

CASE STUDY

GUESS in The Philippines







GUESS is an American upscale clothing brand and retailer. Brothers Paul and Maurice Marciano opened the first Guess store in Beverly Hills, Los Angeles in 1981.

The company was one of the first companies to create designer jeans. While the first jeans were for women, in 1983 a men's line debuted. In 1984, GUESS introduced its new line of watches known as "GUESS", "GUESS Steel", and the "GUESS Collection". The watch line has been joined by a number of other accessory sidelines such as jewelry and perfumes. In 1984, they also introduced a line of baby's clothes, called "Baby GUESS". The line is now incorporated with clothing for toddlers and kids called "GUESS Kids".

The GUESS brand was brought to the Philippines by two entrepreneurs-Mr. Michel Stamati, a resident French national, and Mr. Victor Siasat, being of Filipino-Chinese origin. In June 1992, they formed two corporations, the Diversion Industries, Inc. (DII) and California Clothing, Inc. (CCI). Mr. Stamati and Mr. Siasat were elected Chairman of the Board of DII and CCI, respectively. Ms. Linda Estrella was appointed President of CCI in 1994.

The first GUESS store in the Philippines was opened at The Landmark in November 1992. By the end of 1994, GUESS was listed at number 694 in the 'Top 1000 Philippine Corporations' and in 1999, at number 537. There were 43 GUESS stores across the Philippines by the end of 1995. The expansion also branched into Baby GUESS and GUESS Kids with tremendous success. At the turn of the new millennium, the 106th GUESS store was opened.

GUESS in the Philippines is managed by a group of young and dynamic individuals forming an eclectic team whose creativity is one of the greatest assets of the company. CCI continues to expand its product lines and distribution network. The company will further increase the productivity and competencies of its resources, to meet the challenges of the growing retail market.

### **Customer Facts**

Number of stores: 100+ stores

Business segments: Adult, Baby, Kids (apparels, accessories, shoes, bags)

Retail formats: Boutiques, Outlets, Shop-in-Shops

and Duty Free

**Locations: The Philippines** 

## **Key Store Statistics**

Store size (average): 450 sqm

SKU's (average): 113,000 units

No. of sales tickets (average): 5,000 tickets per

month





## **Business Needs:**

- Challenges in previous system Retailigence POS system
  - 1. Data sync between stores and head office was a major challenge
  - 2. Real-time inventory/stock information was not available
  - 3. Gift cards tracking was manual
  - 4. Manual tracking of promotions
  - 5. Use of MS-Excel for planning (Planner)

# real-time data sync: inventory tally between HO and stores



# Project Objective:

To introduce a fully integrated ERP and retail system (M3 and ETP) that will ensure smooth execution of the business operations and processes, optimizing them to further achieve the enterprise goals and objectives

- Full integration
- Live information
- Easy access to information and reports
- Analytical tools
- Improved customer service
- Improved sales performance

Background of Project Name: GSTEM

- G: Guess
- S: Systems
- T: Towards
- E: Excellent
- M: Management



# **Business Benefits:**

- Near real-time data sync: Inventory tally between HO and stores
- · Automatic gifts card tracking
- Other stores stock visibility
- Automatic promotions engine with intuitive promotions performance tracking
- Easy customer registration at the store (regular or loyalty customers)
- Fully integrated system ERP and retail solutions (M3 and ETP)



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