



The impact of green HRM and intellectual capital on the environmental performance of the organizations: A mediating impact of green innovation

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Abstract

This research elucidates the importance of Green HRM and Green Intellectual Capital in encouraging eco-friendly practices in the hospitality sector. Additionally, it highlights the value of Green Innovation as a tool to enhance the beneficial impacts of Green HRM and Green Intellectual Capital on environmental performance. A survey was conducted among 257 employees, and the collected data were analyzed using SPSS and Smart PLS. The findings reveal that GHRM and GIC significantly enhance environmental performance, demonstrating the positive effects of green practices on the environment. Furthermore, Green Innovation was found to mediate the relationship between GHRM, GIC, and environmental performance, underscoring the role of innovation in promoting environmental sustainability. This study investigates the impact of Green Human Resource Management (GHRM) and Green Intellectual Capital (GIC) on the environmental performance of firms in the Pakistani hotel industry, focusing on the mediating role of Green Innovation. These results highlight the importance of integrating green practices into HRM and intellectual capital management, as well as the value of innovation in amplifying these efforts. The study's implications are crucial for hospitality businesses, as they aim to implement sustainable strategies in an increasingly environmentally conscious market.

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1. Introduction

Green HRM results from the growing 'green movement,' based on four essential principles: sustainability, environmentalism, nonviolence, and social justice [1, 2]. Green human resource management is a set of environmental and worldwide standards that require organizations to implement formal ecological programs and strategies. These programs inspire employees to be environmentally conscious and empower them to carry out green management efforts. Natural resources have made organizations globally become responsible for the environment, not just for climate scarcity and conditions [3]. Organizations must focus on an innovative approach to environmental sustainability [4]. Organizations have realized that they can only run their operations by focusing on innovation to improve efficiency and effectiveness [4, 5].

In Malaysia, green intellectual capital has permeated small and medium-sized firms [6, 7]. The study of green intellectual capital favors the organization's performance [8, 9]. In the current business environment, green production is a critical weapon for superior performance, referred to as environmental manufacturing [7, 10]. The safety of workers and communities, less population, less energy, and privation of natural resources produce goods and services; green production reflects systems and processes [2].

The findings suggest that understanding GHRM is essential for employees' motivation and involvement in environmental activities to develop the organization's green abilities [11, 12]. Environmental issues have led to commercial change [13]. Businesses need to proactively address the environmental challenges highlighted by environmental acts and strategies. Green initiatives and practices help the organization improve its environmental performance by promoting green and reducing waste, increasing the efficiently utilized resources, and cost-saving [14]. Green HRM techniques are not used correctly in organizations, and there is a lack of effort to increase efficacy in this EM [15].

Researching green intellectual capital is vital for long-term goals. Researchers have highlighted the need to boost business sustainability scholarships and business firm beliefs in social and environmental sustainability elements [9, 16]. Human green capital positively affects green new research performance [17, 18]. For the organization to achieve environmental sustainability, they must use green innovation in their existing operations [19, 20].

Green innovation is defined as the formulation and development of operations, including products, services, and processes, to reduce environmental degradation compared to alternatives available [21, 22]. The researcher posits that an organization must enhance its environmental performance and allocate sufficient attention to it through the use of environmental management accounting. In this edition, green HRM differs from traditional HRM in that standard HRM deals only with efficiently managing organizations' internal processes.

However, GHRM has the advantage of benefiting external stakeholders [23, 24]. In GHRM, only potential candidates are attracted and selected due to significant issues [25, 26]. Green training includes promoting and creating employee awareness for environmental management and prevention of pollution as much as possible [27].

Green intellectual capital consolidates theoretical capital and concerns the environment at the organizational and individual levels, viewed as intangible assets, such as knowledge, expertise, and interactions [16, 28]. Researchers are examining green intellectual capital due to its importance to long-term goals. As a result, we highlighted the rise in professional scholarship since businesses or organizations' ideas are essential, and sustainability necessitates combining the environmental, social, and economic components of sustainability [29].

Ecological capacity and understanding generate beneficial and innovative concepts for environmental management, thus increasing green innovation. Environmental applications foster and sustain green transformation or innovation [30]. Even though eco-friendly innovation is a condition of nature environment administration, which directly addresses environmental management, ecological capacity, and understanding, generating beneficial and innovative concepts thus increases green innovation [31]. Firms need to hire employees who actively participate in the challenge of the environment, and green performance management is an influential factor in the progress of workers' eco-friendly responsibility [32].

Therefore, we thought about three proportions of GHRM implementations that dare be devoted to the green revolution. GHRM practices foster employees' expertise, inspiration, and opportunities, thereby enhancing their unique learning experience in process innovation. According to researchers, the firm's specific proactive and environmental strategies focus on developing ecological technologies that cause betterment in finance issues [33]. Organizations earn many profits at the cost of environmental depletion. Therefore, this study aims examine the influence of green human resource management and green intellectual capital on the environmental performance of organizations, using green innovation as a mediating factor. "In this paper, we revealed that neither the GIC nor GHRM is conventionally related to environmental exhibition. We explain this finding in the light of the proposed reinterpretation of the relationship between GIC and GI."

2. Theoretical Background

2.1. Environmental Performance

Environmental performance measures the results of the environmental management system, interconnected to controlling ecological aspects [34, 35]. Say the company's performance creates a positive atmosphere. Since 2002, the government has measured environmental performance. They also reward employees for healthy environmental performance and commitment to environmental responsibility [35]. Regularly providing reviews to workers regarding the environment or circumstances assists in improving men's and women's expertise, potential, and knowledge about environmental handling [36]. The organization must recognize environmental concerns [37, 38]. Managing the human

resource environment proactively is also helpful so that they comply with approaches and initiatives taken by their respective organization [39]. The literature emphasizes the significance of incorporating environmental practices into organizational operations as a crucial goal, which can be achieved with the aid of human resource management practices. Environmental practices and development programs are vital for improving employees' expertise and attitudes concerning management surroundings [40, 41].

2.2. Green Human Resource Management

Practices of basic Human resource in an organization are enlisted to secure their environment and defend the rules of up-to-date compensation, which stem from the human-resource management sector, also known as GHRM. This grinning involves HR's several practices and policies for shielding an organization's labor force to preserve their copious learning assets cost-efficiently and naturally [42, 43].

Therefore, it is essential to conduct a systematic literature review to explore the potential outcome of implementing GHRM practices in an organization [44]. Department of HR shows importance in greening trials and police processes, from start to end, for the new members and selection, from entrance to leaving, like employment and assortment, tutoring and the growth, assessment, remuneration, and retired polices, collectively named as GHRM practices, ABILITY MOTIVATION OPURTUNITY (AMO) of the framework [45]. According to this theory, the structure suggested by scientists [46] further the review of literature pursued by workers like relationships, discipline maintenance, green groups, future professional planning and their formulation, job descriptions, specifications, workers engagement, and security insurance involved in the bundle of GHRM practices. In this type, the prominence of the human resource policies and their practices applied the theory of AMO relating to environmental safety, which increases individual capabilities, showing suitable results that expand the environmental values and human capital. The literature provides a systematic review of the results of AMO, which GHRM implements.

2.3. Green Intellectual Capital

As a micro-level dynamic, the aggregate process recognizes its impact on market's value. Changing in the public and economy-driven period in this information ecological plan, the exit from the existing issue of climate has arisen GIC [47]. Chen has discussed the sponsorship of GIC (Green Intellectual Capital) upsides of firms and the upper hand [16]. A green procedure helps organizations make plans that decidedly sway the climate [48]. Green intellectual capital addresses the prerequisites of natural administration [49].

2.4. Green Innovation

Organizations might utilize green development to support their valuable assets and stay aware of rising ecological expenses. Moreover, market pioneers will benefit from being first to market, enabling them to charge higher prices for environmentally friendly products, enhance their corporate image, promote their ecological services and innovations, and even establish new business sector [50]. Recently examined contamination is strong proof of insufficient pay applications [51]. Greater interest in eco-technique advancement will decrease asset wastage and develop asset proficiency. Green transformation is separated into green items and practices, which include new hardware that guides energy protection, populace decreases, waste reusing, green item plans, and corporate natural administration [52]. If ventures enthusiastically participate in green advancement, they can gain cost-cutting and separation-based product benefits, potentially altering competitive principles [53].

3. Hypotheses Development

3.1. Green HRM and Environmental Performance

Green HRM differs from traditional HRM in that standard HRM deals only with efficient management of organizations' internal processes; however, GHRM has the advantage of a beneficial effect on the external stakeholders [54]. In GHRM, while recruiting, potential candidates are only those attracted and selected who are dedicated to environmental issues [55]. Green training includes promoting and creating employee awareness for environmental management and prevention of pollution as much as possible [56]. Thus, we put forward the phenomena of hypothesis.

*H*₁: *GHRM* has a significant impact on environmental performance.

3.2. Green Intellectual Capital and Environmental Performance

Past exploration has identified three types of green intellectual capital: green human capital, green relational capital, and green structural capital [16]. As recently expressed and per the overall adaptation of this work, this thought will assume a significant part in underlining the utilization of the two types of green scholarly capital in achieving creative results [57]. Green academic capital is a subcategory of intellectual capital in this review. The suggested green creation relies on the development, transfer, and utilization of a natural assurance system for the executive's information [58]. We propose the hypothesis.

*H*₂: *Green Intellectual Capital is positively related to Environmental Performance.*

3.3. Mediating role of Green innovation

Green innovation is a technique for further developing ecological administration execution to meet natural security necessities [59]. Biological contamination like commotion, air, strong waste, and water defilement, add to contamination-

related exercises [60]. Development activities fundamentally influence the climate and have raised a genuine alarm, promoting the government to present various arrangements and guidelines for their control [61, 62].

Green innovation bargains significantly green drives that are part of the expansion and development process [63]. Already in development of the items, the association is working on the plan altogether, new green item production, and send-off so they are set to affect the climate less; rather, the process manages the thoughts of advancement through which change existing activity more excellent climate well disposed [64]. Green innovation is a significant variable for the association to contend in worldwide and homegrown business sectors.

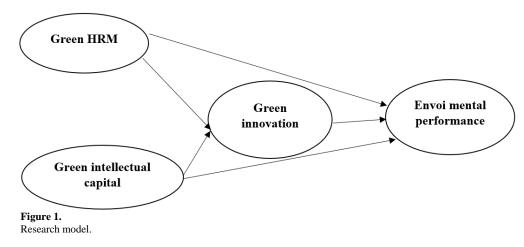
Researchers characterize staff so that they fundamentally affect the association's capacity to improve [64, 65] and describe green development as the "progress of existing items and cycles to make them all the more harmless to the ecosystem." Green development involves the selection of greener, unrefined components, the creation of items per eco plan standards, avoiding squandering, declining water blow, power utilization, fossil fuel byproducts, impression, and other natural substances [66, 67]. Green development lessens genuine impact while accomplishing corporate objectives and profits through ecological advantages [62]. Green development is a part of environmental administration that can straightforwardly address natural difficulties. Green performance is the foremost robust methodology to work on representatives' environmental responsibilities [68] and their inspiration to participate in harmless-to-the-ecosystem development. Associations have the potential to foster a culture of innovation, recognizing and appreciating natural impulses and creative ideas for environmentally friendly products and processes [39]. We contemplated three general extents of GHRM that were given to GI. GHRM rehearses advanced representatives' power, motivation, and possibilities, accordingly developing their new data of technique development. Depending on the communication of green innovation, green intellectual capital could have a positive relationship with environmental performance [69]. Studies have shown that GHRM has a positive connection with environmental performance. While employees may possess environmental awareness, enhancing their skills and knowledge is crucial for driving improvements in products and processes to minimize adverse environmental impacts. As a result, we formulated the following mediation hypothesis.

*H*₃: Green innovation mediates the relationship between green intellectual capital and environmental performance.

H₄: Green innovation mediates the relationship between GHRM and environmental performance.

3.4. Underpinning Theory

Ability, motivation, and opportunity (AMO) are the foremost concepts to understand the effect of HRM applied to the piece of organization in experimental readings [70]. While this theory plays a crucial role in comprehending the effects of green HRM on the environment, minor adjustments can provide a useful framework for understanding the AMO. This theory details that high-performance work practices (HPWS) are a group of distinctive but interconnected HR applications centered on three main clustered points: ability, enthusiasm, and chance [12]. Capabilities are founded on usual applications, which comprise staffing and selection, teaching, and growth platforms that confirm the abilities and information required for the workforce to act as the main chore. Similarly, performance targets. Lastly, the prospect is a package that applies to participation, information partaking, and sovereignty increase that adoptive worker activities partaking [71]. The research model in the paper is explained in Figure 1.



4. Methods

4.1. Data Collection Procedures

The current study has adopted a quantifiable research approach to assess the mechanical relationship between future latent variable. Data will be analyzed using Smart PLS 3.0, with 4 hypotheses based on green activities. This study will adopt a cross-sectional research design, under which the data for the whole study will be collected once.

In addition to the benefits of collecting data from a sizable sample, utilizing surveys offers a practical advantage in terms of time and cost efficiency [72]. Furthermore, the survey method, when employed by the applicant's architecture, guarantees confidentiality while obtaining experimental data. Researchers can use the survey method to collect data, do statistical analysis, and conduct successful reliability and validity testing on the instrument [73]. As a result, the current

study used a quantitative survey method. Because the study's target population was all employees from Pakistan's three-star hotels, they were most suited to explain the organizational phenomena regarding their perceptions of their hotels' culture and performance. Therefore, the current study used the organization as its unit of analysis. The information was gathered from all workers of Pakistan's five significant hotels [74].

4.2. Instruments and Measurements

There needs to be a clear means of creating a flawless data-collecting instrument [75]. Nevertheless, it is imperative that the questionnaire design aligns with the study's objectives to guarantee that the instrument accurately reflects the desired data [75]. Pre-testing serves as a validation step for the questions [76].

The questionnaire contained five sections; section one contained demographic data such as gender, age, education, job title, effort practice, and the number of hotel employees. Section B consisted of six items, all of which were relevant to Green HRM. Section C included four things, all of which were related to Green Human Intellectual Capital. Section D provides four items about Green Innovation. Finally, Section E poses seven questions about environmental performance.

All survey items were answered on a five-point Likert scale. People widely use the Likert scale to assess the relationship between environmental performance and green human resource management, also known as green intellectual capital. In order to accomplish its research goals, the current study used a five-point Likert scale, ranging from "Strongly Disagree" to "Strongly Agree," for Green HRM, intellectual capital, innovation, and environmental performance. Second, a five-point Likert scale was selected solely on the basis of prior studies [77]. Adding seven or more points to a scale requires additional consideration, time, and effort, which could lead to confusion among respondents due to the incredibly narrow difference in response levels [78].

4.3. Data Analysis

This study suggests that the Operational Equal Model is particularly valuable for the development and testing of theories. Underlying equivalent displaying, as indicated by the investigations, is especially compelling for the detailing and testing of speculations [79, 80]. When estimating structural equation models, two distinct statistical methods are employed: (1) Covariance-based SEM, also known as CB-SEM [81] and (2) Variance-Based Partial Least Squares path modeling, also referred to as PLS-SEM [81]. PLS-SEM is gaining widespread recognition in academic research and practice [82]. This popularity extends to various fields, including marketing, strategic management, and management information systems [83].

PLS-SEM is considered suitable for research scenarios where:

(a) The theoretical model is novel or not well-established. (b) The model is relatively complex, involving latent variables and structural paths. (c) The goal of the study is to predict relationships.

This study employs the PLS path model for several reasons. Firstly, it allows for the simultaneous estimation of relationships between constructs (structural model) and the relationships between indicators and their corresponding latent constructs (the measurement model) [84]. Secondly, the main aim is to explore how green innovation moderates the association between Green Human Resource Management (Green HRM) and environmental performance, as well as between green intellectual capital and environmental performance [84, 85]. This study delves into the domain that the existing literature hasn't thoroughly explored.

The study also aims to forecast the potential impact of green innovation might enhance on environmental performance, taking into account its relationship with green human resource management and intellectual capital. The study employs an exploratory methodology by fusing elements of the Contingency Paradigm with the Resource-Based View of the Firm (RBV) theory. Since past scientists have demonstrated that PLS course displaying ought to be preferred over different strategies when the examination is forecast arranged or an augmentation of a current hypothesis, this necessary way showing technique [86]. Researchers choose PLS path modeling due to its suitability for prediction-oriented research and theory expansion. Lastly, Smart PLS software is the preferred choice over other path modeling software like AMOS (Analysis of Moment Structures) due to its user-friendly graphical interface and its capacity to streamline the incorporation of moderating effects in path models, especially when dealing with interaction effects [82].

The study will proceed through several stages of data analysis: 1. Data screening using SPSS to ensure data suitability for PLS analysis. 2. Determination of the measurement model, including assessments of item reliability, internal consistency reliability, convergent validity, and discriminant validity using Smart PLS 3.0.3. Utilization of the standard bootstrapping procedure to evaluate the structural model.

5. Results & Discussion

5.1. Descriptive Analysis

Duarte and Raposo [87] define discriminant strength as the degree to which a specific latent construct differentiates itself from other latent constructs. In this study, we evaluate discriminant validity by employing the Average Variance Extracted (AVE) by the recommended method [88, 89]. Fornell and Larcker [89] introduced the Average Variance Extracted (AVE) square root methodology , which the research used to explore the connections between latent constructs. The criterion employed to evaluate discriminant validity indicates that an AVE value of 0.5 or greater is a widely accepted benchmark [90]. As per their guidelines, they underscored that to confirm discriminant validity, the Average Variance Extracted (AVE) square root must be greater than the correlations between the latent variables in Table 1. To prove that the test is discriminant. All latent constructs showed AVEs higher than the cutoff value of 0.5. Furthermore, Table 1 shows that the average variance's square root was recovered from being bigger than the latent variables' connections. Consequently,

according to the standards established by Fornell and Larcker [89] all the measures employed in this study demonstrated satisfactory discriminant validity [90].

Descriptive statistics (n=215).				
Construct	Mean	Std. deviation	Minimum	Maximum
GHRM	2.77	1.08	1.00	5.00
Green intellectual capital	2.72	1.15	1.00	5.00
Green innovation	2.80	1.15	1.00	5.00
Environmental performance	2.73	1.12	1.00	5.00

5.2. Results of PLS-SEM

The present study employs a two-step procedure to report and analyze PLS-SEM results [91]. It's important to highlight that the goodness-of-fit (GoF) index is inappropriate for model validation [92]. This conclusion is based on documented evidence from a simulation study involving PLS path models [93]. The GoF index cannot differentiate between invalid and valid models. This review applied a two-venture method to detail and assess the results of PLS-SEM models. The strategy is separated into two sections: (1) estimation model assessment and (2) primary model assessment [94].

5.3. Valuation of Measurements Prototypical

Table 1

Researchers must 1) verify singular item consistency; 2) determine non-external constancy, content rationality, convergent rationality, and discriminant rationality [94]. These directions completed each stage, and the specifics are supplied below.

5.4. Singular Items Consistency

The external loadings of every one of the estimations (things) of each build ought to be analyzed for single-thing consistency as per laid-out models [95, 96]. The scientists have also devised a reliable maintenance guideline, recommending that products valued between 0.40 to 0.70 should align with the recommendations of Henseler, et al. [96] and Sharma, et al. [97]. As indicated by the discoveries of the ongoing review's estimating techniques, every 21 things were saved because their loadings went from 0.525 to 0.819. Table 5 displays the item loadings comprehensively.

5.5. Non-External Consistency Dependability

Non-external consistency reliability pertains to how well all items within a particular (sub)scale capture the same concept, as described [97]. In organizational research, Cronbach's alpha and composite reliability coefficients are the most commonly employed measures for assessing a scale's non-external consistency reliability. According to the guidelines provided by Sharma, et al. [97] a composite reliability coefficient value of 0.7 or higher is recommended for a specific concept, as Table 2 shows.

Latent builds and indicators	Standardize d loading	Average variance extracted (AVE)	Composite consistency (CR)
GHRM	Tourng		(01)
GHRM1	0.775	0.524	0.779
GHRM2	0.858		
GHRM3	0.815		
GHRM4	0.796		
GHRM5	0.854		
GHRM6	0.789		
Green intellectual capital			
GIC1	0.719	0.542	0.801
GIC2	0.833		
GIC3	0.644		
GIC4	0.525		
Green innovation			
GI1	0.612	0.512	0.761
GI2	0.774		
GI3	0.562		
GI4	0.582		
Environmental performance			
EP1	0.760	0.562	0.898
EP2	0.819		

Table 2.

EP3	0.714	
EP4	0.805	
EP5	0.784	
EP6	0.564	
EP7	0.625	

5.6. Convergent Rationality

As explained by, convergent validity pertains to the extent to which items accurately represent the intended latent variable and demonstrate correlations with other measures of the same latent variable. The evaluation of convergent validity for each latent construct is conducted using the Average Variance Extracted (AVE). AVE should be used to quantify united levelheadedness. When the average recovered fluctuation is at least 50, it demonstrates the focalized legitimacy of an idea [98]. Every one of the developments in this request has been accomplished, at least as per the AVE evaluations in Table 5. Subsequently, at 50 AVE, the review's joined judiciousness is considered adequate.

5.7. Discriminant Rationality

According to Rognes [99] discriminant reasonableness is a term to used to determine how much a single dormant development differs from other idle forms. The square underlying foundations of average change acquired in this technique contrast with the connections between inactive forms [90]. They additionally contended that to decide discriminant soundness, the square base of the AVE ought to be more noteworthy than the associations between the inactive factors. According to Table 3, the AVE for every one of the idle forms is more than the base end of 0.5. Therefore all the actions used in this study demonstrated appropriate discriminant neutrality [89].

Table 3.

Latent variable correlations and s	quare roots of average	e variance were extracted.

Latent builds	Green innovation	GHRM	Environmental performance	Green intellectual capital
Green innovation	0.733			
GHRM	0.396	0.770		
Environmental performance	0.390	0.228	0.777	
Green intellectual capital	0.520	0.356	0.383	0.709

5.8. Valuation of Importance of the Structural Model

After establishing the measurement model, the current study assessed the structural model to test the hypotheses. To achieve this, a conventional bootstrapping technique is employed, involving the use of 5000 bootstrap samples. This is achieved by complying with the rules given forward by notable specialists in late investigations [100]. Green HRM is associated with better natural execution, as indicated by Hypothesis 1. Table 4 uncovers that green HRM has a positive relationship with natural execution (=0.105, t=2.381, p0.041). The information likewise supports the concentrate's subsequent theory that there is a positive connection between green scholarly capital and natural execution (=0.235, T=3.532, P=0.00).

Table 4. Structural model valuation (Direct association).						
Hypo- thesis	Relationship	Beta	ST. error	T value	P value	Decision
H1	GHRM ->	0.105	0.076	2.381	0.041	Supported
	Environmental performance					
H2	Green	0.235	0.066	3.532	0.000	Supported
	Intellectual capital -					
	Environmental performance					

The results in Table 5 (β =0.080, t=4.113, p<0.018) confirm the third hypothesis of the study, which holds that green innovation mediates the relationship between green HRM and environmental performance. The relationship between green intellectual capital and environmental performance is mediated by green innovation. Table 5 demonstrates the support for hypothesis 4 (β=0.128 t=3.756, p<0.002).

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_	structural model assessme	ent with mediator variable.					
	Hypo- thesis	Relationship	Beta	ST. error	T value	P value	Decision
-	Н3	Green HRM->	0.080	0.058	4.113	0.018	Supported
_		Environmental performance					
-	H4	Green intellectual capital ->	0.128	0.079	3.756	0.002	Supported
_		Environmental performance					

5.9. Assessment of Variance Explained (R2)

The PLS-SEM primary model assessment reveals another significant basis, the R-squared esteem assessment. The R-square is the coefficient of assurance Sulaiman et al. [101] indicating that the satisfactory measure of value relies upon the conditions in which a review is directed. As per Olaleye et al. [102] a R-z square worth of 0.10 is appropriate. In PLS-SEM, an R-squared worth of 0.60 is respected as huge, 0.33 is moderate, and 0.19 is feeble.

Table 6.	
Coefficient of determination values.	
Latent variable	Variance explained (R2)
Green innovation	42.1%
Environmental performance	39.8%

5.10. Assessment of Effects Size

Effect size pertains to the proportional impact of a specific exogenous latent variable on endogenous latent variable(s), and this is evaluated by observing shifts in R-squared values. Calculating the effect size involves multiplying the proportion of unexplained variance in the linked latent variable by the rise in the R-squared value of that latent variable [103] as Table 7 demonstrates.

Table 7. Latent variables influence sizes.		
Latent builds	Green innovation	Environmental performance
GHRM	0.075	0.002
Green intellectual capital	0.243	0.049

5.11. Assessment of Predictive Relevance

This review uses a blindfolding strategy and the Stone-Geisser test to determine the predictive viability of the examination model [104]. In fragmentary least squares, the primary calculation displaying the "Stone-Geisser" trial of projected importance is generally utilized as a strengthening metric of the integrity of fit [105]. The creators propose a cross-approved overt repetitiveness metric (Q2) to evaluate the model's prescient significance [105].

Table 8. Redundancy of cross-validated.			
Total	SSO	SSE	1-SSE/SSO
Green innovation	1090	914.519	0.161
Environmental performance	1090	967.519	0.112

6. Discussion and Conclusion

6.1. Practical Implications

The research seeks to enhance environmental management and provide green opportunities and innovations by raising awareness of ecological and environmental issues [105]. Additionally, as people's awareness of environmental issues grows, businesses adopt eco-friendly methods. According to these results, firms should spend money on green HR strategies to benefit environmental management and promote the creation of novel, resource-efficient goods [67].

Furthermore, it shows that environmental performance is unrelated to the GIC or GHRM. Given the suggested reevaluation of the connection between GIC and GI, we analyze this discovery. Despite their good intentions, HR staff may lack the necessary expertise to significantly impact the environment. But a company prioritizing Green Innovation is likelier to make a big splash for the planet. Thus, our study shows that Green Innovation may mediate the effect of GIC and GHRM on environmental performance.

7. Limitation and Future Research

This study uses a cross-sectional methodology to collect data at a specific point in time. It's vital to remember that it could take some time for Green HRM (Green Human Resource Management) activities to fully affect the environment. A longitudinal research approach might be used in future studies to monitor changes in employee environmental citizenship behavior and environmental performance over time, providing a more thorough understanding of the outcomes of putting Green HRM policies into reality. Furthermore, this study did not distinguish between exploitative and exploratory Green Innovation (GI). It is conceivable that these two types of GI are associated with environmental performance in distinct ways, and their mediating roles may also differ. Therefore, future research has the potential to provide a more nuanced exploration of various GI categories. Furthermore, it will be imperative to thoroughly evaluate the effectiveness of corporations' environmental strategies.

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