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IT-expert retention through organizational commitment: A study



of public sector information technology professionals in Pakistan

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Abstract Organizational commitment has been studied extensively world over and hundreds of research articles are available however a few studies address organizational commitment in IT sector high technology employees. In Pakistan insufficient research is available specific to IT sector employees. The present study is an attempt to better describe these factors which can induce organiza- tional commitment in Pakistani IT sector high technology employees.

Previous studies in different countries validate that compensation; training and development and supervisor support induce organizational commitment in high technology employees, which increases employee retention. These factors were tested in IT sector organizations in Pakistan, findings of present study estab- lished that in Pakistan for IT professional’s compensation, training and develop- ment and supervisor support is significantly correlated with organizational commitment.

KEYWORDS

Organizational commitment; Pakistan;

High technology employees; Compensation; Training and development; Supervisor support; IT professionals; Retention; Affective commitment; Normative commitment;

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The findings of present research will be useful for human resource managers in IT sector organizations through out Pakistan and it will help them in retaining this scarce human capital.

Continuance commitment; Organizational commitment questionnaire (OCQ)

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1. Introduction

Managing turn over is a increasing challenge especially for companies employing high technology professionals ([Dockel, 2001](#_bookmark9)). Managers have to bolster IT profes- sionals’ sense of self-worth by treating them as intellectual assets, not operating expenses, and by helping them shape and direct their careers, so they can gain experience within the enterprise rather than outside it ([Pare´and Tremblay, 2000](#_bookmark13)). The above findings of some researches conducted on of high technology IT pro- fessionals validate that their retention is becoming difficult for business managers and organizations are interested in finding out ways which can induce organiza- tional commitment in IT sector high technology employees and reduce turn over. The studies conducted in this regard found significant relationships between orga- nizational commitment and employee retention factors like compensation, train- ing and development and supervisor support. [Dockel (2001)](#_bookmark9) conducted a research in this regard however this research was specific to telecom industry and South African working environment. Hence it cannot be applied globally

or in any other country like Pakistan.

Pakistan is a developing country with less opportunities due to which high tech- nology employees always try to avail a better opportunity that makes retention of high technology employees more complex and difficult job for a manager. Hence present study explains relationship of some significant factors in Pakistani public sector IT professionals, which can induce organizational commitment.

1. Review of literature

A number of articles were reviewed to study the importance of employee retention, organizational commitment with specific reference to high technology employees IT sector. The literature review clearly establishes relation ship between factors like Compensation, training and Development and Supervisor Support on Orga- nizational Commitment.

* 1. *Compensation*

Compensation has a strong and significant relationship to organizational commit- ment ([Dockel, 2001](#_bookmark9)). Indeed, more an employee perceives a high level of internal equity (in comparison with other employees of the same department and/or the same company) and external equity (in comparison with individuals occupying

a similar job in other organizations) in regard to issues such as compensation and benefits, performance evaluation, promotions, and mandates, the less they will intend to leave current employer ([Pare´and Tremblay, 2000](#_bookmark13)). Because of the high technology employees commitment to their team, group based pay may result in more commitment to organization ([Dockel, 2001](#_bookmark9)). Earning was found to be not significant though it is positively related to continuance commitment ([Johns,](#_bookmark9) [2005](#_bookmark9)). Employees constantly review if their salary is still competitive ([Dockel,](#_bookmark9) [2001](#_bookmark9)). Those in the highest ranks calculate costs and benefits, which may impact their thoughts of leaving ([Moynihan et al., 2000](#_bookmark10)).

In addition to above there are researches which suggest that one should not organizations should not solely rely on compensation, e.g., A retention strategy that solely focuses on compensation conditions and benefits is not likely to favor commitment and loyalty of employees and offer any guarantee in satisfaction and retention. Further, such a strategy is not likely to compensate for the lack of pro- fessional recognition and chances of advancement and for a little stimulating IT job ([Pare´and Tremblay, 2000](#_bookmark13)). While a focus on competitive pay packages to attract and retain talented cadres is clearly effective in manifesting job motivation, complimentary strategic HR practices are profoundly important in reducing staff turnover ([Chew, 2005](#_bookmark9)). Commitment stemming from economic and pragmatic considerations may actually lead to poor performance and leadership ([Moynihan et al., 2000](#_bookmark10)). Merely increasing wages will increase individual’s percep- tion of low alternatives but has no impact on improving the alignment of employee goals with the organization ([Iverson and Buttigieg, 1999](#_bookmark9)).

These diverse findings highlight importance of compensation. It needs to be tested whether organizational commitment in Pakistani IT professionals can solely be induced through compensation or there are some other factors in addition to compensation. However literature review strongly establishes relationship between organizational commitment and compensation. Hence in present study Compen- sation is one of the independent variable and its relationship with Organizational commitment will be seen in the findings.

H1: Compensation is significantly and positively related to Organizational Commitment

* 1. *Training and development*

Employee development programs play a significant role in job satisfaction which helps lead to retention ([Shelton, 2001](#_bookmark16)). Training, development opportunities and career opportunities were not found to have direct impact of organizational com- mitment in high technology industry This finding is contrary to many other find- ings in high technology industry ([Dockel, 2001](#_bookmark9)). Training is too often seen as a perk when it should be seen as essential investment in the intellectual capital of

the organization. This is true in every professional field, but is perhaps more acute in IT ([Pare´and Tremblay, 2000](#_bookmark13)). Proper training of managers and supervisors to recognize profile of each individual coupled with training in how to turn around perception that the organization controls can considerably improve retention efforts ([Rossi, 2000](#_bookmark15)). Organizations should have a process for encouraging, plan- ning and investing in high technology employee’s professional development ([Dockel, 2001](#_bookmark9)). Training, support for training and motivation to learn were signif- icantly and positively associated with overall commitment and its types, i.e., affec- tive commitment and normative commitment ([Ahmad and Bakar, 2003](#_bookmark9)).

Thus Training and Development has emerged as one of important independent variable having relationship with organizational commitment. Hence it is taken in the present research and its impact on organizational commitment in Pakistani IT professionals will be tested.

H2: Training & Development is significantly and positively related to Organiza- tional Commitment

* 1. *Supervisor support*

Indeed, it seems that a successful employee whose work performance is recognized by his superiors and his peers will tend to do more than what is formally required of him ([Pare´and Tremblay, 2000](#_bookmark13)). For high technology employees supervisor sup- port gives them a chance to make difference on job, try out new skills and receive feed back on performance ([Dockel, 2001](#_bookmark9)). Employees emotional attachment to, identification with, and involvement in the organization is positively related to supervisor care and concerns about their employees, opinion, values and general well being ([Soulen, 2003](#_bookmark18)). The perception of the employees that the organization does support them is with strongest positive correlation with affective commitment ([Mayer et al., 2002](#_bookmark11)) where as supervisor relationships had a more and stronger relationship to turnover intention ([Raabe and Beehr, 2003](#_bookmark14)). These findings are suf- ficient to argue that supervisor support is strongly related with organizational commitment and due to its relationship it is one of the independent variables and its relationship with organizational commitment will be tested in Pakistani IT professionals.

H3: Supervisor Support is significantly and positively related to Organizational Commitment

But while seeing the relationship of these factors it is important to note that retention is not for every one. For example one research suggests that would be a mistake to believe that organizations should attempt to retain each and every employee-especially in today’s economic turmoil. The challenges that confront mangers are therefore not only how to minimize the possibility of loosing good

***Independent Variables Dependent Variable***

**Supervisor Support**

**Organizational Commitment**

**Training & Development**

**Compensation**

Figure 1 Theoretical framework showing relationship between independent and dependent variables.

employees, but also how to identify the employees and organization needs and wants to keep ([Kreisman, 2002](#_bookmark9)).

All the above literature review identified three important independent variables and all of them have relationship with the dependent variable *Organizational com- mitment*. It is the employee’s emotional attachment, identification with, and involvement in a particular organization. The major contribution in defining orga- nizational commitment and its components is by [Allen and Meyer (1990)](#_bookmark9) who have described three types of Organizational commitment as affective, normative and continuance. All three forms of organizational commitment are negatively correlated with withdrawl cognition, turnover intention and turn over ([Mayer](#_bookmark11) [et al., 2002](#_bookmark11)). Managers must keep in mind that IT specialists who identify them- selves and feel emotionally attached to their organization and/or work unit are those who risk least to leave ([Pare´and Tremblay, 2000](#_bookmark13)). Organizational commit- ment was revealed to be negatively related to turnover intentions ([Lee, 2000](#_bookmark9)). Affective commitment constitutes the primary predictor of turnover intentions. IT specialists grant a lot of importance for the alignment between their own values and those conveyed by management and they look for a work environment or milieu which will allow them to develop a strong feeling of belonging ([Pare´and](#_bookmark13) [Tremblay, 2000](#_bookmark13)). Job involvement, Organizational commitment are negatively related to turn over intention ([Sjoberg and Sverke, 2000](#_bookmark17)). Organizations that focus on different retention strategies that tap into different mind sets of commitment might have a better chance of retaining key employees ([Irving et al., 2002](#_bookmark9)). The organizational commitment has also macro level implications. Organizations with weak commitment are often less productive and if this occurs broadly throughout a number of organizations then quality of products and services may decline ([Johns, 2005](#_bookmark9)). Thus research on organizational commitment can also specify causes of low quality products in Pakistan ([Fig. 1](#_bookmark1)).

1. Methodology
   1. *Questionnaire*

The questionnaire contained questions relating to organizational commitment, Compensation, Training and Development and Supervisor support. The question-

naire was based on well tested questionnaire like Allen and Myers Organizational commitment questionnaire (OCQ). [Dockel (2001)](#_bookmark9) used similar questionnaire to find out the Organizational Commitment in high technology employees in South Africa. The questionnaire with some modifications as per local requirements of Pakistan was used. Since the questionnaire was successfully used in previous stud- ies and well tested by researchers on internal consistency and other measures hence in the present study the same questionnaire was used to test the level of organiza- tional commitment in Pakistani IT sector professionals. Participants had to indi- cate their agreement with each item on five point Likert scales (endpoints: 1 = strongly disagree, 5 = strongly agree).

Questionnaires were printed and given to the heads of the respective human resources departments of each organization. Participation was anonymous to have an impartial opinion. The questionnaires were accompanied by a covering letter explaining the confidentiality and importance of this research.

* 1. *Participants*

There are a number of public sector IT organizations in Pakistan out of which nine IT organizations were selected in this study.

* 1. *Statistical methods*
     1. *Frequency tables*

[Tables 1–7](#_bookmark2) show the demographics of the respondents.

Table 1 Frequency: gender.

Gender

Male Female

Frequency

63

14

Percentage

82

18

Total 77 100

Table 2 Frequency: age.

Age 20–24

25–29

30–34

35–39

40–44

45–49

50 and Over

Total

Frequency

3

24

25

10

7

5

3

77

Percentage

3.8

31

32.4

13

9.6

6.4

3.8

100

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| Table 3 Frequency: qualification. |  | |
| Qualification | Frequency | Percentage |
| Bachelors | 17 | 22.5 |
| Masters | 56 | 72.5 |
| MS/M.Phil. | 4 | 5 |
| PhD | 0 | 0 |
| Total | 77 | 100 |
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| Table 4 Frequency: marital status. | | |
| Marital status | Frequency | Percentage |
| Married | 49 | 64 |
| Unmarried | 28 | 36 |
| Total | 77 | 100 |
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| Table 5 Frequency: native language. |  | |
| Native language | Frequency | Percentage |
| Urdu | 34 | 44.2 |
| English | 4 | 5.2 |
| Punjabi | 21 | 27.3 |
| Sindhi | 3 | 3.9 |
| Pushto | 6 | 7.8 |
| Others | 9 | 11.7 |
| Total | 77 | 100 |
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| Table 6 Frequency: organizational tenure. | | |
| Organizational tenure | Frequency | Percentage |
| 1–4 | 47 | 61.0 |
| 5–9 | 10 | 13.0 |
| 10–14 | 9 | 12.0 |
| 15–19 | 3 | 3.9 |
| 20–24 | 3 | 3.9 |
| 25–29 | 3 | 3.9 |
| 30 and above | 2 | 2.5 |
| Total | 77 | 100 |
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* + 1. *Correlation matrix*

The correlation matrix measures the relationship between different variables. The matrix at [Table 8](#_bookmark7) shows extent of relationship between the independent variables and the dependent variable, i.e., Organizational Commitment.

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| Table 7 Frequency: involvement in salary related issues. | | |
| Involvement | Frequency | Percentage |
| Yes | 10 | 13 |
| No | 67 | 87 |
| Total | 77 | 100 |
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| Table 8 Correlation analysis. | | | | | | | | |
|  | Mean | SD | OC | Comp | T&D | SS | Age | Tenure |
| OC | 3.13 | 0.409 | 1 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Comp | 2.73 | 0.716 | 0.301[\*\*](#_bookmark8) | 1 |  |  |  |  |
| T&D | 2.91 | 0.827 | 0.340[\*\*](#_bookmark8) | 0.364[\*\*](#_bookmark8) | 1 |  |  |  |
| SS | 3.09 | 0.334 | 0.349[\*\*](#_bookmark8) | 0.406[\*\*](#_bookmark8) | 0.301[\*\*](#_bookmark8) | 1 |  |  |
| Age | 32.9 | 7.44 | 0.105 | 0.043 | —0.077 | —0.135 | 1 |  |
| Tenure | 6.04 | 7.04 | 0.021 | —0.031 | —0.147 | —0.158 | 0.902[\*\*](#_bookmark8) | 1 |
| SD = standard deviation, OC = organizational commitment, Comp = compensation, T& D = training and development, SS = supervisor support.  \*\* *p* < 0.01, *N* = 77. | | | | | | | | |

* + 1. *Statistical computer program*

The data was processed in Statistics package SPSS.14.

1. Results
   1. *Characteristics of target population*

Although these selected organizations employed thousands of employees but the professional Information Technology employees were in limited numbers. A total of 85 IT professionals were serving in these organizations and due to their limited number whole population was taken as sample. Out of these respondents 77 responded making response rate 90%. Keeping in view the limited number of IT professionals in public sector organizations the sample is sufficient for analysis of various results.

* 1. *Discussion and findings*
     1. *Discussion and findings (*[*Table 1*](#_bookmark2)*)*

Most of the respondents were male and they constituted 82% of the total popula- tion. Being a relatively new field in Pakistan the number of female IT professionals is low in Pakistani organizations.

* + 1. *Discussion and findings (*[*Table 2*](#_bookmark3)*)*

Most of the respondents were young and more than 60% were between the age of 25–35 years.

* + 1. *Discussion and findings (*[*Table 3*](#_bookmark4)*)*

The frequencies of qualification show that 77% of the respondents possess masters or higher qualification. The reason for this percentage is that only High Technol- ogy IT professionals were included in this study. This is also a reason why total sample size was 77 out of thousands of employees. Many respondents also possess professional IT certifications (not shown in this table).

* + 1. *Discussion and findings (*[*Table 4*](#_bookmark4)*)*

Majority of respondents (64%) are married. Thus majority of the respondents have spouse and children responsibilities as well.

* + 1. *Discussion and findings (*[*Table 5*](#_bookmark5)*)*

The findings in [Table 5](#_bookmark5) indicate that 44.2% of the respondents have shown their native language as Urdu which is also the national language of Pakistan. Punjab is the biggest province of Pakistan and 27.3% respondents have shown their native language as Punjabi. Some foreign nationals are also working in these IT organi- zations showing their native language as English.

* + 1. *Discussion and findings (*[*Table 6*](#_bookmark6)*)*

As already highlighted at [Table 2](#_bookmark3) most of the respondents are young. [Table 7](#_bookmark7) regarding tenure indicate that 61% respondents have a tenure up to four years in their respective organizations. Thus study gives a better understanding of level of organizational commitment of young IT professionals in Pakistan.

* + 1. *Discussion and findings (*[*Table 7*](#_bookmark7)*)*

The purpose of [Table 7](#_bookmark7) is to have an idea about involvement of IT professionals in important issues like salary. The results indicate that level of IT professionals involvement is just 13% and the organizations are taking important decisions about IT professionals without involving them.

* 1. *Inter correlation of the variables*

The Pearson correlation findings show that all the Independent variables, i.e., Pay, Supervisor support and Training and Development are positively and significantly related to Organizational Commitment.

* + 1. *Discussion and findings (*[*Table 8*](#_bookmark7)*)*

Out of different demographics age and tenure were used to find out if they have any impact on the level of organizational commitment of IT professionals in Pakistan. The discussion for [Tables 2 and 6](#_bookmark3) indicate that, majority of the respondents were young having up to four years tenure in their respective organizations. According to correlation analysis age has no significant relationship with Organizational com- mitment in IT professionals that shows that the age has no effect because the behavior pattern regarding commitment is the same because all of the equally wait for better opportunities in a developing country like Pakistan (0.105). This argu- ment is further strengthened by the correlation value of organizational tenure (0.021) which is insignificant and shows no matter how long a professional is with the organization when ever a better opportunity is around it will be availed. These values indicate that IT professional’s organizational commitment in Pakistan has weak link with age and tenure, i.e., with more experience within the organizations and increase in age organizational commitment remains un-affected. [Dockel (2001)](#_bookmark9) argues age and tenure are not correlated with any form of commitment. Similarly these findings are also supported by [Mathebula (2004)](#_bookmark12) who found no correlation between organizational commitment and demographics like age and tenure.

According to Correlation Analysis Compensation has a significant relationship with organizational commitment (0.30\*\*, \*\**p* < 0.01). [Dockel (2001)](#_bookmark9) also found a significant relationship between Compensation and overall Organizational Com- mitment (0.37\*\*, \*\**p* < 0.01). Thus results are supported by [Dockel (2001)](#_bookmark9). [Johns (2005)](#_bookmark9) also found positive relationship between earning and continuance commitment, however it was not significant. However the response from the IT professionals in the questionnaires indicated that majority IT professionals were not satisfied with their salary structure. As highlighted in [Table 7](#_bookmark7) about 87% of IT professionals feel that they are not involved in salary related issues. Thus the Public sector organizations make decisions about different salary related issued of IT professionals without involving them which can be a major cause for their dissatisfaction with salary. Being the backbones of public sector IT organizations they must be involved in incentive schemes to increase their level of Organizational Commitment and retention in these organizations.

The relationship between Supervisor support and organizational commitment is also significant (0.340\*\*, \*\**p* < 0.01). [Dockel (2001)](#_bookmark9) also found a relationship between Supervisor Support and overall Organizational Commitment (0.36\*\*,

\*\**p* < 0.01). The IT professional feel that they are praised on positive performance by their boss. They are provided with a feed back on their performance. The find- ings are supported by [Dockel (2001)](#_bookmark9) and [Soulen (2003)](#_bookmark18). [Raabe and Beehr (2003)](#_bookmark14) also found a negative relationship between supervisor support and turnover inten- tion. Recognition on job well done intrinsically motivates individuals so the orga- nizations should take such steps that IT professionals are not under valued. Moreover organizations should devise a mechanism so that efforts of IT

professionals towards organizational objectives are acknowledged and seen posi- tively by the supervisors.

The relationship between Training and development and organizational com- mitment is also significant (0.349\*\*, \*\**p* < 0.01). These findings are supported by [Shelton (2001)](#_bookmark16) but [Dockel (2001)](#_bookmark9) did not found a significant relationship though it was positive. The response from questionnaire indicate that the IT professionals feel they are not being provided the job related training and sufficient time is not allocated for this training. These professionals are working in an industry where new technology is replacing the existing technology quite swiftly and training is the only way through which these professionals can update their knowledge about the new technologies. Hence the organizations should devise a detailed training program after necessary need assessment and allocate sufficient time for training of these professionals.

1. Conclusion

Majority of the studies were conducted measuring the relationship of three com- ponents of organizational commitment, i.e., Normative, Continuance and affec- tive components with different variables such as pay, Job characteristics, Supervisor support etc. and some also found the relationship between organiza- tional commitment and these factors as a whole. Since no such study was con- ducted on Information Technology (IT) professional in Pakistan the study found the relationship of three variables, i.e., Pay, Supervisor support and Train- ing and Development on Organizational commitment as whole.

The first hypothesis of present study was that compensation is significantly and positively related to organizational commitment. From the above discussions and significant correlation values it is established that among high technology IT pro- fessionals in Pakistan compensation is significantly and positively related to orga- nizational commitment. Thus hypothesis one is established.

The second hypothesis intended to find out positive and significant relation ship between organizational commitment and training and development. The findings clearly indicate that training is significantly and positively related to organiza- tional commitment. Hence hypothesis two is also established.

The third hypothesis of the study was that supervisor support is significantly and positively related to Organizational Commitment. The results obtained by correlation analysis clearly establishes the hypothesis that supervisor support is significantly and positively related to Organizational Commitment.

In their conclusion, [Pare´and Tremblay (2000)](#_bookmark13) argued that IT specialists should not be managed as disposable productive resources but considered as humans with specific needs and interests such as equity and justice, opportunity to learn and innovate, recognition of peers and managers, attainment of new levels of respon- sibility, and empowerment. We support this statement with the view that the role of IT professionals is becoming increasingly important for organizations through

out the world and in Pakistan as well. The business mangers should devise such HR policies that these professionals find them at a place where they have a com- pensation package which is competitive to any other organization. IT profession- als must be provided trainings frequently not only for their personal development but also to gain the competitive advantage through latest technologies. The super- visors of these IT professionals should recognize that managing IT professionals is different than other professionals; they should be involved in decision making to increase level of organizational commitment.

It is also important to note that many developed countries are offering attrac- tive immigrations to IT professionals at priority which is causing a brain drain from Pakistan. Based on above findings immediate measures are required at the Government level for retention of this intellectual capital not only in the organi- zations but also in Pakistan.

1. Future studies

The literature review indicated that there a number of other factors which affect Organizational Commitment of IT professionals. The following future studies are recommended:

1. Factors like Job characteristics, Career opportunities and Work life Polices etc can also be used to see their relationship with organizational commitment.
2. A larger sample from different cities of Pakistan can also be collected for same study.
3. A large number of IT professionals are working in Private sector. Their response on similar variables can be obtained to have a comparison of level of organizational commitment of Public sector and private sector IT profes- sionals in Pakistan.

Appendix A. Questionnaire

* 1. *Demographics*

Please tick the appropriate answer or fill in the box

1. How would you classify your job?

IT Professional

Other professional (engineers etc)

1. How long you have been employed in this company (Years)?
2. How many hours on average do you work per week? Less than 40 hours

More than 40 hours

1

2

1

2

1. Are you involved in salary incentive schemes by the organization?

Yes No

1. What is your highest qualification? Bachelors

Masters M.Phil/MS Doctoral

1. What is your native language? Urdu

English Punjabi Sindhi Pushto Balochi Others

1. What is your marital status? Married

Un-married

1. What is your Gender? Male

Female

1. What is your age?

1

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* 1. *Organizational commitment*

Please tick one of the five choices

* + 1. This organization has a great deal of personal meaning for me

Strongly disagree Disagree Neutral Agree Strongly agree

1 2 3 4 5

* + 1. Right now, staying in this organization is a matter of necessity.

Strongly disagree Disagree Neutral Agree Strongly agree

1 2 3 4 5

* + 1. I owe a great deal to my organization.

Strongly disagree Disagree Neutral Agree Strongly agree

1 2 3 4 5

* + 1. It would be very hard for me to leave the organization even if I want to

Strongly disagree Disagree Neutral Agree Strongly agree

1 2 3 4 5

* + 1. I feel I have few options leaving the current organization?

Strongly disagree Disagree Neutral Agree Strongly agree

1 2 3 4 5

* + 1. I do not feel emotionally attached with this organization.

Strongly disagree Disagree Neutral Agree Strongly agree

1 2 3 4 5

* + 1. I would feel guilty if I leave the organization.

Strongly disagree Disagree Neutral Agree Strongly agree

1 2 3 4 5

* + 1. I really feel as if this organization’s problems are my own?

Strongly disagree Disagree Neutral Agree Strongly agree

1 2 3 4 5

* + 1. One of the reasons for not leaving current organization is scarcity of opportunities for me.

Strongly disagree Disagree Neutral Agree Strongly agree

1 2 3 4 5

* + 1. I do not feel part of family in my organization.

Strongly disagree Disagree Neutral Agree Strongly agree

1 2 3 4 5

* + 1. I would not leave the organization as I have a sense of obligation towards it.

Strongly disagree Disagree Neutral Agree Strongly agree

1 2 3 4 5

* + 1. I do not feel strong sense of belongingness to my organization.

Strongly disagree Disagree Neutral Agree Strongly agree

1 2 3 4 5

* + 1. I do not feel any obligation to stay with my current employer.

Strongly disagree Disagree Neutral Agree Strongly agree

1 2 3 4 5

* + 1. I would be very happy to spend rest of my career with this organization.

Strongly disagree Disagree Neutral Agree Strongly agree

1 2 3 4 5

* + 1. Even to my own advantage I would not leave the organization.

Strongly disagree Disagree Neutral Agree Strongly agree

1 2 3 4 5

* + 1. This organization deserves my loyalty.

Strongly disagree Disagree Neutral Agree Strongly agree

1 2 3 4 5

* 1. *Compensation*

Please tick one of the five choices

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| 26. My Benefit packages  Highly dissatisfied | Dissatisfied | Neutral | Satisfied | Highly satisfied |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| 27. Most recent raise in my salary | | | | |
| Highly dissatisfied | Dissatisfied | Neutral | Satisfied | Highly satisfied |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| 28. Information about pay issues provided to me by company | | | | |
| Highly dissatisfied | Dissatisfied | Neutral | Satisfied | Highly satisfied |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| 29. My current salary packages(Basic pay, benefits, incentives). | | | | |
| Highly dissatisfied | Dissatisfied | Neutral | Satisfied | Highly satisfied |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| 30. My organization’s pay structure | | | | |
| Highly dissatisfied | Dissatisfied | Neutral | Satisfied | Highly satisfied |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| 31. Influence my Boss has on my salary | | | | |
| Highly dissatisfied | Dissatisfied | Neutral | Satisfied | Highly satisfied |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| 32. Consistency of company’s salary policy. | | | | |
| Highly dissatisfied | Dissatisfied | Neutral | Satisfied | Highly satisfied |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| 33. The number of benefits I receive (house, car, telephone etc) | | | | |
| Highly dissatisfied | Dissatisfied | Neutral | Satisfied | Highly satisfied |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| 34. How my salary is increased (on performance or some other measure) | | | | |
| Highly dissatisfied | Dissatisfied | Neutral | Satisfied | Highly satisfied |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| 35. Size of my incentives  Highly dissatisfied | Dissatisfied | Neutral | Satisfied | Highly satisfied |
| 1 2  36. How the company administers the pay | | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| Highly dissatisfied | Dissatisfied | Neutral | Satisfied | Highly satisfied |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |

* 1. *Training and development*

Please tick one of the five choices

37. My organization is providing me job related training

Strongly disagree Disagree Neutral

1 2 3

Agree

4

Strongly agree

5

1. I can apply what I learnt from training at my job

Strongly disagree Disagree Neutral Agree Strongly agree

1 2 3 4 5

1. There are enough development opportunities for me in my organization

Strongly disagree Disagree Neutral Agree Strongly agree

1 2 3 4 5

1. Suﬃcient time is allocated for training

Strongly disagree Disagree Neutral Agree Strongly agree

1 2 3 4 5

1. I have opportunity to be involved in activities that affect my professional development

Strongly disagree Disagree Neutral Agree Strongly agree

1 2 3 4 5

* 1. *Supervisor support*

Please tick one of the five choices

42. My Boss praises positive performance in private and in presence of others.

Strongly disagree Disagree Neutral Agree

1 2 3 4

Strongly agree

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1. I feel under valued by my boss.

Strongly disagree Disagree Neutral Agree Strongly agree

1 2 3 4 5

1. My Boss never gives me feed back how well I completed the task.

Strongly disagree Disagree Neutral Agree Strongly agree

1 2 3 4 5

1. My Boss gives a reward to good idea by implementing it and giving credit to responsible oﬃcial. Strongly disagree Disagree Neutral Agree Strongly agree

1 2 3 4 5

1. My Boss seldom recognizes a job well one.

Strongly disagree Disagree Neutral Agree Strongly agree

1 2 3 4 5

1. My boss often lets me know how well I am performing the job.

Strongly disagree Disagree Neutral Agree Strongly agree

1 2 3 4 5

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