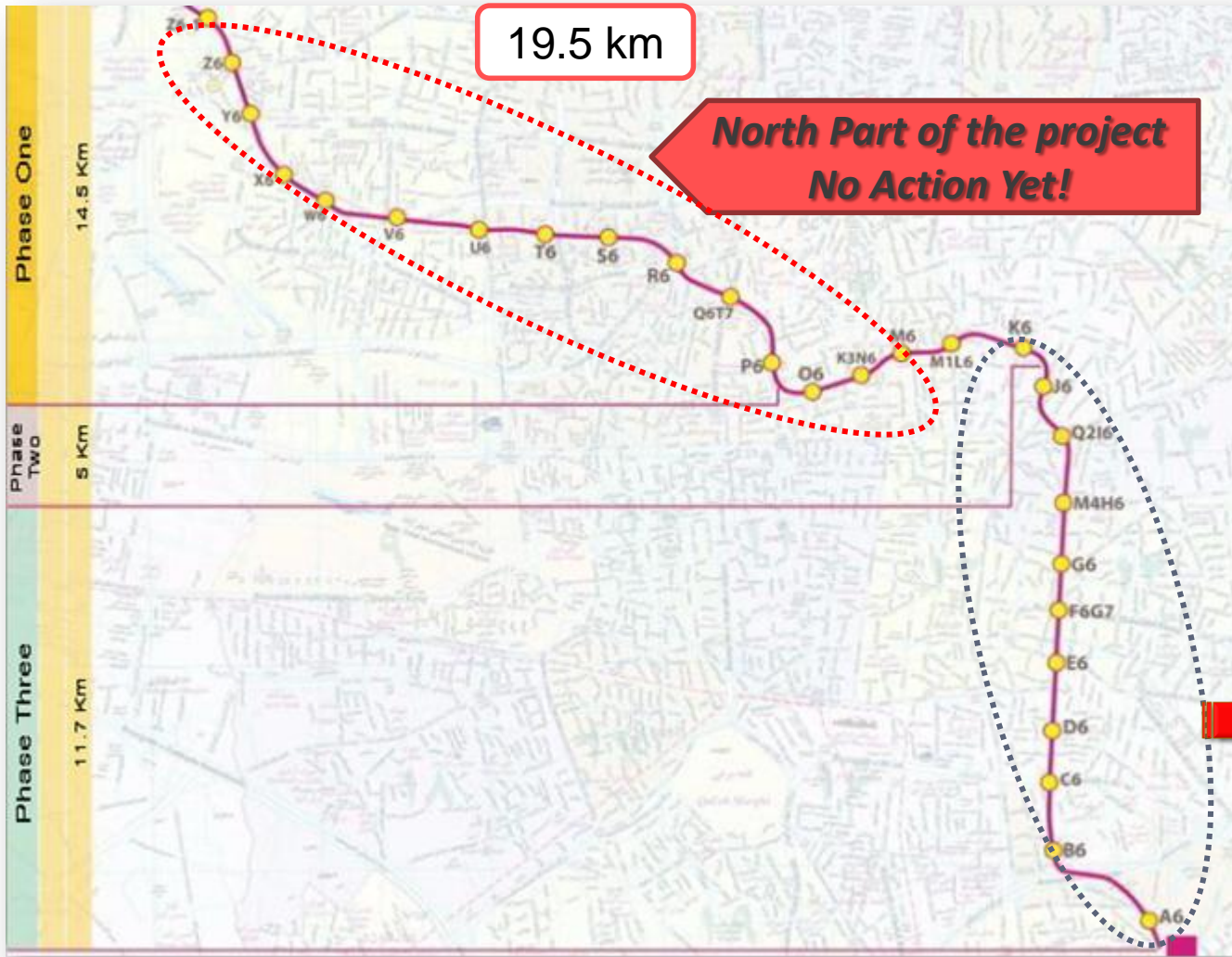


***MECHANIZED TUNNELING TBM PROJECT***

# Tehran Metro Map



# Introduction



19.5 km

**North Part of the project  
No Action Yet!**



11.7 km

**South Part of the Project:  
Tunneling Line 6 of Tehran Metro by Mechanized TBM Machine**

# Tunneling Contract

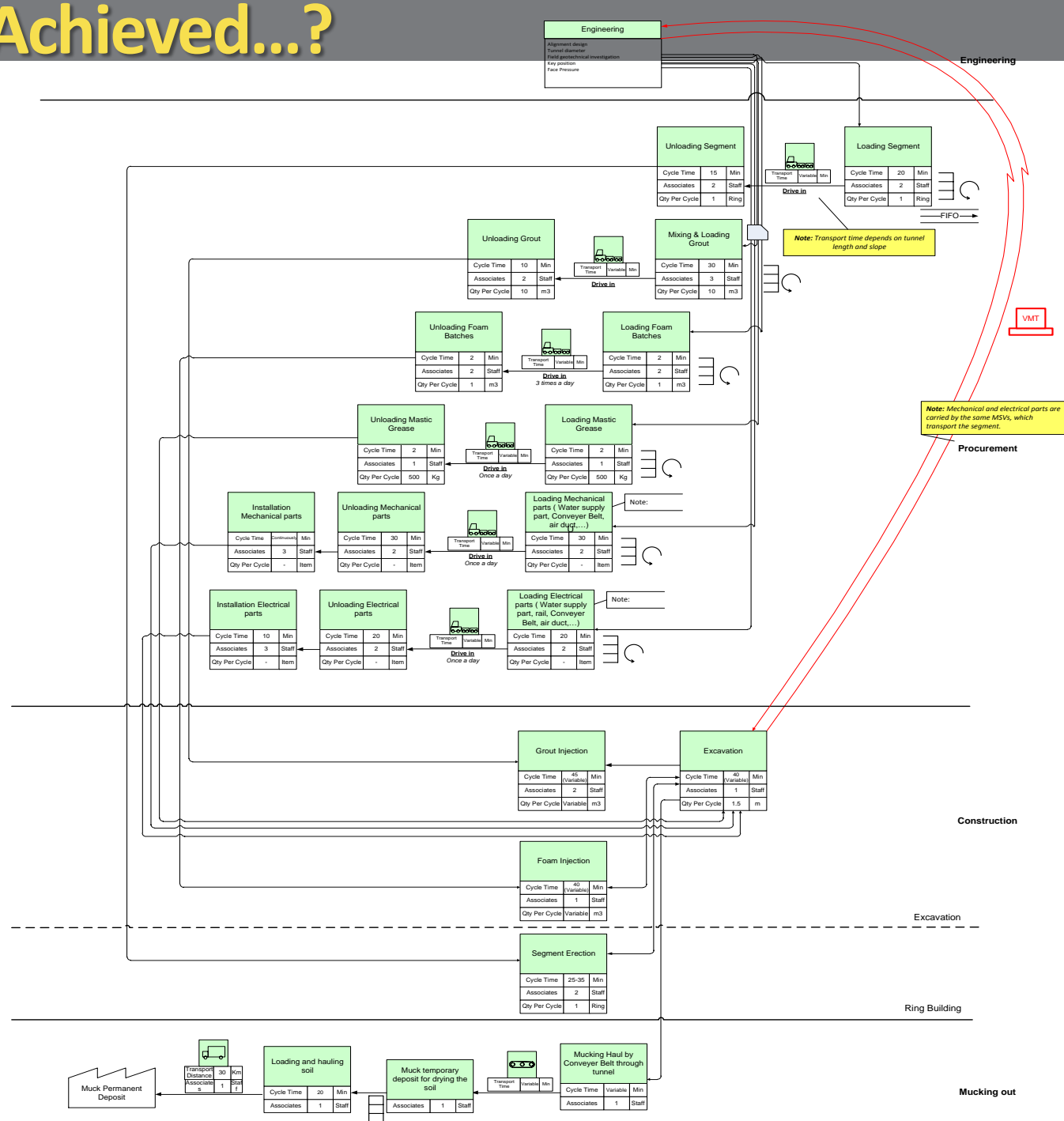


**With a TBM and  
very Limited  
Space at the  
Tunnel Face  
Just In Time  
Is a  
Must...!**



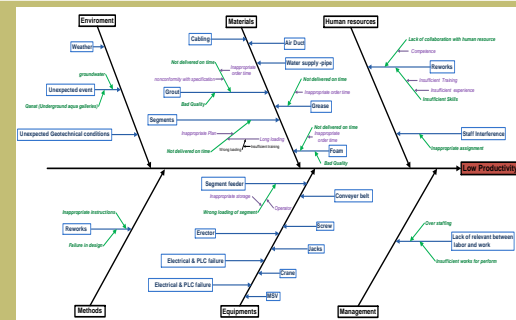
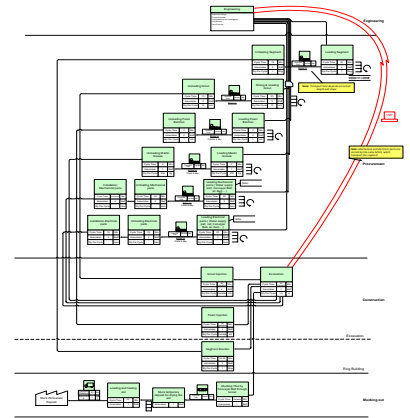
# How Was This Achieved...?

## VSM Value Stream Mapping of Mechanized Tunneling In Tehran Metro Line # 6



# HOW WAS THIS ACHIEVED...?

*Lean construction concepts and means were applied for control of the TBM operation to identify the amount and the extent of the effective uncertainties. It was enhanced by using turtle diagrams & cause and effect diagram*



# How Was This Achieved...?

**By:**

3- With what ? (Equipment/Facility)	Comments
TBM	Diameter of cutter head 9.15 m
Conveyor	To transporting soil out of the tunnel
Power plant	5 MW power plant for TBM
Water	
Rail	Due to moving TBM
Vacuum lifting device	lifting segments from MSV and put them on feeder
segment feeder	Transporting segments to erector
Erector	Installing Segments on the tunnel wall

5- With who ? (From training records)	Requirement	Number(s) (2 shifts)
TBM Supervisor	mechanic engineer	1
TBM operator	Trained operator	1
Electrical supervisor	Electronic engineer	1
Power plant controller	Electronic engineer	4
TBM serviceman	Skilled Labour	2
H&E (conveyor belt)	Skilled Labour	2
Welder	Labour	2
Erector operator	Mechanic technician	2
Segment feeder operator	Mechanic technician	2
Grout responsible	Skilled Labour	2
Mechanical part responsible	Mechanic engineer	2
PLC man	Electronic engineer	1
VMT responsible	surveyor	1
Installing air duct responsible	Skilled Labour	1
Cleaner	Labour	3
	Sum	27

2- Inputs (Information/process)	Comments
Alignment design	AHAB
Tunnel diameter	9.15 m
Average of advancing	15 m/day (10 rings/day)
excavation capacity	24 m/day (16 rings/day)
Length of the tunnel	11700 m
Field geotechnical investigation	AHAB
Face pressure	Gueno consulting engineers
key position	in accordance with path direction
VMT	
Required grout rate in a ring	8 m <sup>3</sup> / ring

1- Process name Tunnel Mining	
Advance rate	1.5 m (1 ring)
Excavating duration	35-45 min
Ring Installing Duration	25-35 min
Process before	Process after
Segment production	Ring Installation
Steel Cage Production	Muck out
Transporting Grout, Foam, Grease,...	Waste Water

7- Outputs (Product/Process)	Comments
Advanced (m/day)	Prepared for ring installation
Number of built rings per day	2 shifts

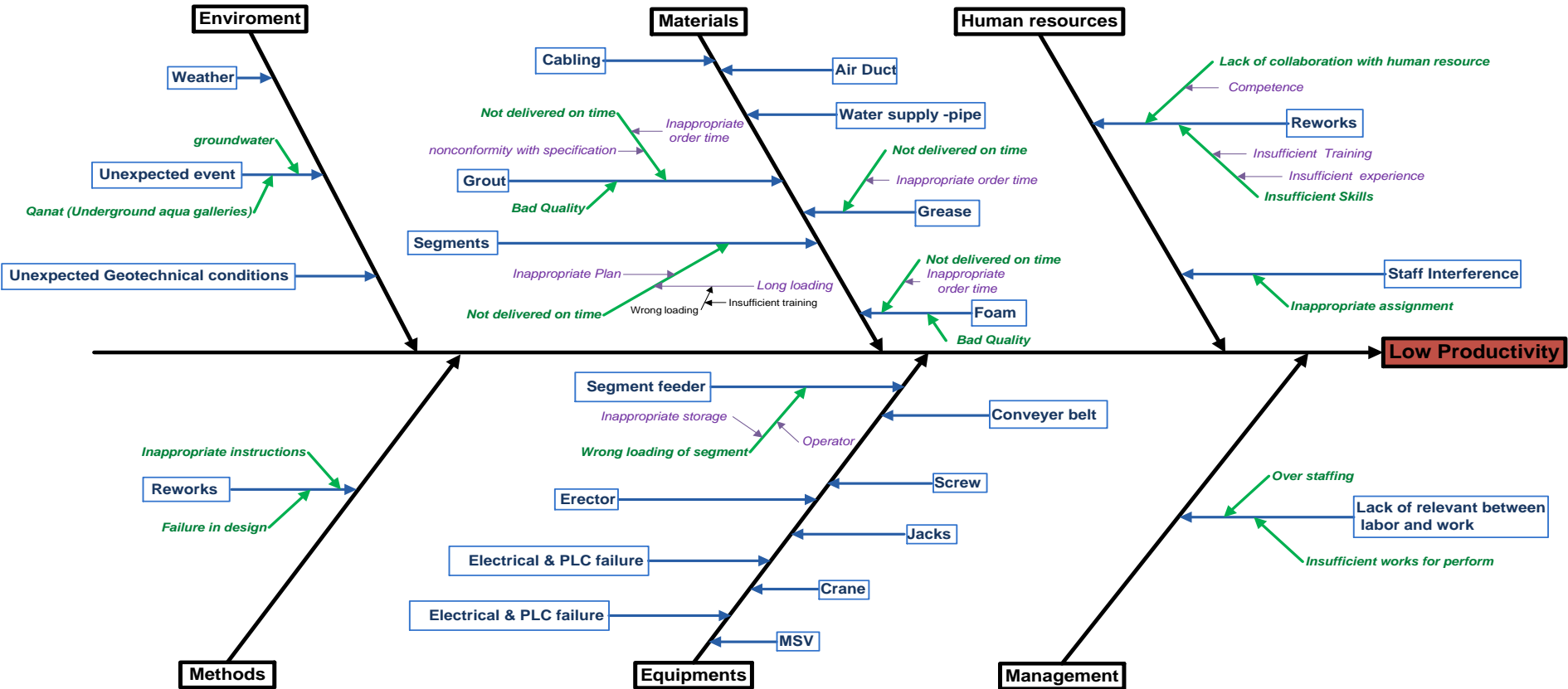
4- How ? (From flow chart)	Requirement/ who provides?
TBM Excavating instruction	Herrenknecht Co.
Rail installation	Rail
Adding conveyor belt (each 250 m)	Conveyor belt
Water Supply instruction	
electrification instruction	cable, hook bolt
feeder charging instruction	Herrenknecht Co.
Grout injection instruction	
installing & adding air duct	

6- Performance (Process standard & measurement)	Comments
Efficiency	Advance rate (meter/month)
Daily Excavation	Meter
Deviation rate	Conflict with designed direction
VMT Report	
Excavation standard	OSHA



# How Was This Achieved...?

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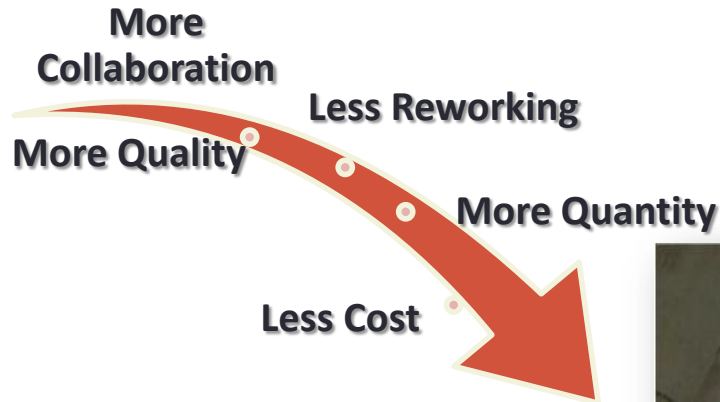


# COMPARISON OF TUNNELING CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS IN TEHRAN

***AHAB Has Had  
More Progress In  
Tunneling  
Construction***



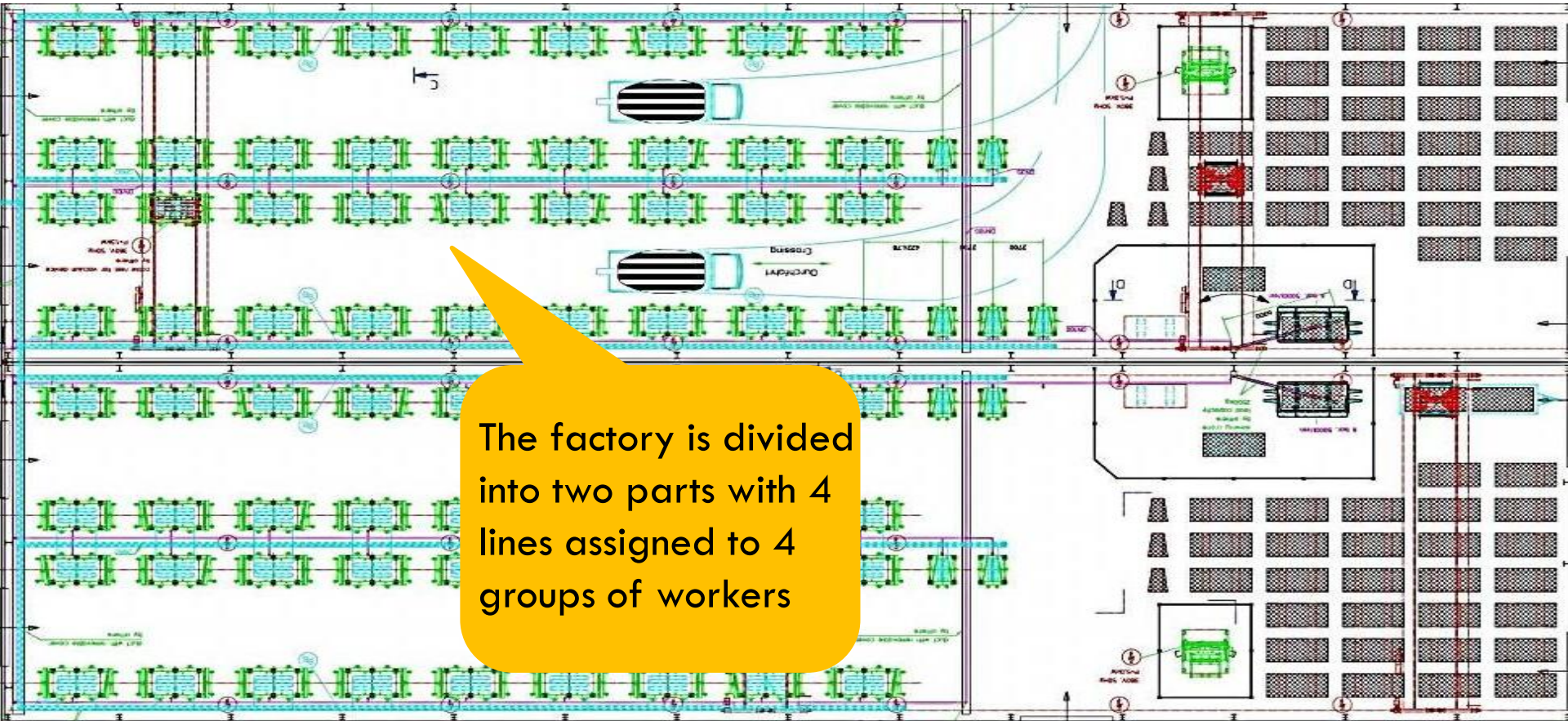
- \* Same Project
- \* Same Ground Condition
- \* Same Equipment
- \* Same Environment
- \* Same City
- \* Same...



# SEGMENT



# Segment Plant and innovation



The segment factory is designed for 9 sets which form 9 complete rings...

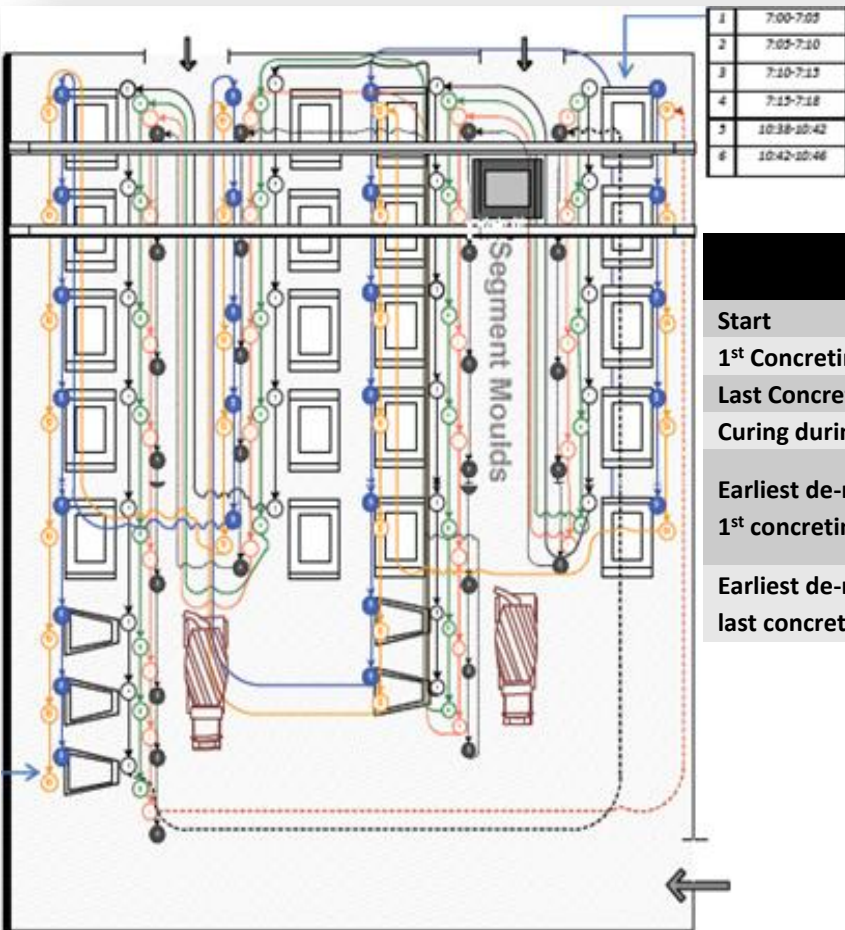
**Through VSM  
and Lean  
Manufacturing  
Methods:**

- ❖ **ENERGY SAVING**
- ❖ **REDUCED INVENTORY**
- ❖ **INCREASE QUALITY**
- ❖ ...

**Production of The work begins by de-molding the previous day or shift production, all segments one by one**

Other activities are added to complete the process

Work Flow 1



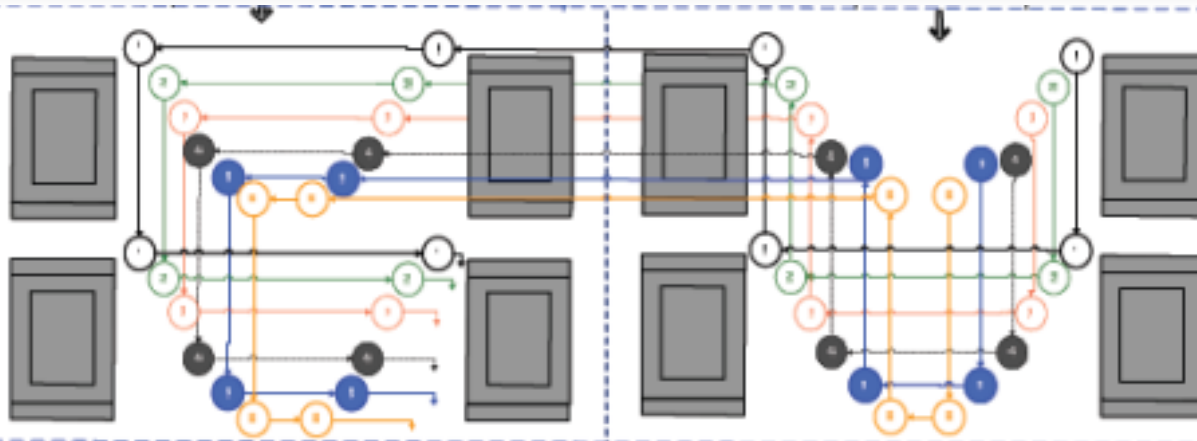
Dayshift		Nightshift	
Start	7:00	Start	20:38
1 <sup>st</sup> Concreting	10:38	1 <sup>st</sup> Concreting	00:38
Last Concreting	14:30	Last Concreting	4:38
Curing during	10 hrs.	Curing during	10 hrs.
Earliest de-molding time for 1 <sup>st</sup> concreting	20:38	Earliest de-molding time for 1 <sup>st</sup> concreting	10:38 (Next day)*
Earliest de-molding time for last concreting	00:38	Earliest de-molding time for last concreting	14:38

*This means: that day shift can't start working at 7:00 am on next day!*

- ① Opening Mould — 5 min
- ② Picking up the segment — 5 min
- ③ Cleaning and Oiling — 5 min
- ④ Putting Reinforcement inside the mould — 3 min
- ⑤ Concreting — 4 min
- ⑥ Smoothing — 4 min

designed to consider the importance of curing duration required and also in order to place plant facilities

Work Flow 2



Dayshift		Nightshift	
Start	7:00	Start	19:00
1 <sup>st</sup> Concreting	7:33	1 <sup>st</sup> Concreting	19:33
Last Concreting	17:00	Last Concreting	5:06
Curing during	10 hrs.	Curing during	10 hrs.
Earliest de-molding time for 1 <sup>st</sup> concreting	17:33	Earliest de-molding time for 1 <sup>st</sup> concreting	5:33 (Next day)
Earliest de-molding time for last concreting	3:00	Earliest de-molding time for last concreting	15:06

*For creating the possibility of a two full cycle production with the cheapest curing system, the work flow 2 is the only chance*



# Segment Damages During Construction

Damaged category	Crack in axial direction	Crack in circumferential direction	Chipping at segment corner	Stripping around segment	Stripping around ring joint	Hair crack at inner surface	Stripping around erector guide	Others
Segment damaged	13	11	78	54	68	0	140	14
Total number of segment checked	9000	9000	9000	9000	9000	9000	9000	9000

**Comparing These Results With *Sugimoto, 2006*, Shows The High Quality Of Segments During The Construction Tunnel In Tehran Metro Line#6**



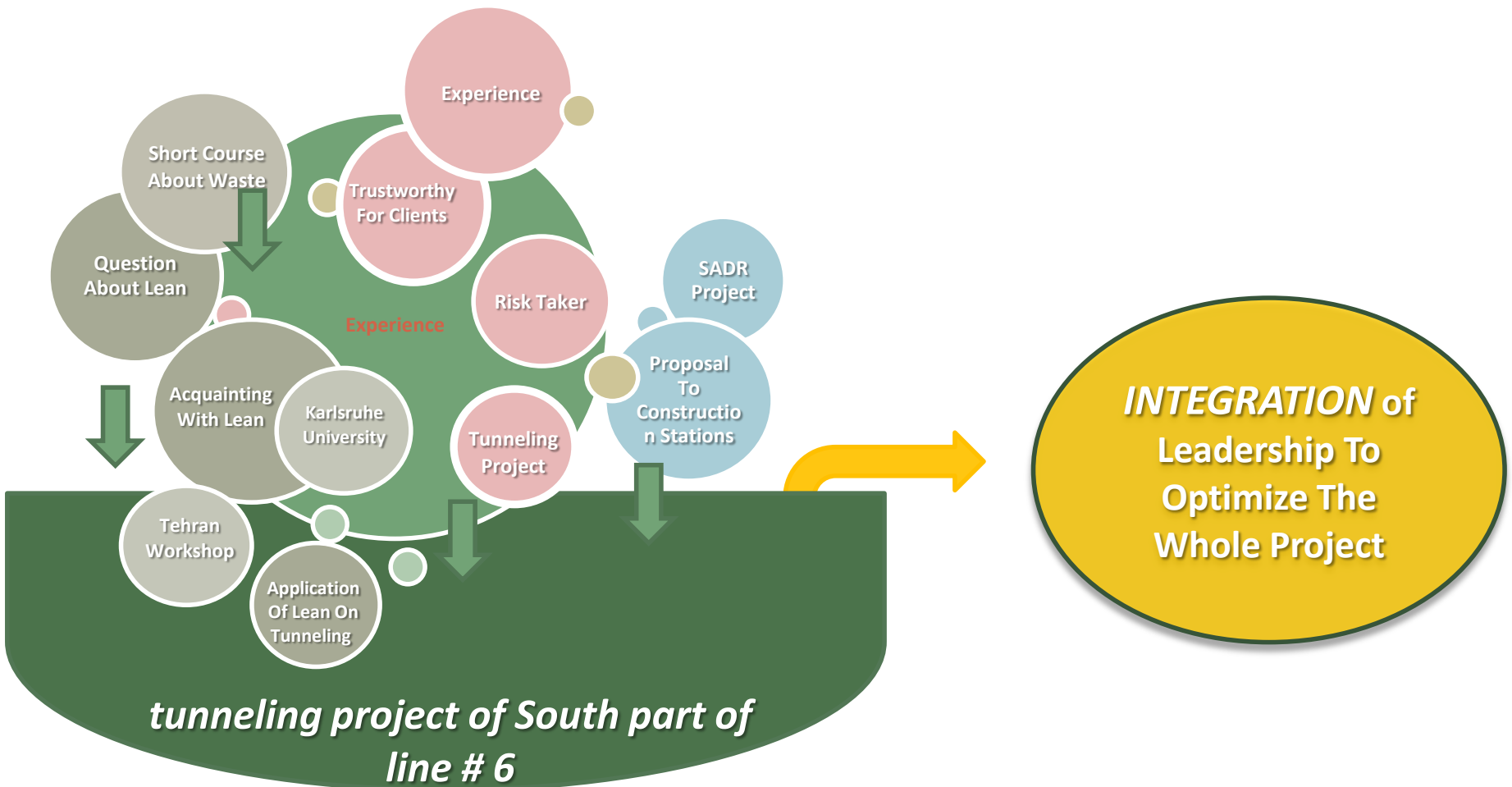
# A Special Form of Cooperation With The Public Client

*Second Part Of The Contract With The Price Of 100 Million Dollars Which Consist Of Building 13 Stations .*

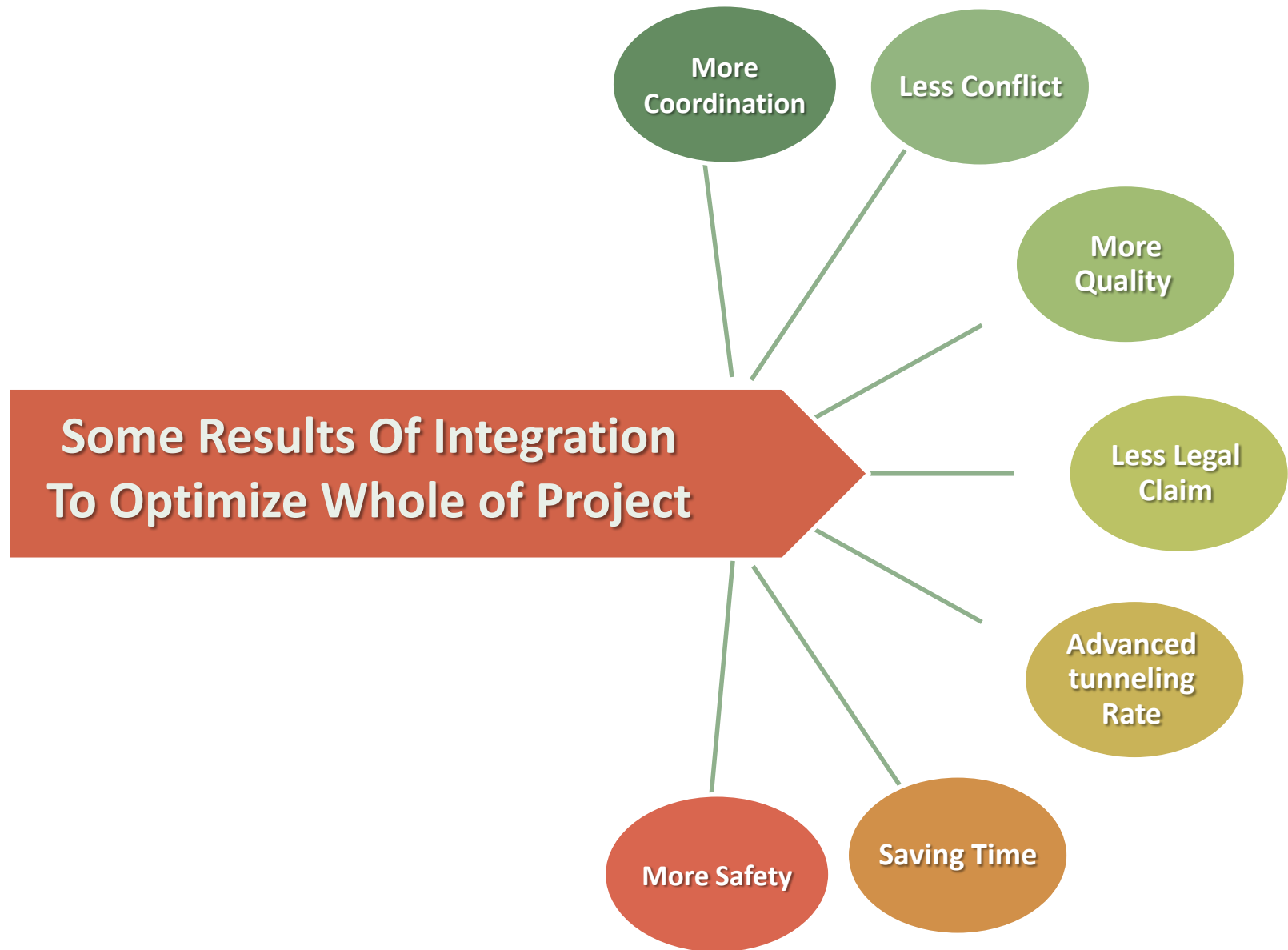
Financial resources of project is supported by a barter treaty which entitled "Sadr Complex". It defines AHAB company as a investor on Engineering, Procurement and Construction of 9 stations in line # 6 and 4 stations in other lines.(1,2 &3)



# Through Visions and Dreams to Reality of Leadership and Lean on Tehran Metro Line #6



# Tunneling and Stations an Integrated Project



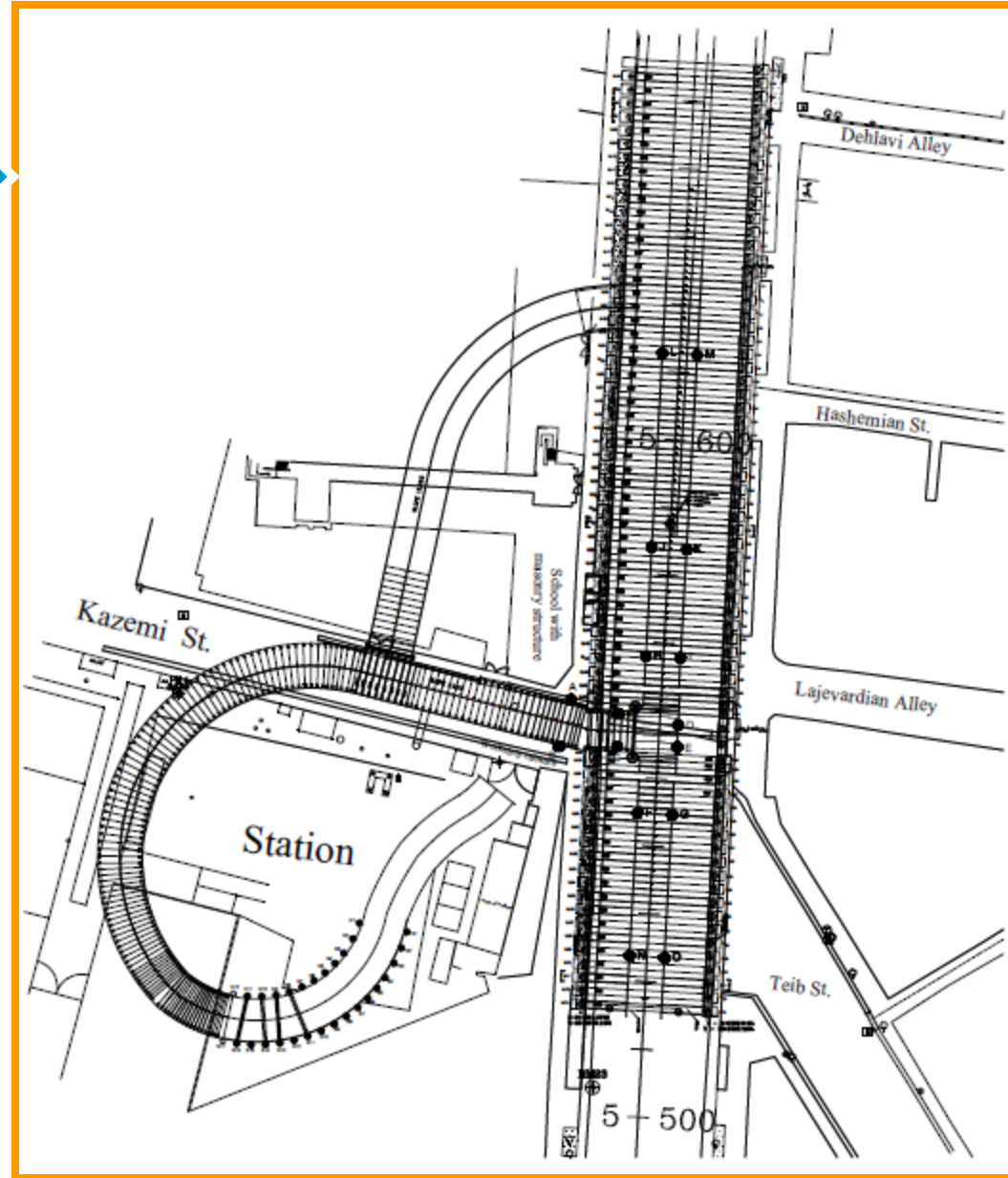
# PROBLEMS DURING CONSTRUCTION

Plan of Station

Hard to access

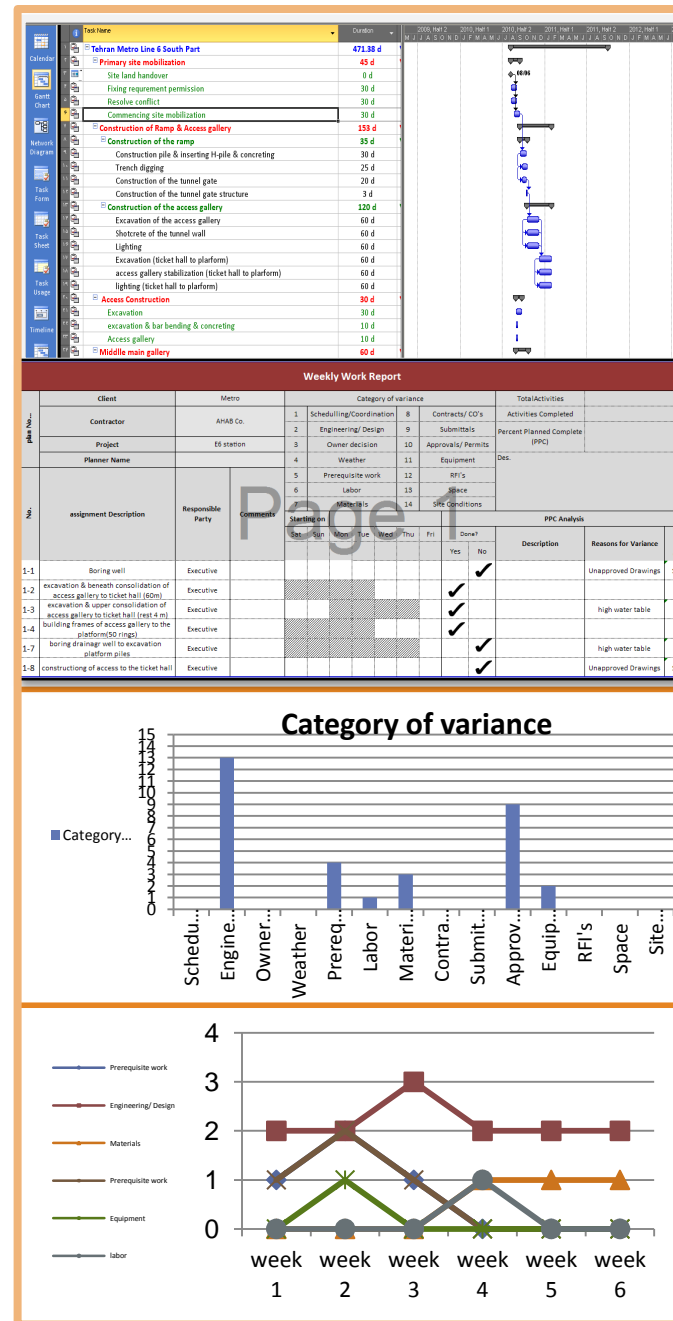
Water table

City mechanical,  
electrical and other  
facilities



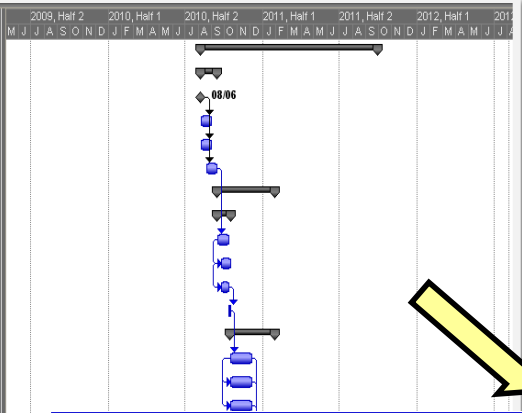
# How Was This Achieved...?

## LAST PLANNER



# How Was This Achieved...?

Task Name	Duration
<b>Tehran Metro Line 6 South Part</b>	<b>471.38 d</b>
<b>Primary site mobilization</b>	<b>45 d</b>
Site land handover	0 d
Fixing requirement permission	30 d
Resolve conflict	30 d
Commencing site mobilization	30 d
<b>Construction of Ramp &amp; Access gallery</b>	<b>153 d</b>
<b>Construction of the ramp</b>	<b>35 d</b>
Construction pile & inserting H-pile & concreting	30 d
Trench digging	25 d
Construction of the tunnel gate	20 d
Construction of the tunnel gate structure	3 d
<b>Construction of the access gallery</b>	<b>120 d</b>
Excavation of the access gallery	60 d
Shotcrete of the tunnel wall	60 d
Lighting	60 d
Excavation (ticket hall to platform)	60 d
access gallery stabilization (ticket hall to platform)	60 d
lighting (ticket hall to platform)	60 d
<b>Access Construction</b>	<b>30 d</b>
Excavation	30 d
excavation & bar bending & concreting	10 d
Access gallery	10 d
<b>Middle main gallery</b>	<b>60 d</b>



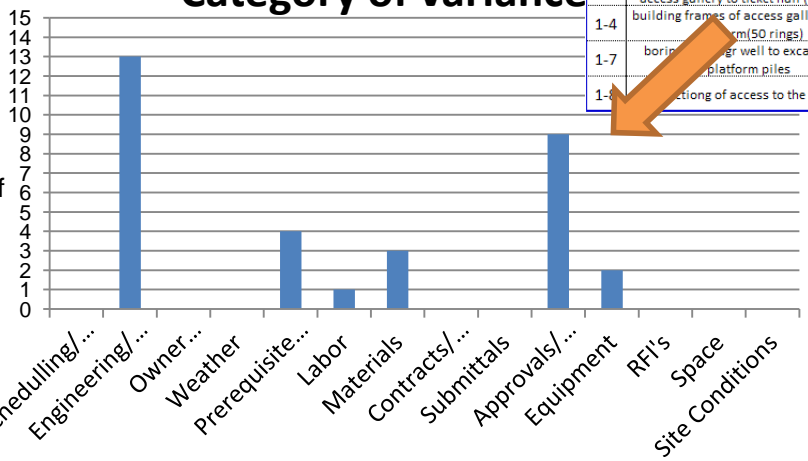
**Time Schedule**

**Weekly Report**

Weekly Work Report													
plan No...	Client	Metro	Category of variance						TotalActivities				
	Contractor	AHAB Co.	1 Scheduling/Coordination	8 Contracts/ CO's	Activities Completed		Activities Completed						
No.	assignment Description	Responsible Party	Comments	2 Engineering/ Design	9 Submittals	Percent Planned Complete (PPC)		Des.					
				3 Owner decision	10 Approvals/ Permits	Des.							
Starting on	PPC Analysis	Description	Reasons for Variance	4 Weather	11 Equipment	Done?		Description					
				5 Prerequisite work	12 RFI's	Yes	No	Reasons for Variance					
Materials		Space		Site Conditions		Description <td colspan="2">Reasons for Variance</td>		Reasons for Variance					
Sat	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Done?	Description	Reasons for Variance				
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**Category of variance**

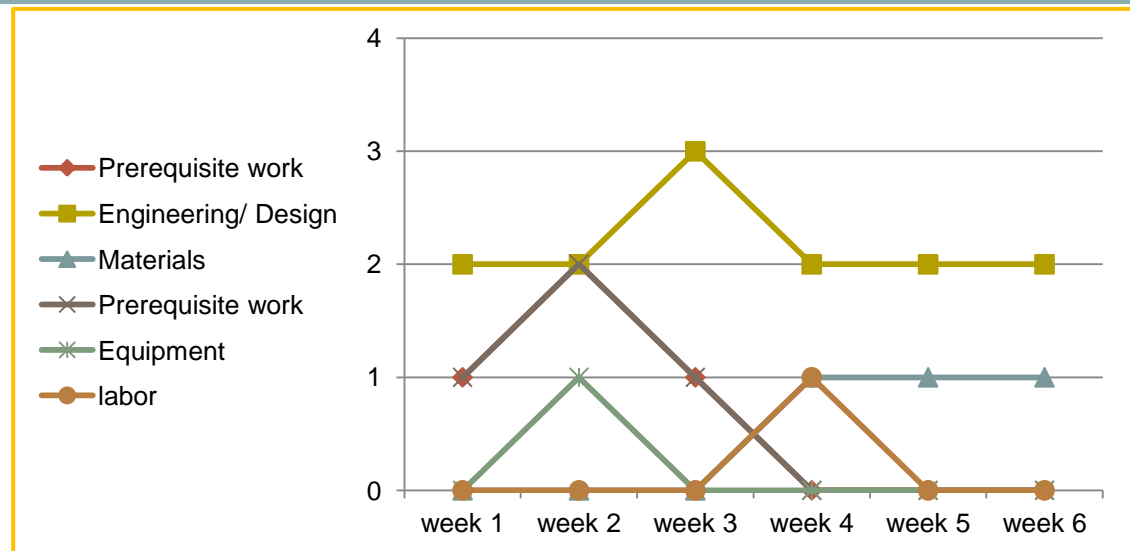
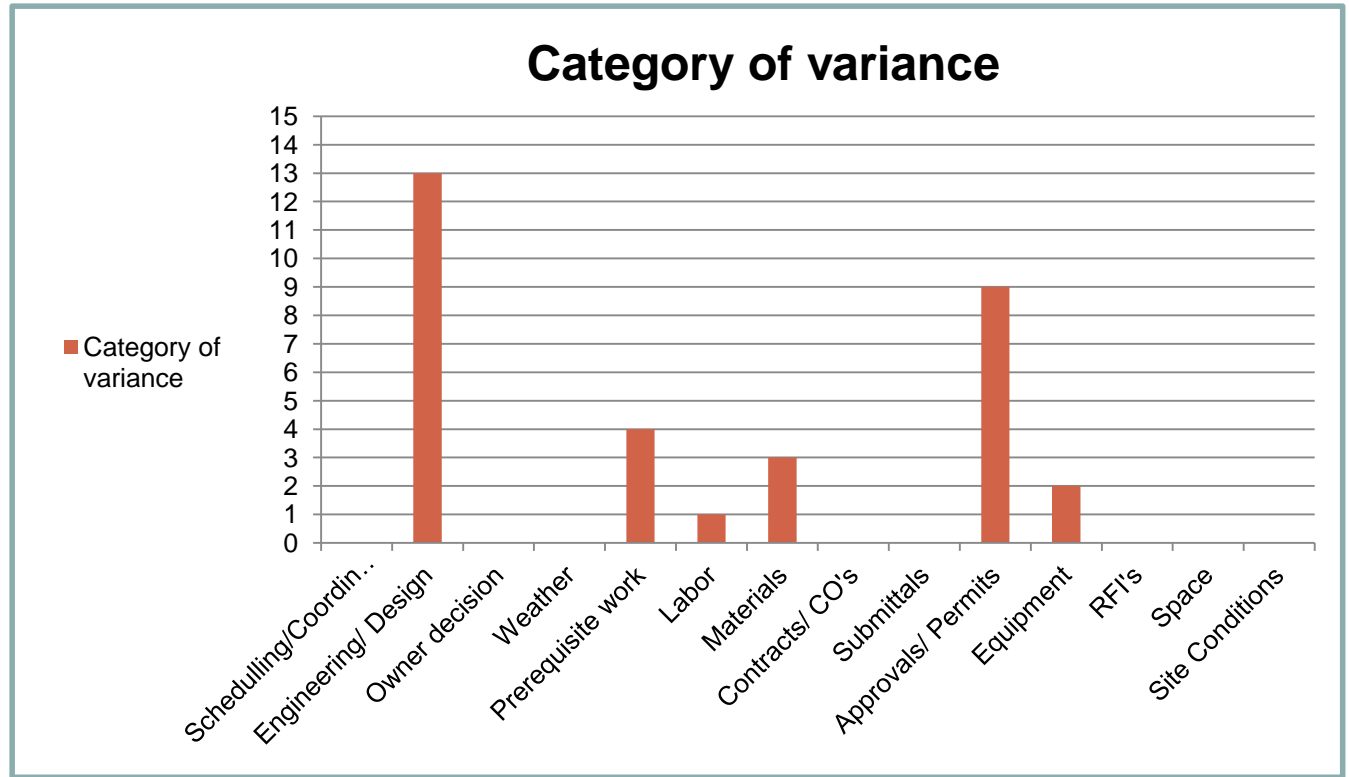


**High Water table**

high water table

# How Was This Achieved...?

*High underground water level caused serious problems in construction of station. And, one of the most important causes of variances is inapplicable design.*

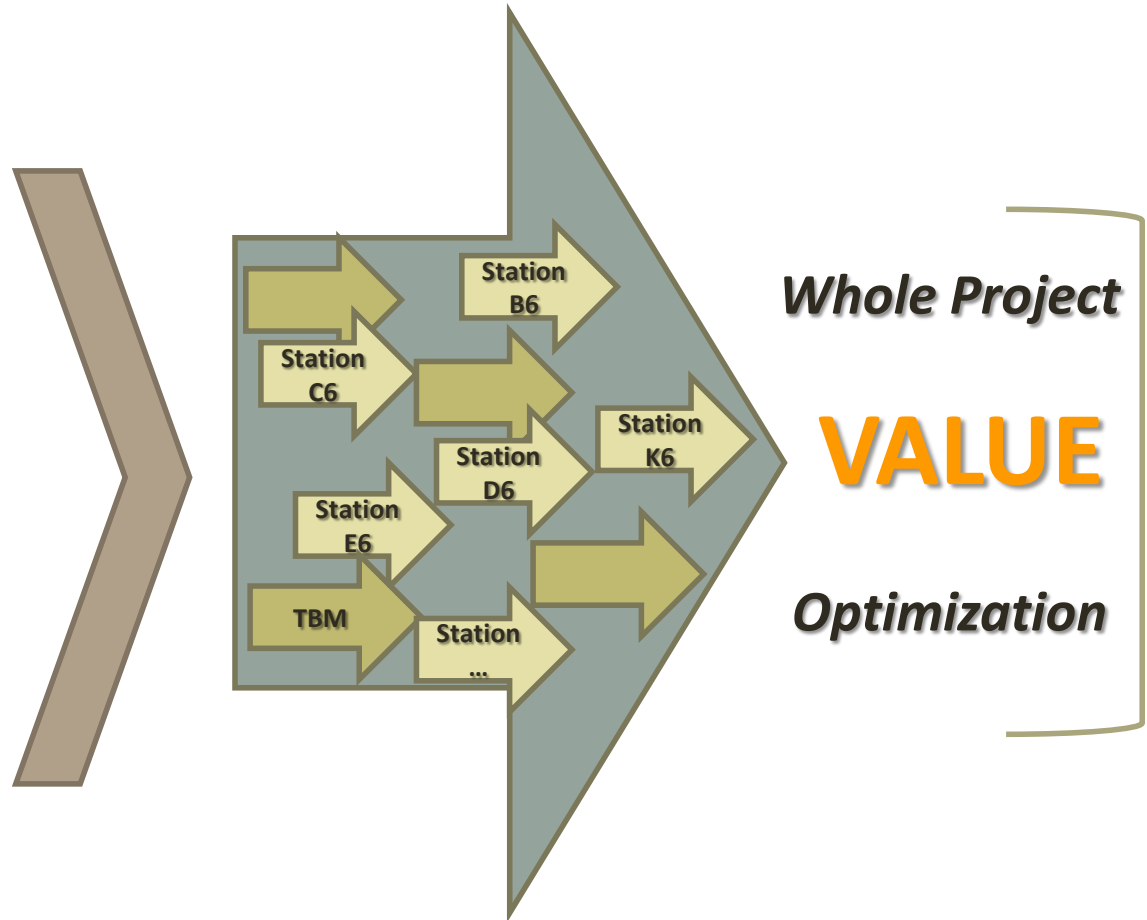
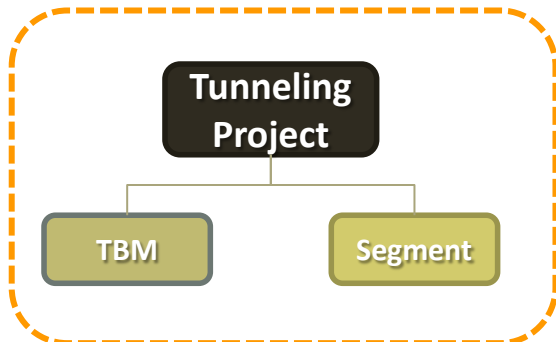
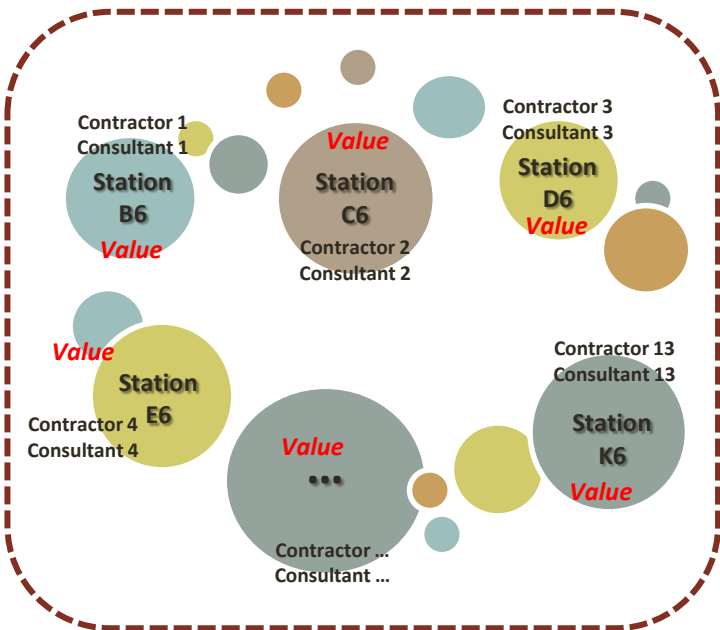


## ***Tunnel and Station Construction***





# What Has Been Achieved...?



*Contradiction of the values in project pieces*

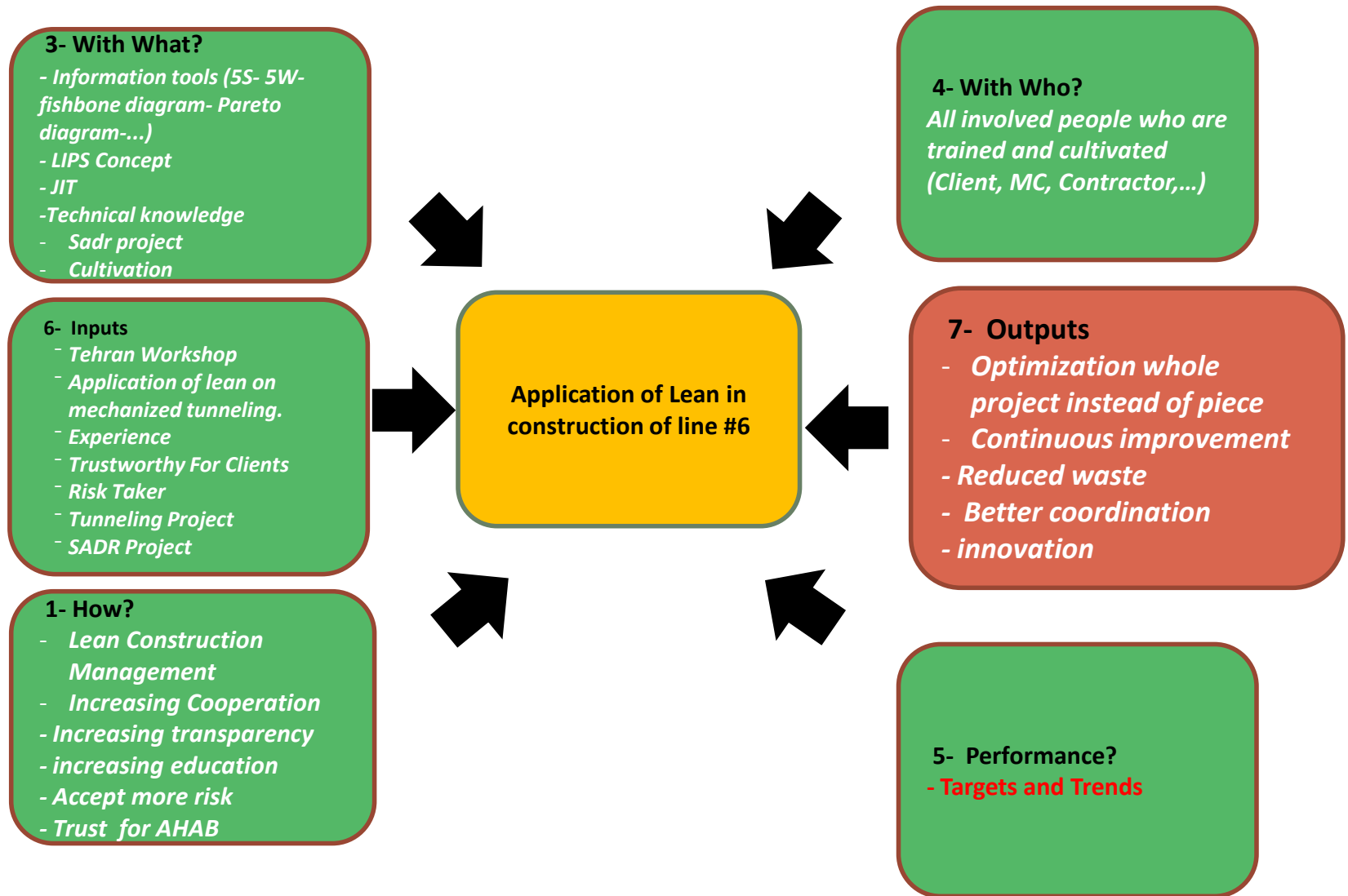
*Resolved by **INTEGRATION***

**NOW, WE HAVE**  
***TRANSPARENCY***  
**MUCH MORE THAN**  
**BEFORE**

***(We Had It But Not This Much)***



# SUMMARY



# Outlook

