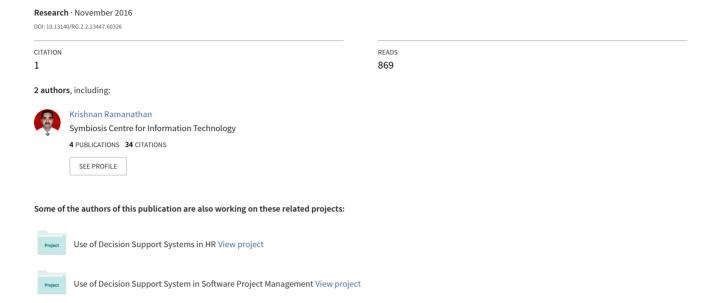
Intelligent Decision Support Systems -A Tool for Human Resource Allocation in Information Technology Projects



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Abstract: Software project Management is important for a project to be completed successfully. The major problems faced by project managers are how to competently allocate human resources to develop quality software at a less cost. Previous Researchers have proposed many solutions to help project managers and resource managers in allocation of human resources in the best way.

There is an increasing demand in the Software Industry for automation of Manpower allocation and task scheduling with the help of tools. The major factor for measuring the success of any project is the human factor. The objective of this paper is to summarize the tools and methods used by various researchers to provide solutions for some key problems that projects managers and Resource managers face related to managing personnel in software projects; and how this affects the project outcomes.

The field of human resource management (HRM) has undergone regular and many innovations in technology. This encompasses the human resource information system (HRIS), electronic human resource management (e-HRM) and virtual human resource management (VHRM) [20]. In the era of extensive competition, organizations are now looking at the need to use DSS (Decision Support System) technologies into HRM (Human Resource Management) field for effective decision making. HRIDSS which is a component of Intelligent System applications plays an important role to aid the decision making process. This study suggests the prospective use of Intelligent Decision Support systems for human resource allocation to software projects.

Keywords: Human resource management (HRM), Strategic Human Resource Management (SHRM), Human Resource Information System (HRIS), Decision Support System (DSS), Intelligent Decision Support System (IDSS), Software Project Management (SPM), Human Resource Intelligent Decision Support System (HR IDSS).

I. INTRODUCTION

Software engineering projects are complex and their performance is the outcome of a combination of many factors right from technical to human factors, from employees' skills to development tools and processes to business objectives.. The right selection and combination of the above mentioned factors by the Project manager is necessary to obtain the desired results. The main objective of companies in the software industry is to maximize the profit by increasing the cost of software products, by

decreasing the manufacturing cost, utilizing the available resources effectively, sticking to deadlines and fulfilling the client requirements. Due to the complexities and scope of the project, it has made the task of the project manager very worse. In the current state of affairs, the decision makers are under constant pressure to make quick and timely but correct decisions.

The tools and techniques that supports managerial decision making with the help of information and techniques to handle complex, semi-structured and unstructured problems is called as Decision Support System (DSS) [23].

II. ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE IN DECISION SUPPORT SYSTEM

A DSS is an computerized system that helps the people who take decisions in solving unstructured and semi structured problems by implementing various data analysis tools and models.

Lately, there has been much advancement in the field of DSS, where artificial intelligence techniques and methods, are being used. The new term which has derived is: Intelligent Decision Support Systems – IDSS [25].

The study and design of systems that show evidence of some type of intelligence is called Artificial Intelligence. Intelligence means the process of learning new concepts and performing different tasks that justify and help in arriving at practical conclusions about the environment of which we are a part of; understand a natural language; and perceive and understand a visual scene [21].

The avenues for research in information processing and analysis have got a great boost since the amalgamation of Artificial Intelligence (AI) with Decision Support Systems (DSSs). There has been a very noticeable and significant impact on decision support technologies and other types of technologies. This is due to the extraordinary advances in intelligent technologies [30].

The main reasons why Artificial Intelligence (AI) tools are being used in DSS is to enable computers to take decisions in real life scenarios, to simulate the human behavior. The purpose of using IDSS is to improve the value of decision making so that errors in decision making are reduced.

The domain of Intelligent Decision Support Systems (IDSS) encompasses Artificial Intelligence, Decision Science and Information Systems.

III. TYPES OF DSS

DSS has been defined by many researchers. Keen and Scott Morton (1978), have defined DSS as 'The application of existing and appropriate computer-based technology to assist in improving the effectiveness of managerial decision making in complex activities."

The concept of decision support systems (DSS) evolved during the period from 1970s to 1980s; from both the earlier types of technology support for making decisions. The first of them was management information systems (MIS), which provided managers with accurate information by related to the organizations strategies.

The second one was operations research (OR), which used arithmetical models to evaluate and understand the exact areas of concern.

Earlier, it was an accepted fact that DSS could be designed for the decision-makers holding different positions in an organization. It was also perceived that DSS could support decisions relating to the operations of the organization, in managing the finances and decision making that involved strategies.

DSS is divided in to the following categories [34]

- 1. Communication driven DSS
- 2. Data driven DSS
- 3. Document driven DSS
- 4. Knowledge driven DSS
- Model driven DSS

Suggestions that aid decision making by incorporating knowledge based systems which are a subset of intelligent decision support systems should reflect Domain expertise [4].

Intelligent decision support systems use artificial intelligence techniques to solve difficult, indefinite and problems that are badly structured by using data and knowledge from experts and different models to support the decision makers in the organizations [25].

IDSS gives the authority to the user to gather information, evaluate it as per his requirements and take the final decision.

This is possible because the IDSS assumes that the decision maker has identified the problem and knows how to solve it. The features of an IDSS are that it is user friendly in terms of interacting with the user; it is scalable and customized for providing support for unstructured problems that would lead to a quality outcome from the decisions taken [24].

IDSS are used in many areas like Manufacturing, management strategies, planning and development. IDSS can be used as support tools to solve domain specific problems.

Lately, a new type of DSS commonly known as Active DSS has evolved as a result of the relationship between DSS technologies and Artificial Intelligence and this technology will play an important part in the years to come [29].

Active DSS which is a part of Intelligent System applications is a result of latest DSS technologies. Applications of Active DSS which include Knowledge-based systems, Expert systems and Intelligent Decision Support System (IDSS) are classified under Intelligent

System studies. Expert systems are now being replaced by the intelligent system applications [8]. The two main reasons why intelligent systems are developed are

- To view, move and sort the continuously increasing excess data, information and knowledge.
- b) As a support for effective and quality decision making keeping in mind the user needs.

Intelligent systems can be application specific so that it is more helpful for the users. [29].

IV. IDSS FOR HUMAN RESOURCE (HR IDSS)

HR has moved a long way from the traditional methods to Strategic Human Resources Management (SHRM). This has given rise to the need to have a strong technology support for human resource management functions to support the dynamic changes. A robust human resource decision support system has a great impact on functions of an organization which in turn also creates a great cultural change.

Generally, the role of HRIS is limited to daily operational activities. Due to the dynamic environment in which the organizations work today, HRIS no longer can be used as a mere store of information but needs to incorporate features that allow the organization to take decisions in the areas of performance evaluation, training needs etc. One of the most important features of an HRDSS is that it should make use of advance tools, techniques and methodology so that it will be able to provide quality and precision decisions at various levels in the organization.

V. PROBLEM DESCRIPTION

Software projects involve a lot of rigor especially from the team and require employees with multiple skills. One of the critical activities in software project planning is assigning employees to the appropriate tasks. In recent years due to the magnitude and complexity involved in planning of a software project, the need for developing effective computer aided tools is on the rise. Generally, scheduling of tasks and human resource allocation are considered as two separate activities by the existing methods. The major reason why projects are not completed on time and why they lack planning and scheduling is because many existing models are built on the assumption that each single task can have an employee who is not assigned to any other task at that given point of time.

One of the important areas of concern for any organization is that the performance of employees should be up to the mark to ensure effective delivery in order to satisfy the client. Due to excessive workload, sometimes Human Resource (HR) Managers fail to implement policies to improve staff performance. Due to the problems mentioned above, the organizations have felt the need to Automated Intelligent Decision Support System (AIDSS) to arriving at practical and optimal solutions.

An Automated Intelligent Decision Support Systems (AIDSS) makes extensive use of AI a manner which can be used to provide solutions to some of the challenges of human resource allocation to information technology projects in an organization faced by the HR department.

The following table highlights the problems related to task scheduling and human resource allocation faced by the software companies and summarizes the various approaches the researchers have used over a period of time

to address the above mentioned challenges. The table also presents the future work that can be done in the area of HR with specific reference to human resource allocation to software projects.

TABLE I
ummary of tools and techniques to address the areas of concern related to human resource allocation and task scheduling

Summary of tools and techniques to address the areas of concern related to human resource allocation and task scheduling.				
Author and year	Primary aim	Major contributions	Scope for further research	
Sajjad Mahmood, Sajid Anwer, Mahmood Niazi, Mohammad Alshayeb and Ita Richardson, 2015	Carry out a systematic literature review to discover the reasons that control the task allocation in a software development environment which is geographically spread	As Global Software Development is growing, they were motivated to what criterion was used for allocating tasks to projects which are spread across national and geographic boundaries. Through this Structured Literature Review, they identified eleven factors of task allocation. The top ranked factors are: 'technical expertise at the site', 'time zone difference', 'resource cost', 'task dependency', 'vendor reliability', 'scope of the task' and 'vendor maturity level'. Based on their results, they suggest that there is a need to develop task allocation strategies and standards in order to address criteria associated with this activity.	As organizations today go for global software development due to various advantages like reduced costs, varied talent pool, there is a need to decide on criterion for allocating tasks to projects.	
Dr Andy M. Connor and Amit Shah, 2014	Resource allocation and scheduling problems are major problems in software development projects. The main aim of this research is to assess the performance of diverse metaheuristic search techniques for the above mentioned problems.	The researchers have tested three metaheuristic search algorithms on typical problems that arise in software development projects. The results of their tests suggests that though all the three algorithms have the capability to solve the scheduling and planning problems, the genetic algorithm is very consistent and the simulated annealing algorithm was the second best favoured algorithm. The third algorithm, Tabu search is the last choice for the problems mentioned in the paper.	The scalability of the technique needs to be tested for larger problems.	
Monica. D, Devi. S, Subashini D. and R. Devi, 2014	Software project planning if not done meticulously will lead to lot of problems and hence with the increasing complexities there is a need to use computer aided tools for the planning activity. The primary aim of this research is to suggest a model to overcome the problems that are not handled by the existing models such as single task assignment to each employee at one time, scheduling of task and allocation of human resources are not interrelated.	The results of the model developed highlight that EBS is very effective in the representation scheme with and the ACO is successful in coming up with improved plans at much lesser costs, and handling tedious planning problems and robust workload assignments compared with other prevalent methods.	The existing techniques usually regard task scheduling and human resource allocation as different activities. The existing models assume that each employee can only be assigned to a single task at one time and the result of this is that projects fail to meet the deadline and lacks proper planning and scheduling. A basic model has been developed and there is a need to take into account employee experience too as a factor to solve the problem.	
Wei-Neng Chen and Jun Zhang, 2013	An appropriate model for planning a software project has to resolve the most common issues related of project task scheduling and allocating human resource. Due to the complexity of these problems, the existing models have certain limitations of having flexibility in allocating human	The two distinctive features are that, in the first method known as an event-based scheduler the researchers have merged the list of tasks and the matrix for employee allocation in order to address the problems and the second method which is the ant colony optimization (ACO) they	As compared to other types of software projects are more people oriented and they are mainly related to human resources. One of the main causes of software project failure is the lack of project tasks planning and human resources. Since project planning is an very important and	

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	resources. The researchers have developed a new method with an event-based scheduler (EBS) and an ant colony optimization (ACO) algorithm to handle the above mentioned problems.	have used the ACS option to develop the ACO approach for software project planning problem.	complex activity, there is a growing need for developing effective computer aided tools for software project planning.
Sangita Gupta and Suma. V., 2013	The objective of this paper is to find out the factors which will be used by the companies to form a project team and to establish the correlation among the factors.	In this paper, the decision tree method is used for data classification as the data is from various databases. Data from employer's past database was used to forecast the performance in the current project. Characteristics like technical skills, domain knowledge and analytical skills played a crucial part in selecting a candidate for the software project. The researchers came to a conclusion that there is a High correlation between, technical skills which affects the performance of employees in IT companies.	There is a need to identify those human aspects which needed attention to reduce failure rate of software projects.
C. Chantrapornchai, D. Sawangkokrouk and T. Leadprathom, 2013	To study the process of human resource allocation and task scheduling and to integrate the activities with the automatic process of allocation and task scheduling.	Typically, resource allocation and scheduling of tasks go hand in hand. But, the majority of the project management software considers them as two different activities. The researchers have implemented two scheduling schemes such as ASAP and ALAP in the tool. They have used different criteria like assignment of more than one task to each staff, assignment of one task to many staff, reassignment of same task to the staff. These criteria are the business rules which have to be incorporated in the algorithm to make both the tasks more effective.	Allocation of resources and scheduling activities are related, but most of the project management software treat them as separate processes.
Devika Samad, 2012	Organizations have to take many tough decisions but the toughest of them is related to hiring and promoting people. In HRM the most important activity is to select the appropriate personnel for the right job which is very difficult because there are many applicants for the dame post. Proper profiling is not done to include all the criteria while decision making. There is a need to use web based platform services to so that the efficiency and accuracy of selecting the right candidates increases.	The researchers have used a Ranking and Decision Making module that will perform search, match the job to the candidate, and direct the profiles received from the third party recruitment sources. The ranking system will generate a rank in a logical order. The weighting system will check the candidates profile against the Functional requirements and provide a list of shortlisted employees.	Computer aided tools will help the human resource manager in taking right decisions while making a right decision in selecting people.
H. Kane and A. Tissier, 2012	Optimizing the costs of group projects keeping in mind that time was an important factor was the explicit aim of the researchers in creating a mathematical model.	In a multi-project management the allocation of resources is a great challenge. The results derived from the model helps in reducing the additional cost as compared to the budgeted expense by reducing the tasks.	Though the allocation of resources issue has been widely dealt in many research for managing a unique project, allocation of resources in more complex in a multi-project kind of scenario.

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Daniel Nadler, 2012	To understand the kind of problems the organizations face when it comes to human resource scheduling in multiple project environment.	The researcher has concluded that the attributes that have a major influence on human resource management process in an environment where multiple projects run simultaneously, were the consistency and validity of time schedules, failure in calculating the present and future workloads, tremendous dependency on external factors and on the requisite tools. Further the researcher has said that lack of standard processes for human resource allocation in a multiproject environment, generates a need to have computerized tools for the organizations.	The supporting software tools far from satisfying the needs of organizations dealing with simultaneous multiple projects. There is a lack of standardized methods on how to organize the human resources the available tools differ greatly within this application. There is a need to research into the availability and compare the existing applications which could help the organizations' to find the right tool for their needs.
Mangesh Gharote, Rahul Patil and Sachin Lodha, 2012	The researchers address the issue of allocation of workforce of an IT firm. For this they have developed a linear programming model to allocate freshers and trainees to projects based on their skill set matching.	The procedure followed by the Resource Managers usually to find out which employee matches the requirement with the help of tools is repetitive, time consuming and involves a lot of effort. The assignment of the trainees to the requirement is normally those whose names appear at the top of the search in spite of the fact that he/she may be better suited to some other project. This leads to requirement mismatch and inadequate assignment of members to the project. The allocation tool developed by the researchers provides different solutions, displays the effect of allocation and its consequences and helps the Resource manager with decision support.	There are many workforce management (WFM) software's available in the market. These software's are appropriate for companies where employees can be categorized for e.g. business process outsourcing firms. Multiskilled workforce leads to inefficiencies in the implementation of the software. This is the reason why many companies have their own workforce planning systems. Resource managers face a big challenge to efficiently allocate resources for a large number of employees.
V. Yannibelli and A. Amandi, 2011	The primary objective of the researchers' is to recommend a knowledge-based approach to help the project managers at the initial phase of scheduling software projects.	To solve the problem mentioned in the paper, the researchers' have proposed knowledge based genetic algorithm that creates practical schedules based on different situations faced by the project managers. The algorithm evaluates the schedules based on available information about employees who have worked on similar projects in the past.	The Initial scheduling of a given software project is a task that is manually developed by project managers and it eats up a lot of time effort, and requires a considerable skill in scheduling, and understanding about the available human resources is necessary that can be considered for the various activities involved in the project. There is a need to replace the manual scheduling which is erroneous with automated tools and processes.
Sabina Mirzaei Nobari, 2011	This aim of this study is to improve employee recruitment process by developing a fuzzy rule based Decision support system.	The researchers' propose to develop a DSS that will remove the faults in the process of conducting employment test. For designing a better DSS they have developed a Fuzzy Topsis which is further used to develop a fuzzy decision support system (FDSS).	Most of the recruitment criteria in employment tests are qualitative variables, so quantitative assessments will increase the inaccuracies in validity and reliability. There is a need to develop a system which eliminates the shortcomings of the employment tests.

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Peleg Yiftachel, Irit Hadar, Dan Peled, Eitan Farchi and Dan Goldwasser, 2011	The two main aims of this research are the researchers first want to increase their understanding of decisions related to resource allocation and what is the impact on the output. The second aim is to develop a model to change the existing process of resource allocation to improve the output of the software development processes.	The researchers have developed an economic model to evaluate the resource allocation problem by studying the inputs to the software development phases that are the actual work performed, the output to be achieved and the various functions that processes the input into output. The researchers have created an experimental environment to test the impact of allocation decisions on the output.	Misallocating resources among software development phases can have serious consequences. Millions of dollars are spent annually because of improper allocation which results in faults in software or projects getting stalled.
Rohayati Ramli, Shahrul Azman Noah and Maryati Mohd Yusof, 2010	The objective of this research is to develop an Ontology-based model which would be a vital input to the Human Resource Decision Support System in order to provide assistance to the decision makers in forecasting and predicting supply and demand.	The researchers have proposed a Framework of DSS model for Human resource planning decision support system.	There is a need for developing an HRDSS as employment trend changes due to domestic and global factors. And Human Resource Planning is of utmost importance.
Hamidah Jantan, Abdul Razak Hamdan and Zulaiha Ali Othman, 2010	One of the major challenges HR professionals face is how to deal with the organization's talents. Allotting the right person to the right job and at the desired time is a big challenge. Keeping this problem in mind the researchers have used decision tree classification technique to predict the potential human talent.	The observation of the researchers is that the C4.5 as a classification technique for employee's performance prediction is very effective. It can be easily understood by humans and can produce decision tree and a set of rules which can help in improving the accuracy of prediction.	There is a scope to develop HRIDSS application and intelligent techniques that can be applied to various functions of HR.
Hamidah Jantan, Abdul Razak Hamdan, and Zulaiha Ali Othman, 2009	The researchers have highlighted the importance of using the Knowledge Discovery in Database (KDD) or Data Mining, for developing a prospective HR system architecture for talent forecasting.	The architecture proposed by the researchers consists of four components - Knowledge Discovery in Database (KDD), Model Management System, Knowledge Base System (KBS) and Advisory System Though this architecture focuses on prediction for academician future performance, it can also be used for the various tasks related to Data Mining such as association, classification and clustering in managing the talent available.	The various factors which influence the current HR practices are human experience, knowledge, preference and judgment. These factors result in varying, erroneous, dissimilar and startling decisions. Potential techniques like use of DSS in HR need to be used to solve the challenges the problem of allocation of right people to the right task.
Massimiliano Di Penta, Mark Harman, and Giuliano Antoniol, 2009	The most important factors affecting the project cost and the deadline are allocation of resources and assignment of tasks to teams. This research highlights how optimization techniques which are search-based coupled with a queuing simulation model can handle these issues.	This paper showed how search-based techniques can be used to solve the problem of human resource allocation and task assignment to teams. The paper reported two real life projects to show that both Simulated Annealing and Genetic Algorithms can provide solutions to provide valuable support to software managers' decisions. The approach followed by the researchers' permits having a balance of important objectives like deadlines, staffing plans, resource allocation.	Lack of proper planning, together with wrong cost estimation, is one of the main reasons why software fail. Allocating resources to a software project and assigning tasks to teams is an important task for project managers. Tools are necessary to solve staffing problems and task allocation.
Luis Daniel Otero a, Grisselle Centeno , Alex J. Ruiz-Torres and Carlos E. Otero, 2008	The most common problem that software industry face is meeting deadlines i.e. product delivery on time. This delay is due to the time	The researchers have proposed the Best Fit Resource methodology for personnel assignment and have also	Companies are continuously striving to develop high quality software. There is a lack of proper methods and tools to assess the

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	spent on training the team members and other people involved to master the required skills for the project. Hence, it is of utmost importance that there has to be a streamlined process for assigning personnel taking into consideration their skill sets so that product can be delivered on time. This paper presents a new method that assigns the resources to the tasks when best possible skill sets are not available.	extended it to multiple tasks scenario. The BFR methodology uses the skill-relationship tables to explain the importance of past knowledge of skills and how it contributes to acquiring the required skills. The BFR technology could also be used to provide solutions to multiple tasks where the suitable resources have to be identified.	skills of the people and decisions become subjective. Incorporating new tools and techniques into the resource allocation process will provide more effective staffing decisions to high-priority projects.
M. Saidi Mehrabad and M. Fathian Brojeny, 2007	The aim of this research work is to show a model for design and implementation of an expert system that will help the organizations to do the following activities - to select the suitable candidates that match the company requirements, Job rotation and fixing salary and other benefits based on their qualification.	Implementation of intelligent techniques to various HRM functions is being widely accepted by organizations. This work has shown the use of expert system as a tool for various HR operations because of the nature of flexibility in the knowledge created and the justifications of the decisions taken.	Human resource is one of the most strategic resources for a society and also for every type of organization. Expert systems can be used in the HR domain for various activities and one of them is assigning the right person based on the skill to the right project. DSS can help the managers in taking quality decisions in this regard and can develop quality software on time.
Muh-CherngWu and Shih-Hsiung Sun, 2006	This research highlights the decision making problem and has studied the learning effect which has not be done in the earlier studies. The objective of a mixed nonlinear program for scheduling projects and allocation of staff problems is to cut down on the outsourcing cost.	A mixed integer nonlinear program has been designed to simulate the problem related to decision making. A genetic algorithm (GA) is designed to solve the nonlinear program. The GA tries different permutations and combinations for about 20 times with random feeds. The scheduling of each task can be decided based on the decision taken for allocation of staff and whether to outsource or not.	Several projects run simultaneously in organizations. The managers face the problem of scheduling tasks and allocating resources for the same. Project scatter effect could be considered while developing tools.
Adnane Belout and Clothilde Gauvreau, 2004	Research done in the past concluded that for the success of a software project, Personnel factor was the only trivial factor. The objective of this paper is to retest the findings related to issues of validity of the measures used in the previous study.	The researchers have examined the construct validity of the human resource factor. They have also arrived at the conclusion that P.I.P. instrument evaluates motivation, training, work experience and the commitment as dependent variables. The researchers also feel that project success has to be viewed from the sponsor's, project managers and the sponsor as project manager's view.	There is a great scope for research on HRM in the project management domain. Apart from personnel factors the managers have to take into account other factors like skill, experience to be able to match resource allocation with task scheduling.
Antoniol, G., Cimitile, A., Di Lucca, G. A., and Di Penta, M., 2003	In this paper the primary focus is on developing an approach based on queueing theory and stochastic simulation to solve the problem staffing to projects and the quality of service in a distributed multiphase maintenance processes.	For evaluating staffing levels and assessing the staffing decisions, Queuing theory and stochastic simulations are considered highly effective. The researchers have explained how simulations can be used to depict the project lifecycle from startup to close down and assess the possibility of the project meeting its deadline.	

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Janat Shah, Ramkumar Rangnathan and D Samanth, 2001	This paper attempts to build a comprehensive framework for resource planning for software firm.	Based on the conceptual framework identified, the researchers have developed a mathematical model explaining the variables, parameters already identified and constraints. Using this model they have calculated the cost of the personnel by studying the revenue gained from each project with the man-hours required and what specific technologies used at various levels. The model finally tries to achieve a cost-benefit analysis of various projects. This helps the organization in deciding the number of people of certain technology to be recruited which projects to be undertaken and calculates the projected cost.	Indian companies are facing from stiff competition from low cost third-world nations and hence it becomes imperative for them to address the problem of manpower utilization as a top priority and have a structured process to be competitive in order to achieve high profitability. Use of computer aided tools will help the managers to identify the right talent, train them and allot them to suitable projects without being subjective in their decision making.

VI. CONCLUSION

How well a software project performs depends on the performance of its employees which is the result of optimal human resource allocation and efficient scheduling of tasks. The problem of human resource allocation and scheduling of tasks to employees as described in the literature of this paper is a major area of concern which RM and project managers have to deal with. Through relevant literature, this paper summarizes the tools developed to cope with the above mentioned issues. This paper therefore highlights the importance of HRIDSS: an Automated Intelligent Decision Support System which can overcome some flaws of the existing systems. The problems faced by the companies namely, rising project cost, failure to meet deadlines and the human resource allocation problems can be overcome with the implementation of HRIDSS. Some of the approaches discussed above only consider reducing the cost in terms of time or money, and they do not take into account the practical issues which can affect the actual development process when the plan is applied in the actual situation. The other major challenge the companies face is that since the workforce is highly flexible and the requirements are very specific there emerge situations when the resources are allocated inefficiently. This paper therefore recommends that various organizations need to establish and implement intelligent systems such as HRIDSS in the future to solve various HR and SPM related problems in organizations and ease the burden on Resource Managers and Project Managers.

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