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**MINIMIZING THE TOTAL COST OF
INVENTORY BY USING
ARTIFICIAL BEE COLONY
ALGORITHM**

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ABSTRACT

Inventory denotes the assets and important resources utilised in an organisation or industry in which it offers various benefits for firm cash flow and persistent viability. If the production inventory of a company faces shortage or other problems such as greater operating cost due to interest payments on loan cash, the management will be in a critical situation, thereby leading to loss of customers and profits. This encourages organisations to implement inventory control, which aims for the minimize the total cost of inventory, among others. Therefore, this study employed the Artificial Bee Colony (ABC) algorithm to ascertain the minimum total cost of inventory. The algorithm characterised a swarm-based meta-heuristic algorithm comprised of three divisions of bee troops in the ABC model, namely employed, onlooker, and scout bees. The resulting outcomes revealed a minimum total cost of inventory obtainable of RM45.38, with an optimal order quantity of 37 units.

Keyword: Inventory, Inventory Control, Artificial Bee Colony (ABC) algorithm, Minimum Total Cost, Optimal Order Quantity

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