Summary – Human Resources & Team Management

Source: Chemuturi & Cagley (2010), Mastering Software Project Management, pp. 251–270

Key Points:

- **Resource Estimation**: Calculate the number and type of people needed using effort estimates, skills required, and availability.
- **Team Allocation**: Assign tasks based on capability, interest, and workload balance once the project starts.
- **Motivation Techniques**: Use recognition, rewards, ownership of tasks, and learning opportunities to keep team members engaged.
- Handling Low Morale: Address issues promptly through feedback, realignment of roles, or escalation when needed.
- **Discipline**: Use fairness, transparency, and documentation when correcting behavior or performance issues.
- **Managing Difficult People**: Identify root causes (personal, interpersonal, or technical), and apply coaching, mentoring, or formal intervention if needed.
- **Best Practices**: Clear communication, regular one-on-ones, role clarity, and feedback loops are key to people management success.

Even as a solo or small-team project, you're already applying these ideas:

- ✓ Allocating tasks smartly (e.g., feature priorities),
- Seeking feedback from stakeholders (Dr. Atif),
- Staying self-motivated via milestone tracking.

As you scale or collaborate more, this framework helps prepare you for effective **tech team leadership**.