

Mod 4: Counselling and HRA

① Counselling

Discussion of a problem that usually has emotional content with an emp in order to help the emp cope with better

↳ Characteristics:

- Exchange of ideas / feelings b/w 2 ppl
- Improves org performance
- Makes org to be more human & considerate
- Performed by pros or non pros
- Usually confidential

↳ Need for counselling

- Need arises due to various cause in addition to stress
- Causes include emotions, interpersonal problems, conflict at place, inability to meet job demands...

↳ Functions

- Advice → Reassurance → Communication
- Release of emotion tension → Clarified Thinking
- Reorientation

② Communication

- Process by which all info is transferred from one person to other
- Comm is said to be perfect only when receiver understands it in the sense the sender expected him to understand.

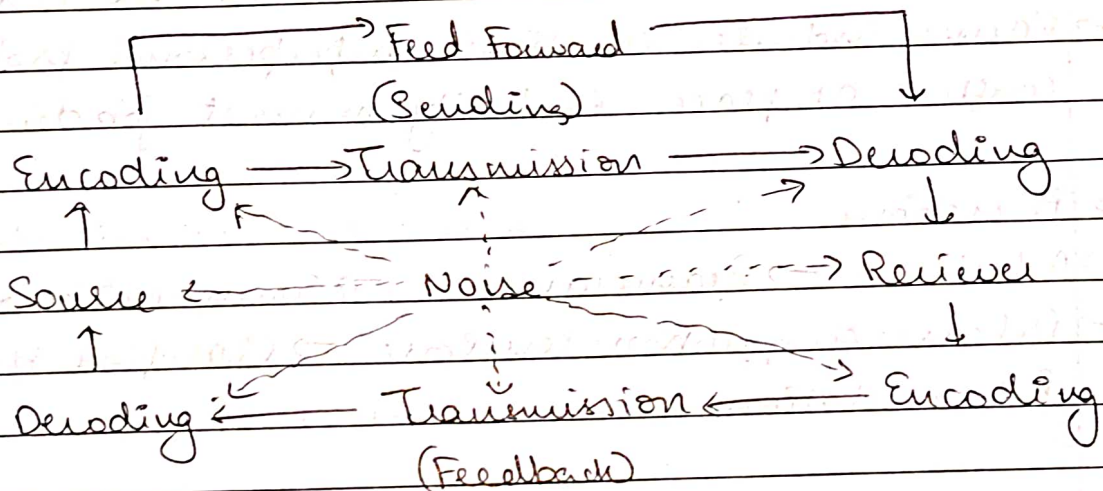
① Purpose of comm

- Needed to exchange ideas & opinions
- Needed for designing job & MRP
- Emp orientation and socialisation programs become possible

② Functions of comm

- Info is transmitted within ppl
- Ppl are motivated & directed
- Ppl's attitude & belief are molded
- Their behaviour is influenced positively
- Performs the fn of entertainment & maintenance of social relations

③ Comm process



④ Effective comm

- Content: Calls for clear thinking about objective, msg, wording and ppt
- Technique: Select most appropriate technique. The techniques are Oral, Written, Graphic etc..
- Media: Personal contact, meeting, conference, letters, report, notices, handbooks..

② HR accounting

Process of assigning, budgeting and reporting the cost of human resources incurred in an org, including wages and salaries & training costs.

③ Objective

- Furnish cost value info for making right decisions
- Effectively monitor use of HR
- Have an analysis of human asset
- Aid in development of right principles
- Facilitates valuation of HR regarding
- Helps in making decisions with: recruitment, promotion, retention, transfer etc.

④ Advantage

- Checks corporate plan of org
- Offsets uncertainty & changes
- Promotes scope for advancement of emp
- Helps emp to aspire for promotion
- Aims to see human involvement is wasted in org
- Helps to take steps to improve emp contribution
- Provides diff method of testing to be used
- Foresee change in value, aptitude & attitude

⑤ Methods of HRA (Valuation of HR)

→ Cost Based Models:

- i) Historical cost ii) Replacement cost
- iii) Opportunity cost iv) Standard cost

→ Value Based models:

- i) Present value of future earning model
- ii) Flamholtz's Stochastic Reward valuation model.

① Historical Cost method (^{Original} Outlay cost method)

- Developed by William C Pyle, Lee Brummel & Flamholtz
- Cost incurred on recruiting, selecting, TD, hiring is capitalised & amortized over expected life of HR.
- If HR is liquidated prematurely, the whole amount not written is charged to income of ^{year of} next liquidation

Ad: Simple, Evaluating ROI, Objective method

Dis: less accurate, Difficult to estimate emp period.

② Replacement cost method (RC - Replacement cost)

- Developed by G. Flamholtz
- Value to an org of an individual's service is reflected by amount that org has to pay to replace these services

Ad: Considers current HR value, RC are present oriented
RC is better than historic cost

Dis: No identical replacement of HR, Value of HR based on RC is subjective

③ Opportunity cost method

- Suggested by Hekimian & Jones.
- Based on economist's concept of opportunity cost.
- Value of emp in his alternative is determined and is taken as basis for estimating value of HR

Ad: Gives optimum allocation of personnel

Provides Quantitative base for evaluating HR

Dis: Expensive, less reliable

④ Standard cost method

→ David Watson suggested this

→ Emps are categorized to diff groups based on their hierarchy.

- Std costs are fixed and value is calculated
- Std costs are updated every year
- Ad: Easy implementation

v) Present value of future earning model (Compensation model)

- Suggested by Branch lev & Aba Schwartz
- Empls are classified (Age & efficiency)
- Find avg income of empls.
- Calculate income of every group until retirement
- Apply cost of capital rate & arrive at HR value

$$V_n = T \sum_{t=n}^{\text{Retirement age}} \frac{I(t)}{(1+r)^{(t-n)}} \quad \begin{matrix} \text{value} & \text{Annual earning} \\ & \text{e: Discount rate} \\ & n: \text{Age} \end{matrix}$$

Ad: Depends on future earning capacity, logical

Dis: Ignore change in profession, doesn't consider emp ^{who} leave

vi) Flamholtz's Stochastic Reward valuation model

- Assume that person's value depends on position they hold in org.
- Find expected service life
- Identify the time they'll remain in position
- Estimate value
- Estimate value if they change position
- Apply discount rate

$$RV = \sum_{i=1}^m \frac{R_i P(R_i)}{(1+r)^t} \quad \begin{matrix} \text{Amount of service received} \\ \text{Expected service} \\ \text{time} \\ \text{discount} \end{matrix}$$

Ad: Takes into consideration career movement
Combines monetary / non monetary variables

Dis: Expensive, Difficult to estimate $P(R_i)$.