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AN ANALYTICAL STUDY ON DIMENSIONS OF TRAINING & DEVELOPMENT AND ITS IMPACT ON ORGANISATIONAL EFFECTIVENESS WITH REFERENCE TO SELECTED IT COMPANIES IN BANGALORE

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ABSTRACT

The study is aimed at analyzing the dimensions of Training and Development and its impact on organizational effectiveness and productivity in selected IT Companies in Bangalore, Karnataka. Study also examines the utilization, purpose, difficulties and satisfaction level of respondents, based on survey and statistical tools administered to the study. It explores the impact analysis of Training and Development on Organisational effectiveness that can benefit the IT industry to accept the new learning culture to facilitate the users and benefit by expanding their knowledge horizon and enhanced competency. Further the study suggests the need to provide training a new approach for the Organisational effectiveness, so that the IT industries use the appropriate facilitation tools and techniques of training to obtain required productivity and output effectiveness. The study aims at establishing correlation between training organizational effectiveness and productivity with special emphasis on selected IT companies in Bangalore. Researchers have administered SPSS statistical tool to evaluate the relationship between the training initiatives and the amount of Organisational effectiveness derives on each initiatives pounded on each occasion.

KEYWORDS

training & development, organizational efficiency, productivity, IT Companies, Karnataka.

1. INTRODUCTION

raining is the process for providing required skills to the employee for doing the job effectively, skillfully and qualitatively. Training of employees is not continuous, but it is periodical and given in specified time. Generally training will be given by an expert or professional in related field or job.

Training is required at every stage of work and for every person at work. To keep one updated with the fast changing technologies, concepts, values and environment, training plays a vital role. Training programmes are also necessary in any organisation for improving the quality of work of the employees at all levels. It is also required when a person is moved from one assignment to another of a different nature. Taking into account this context, this unit aims at providing insight into the concept, need and methods of training, also areas of evaluation of training, retraining and dimensions of organisational learning.

Training is a process of learning a sequence of programmed behavior. It is the application of knowledge & gives people an awareness of rules & procedures to guide their behavior. It helps in bringing about positive change in the knowledge, skills & attitudes of employees. Training is investment in getting more and better quality work from your talent.

Training both socially, physically and mentally are very necessary in facilitating not only the level of productivity but also the achievement of organizational plans and strategy.

The aim of training and development programs is to improve organizational capabilities and employee ability. When the organization invests in improving the skills and knowledge for its employees, the investment will lead to more productive and effective employees. Successful Training and development programme focuses on employee performance or team performance.

2. REVIEW OF LITERATURE

Employee training and development does not entail only obtaining new abilities, skills and knowledge but also the possibility to promote entrepreneurship, initiate employees to changes, encourage the changes of their attitude, introduce the employers to important business decisions and involve them actively in the process of decision making within the context of learning organisation, it is not sufficient for the worker only to add value to the organization based on his knowledge but he also has to receive knowledge. He gives as much knowledge as he receives. Organizations that invest in the training and development of their employees reap many benefits. But so do employees and the society in which they live.

Oatey (1970) Training improves a person's skill at a task. Training helps in socially, intellectually and mentally developing an employee, which is very essential in facilitating not only the level of productivity but also the development of personnel in any organization.

Yoder (1970) Training and development in today's employment setting is far more appropriate than training alone since human resources can exert their full potentials only when the learning process goes for beyond the simple routine.

Hesseling (1971) Training is a sequence of experiences or opportunities designed to modify behavior in order to attain a stated objective.

Kane (1986) if the training and development function is to be effective in the future, it will need to move beyond its concern with techniques and traditional roles. He describes the strategic approaches that the organization can take to training and development, and suggests that the choice of approach should be based on an analysis of the organization's needs, management and staff attitudes and beliefs, and the level of resources that can be committed. This more strategic view-point should be of use in assessing current efforts as well as when planning for the future.

In the empirical research conducted by **Watad & Ospina (1999)**, they identified the establishment and implementation of training and development. Found that training and development programmes should be based on training needs identified by their analysis, that money and time invested in training and development should be related or linked to the mission or core business strategy of the organization.

Oribabor (2000) submitted that training and development aim at developing competences such as technical, human, conceptual and managerial for the furtherance of individual and organization growth.

Isyaku (2000) postulated that the process of training and development is a continuous one. Man is dynamic in nature, the need to be current and relevant in all spheres of human endeavors make staff development a necessity, to keep track with current event and methods.

According to Wright & Geroy (2001), employee competencies change through effective training programs. It not only improves the overall performance of the employees to effectively perform the current job but also enhance the knowledge, skills and attitude of the workers necessary for the future job, thus contributing to superior organizational performance. Through training the employee competencies are developed and enable them to implement the job related work efficiently, and achieve firm objectives in a competitive manner. Further still, dissatisfaction complaints, absentism and turnover can be greatly reduced when employees are so well trained that can experience the direct satisfaction associated with the sense of achievement and knowledge that they are developing their inherent capabilities.

3. BACKGROUND OF THE STUDY

The link between training and an organization's effectiveness is strongly supported by research. Researcher has found that companies that invest more in training have higher revenues, profits, and productivity growth than firms that invest less in training. A review of research on training and organizational effectiveness found that training is positively related to human resource outcomes (e.g. motivation, behaviours, employee attitudes,), organizational performance outcomes (e.g. performance and productivity), and to a lesser extent productivity.

4. RESEACH METHODOLOGY

This section deals with description of study procedures and the methods employed in the study. Areas covered include the research design, population, sample and sampling techniques, data collection procedures and analysis.

4.1 PROBLEM STATEMENT

To study the impact of Training and Development on organizational Efficiency and productivity with special reference to selected IT Companies in Bangalore.

4.2 OBJECTIVES OF THE RESEARCH

The main objective of this research is to study the impact of Training and Development on organizational Efficiency and productivity.

The specific objectives are as follows:

- 1. To Study the type of training received and its impact on employee satisfaction with training for employees of selected IT industry
- 2. To Study the length of training will positively impact satisfaction with training for employees in the IT industry.
- 3. To Study the relationship between leadership and team building with job satisfaction of employees in the IT industry.

4.3 RESEARCH QUESTIONS

- 1. What account for the low support for impact satisfaction positively with training for employees in IT industry.
- 2. What actions are necessary to get the support for impact satisfaction positively with training for employees in IT industry.
- 3. Is there any link between good training with Organisational efficiency?

4.4 RELEVANCE OF STUDY

The significance of the study is to:

- 1. Improve understanding of the role of training and development in the achievement of organizational objectives in IT Companies in Bangalore.
- 2. Add to literature on organizational effectiveness in IT Companies.

4.5 POPULATION OF THE STUDY

Population refers the group about whom the researcher wants to know more and from whom a sample will be drawn. This is often defined in terms of demography, geography, position, designation, need for training, frequency of attending training etc.

IT Companies in Bangalore are considered as major group for selecting respondents to the Study. 48 respondents from selected three companies who designed training programme for the employees and to groom them for future roles.

The targeted population for the study thus includes middle level managers, team leads and all heads of the various departments at the different level of heirarchy.

4.6 SAMPLE AND SAMPLING TECHNIQUE

A sample size is a finite part of a statistical population whose properties are studied to gain information about the whole. When dealing with people, it can be defined as a set of respondents (people) selected from a larger population for the purpose of a survey (Neuman,1997).

The researcher adopted both the Survey and Purposive sampling technique. The survey sample technique ensured that each member of the targeted population has equal chance of being selected. Under the purposive or judgment sampling technique, the researcher purposively draws a sample from the population which he thinks is a representative of the population.

4.7 DATA COLLECTION

Because the study focuses more on Training and Development of IT employees, the importance of primary data is evident; here the views of respondents will be sort direct. Initial visit to the IT Companies was to introduce T & D, familiarize researcher with the Objectives of Training as well as to seek their consent for the study.

4.8 SCOPE (DELIMITATION)

Dimensions of Training & Development and its impact on Organisational Effectiveness with reference to selected IT Companies. However, this study is limited to selected to IT Companies in Bangalore. This is due mainly to proximity, time and financial constraints in carrying out this research.

4.9 LIMITATIONS OF THE STUDY

- 1. The researcher had to understand the timing of training and trainers approach to reach out the respondents to elicit the responses for the research.
- 2. To carry out the research simultaneously and continually, researcher was not pre-financed and time to facilitate data collection and analysis.

5. ANALYSIS AND DISCUSSIONS

Impact of training and development on organizational effectiveness and productivity in IT Companies emerged as the most critical workforce challenges in the present competitive modern organizations. The problem of training and development on organizational efficiency and productivity in IT Companies has become even more pronounced in Indian IT industry. Organizations devote more resource and time on retaining existing talented employees. The critical issues in training and development on organizational effectiveness and productivity in IT Companies assess the various influencing factors that IT Employess need to address in future.

The following Table - 1 shows the identified factors of training and development on organizational effectiveness and productivity in IT Companies:

TABLE - 1: FACTORS INFLUENCING TRAINING AND DEVELOPMENT ON ORGANIZATIONAL EFFICIENCY AND PRODUCTIVITY IN IT COMPANIES

SI No	Factors
1	Employee counselling
2	Conflict mediation
3	Team building
4	Crisis management
5	The art of coaching
6	Career counselling
7	Leadership skills

ANOVA

Impact and influence of dimensions of Training & Development and its impact on Organisational Effectiveness with reference to selected IT Companies.

 H_0 : There is no significant (statistically) difference in rank orders/ preferences of respondents between 48 responses of respondents with respect to dimensions of Training & Development and its impact on Organisational Effectiveness with reference to selected IT Companies.

H₁: There is a significant (statistically) difference in rank orders/ preferences of 48 responses of respondents with respect to dimensions of Training & Development and its impact on Organisational Effectiveness with reference to selected IT Companies.

TABLE 2: MEAN, STANDARD DEVIATION AND TEST STATISTICS OF DIMENSIONS OF TRAINING & DEVELOPMENT AND ITS IMPACT ON ORGANISATIONAL

EFFECTIVENESS WITH REFERENCE TO SELECTED IT COMPANIES							
No.	Descriptive Statistics			Test Statistics ^{a,b}			
	Factor	Mean	SD	Asymp. Sig.	Decision		
TD_1	Employee counselling	4.86	0.47	0.314**	Not Sig		
TD_2	Conflict mediation	4.85	0.49	0.319**	Not Sig		
TD_3	Team building	4.13	0.45	0.310**	Not Sig		
TD_4	Crisis management	4.15	0.46	0.349**	Not Sig		
TD_5	The art of coaching	4.17	0.40	0.355**	Not Sig		
TD_6	Career counselling	4.59	0.38	0.398**	Not Sig		
TD_7	Leadership skills	4.87	0.49	0.363**	Not Sig		

Interpretation

From the above Table 1, the mean of TD_1,TD_2,TD_3,TD_4,TD_5,TD_6 & TD_7 which indicate that the respondents are in agreeableness with the factor dimensions of Training & Development and its impact on Organisational Effectiveness with reference to selected IT Companies, as the values are almost nearer to the response 'Strongly Agree'. Moreover, the standard deviation for all the statements TD_1, TD_2, TD_3, TD_4, TD_5, TD_6 & TD_7 are in the range of 0.45 indicate that the there is not much deviation from the responses as expressed by the respondents with respect to the agreeableness of the factor dimensions of Training & Development and its impact on Organisational Effectiveness with reference to selected IT Companies.

CHI – SQUARE TEST

TABLE - 3: CONSOLIDATED RESULTS OF 'χ2 TEST

Variable	Relative Factors	χ² Value
TD_1	Employee counselling	34.39
TD_2	Conflict mediation	32.63
TD_3	Team building	11.28
TD_4	Crisis management	15.13
TD_5	The art of coaching	10.63
TD_6	Career counselling	31.92
TD 7	Leadership skills	39.65

Critical Value for all the factors is 4.957 and the Degree of Freedom is 2

In order to find the relationship between the selected independent variables such as Employee counselling, Conflict mediation, Team building, Crisis management, the art of coaching, Career counselling, Leadership skills sufficient resources and Organisational support have been taken into consideration for analysis. Since the study centers on the dependent variable i.e., the training and development variables respond to Organisational effectiveness, a chi-square test was employed and some of the results of the test are shown in Table - 3.

As mentioned earlier, an attempt has been made to analyze the relationship between the independent variables and the dependent variable. For this purpose the respondent's feedback has been classified based on training dimensions viz, Employee counselling, Conflict mediation, Team building, Crisis management, the art of coaching, Career counselling, Leadership skills.

FINDINGS

Findings of the study:

- 81% of the respondents see the influence of T&D in expanding in the immediate future (3 years)
- 50% of the respondents believe their training offerings will grow in the next two years
- Virtual learning is set to take center stage, with eLearning (85% will offer it), collaborative training (67%) and online (63%) being the formats identified as necessary for success
- 87% agreed/strongly agreed that the majority of learning will be collaborative going forward
- All respondents agreed/strongly agreed that learning in the future will be done in short timeframes, using 'micro modules' to provide more focused learning and achieve better results

SUGGESTIONS

- 1) High morale employees who receive training have increased confidence and motivations;
- 2) Lower cost of production training eliminates risks because trained personnel are able to make better and economic use of material and equipment thereby reducing and avoiding waste;
- 3) Lower turnover training brings a sense of security at the workplace which in turn reduces labor turnover and absenteeism is avoided;
- 4) Change management training helps to manage change by increasing the understanding and involvement of employees in the change process and also provides the skills and abilities needed to adjust to new situations;
- 5) Provide recognition, enhanced responsibility and the possibility of increased pay and promotion;
- 6) Help to improve the availability and quality of staff.

CONCLUSION

Companies today are forced to function in a world full of change and complexity, and it is more important than ever to have the right employees in order to survive the surrounding competition.

Employee counselling, Conflict mediation, Team building, Crisis management, The art of coaching, Career counselling and Leadership skills do have greater impact and application on employees day to day work in the organisation.

It is possible that employee responses could vary based on geographic location, nature of training content received, impact of leadership, application of knowledge at work. While the focus of this research was to study the role of training, incentives, and benefits received by IT employees on job commitment, it is possible that other factors including relationship with supervisors, availability of mentors, job enrichment opportunities, and opportunities to meet professional and social needs of employees could particularly impact commitment among IT Employees.

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