### STANDARD COSTING

**DEFINATION:** Standard cost is predetermined costs which are used in production as a basis of comparison with actual cost. Standard costing ascertainment, uses & compare with actual cost after making actual cost.

**VARIANCE**: Variance is the deviation standard & actual cost. There are two kinds of variance - (1) Favourable variance, & (2) Unfavourable variance.

**EXAMPLE:**  $S = Tk \ 5 \text{ per unit};$  Where, S = standard If  $A = TK \ 4.5 \text{ per unit}.$  &  $A = actual \cos t$ .

Variance = Tk 0.5 per unit. (F) If A = Tk 5.5 per unit. Variance = Tk 0.5 per unit. (UF)

## STANDARD COST INVOLVES-

- (1) Ascertainment & use of standard cost.
- (2) Measurement of actual cost.
- (3) Comparison standard cost with actual cost to develop variances.
- (4) Analysis of variances & taking appropriate action where necessary.

## **REASONS OF VARIANCES:**

- (1) Material cost variance.
- (2) Labour variance.
- (3) Factory overhead variance.

**MATERIAL COST VARIANCE:** The difference between the costs of material specified & cost of material used.

#### **REASONS OF MATERIAL COST VARIANCE:**

- (1) Price variance,
- (2) Uses variance,
- (3) Mix variance.

# **RULES:**

Material cost variance = Standard cost – Actual cost.

Price variance = AQ (SP - AP)

Uses variance = SP (SQ - AQ)

Mix variance = SP (SQ - AQ)

Where, AQ = Actual quantity,

SP = Standard price,

AP = Actual price,

SQ = Standard quantity,

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## **EXAMPLE OF VARIANCE:**

## STANDARD COST:

Material	Units	Rate	Total cost Tk.	
A	200 lbs	@ 10	2000	
В	300 lbs	@ 5	1500	

## **ACTUAL COST:**

Material	Units	Rate	Total cost Tk.				
A	250 lbs	@ 9	2250.				
В	250 lbs	@ 8	2000.				
So, material cost variance = standard cost – actual cost							
=3500-4250							
= 750 ( UF )							

## **ANALYSIS OF VARIANCE:**

(1) Price variance = AQ (SP – AP) In A, price variance = 250\*(10 -9) = 250 (F) In B, price variance = 250\*(8 - 5) = 750 (UF)

Total price variance = 500(UF)

- (2) Uses variance = SP (SQ AQ) SQ = standard (A + B) units = 500 lbs AQ = actual (A + B) units = 500 lbs So, uses variance = 0 (zero)
- (3) Mix variance = SP (SQ AQ) In A, Mix V = 10\*(200 - 250) = 500(UF)In B, Mix V = 5\*(300 - 250) = 250(F)

Total Mix variance = 250(UF)

Total variance = (Price + Mix + Uses) variance  
= 
$$[500(UF) + 250(UF) + 0)$$
  
=  $750(UF)$ .

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RULE: Output variance = SR (SO - AO)

Where, SR = standard rate = [total standard cost] / [standard output]

SO = standard output = Total used material – normal loss.

AO = Actual cost or production.

EXAMPLE: Add in example of variance normal loss is 5% & actual production 460 lbs.

Standard input	per unit	Total cost.	
A = 200 lbs	@ 10	2000	
B = 300 lbs	@ 5	1500	
Total input = 500 lbs	T	otal standard cost = 3500	
Less: Normal loss 25 lbs			

Standard output = 475 lbs.

Standard rate = 3500 / 475 = 7.37 Tk.

Output variance = 7.37\*(475 - 460)

= 110.55 (UF) (Ans.)