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# The Impact of Emotional Intelligence on Work Stress (Applied Study: Al-Ajami Educational Administration)

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## **Abstract**

This study aims to examine the impact of emotional intelligence on the work stress of the Al-Ajami Educational Administration. This study used a questionnaire prepared for this purpose. For achieving study goals, the analytical descriptive methodology is used through many; statistical approaches especially multiple regression analysis for testing the effect of more than an independent variable on one dependent variable and hierarchical regression analysis for measuring the adjusted effect of work stress. A randomized stratified sample of the study population was selected by (401) individuals with a response rate of (80.2%). The results of the study showed a significant effect of emotional intelligence on work stress. According to the findings, some recommendations are: Organizations should pay more attention to emotional intelligence and its role in reducing work stress.

## **Subject Areas**

Human Resource Management

## **Keywords**

Emotional Intelligence, Work Stress

#### 1. Introduction

The typical organization today operates in a turbulent environment. The rate of technological change is phenomenal, giving rise to hopes and anxiety [1].

There has been an increasing interest in how emotional intelligence affects everyday life transactions. It has been claimed that emotional intelligence is an

important factor in determining both work climate success and psychological well-being [2].

Work stress has become an important and significant factor in today's competitive and rapidly changing environment, which results in substantial costs to employees and organizations [3].

Emotional intelligence has been found to be an important predictor of various enviable organizational outcomes, such as job performance, job satisfaction, organizational citizenship behavior, and organizational commitment [4].

Emotional intelligence can be defined as "the capability to be conscious to express oneself, to be cognizant of, distinguish, and identify with others, to manage solid emotions and immediate one's motivations, to have the ability to alter in any change and to take care of issues of an individual or a social nature" [1].

Emotional intelligence involves managing feelings so that they are expressed appropriately, therefore enabling people to work together towards common goals in a constructive and transparent environment. When the executive values feelings, so will the employees [5]. Thus, if the manager feels optimistic, confident, creative, flexible, tolerant, respectful, and compassionate, the employees will likely mirror these feelings [6].

Job stress has become a common term in today's parlance. In every organization, the main cause of low productivity appears to be stress at the workplace [7].

There is confirmation that emotional intelligence influences the job satisfaction of representatives. Mindfulness of interpersonal feelings can help the regulation of contrary emotions and feelings and hence the individual will have improved performance in their occupation; better performance will thus set the establishments for job satisfaction [8].

Stress is characterized by its physical and physiological impacts on an individual and might be a mental, physical or emotional strain. Occupational stress can happen when there is an inconsistency between the requests of the environment/workplace and a person's capability to complete and complete these requests [9].

Nowadays, work stress has become more apparent and leads to the low morale of employees. The causes for work stress can be attributed to technological changes, competitive lifestyles and various other social factors [10]. Work stress is a double-edged sword; it can be both productive and counter-productive. It can be productive when it helps or motivates people to work more and perform well. It will allow them to explore opportunities and leads to enhanced work productivity [11].

Employees need certain kinds of motivation and work stress mitigating strategies to overcome the stress. Many researchers argued that emotional intelligence may reduce work stress among employees of all management levels. Accordingly, the main problem of the research can be formulated in the form of the following question:

What is the impact of emotional intelligence on the work stress of Al-Ajami

#### **Educational Administration?**

Besides, the main objective of this research is to test the impact of emotional intelligence on work stress, which will help reduce job stress. This aim will be achieved through some objectives, which are exploring the dimensions of emotional intelligence and work stress.

In the following paper, we will discuss objectives, questions, hypothesis and methodology of the research aiming to have results lead to reach a set of recommendations.

# 2. Research Design

# 2.1. Objectives of the Research

The objectives of the research are:

- Investigation the impact of emotional intelligence on work stress of employees of Al-Ajami Educational Administration.
- Reviewing the concepts of emotional intelligence and work stress.
- Reaching out to a set of recommendations that, if implemented, are expected to lead to reducing work stress and achieving employees" satisfaction.

## 2.2. Research Questions

- Is there a statistical relationship with a significant impact between emotional intelligence and work stress?
- Is there a statistically significant effect of emotional intelligence on conflict ambiguity?
- Is there a statistically significant effect of emotional intelligence on role conflict?
- Is there a statistically significant effect of emotional intelligence on performance evaluation?
- Is there a statistically significant effect of emotional intelligence on physical work factors?
- Is there a statistical difference of emotional intelligence on conflict ambiguity due to: gender, experience, educational level and managerial levels?

#### 2.3. Research Model

Figure 1 shows the research model of this study.

## 2.4. Research Hypothesis

In order to try to answer the research questions, according to the literature review and previous studies, the following hypothesis was developed to decide if there is a significant impact of emotional intelligence on work stress:

- There is a statistically significant effect of emotional intelligence on conflict ambiguity.
- There is a statistically significant effect of emotional intelligence on role conflict.

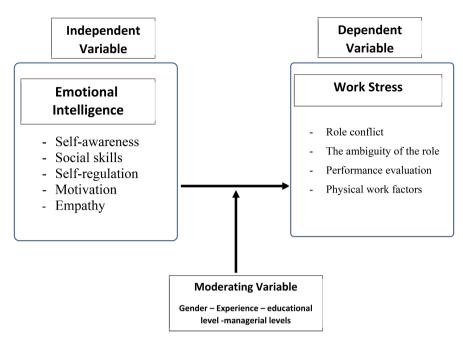


Figure 1. Research model of this study.

- There is a statistically significant effect of emotional intelligence on performance evaluation.
- There is a statistically significant effect of emotional intelligence on physical work factors.
- There is a statistical difference in emotional intelligence on conflict ambiguity due to: gender, experience, educational level and managerial levels.

To verify first four hypotheses, researcher used multiple regression analysis and for the fifth hypothesis, used hierarchical regression analysis for measuring the adjusted effect of work stress.

# 3. Research Methodology

The study adopted a descriptive-analytical method, the questionnaire was the study's main tool for collecting data; where (500) questionnaires were distributed, and (401) questionnaires were retrieved for analysis, the rate was (80.2%) of the distributed questionnaires. Analyzing data was conducted using a set of statistical methods including means, standard deviation, exploratory factor analysis, multiple linear regression and hierarchical regression analysis using SPSS-V23 and AMOS-V23.

One of the most significant strengths of this study refers to its focus on the Egyptian model where there is a distinct lack of research on the topic there.

# 3.1. Study Tool

In order to collect data, a researcher-made questionnaire based on literature review and previous studies, questionnaires have three sections: emotional intelligence, work stress and basic respondent demographic data.

The 40-item scale of emotional intelligence section is based on (Madi, 2014), [12] and (Elshawa, 2015) [13]. There were (9) items measuring Self-awareness, (10) items measuring Social skills, (7) items measuring Self-regulation, (8) items measuring Motivation, and (6) items measuring Empathy.

The 30-item scale of emotional intelligence section is based on (Banat, 2009) [14]. There were (7) items measuring role conflict, (6) items measuring the ambiguity of the role, (9) items measuring performance evaluation, and (8) items physical work factors.

**Table 1** shows the sources of the questionnaire items and the number of items that were developed from previous studies.

Responses to all items scales were anchored on a five (5) point Likert scale for each statement which ranges from (5) "full agreement", (4) for "agree", (3) for "neutral", (2) for "disagree", and (1) for "full disagreement".

# 3.2. Pilot Study

In order to testing questionnaire validity and reliability, the researcher distributed a survey sample of (32) questionnaires.

The reliability of the study questionnaire was verified by Cronbach's Alpha coefficient, and the results showed the Cronbach Alpha coefficient (86.4) which is a statistically acceptable level as long as it is greater than (0.7) [15].

# 4. Hypothesis Testing Results

## 4.1. First Main Hypothesis Test

#### 4.1.1. The First Main Hypothesis

At the level of significance (0.05) there is a statistically significant effect of emotional intelligence (self-awareness—social skills—self-regulation—motivation—empathy) on work pressures.

Table 1. Questionnaire's source.

Variable	Source
Independent Variable: Emotional intelligence	
Self-awareness	
Social skills	(M. J. 2014) [12] (Fl.b 2015) [12]
Self-regulation	(Madi, 2014) [12]; (Elshawa, 2015) [13]
Motivation	
Empathy	
Dependent Variable: Work stress	
role conflict	
the ambiguity of the role	(Banat, 2009) [14]
performance evaluation	
physical work factors	

To test this hypothesis, multiple regression analysis was used to verify the effect of emotional intelligence (self-awareness—social skills—self-regulation—motivation—empathy) on work stress. As shown in **Table 2**.

From Table 2 it is clear that at the level of significance (0.05) there is a significant effect of statistically significant effect of emotional intelligence on work stress, as the value of the level of statistical significance (Sig) in the analysis of variance ANOVA corresponding to the value (F) Calculated is less than 0.05, and the coefficient of determination (R2) is 0.53, which means that emotional intelligence has explained 53% of the impact or change in work stress, while there are 47% due to other factors that the model did not address, as it is clear that all dimensions of intelligence Emotional (self-awareness-social skillsself-regulation-motivation) with the exception of (empathy) has a significant effect or statistical significance on work stress, as the level of statistical significance (Sig) for the regression coefficients is less than 0.05, as the value of the level of statistical significance (Sig) For the regression coefficients, in order, the dimensions of emotional intelligence (self-awareness-social skills-self-regulation—motivation—empathy) are (0.000, 0.023, 0.014, 0.000, 0.10) and they are all less than 0.05 except for the value of the level of significance for the dimension (empathy) greater than 0.05.

It is also clear that the most influential dimensions of emotional intelligence on work stress are (self-awareness), as it has the highest value of (Beta) coefficient of 0.39, followed by (motivation) 0.20, then (self-regulation) 0.13, then (social skills) 0.10, and finally (empathy) 0.07.

## 4.1.2. Sub-Hypothesis

To investigate the effect of emotional intelligence (self-awareness—social skills—self-regulation—motivation—empathy) on each dimension of work stress, the main hypothesis was divided into four sub-hypotheses, as follows:

## The first sub-hypothesis

At the level of significance (0.05) there is a statistically significant effect of emotional intelligence (self-awareness—social skills—self-regulation—motivation—empathy) on the role conflict.

To test this hypothesis, multiple regression analysis was used to verify the

**Table 2.** Multiple regression the effect of emotional intelligence on work stress.

Coefficients					AN	OVA	Model Summery			
Sig	Beta	В	Ind Variables	Sig	F	DF	Model	Adj R²	R²	R
0.00		0.743	Constant			5	Regr			
0.00	0.39	0.326	Self-awareness	0.00	90.76	395	Resid	0.52	0.53	0.73
0.023	0.10	0.103	Social skills			400	Total			
0.014	0.13	0.122	Self-regulation							
0.000	0.20	0.183	Motivation		Worl	c Stres	s	Depend	ent vari	able
0.10	0.07	0.064	Empathy							

**Table 3.** Multiple regression: Effect of emotional intelligence on role conflict.

	С	oefficient	ts		ΑN	IOVA		Model Summery		
Sig	Beta	В	Ind Variables	Sig	F	DF	Model	Adj R²	R²	R
0.01		0.964	Constant			5	Regr			
0.40	-0.04	-0.04	Self-awareness	0.00	33.97	395	Resid	0.29	0.31	0.548
0.000	0.299	0.380	Social skills			400	Total			
0.000	0.241	0.279	Self-regulation							
0.879	-0.01	-0.01	Motivation		Role	Conflict			ende riabl	
0.01	0.142	0.152	Empathy							

effect of emotional intelligence (self-awareness—social skills—self-regulation—motivation—empathy) on role conflict. As shown in **Table 3**.

From Table 3 it is clear that at the level of significance (0.05) there is a significant effect of a statistically significant effect of emotional intelligence on the role conflict, as the value of the level of statistical significance (Sig) in the analysis of variance ANOVA corresponding to the value (F) The calculated one is less than 0.05, and the coefficient of determination (R2) is 0.31, which means that emotional intelligence has explained 31% of the impact or change in the role conflict, while there are 69% due to other factors that the model did not address, as it turns out that three dimensions of Emotional intelligence (social skills-selfregulation-empathy) has a significant effect or statistical significance on the conflict of roles, as the level of statistical significance (Sig) of the regression coefficients is less than 0.05, as the value of the level of statistical significance (Sig) of the regression coefficients is in order the dimensions of emotional intelligence (Self-awareness—social skills—self-regulation—motivation—empathy) are (0.40, 0.000, 0.000, 0.0879, 0.01) and they are all less than 0.05 except for the value of the level of morale for the two dimensions (motivation—self-awareness) greater than 0.05.

It is also clear that the most influential dimension of emotional intelligence on the role conflict is (social skills), as it has the highest value of (Beta) coefficient of 0.38, followed by (self-regulation) 0.27, then (empathy) 0.15.

#### The second sub-hypothesis

At the level of significance (0.05) there is a statistically significant effect of emotional intelligence (self-awareness—social skills—self-regulation—motivation—empathy) on the ambiguity of the role.

To test this hypothesis, multiple regression analysis was used to verify the effect of emotional intelligence (self-awareness—social skills—self-regulation—motivation—empathy) on role ambiguity. As shown in **Table 4**.

From **Table 4** it is clear that at the level of significance (0.05) there is a significant effect of a statistically significant effect of emotional intelligence on the ambiguity of the role. Also, the coefficient of determination (R<sup>2</sup>) is 0.29, which means that emotional intelligence explained 29% of the effect or change in the

**Table 4.** Multiple regression the effect of emotional intelligence on role ambiguity.

	(	Coeffici	ents		AN	OVA	Model Summery			
Sig	Beta	В	Ind Variables	Sig	F	DF	Model	Adj R²	R <sup>2</sup>	R
0.012		0.703	Constant			5	Regr			
0.003	0.154	0.166	Self-awareness	0.00	32.95	395	Resid	0.28	0.29	0.543
0.000	0.215	0.274	Social skills			400	Total			
0.029	0.149	0.172	Self-regulation							
0.045	0.130	0.149	Motivation	the	ambigu	ity of t	he role	Depen	dent va	riable
0.577	0.032	0.034	Empathy							

ambiguity of the role, while there are 71% due to other factors that were not addressed by the model, as it turns out that all dimensions of emotional intelligence (self-awareness—Social skills—self-regulation—motivation) with the exception of (empathy) have a significant effect or statistical significance on the ambiguity of the role, as the level of statistical significance (Sig) for the regression coefficients is less than 0.05, as the value of the level of statistical significance (Sig) for the regression coefficients is in order the dimensions of intelligence The emotional (self-awareness—social skills—self-regulation—motivation—empathy) are (0.003, 0.000, 0.029, 0.045, 0.577) and they are all less than 0.05 except for the value of the level of significance for the dimension (empathy) greater than 0.05.

It is also clear that the most influential dimensions of emotional intelligence on role ambiguity are (social skills), as it has the highest value of (Beta) 0.27, followed by (self-awareness) 0.15, then (self-regulation) 0.14, then (motivation) 0.13, and finally (empathy) 0.03.

## The third sub-hypothesis

At the level of significance (0.05) there is a statistically significant effect of emotional intelligence (self-awareness—social skills—self-regulation—motivation—empathy) on performance evaluation.

To test this hypothesis, multiple regression analysis was used to verify the effect of emotional intelligence (self-awareness—social skills—self-regulation—motivation—empathy) on performance evaluation. As shown in **Table 5**.

From Table 5 it is clear that at the level of significance (0.05) there is a significant effect of a statistically significant effect of emotional intelligence on the performance evaluation, as the value of the level of statistical significance (Sig) in the analysis of variance ANOVA corresponding to the value (F) Calculated is less than 0.05, and the coefficient of determination (R²) is 0.41, which means that emotional intelligence explained 41% of the impact or change in the performance evaluation, while there are 59% due to other factors that the model did not address, as it turns out that two dimensions of Emotional intelligence (self-awareness—motivation) has a significant effect or statistical significance on the performance evaluation, as the level of statistical significance (Sig) for the

regression coefficients is less than 0.05, as the value of the level of statistical sig-nificance (Sig) for the regression coefficients is in order the dimensions of emo-tional intelligence (self-awareness). Social skills—self-regulation—motivation—empathy) are (0.000, 0.589, 0.648, 0.000, 0.339) and it is clear that the significance of the effect of each of (self-awareness—motivation) as the value of the level of morale for the two dimensions is less than 0.05, while the effect of each is not significant From (Social Skills—Self-Organization—Coping) tuff), as the value of the level of significance for these dimensions is greater than 0.05.

It is also clear that the most influential dimension of emotional intelligence on performance evaluation is (self-awareness), as it has the highest value of (Beta) coefficient of 0.53, followed by (motivation) 0.22 and then (empathy) 0.05.

## The Fourth sub-hypothesis

At the level of significance (0.05), there is a statistically significant effect of emotional intelligence (self-awareness—social skills—self-regulation—motivation—empathy) on the physical work factors.

To test this hypothesis, multiple regression analysis was used to verify the effect of emotional intelligence (self-awareness—social skills—self-regulation—motivation—empathy) on physical work factors. As shown in **Table 6**.

From **Table 6**, it is clear that at the level of significance (0.05) there is a significant effect of a statistically significant effect of emotional intelligence on the performance evaluation, as the value of the level of statistical significance (Sig)

Table 5. Multiple regression effect of emotional intelligence on performance evaluation

		Coefficier	nts		ANG	OVA		Model	Sum	mery
Sig	Beta	В	Ind Variables	Sig	F	DF	Model	Adj R²	R <sup>2</sup>	R
0.00		0.949	Constant			5	Regr			
0.000	0.518	0.532	Self-awareness	0.00	55.34	395	Resid	0.40	0.41	0642
0.589	-0.02	-0.03	Social skills			400	Total			
0.648	-0.02	-0.03	Self-regulation							
0.000	0.208	0.226	Motivation	Pei	formanc	e evalu	ation	-	ende: riable	
0.339	0.051	0.051	Empathy							

**Table 6.** Multiple regression Effect of emotional intelligence on physical work factors.

	С	oefficient	ts		ANG	OVA		Model	Sum	mery
Sig	Beta	В	Ind Variables	Sig	F	DF	Model	Adj R²	R²	R
0.178		0.312	Constant			5	Regr			
0.000	0.536	0.589	Self-awareness	0.00	83.68	395	Resid	0.50	0.51	0717
0.115	-0.07	-0.09	Social skills			400	Total			
0.078	0.10	0.117	Self-regulation							
0.000	0.289	0.336	Motivation	P	hysical w	ork fac	tors		ende riable	
0.361	-0.04	-0.04	Empathy							

in the analysis of variance ANOVA corresponding to the value (F) Calculated is less than 0.05, and the coefficient of determination (R<sup>2</sup>) is 0.51, which means that emotional intelligence has explained 51% of the impact or change that occurs to physical work factors, while there are 49% due to other factors that the model did not address, as it turns out that two of the dimensions of Emotional intelligence (self-awareness-motivation) has a significant effect or statistical significance on the physical factors of work, as the level of statistical significance (Sig) for the regression coefficients is less than 0.05, as the value of the level of statistical significance (Sig) for the regression coefficients is in order the dimensions of emotional intelligence (awareness). In particular, social skills—self-regulation—motivation—empathy) are (0.000, 0.115, 0.078, 0.000, 0.361) and it is clear that the significance of the effect of each of (self-awareness-motivation) as the value of the level of morale for the two dimensions is less than 0.05, while the effect of the significance of the effect of (self-awareness—motivation) is less than 0.05. Each of social skills—organizing the Self-sympathy as the significance level of these dimensions is greater than 0.05.

It is also clear that the most influential dimension of emotional intelligence on physical work factors is (self-awareness), as it has the highest value of (Beta) coefficient of 0.53, followed by (motivation) 0.28 and then (self-regulation) 0.10.

Accordingly, the first main hypothesis is accepted. There is a statistically significant effect of emotional intelligence (self-awareness—social skills—self-regulation—motivation—empathy) on work stress.

## 4.2. Second Main Hypothesis

At the level of significance (0.05) there is a statistically significant effect of emotional intelligence with the presence of the Gender as a moderating variable (moderator) on work stress.

To test this hypothesis and its sub-hypotheses, hierarchical multiple regression analysis was used to measure the effect of emotional intelligence on work stress in the presence of a moderating variable (Gender) as shown in **Table 7**.

Table 7. Results of the first model and second model.

Dependent Variable	Sec	cond Mo	del	F	irst Mode	el	* 1 1 . ** . 11	
	Sig	T	В	Sig	Т	В	Independent Variable	
		-		0.000	20.364	0.809	Emotional intelligence	
	0.000	20.168	0.802		-		$\begin{array}{c} Emotional\\ intelligence \times Gender \end{array}$	
		0.717			0.714		R	
Work Stress		0.515			0.510		$\mathbb{R}^2$	
		0.005			0.510		$R^2\Delta$	
		3.977			414.707		F	
		0.047			0.000		F $\Delta$ Sig	

**Table 7** displays the results of the first model, which show that the value of the correlation coefficient (R = 0.714, and the value of the coefficient of determination ( $R^2 = 0.510$ ), and this means 51% of the changes in work stress are caused by the change in emotional intelligence (emotional intelligence explained 51% of the changes). The incident in work stress and the rest of the percentage is due to other factors that were not covered by the study model), and the results showed a statistically significant effect of the emotional intelligence variable on work stress, where the value of F = 417.7 with a level of significance (Sig = 0.000), which is less than 0.05, and it reached The value of the impact score is ( $\beta$ ) = 0.809 This means that a one-degree increase in the level of emotional intelligence leads to an increase in work stress of 0.809.

In the second model, the moderating variable (Gender) was entered into the regression model, where the value of the correlation coefficient increased to be-come (R = 0.717), as well as the value of the coefficient of determination 2R, where it increased to become (0.515), *i.e.* by (0.005), and this ratio is statistically significant, as it was The change in the value of (F 3.977)  $\Delta$ F = and at the level of significance (Sig = 0.047.), which is less than (0.05), and the effect degree value was 0.802 ( $\beta$ ) in the presence of the adjusted variable (Gender) and the calculated t value was (t = 20.16) with a level of significance (Sig = 0.000), and this confirms the role The moral of the moderating variable (Gender) in improving the impact of emotional intelligence on work stress, as the percentage of interpretation of the variance in work stress improved by 0.05%—albeit slight—(to rise from 51% to 51.5%. Accordingly, there is a significant statistically significant effect from Emotional intelligence with gender as a moderator on work stress.

## 4.3. The Third Main Hypothesis

At the level of significance (0.05) there is a statistically significant effect of emotional intelligence with the presence of experience as a moderating variable (moderator) on work stress.

To test this hypothesis and its sub-hypotheses, hierarchical multiple regression analysis was used to measure the effect of emotional intelligence on work stress in the presence of experience as a moderator as shown in **Table 8**.

Table 8. Results of the third model.

Dependent	Th	ird Mo	del	First Model			To Jones Jone West 11.		
Variable	Sig T		В	Sig	Sig T		Independent Variables		
		-		0.000	20.364	0.809	Emotional intelligence		
	0.000	20.168	0.807		-		Emotional intelligence $\times$ Experience		
		0.714			0.714		R		
Work Stress		0.510			0.510		$\mathbb{R}^2$		
		0			0.510		$ m R^2\Delta$		
		0.048			414.707		F		
		0.826			0.000		F Δ Sig		

The third model shows, the moderating variable (experience) was entered into the regression model, where the value of the correlation coefficient did not change, and it was the same (R = 0.714), as well as the value of the coefficient of determination 2R did not change, and it was the same as  $R^2 = 0.0510$ , and this ratio is not statistically significant, Where the change in the value of (F = 0.048)  $\Delta F$  was at a level of significance.

(Sig = 0.826), which is greater than (0.05), and the effect degree value was 0.807 ( $\beta$ ) in the presence of the adjusted variable (experience) and the calculated t value was (t = 20.16) with a level of significance (Sig = 0.000), and this confirms that there is no A significant role of the moderating variable (experience) in improving the impact of emotional intelligence on work stress, as the percentage of interpretation of the variation in work stress did not improve and remained the same 51%. Accordingly, there is no significant statistically significant effect of emotional intelligence in the presence of experience as a moderating variable on work pressures.

# 4.4. The Fourth Main Hypothesis

At the level of significance (0.05) there is a statistically significant effect of emotional intelligence with the presence of the educational level as a moderating variable (moderator) on work stress.

To test this hypothesis and its sub-hypotheses, hierarchical multiple regression analysis was used to measure the effect of emotional intelligence on work stress in the presence of a moderating variable educational level as shown in **Table 9**.

In the fourth model, the moderating variable (the educational level) was entered into the regression model, where the value of the correlation coefficient increased to become (R = 0.767), as well as the value of the coefficient of determination 2R, where it increased to become (0.588), *i.e.* by (0.078), and this ratio is statistically significant, as The change in the value of (F75.73) was  $\Delta F$ , with a significance level (Sig = 0.000), which is less than (0.05), and the effect degree

Table 9. Results of the fourth model.

Dependent	For	urth Mo	del	F	irst Mod	el	T., J., J.,
Variables	Sig	Т	В	Sig	T	В	Independent Variables
		-		0.000	20.364	0.809	Emotional intelligence
	0.000	19.11	0.722		-		Emotional intelligence × Educational level
		0.767			0.714		R
Work Stress		0.588			0.510		$\mathbb{R}^2$
		0.078			0.510		$R^2  \Delta$
		75.73			414.707		F
		0.000			0.000		F Δ Sig

value was 0.722 ( $\beta$ ) in the presence of the adjusted variable (Gender) and the calculated t value was (t = 19.11) with a level of significance (Sig = 0.000), and this confirms the moral role For the moderating variable (school level) in improving the impact of emotional intelligence on work stress, the percentage of explanation for the variation in work stress improved by 0.078% (to rise from 51% to 58.8%. Accordingly, there is a significant statistically significant effect of emotional intelligence with the presence of the educational level A modifier on work stress.

# 4.5. Fifth Main Hypothesis

At the level of significance (0.05) there is a statistically significant effect of emotional intelligence with the presence of a moderating variable managerial level on work stress.

To test this hypothesis and its sub-hypotheses, hierarchical multiple regression analysis was used to measure the impact of emotional intelligence on work stress in the presence of a moderating managerial level as shown in **Table 10**.

In the fifth model, the moderating variable (managerial level) was entered into the regression model, where the value of the correlation coefficient increased to become (R = 0.742), as well as the value of the coefficient of determination 2R, where it increased to become (0.551), *i.e.* by (0.041), and this ratio is statistically significant, as The change in the value of (F 75.73) was  $\Delta F$ , with a significance level (Sig = 0.000), which is less than (0.05), and the effect degree value was 0.740 ( $\beta$ ) in the presence of the adjusted variable (Gender) and the calculated t value was (t = 18.65) with a level of significance (Sig = 0.000), and this confirms the moral role For the moderating variable (managerial level) in improving the impact of emotional intelligence on work stress, as the percentage of interpretation of the variance in work stress improved by 0.041% (to rise from 51% to 55.10%. Accordingly, there is a significant statistically significant effect of emotional intelligence in the presence of the managerial level A moderator on work stress.

Table 10. Results of the fifth model.

Dependent	Fi	fth Mod	lel	F	irst Mod	el	In doman done Wonichles
Variable	Sig	Т	В	Sig	T	В	Independent Variables
		-		0.000	20.364	0.809	Emotional intelligence
	0.000	18.65	0.740		-		Emotional intelligence × Managerial level
		0.742			0.714		R
Work Stress		0.551			0.510		$\mathbb{R}^2$
		0.041			0.510		$R^2\Delta$
		36.69			414.707		F
		0.000			0.000		F Δ Sig

#### 5. Results

- There is a significant effect of statistically significant effect of emotional intelligence on work stress
- There is a statistically significant effect of emotional intelligence (self-awareness—social skills—self-regulation—motivation—empathy) on the role conflict, ambiguity of the role, performance evaluation and the performance evaluation.
- There is a statistical difference in emotional intelligence on conflict ambiguity due to gender
- There is no statistical difference in emotional intelligence on conflict ambiguity due to experience.
- There is a statistical difference in emotional intelligence on conflict ambiguity due to educational level.
- There is a statistical difference in emotional intelligence on conflict ambiguity due to: managerial levels.

#### 6. Recommendations

- Organizations should pay more attention to Emotional Intelligence and its
  practices and should give it a priority in managerial work and the necessity to
  develop the managers' capabilities and skills, especially those who are involved in strategic decisions.
- Developing the workers' skills in order to handle the different methods of artificial and emotional intelligence, and working on identifying the scientific and objective basis that should be adopted in decision-making.
- Paying more attention to emotional intelligence dimensions, developing and designing training programs for staff to raise their knowledge and skills level in terms of emotional intelligence and organizational citizenship behaviors.
- Organizations should have benefited from the high level of emotional intelligence of employees and develop their skills. Additionally to decrease the workload.
- Emotional intelligence must be a part of employees training to uphold employees' ability to develop a successful performance with their organization. To intensify training programs on how to deal with the work stressors.
- Organizations should reduce work stress by reducing conflicts in a working relationship, career development, and working environment in order to improve employee job performance.

## 7. Conclusions

The fundamental thought underlying the notion of emotional intelligence is that efficacious actions entail more than pristinely rational thought. Emotion is segregating for bracing and arranging behavior.

The research was able to establish that there is a significant relationship between employees' emotional intelligence and work stress. The results of this

study showed a relationship between emotional intelligence and reducing work stress for all three management levels.

There are some limitations that make a little bit deficiency of this study. Firstly, the current study relied on data collected through questionnaires and surveys, and some of the scales used may be erroneous or inaccurate. There may also have been recalling issues, because the respondents may not have been able to accurately report previous experiences. The other limitation that should be addressed by future research is to use alternative data collection techniques, such as semi-structured interviews or focus groups.

Finally, it is very important that the working environment is being continuously monitored for stress-related factors. Further, it is not only important to monitor the factors but to create a healthy environment in which employees work in an efficient way and there should be a proper reward system which would motivate the employees to do work in an efficient way.

#### **Conflicts of Interest**

The authors declare no conflicts of interest.

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