Birlasoft IMPACTA

A Reliable Upgrade Assessment Tool for Oracle JD Edwards EnterpriseOne
Ever changing business environment demands organizations to remain agile and adaptive. JD Edwards understands the business requirements of their customers and stay committed in delivering latest technological solutions to enable their customers business growth. In order to remain relevant in this VUCA world, JD Edwards customers who are using the older versions of JD Edwards EnterpriseOne other than the E920 release need to upgrade to the latest release since Oracle Premium support for all the older versions of JD Edwards has ended on March 2020.

The successful upgrade project enables customers to remain on current and supported version of JD Edwards EnterpriseOne ERP. Success of the upgrade project depends on the accuracy of the analysis of custom environment for an upgrade, accurate effort estimation along with other key factors. Birlasoft, the leading global Oracle JD Edward partner understands business requirements of the customers and has a perfect tool, IMPACTA to assess the customer’s environment and provide an insight into the scope and effort required to perform a technical retrofit of the objects which are customized. IMPACTA helps customer in deciding their upgrade budget and provides a listing of all customized objects with 100% accuracy.

**Birlasoft IMPACTA Upgrade Assessment tool**

IMPACTA is an automatic assessment tool which compares your Pristine (Pristine with the same ESU level as Production environment with your production environment and provides the listing of the customized objects, complexity of objects and efforts required to retrofit the objects based on the customization within the object.
Key Features of IMPACTA

- It provides listing of all custom objects and divide the objects in 3 major categories
  - **Standard modified**: Custom code written directly into standard object
  - **Clone objects**: Object copied from standard object and modifications are made to the cloned object
  - **Custom objects**: A custom object built from scratch
- It provides clone objects and their parent object, copying which the clone object is created
- It provides comprehensive listing of objects by system code and by complexity looking at the custom lines of code written in the object
- It provides effort estimation by object complexity
- It provides last used history for all batch application which helps customers in deciding whether custom batch applications can be retired during upgrade if not used for a long time

IMPACTA Offerings

- IMPACTA comes along with a comprehensive Upgrade Assessment Pack offering (UAP) where detailed study is provided in other areas such as process areas, infrastructure, integrations along with the technical area. Please refer to our UAP upgrade assessment offering for more details
- IMPACTA can also be run independently if customers choose to opt for a technical as is upgrade with no changes to business processes and no major updates to infrastructure and integrations

IMPACTA Assessment Process

An IMPACTA assessment process listing activities to be performed over period of IMPACTA run

- **System logs and tables are used to determine the status of the objects**
- **Comparison done between PS and PD to determine differences in code, assuming ESU are uniformly applied across all the environments**
- **Obsolete objects are excluded from scope**
- **Objects checked out, but not changed are excluded from the scope**
- **The objects are divided into the different buckets (Standard, Clone, Custom, Third Party)**
- **Objects from the Standard and Clone buckets are analysed further to understand the custom code, complexity and efforts required for retrofit**
- **Objects from the Custom and Third Party buckets are documented to round off the effort and testing scope**
- **Objects that are copies of standard are separated from objects that are copies of custom**
- **This is to determine the complexity of the custom code and the eligibility of a copy for any ESU patches, if any**
- **Oracle Manifest for Applications and Reports is compared with the Standard Modified Object List provided by IMPACTA**
- **If an object has not been modified between legacy release and the future release, the object can be brought as is, reducing effort**
- **Similar exercise is done for tables, business views and data structures**
- **Oracle has provided reports that compare DD item changes, UDC changes and version changes between environments**
- **This list helps determine the complexity for CNC during spec merge**
**IMPACTA - Standard Modified Object Summary**

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**Key Benefits of IMPACTA**

IMPACTA is a tool which can be leveraged in pre-upgrade and during upgrade phase of the project. In pre-upgrade it provides list of objects and efforts require to retrofit the objects, to fix the budget for the upgrade. During the upgrade IMPACTA tool helps project team in tracking and organizing objects during the retrofitting phase.

Following are the key benefits of the tool:

- **Faster upgrades**: A manual effort to analyze the custom environment for an upgrade could take anywhere between 6 to 8 weeks of efforts, IMPACTA can do this job in 2 weeks’ time.
- **Accurate effort estimation**: IMPACTA provides the effort estimation with accuracy of 95% while manual effort estimation will go by individual judgement and may not be accurate in case of large number of customized objects.
- **Proven tool**: IMPACTA is a proven tool and has matured over a long period with more than 40 runs across various versions of JD Edwards and with customers ranging from complex multi-instance environments to simple single instance environment.

**Why Birlasoft**

Birlasoft IMPACTA upgrade assessment tool is a matured and proven tool with,

- Over 40+ successful runs
- Executed more than 35+ upgrade projects with effort estimation accuracy of 95% using the IMPACTA tool
- Tool is run & tested against multiple complex scenarios
  - Across multiple instances
  - Across multiple environments

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