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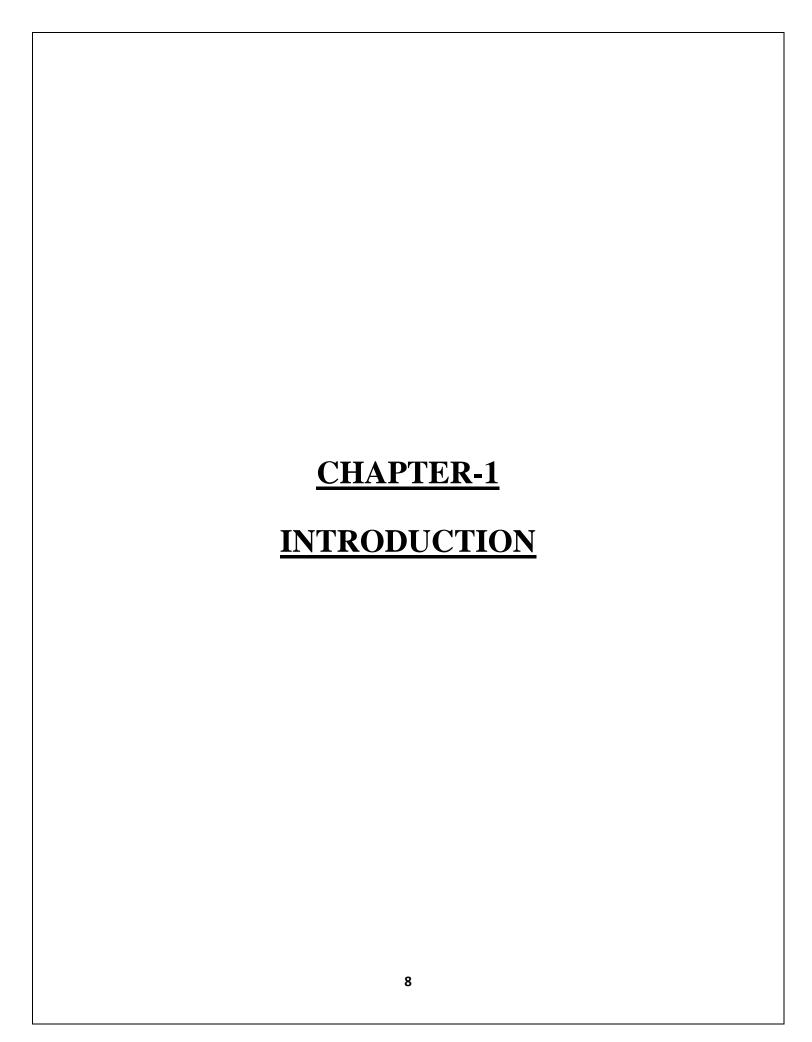
This report presents an analysis of "Data Handling and Order Processing" practices observed during my internship at Emmbros Forgings Pvt. Ltd. The primary goal was to assess the effectiveness of current workflows and identify opportunities for enhancement. Throughout my tenure, I was involved in various aspects of order management, including tracking customer orders, responding to inquiries, and overseeing returns and exchanges.

A survey conducted among customers and staff yielded valuable insights into the effectiveness of these processes. Notably, while 40% of customers expressed satisfaction with the tracking information provided after order dispatch, 31% indicated dissatisfaction. This disparity suggests that there is room for improvement in how we communicate order statuses. Additionally, only 32% of respondents felt that existing order processing workflows effectively minimized delays and errors, highlighting potential inefficiencies that need to be addressed. In terms of customer inquiries, just 34% of respondents believed that the communication channels in place adequately addressed their concerns regarding order status. This feedback points to possible gaps in customer support that could benefit from a review and refinement of the current strategies. The management of returns and exchanges also revealed mixed feelings, with only 45% feeling that these processes were in line with company policies, while 35% disagreed. This indicates a need for clearer guidelines and improved execution in handling returns. Finally, the perception of regular reviews of order processing metrics was another area of concern, with only 36% of respondents supporting the effectiveness of these evaluations in identifying improvement areas. This suggests that current assessment practices may not be sufficiently robust.

Overall, my **Internship** at **Emmbros Forgings Pvt. Ltd.** provided crucial insights into the importance of effective data handling and order processing. By implementing improved communication strategies, streamlining workflows, and establishing a structured approach to metric reviews, the company can significantly enhance customer satisfaction and operational efficiency. The recommendations outlined in this report aim to foster a more responsive and effective order processing environment that ultimately benefits both the company and its customers.

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CHAPTER-1

INTRODUCTION

Meaning of Data Handling

Data handling refers to the collection, storage, processing, and management of data. It encompasses a variety of practices and techniques to ensure that data is accurate, accessible, and secure. Key components include:

- **1. Data Collection**: The process of gathering data from various sources, such as surveys, transactions, sensors, or user inputs.
- **2. Data Storage**: Storing data in databases, data warehouses, or cloud storage, ensuring that it is organized and retrievable.
- **3. Data Processing**: Transforming raw data into a usable format through methods like cleaning, sorting, analyzing, and aggregating.
- **4. Data Analysis**: Examining and interpreting data to extract insights, identify trends, or make informed decisions. This often involves statistical tools and software.
- **5. Data Security**: Implementing measures to protect data from unauthorized access, breaches, and loss. This includes encryption, access controls, and regular backups.
- **6. Data Governance**: Establishing policies and standards for managing data, including data quality, compliance with regulations (like GDPR), and ethical considerations.
- **7. Data Sharing and Distribution**: Managing how data is shared within an organization or with external partners, ensuring proper protocols and permissions are in place.
- **8. Data Disposal**: Safely deleting or archiving data that is no longer needed, following best practices to protect sensitive information.

Definition of Data handling

Data handling means collecting the set of data and presenting in a different form. Data is a collection of numerical figures that represents a particular kind of information. The collection of observations which are gathered initially is called the raw data. Data can be in any form. It may be words, numbers, measurements, descriptions or observations. Data handling is the process of

securing the research data is gathered, archived or disposed of in a protected and safe way during and after the completion of the analysis process.

Features of Data Handling

- **1. Data Collection:** Automated and manual methods for gathering data from various sources (e.g., online forms, surveys, transactions).
- **2. Data Entry:** Systems for inputting data accurately into databases, including validation checks to minimize errors.
- **3. Data Storage:** Secure storage solutions, such as cloud services or on-premises databases, ensuring data integrity and accessibility.
- **4. Data Maintenance:** Regular updates, backups, and audits to ensure data accuracy and relevance over time.
- **5. Data Security:** Implementation of encryption, access controls, and compliance measures to protect sensitive information.
- **6. Data Analytics:** Tools and techniques for analyzing data trends, generating insights, and informing business decisions.

Importance of Data Handling

Data handling is crucial for several reasons:

- 1. Data Integrity and Accuracy: Proper data handling ensures that the data collected and stored is accurate and reliable. This leads to better decision-making based on trustworthy information.
- 2. Compliance and Legal Obligations: Organizations must adhere to various regulations (like GDPR, HIPAA) that govern data protection and privacy. Proper data handling practices help ensure compliance and avoid legal repercussions.
- **3. Enhanced Decision-Making:** Well-handled data provides insights that inform strategic decisions, helping organizations respond to market trends and customer needs effectively.
- **4. Operational Efficiency:** Streamlined data handling processes can improve overall efficiency, reducing errors, time spent on manual tasks, and costs associated with data management.

- **5. Security and Privacy:** Effective data handling practices protect sensitive information from breaches and unauthorized access, fostering trust with customers and stakeholders.
- **6. Data Quality:** Consistent handling and maintenance of data lead to high-quality datasets, which are essential for accurate analysis and reporting.
- **7. Scalability:** As organizations grow, robust data handling practices enable scalable solutions that can accommodate increasing amounts of data without compromising quality or efficiency.
- **8. Improved Customer Insights**: Properly handled customer data allows for deeper analysis of customer behavior, preferences, and trends, enabling targeted marketing and personalized services.
- **9. Risk Management:** By managing data effectively, organizations can identify potential risks and take proactive measures to mitigate them.
- **10. Long-Term Sustainability:** Sustainable data handling practices contribute to the long-term viability of an organization by ensuring that data remains a valuable asset.

Technologies of Data Handling

Data handling technologies encompass a wide range of tools and systems designed to efficiently collect, store, process, and analyze data. Here are some key technologies used in data handling:

1. Database Management Systems (DBMS)

- **Relational DBMS (RDBMS):** Tools like MySQL, PostgreSQL, and Oracle that organize data into tables and support SQL for querying.
- **NoSQL Databases:** Options like MongoDB and Cassandra for unstructured data, allowing for flexible data models.

2. Data Warehousing Solutions

• **Data Warehouses:** Platforms such as Amazon Redshift and Google Big Query that aggregate and store large volumes of structured data for analysis.

• **ETL Tools:** Extract, Transform, Load (ETL) tools like Talend and Informatica help in data integration and transformation before loading data into warehouses.

3. Data Integration Tools

• Tools like Apache NiFi and Microsoft Azure Data Factory enable the integration of data from various sources, facilitating seamless data flow.

4. Data Analytics and Business Intelligence (BI) Tools

- **BI Platforms:** Solutions like Tableau, Power BI, and Looker allow users to visualize and analyze data, generating reports and dashboards for decision-making.
- Statistical Analysis Software: Tools like R and SAS for performing complex data analyses and modeling.

5. Big Data Technologies

- **Hadoop Ecosystem:** Includes Apache Hadoop for distributed storage and processing of large datasets, along with tools like Hive and Pig for querying and analyzing big data.
- **Spark:** An open-source data processing engine that provides fast and general-purpose cluster computing.

6. Cloud Computing Platforms

 Services like Amazon Web Services (AWS), Microsoft Azure, and Google Cloud Platform (GCP) offer scalable infrastructure for data storage and processing, along with integrated data handling tools.

7. Data Visualization Tools

• Tools such as D3.js, Google Data Studio, and Qlik Sense help in creating interactive visualizations to better understand data trends and insights.

8. Machine Learning and AI Technologies

• Frameworks like TensorFlow and PyTorch allow for advanced data analysis and predictive modeling, leveraging algorithms to extract deeper insights from data.

9. Data Governance and Security Tools

• Solutions like Collibra and Alation assist in data governance, ensuring compliance and data quality, while tools like IBM Guardium focus on data security.

10. Collaboration and Data Sharing Platforms

 Tools such as Microsoft Teams and Slack facilitate collaboration among teams working on data projects, while platforms like SharePoint enable secure data sharing.

Types of Data Handling

Data handling refers to the process of collecting, organizing, storing, and analyzing data.

1. Data Collection:

- Surveys and Questionnaires
- Experiments
- Observational Studies
- Web Scraping

2. Data Organization:

- Structuring data in tables (e.g., spreadsheets, databases)
- Categorizing data into classes or groups
- Creating data dictionaries for metadata

3. Data Cleaning:

- Removing duplicates
- Handling missing values
- Correcting errors or inconsistencies
- Normalizing data formats

4. Data Storage:

- Databases (SQL, NoSQL)
- Data Warehouses
- Cloud Storage Solutions
- File Systems

5. Data Analysis:

- Descriptive Statistics (mean, median, mode)
- Inferential Statistics (hypothesis testing, regression analysis)
- Data Visualization (charts, graphs, dashboards)
- Machine Learning Algorithms

6. Data Reporting:

- Creating reports and dashboards
- Presenting findings to stakeholders
- Automating report generation

7. Data Security:

- Implementing access controls
- Data encryption
- Regular backups
- Compliance with data protection regulations (e.g., GDPR, HIPAA)

8. Data Sharing:

- APIs for data exchange
- Data marketplaces
- Collaborative platforms

Data Handling Steps

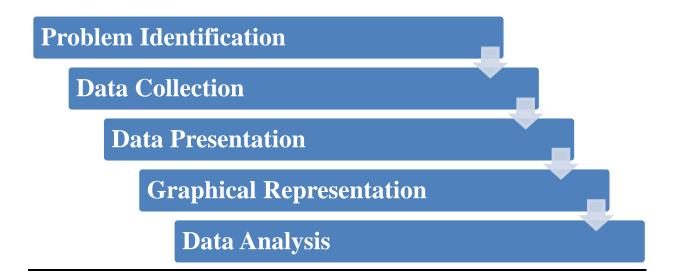


Figure 1

The steps involved in the data handling process are as follows:

Step 1: Problem Identification

In the data handing process, the purpose or problem statement has to be identified and well defined.

Step 2: Data Collection

The data relevant to the problem statement is collected.

Step 3: Data Presentation

The collected data should be presented in a meaningful manner and it should be easily understood. It can be done by arranging the collected data in the tally marks, table forms, and so on.

Step 4: Graphical Representation

Since the visual or graphical representation of the data makes the analysis and understanding easier, the presented data can be plotted in graphs, charts such as bar graphs, pie charts and so on.

Step 5: Data Analysis

The data should undergo data analysis so that the necessary information can be concluded from the data, which helps in taking further actions.

Methods of Data Handling

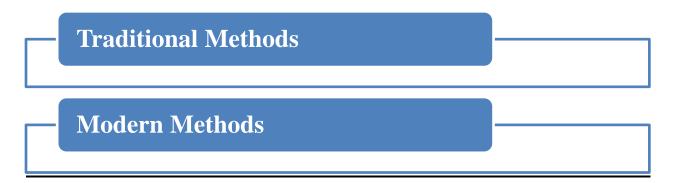


Figure 2

<u>Traditional Methods</u>: Traditional methods of data handling refer to the practices and techniques that have been used historically before the advent of modern digital technologies. While many of these methods have been largely replaced or supplemented by more advanced technologies, they still hold relevance in certain contexts.

1. Paper-Based Data Collection

- **Surveys and Questionnaires:** Conducting surveys using printed forms that respondents fill out by hand.
- **Interviews:** Gathering information through face-to-face interviews, often recorded on paper.

• **Observation:** Collecting data through manual observation and note-taking in various settings.

2. Manual Data Entry

- Handwritten Records: Data is recorded by hand in ledgers, notebooks, or printed forms.
- **Typing Data:** Manually inputting data into spreadsheets or word processors from paper documents.

3. Physical File Storage

- **Filing Cabinets:** Storing physical documents and records in organized filing systems, often categorized by date, subject, or type.
- **Index Cards:** Using index cards for cataloging information, commonly used in libraries and archives.

4. Data Processing Techniques

- Calculators and Spreadsheets: Utilizing manual calculators or basic spreadsheet applications (like early versions of Excel) for simple data calculations and organization.
- **Hand Calculations:** Performing calculations by hand for data analysis, which can be time-consuming and prone to error.

5. Data Reporting

- **Printed Reports:** Generating reports on paper for stakeholders, often summarized from collected data.
- **Bulletin Boards:** Posting important information or updates in a centralized location for employees or the public.

6. Data Communication

- **Memorandums:** Using written memos to share information among team members or departments.
- **Postal Mail:** Sending physical documents or reports through traditional mail.

7. Data Backup and Archiving

- **Physical Backups:** Keeping copies of important documents in different physical locations to safeguard against loss or damage.
- Microfiche and Microfilm: Storing data in miniature film format for archival purposes, commonly used by libraries and organizations to preserve large volumes of information.

8. Challenges of Traditional Methods

- **Time-Consuming:** Manual processes can be slow, leading to delays in data availability.
- Error-Prone: Human error during data entry or calculations can lead to inaccuracies.
- Limited Accessibility: Accessing data stored physically can be cumbersome, especially for large organizations.
- **Storage Issues:** Physical storage takes up space and can be vulnerable to damage or loss.

<u>Modern Methods</u>: Modern methods of data handling have transformed how organizations collect, store, analyze, and utilize data.

- **1. Cloud Computing**: Services like AWS, Google Cloud, and Microsoft Azure offer scalable storage and computing power, enabling organizations to access and manage data remotely.
- **2. Big Data Technologies**: Frameworks like Hadoop and Apache Spark allow for the processing and analysis of vast datasets. They facilitate real-time analytics and can handle structured and unstructured data.
- **3. Data Warehousing**: Solutions like Snowflake and Amazon Redshift consolidate data from multiple sources into a central repository, enabling efficient querying and reporting.
- **4. Data Lakes**: Unlike traditional databases, data lakes store raw data in its native format, allowing for flexible analysis later. This is useful for machine learning and advanced analytics.
- **5. No SQL Databases**: Systems like MongoDB and Cassandra are designed to handle unstructured and semi-structured data, offering high scalability and performance for certain applications.
- **6. Data Integration Tools**: Platforms like Talend and Apache NiFi help aggregate data from various sources, ensuring it is clean, consistent, and ready for analysis.
- 7. Real-Time Data Processing: Technologies such as Apache Kafka and Flink enable real-time data ingestion and processing, making it possible to act on insights immediately.
- **8. Data Visualization Tools**: Tools like Tableau, Power BI, and Looker help translate complex data into visual formats, making it easier for stakeholders to understand insights.
- **9. Machine Learning and AI**: These technologies automate data analysis, uncovering patterns and trends that might not be visible through traditional methods.
- **10. Data Governance and Quality Tools**: Solutions that ensure data accuracy, consistency, and compliance, such as Informatica and Collibra, are critical for managing data integrity.

- **11. API-based Data Access**: APIs allow seamless data sharing between systems, enabling integration and communication across platforms.
- **12. Edge Computing**: Processing data closer to its source (e.g., IoT devices) reduces latency and bandwidth usage, which is crucial for time-sensitive applications.

Objectives of Data Handling

The objectives of data handling are aimed at maximizing the utility and effectiveness of data in various contexts. Key objectives include:

- **1. Data Integrity**: Ensuring that data is accurate, consistent, and reliable throughout its lifecycle.
- **2. Informed Decision-Making**: Providing insights that support evidence-based decisions in business, research, and other fields.
- **3.** Efficiency: Streamlining processes for collecting, storing, and analyzing data to save time and resources.
- **4. Data Security**: Protecting sensitive information from unauthorized access and breaches to maintain privacy and compliance with regulations.
- **5. Scalability**: Facilitating the ability to manage increasing volumes of data as organizations grow.
- **6. Accessibility**: Making data easily accessible to authorized users while maintaining appropriate security measures.
- **7. Data Quality Improvement**: Continuously refining data to eliminate inaccuracies and enhance its usefulness.
- **8. Trend Analysis**: Identifying patterns and trends over time to inform strategic planning and forecasting.
- **9. Reporting and Visualization**: Creating clear and effective visual representations of data to communicate findings to stakeholders.
- **10. Regulatory Compliance**: Ensuring that data handling practices adhere to relevant laws and regulations regarding data protection and privacy.

Advantages of Data Handling

Data handling offers several advantages, including:

- **1. Informed Decision-Making**: By analyzing data, organizations can make decisions based on evidence rather than intuition.
- **2. Improved Efficiency**: Proper data management streamlines processes, saving time and resources.
- **3. Accuracy Enhanced**: Systematic data handling reduces errors and improves the reliability of results.
- **4. Better Insights**: Data analysis helps uncover trends, patterns, and correlations that can lead to new opportunities or solutions.
- **5. Customization**: Organizations can tailor services or products to meet specific customer needs by analyzing user data.
- **6. Increased Accountability**: Documented data handling practices help ensure transparency and accountability in decision-making processes.
- **7. Risk Management**: Analyzing historical data can help identify potential risks and develop strategies to mitigate them.
- **8. Competitive Advantage**: Leveraging data effectively can provide insights that lead to innovative products and improved customer experiences.
- **9. Data-Driven Culture**: Promotes a culture of data literacy within organizations, encouraging teams to base their strategies on data insights.

Disadvantages of Data Handling

While data handling has many advantages, it also comes with several disadvantages, including:

- **1. Data Privacy Concerns**: Collecting and storing data can lead to privacy issues and potential breaches, risking sensitive information.
- **2. Complexity**: Managing large volumes of data can be complicated, requiring specialized skills and tools.

- **3. Cost**: Implementing data handling systems and infrastructure can be expensive, especially for small organizations.
- **4. Quality Issues**: Poor data quality (inaccurate, outdated, or incomplete data) can lead to misleading conclusions and poor decision-making.
- **5. Over-Reliance on Data**: Organizations might prioritize data-driven decisions at the expense of human intuition or experience.
- **6. Resource Intensive**: Data handling processes can be time-consuming and require significant manpower and technological resources.
- **7. Regulatory Compliance**: Navigating data protection regulations (like GDPR) can be challenging and require ongoing efforts to ensure compliance.
- **8. Data Management Skills Gap**: A lack of skilled personnel can hinder effective data handling and analysis.
- **9. Misinterpretation Potential for**: Data can be misinterpreted, leading to incorrect conclusions and actions based on flawed analysis.
- **10. Change Resistance**: Implementing new data handling practices can face resistance from employees accustomed to traditional methods.

Challenges in Data Handling

- **1. Data Accuracy:** Errors in data entry can lead to incorrect information being stored, affecting decisions and operations.
- **2. Data Security:** Safeguarding sensitive information from breaches is increasingly challenging due to evolving cyber threats.
- **3. Data Integration:** Difficulty in integrating data from various sources can result in inconsistent information and operational silos.
- **4. Compliance Issues:** Keeping up with changing regulations related to data protection (e.g., GDPR, CCPA) requires continuous monitoring and adjustments.
- **5. Data Volume Management:** Managing large volumes of data can strain storage systems and complicate data retrieval processes.
- **6. Real-Time Data Processing:** The need for real-time data can overwhelm systems, especially during peak times, leading to delays and errors.

Meaning of Order Processing

Order processing refers to the series of steps that a business follows to manage and fulfill customer orders from the moment they are placed until the products are delivered. It involves several components:

- **1. Order Placement**: Customers place orders through various channels (e.g., online store, phone, in-person).
- **2. Order Acknowledgment**: The business confirms receipt of the order, often via email or notification, to reassure the customer.
- **3. Inventory Check**: The system checks if the items are in stock and available for fulfillment.
- **4. Order Fulfilment**: This involves picking the items from inventory, packing them for shipment, and preparing them for delivery.
- **5. Shipping**: The packed orders are shipped to the customer, often involving coordination with shipping carriers.
- **6. Order Tracking**: Customers receive tracking information to monitor the status of their shipment.
- **7. Invoicing**: An invoice is generated and sent to the customer, detailing the purchased items and payment information.
- **8. Returns and Customer Support**: Handling returns, exchanges, or any customer inquiries post-delivery.

Definition of Order Processing

Order processing refers to the series of steps involved in receiving, fulfilling, and delivering customer orders in a systematic and efficient manner.

Features of Order Processing

1. Order Receipt: Multi-channel capabilities for receiving orders (e.g., website, mobile app, phone calls).

- **2. Order Verification:** Systems to check order details for accuracy, including customer information and product availability.
- **3. Inventory Management:** Real-time tracking of stock levels, automated alerts for low inventory, and integration with supply chain management.
- **4. Fulfillment Workflow:** Defined processes for picking, packing, and shipping orders efficiently, including automation where possible.
- **5. Shipping and Logistics:** Integration with logistics providers for tracking shipments and ensuring timely delivery.
- **6. Customer Communication:** Automated notifications and updates regarding order status, shipping information, and tracking details.
- **7. Returns Management:** Clear processes for handling returns and exchanges, including customer service support and inventory adjustments.
- **8. Reporting and Analytics:** Tools for generating reports on order metrics, performance analysis, and customer feedback for continuous improvement.

Importance of Order Processing

Order processing is a critical component of business operations, particularly in retail and ecommerce.

- **1. Customer Satisfaction**: Efficient order processing ensures timely fulfilment and delivery, leading to higher customer satisfaction and loyalty.
- **2. Operational Efficiency:** Streamlined order processing reduces delays and errors, optimizing workflow and minimizing resource wastage.
- **3. Revenue Generation:** Fast and accurate order processing can lead to increased sales, as customers are more likely to return to businesses that provide smooth purchasing experiences.
- **4. Inventory Management:** Effective order processing helps maintain accurate inventory levels, preventing overstocking or stockouts and ensuring optimal product availability.
- **5. Data Accuracy:** Proper order processing captures essential data that can be used for analytics, helping businesses make informed decisions about sales trends and customer behavior.

- **6. Competitive Advantage:** Businesses that excel in order processing can differentiate themselves from competitors by offering superior service, attracting more customers.
- **7. Cost Efficiency:** Automated and efficient order processing reduces labor costs and errors, leading to lower operational costs.
- **8. Scalability:** A well-structured order processing system can easily adapt to growing business demands, accommodating increased order volumes without compromising quality.
- **9. Improved Communication:** Clear processes and systems improve communication between departments (sales, inventory, shipping), ensuring everyone is aligned on order status.
- **10. Enhanced Returns Management:** Efficient order processing includes handling returns effectively, which can improve customer trust and satisfaction.
- **11. Analytics and Reporting:** Comprehensive order processing systems provide valuable insights into sales performance, customer preferences, and operational bottlenecks.

Technologies of Order Processing

Order processing technologies have evolved significantly, enabling businesses to streamline operations and enhance customer satisfaction. Here are some key technologies involved:

- **1. Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP) Systems**: Integrate various business processes, including order management, inventory, and finance. Popular ERP solutions include SAP, Oracle, and Microsoft Dynamics.
- 2. Customer Relationship Management (CRM) Software: Helps manage customer interactions and data. It aids in tracking orders, preferences, and communication history. Examples include Salesforce and HubSpot.
- **3. E-commerce Platforms**: Platforms like Shopify, WooCommerce, and Magento facilitate online sales, integrating payment processing, inventory management, and order tracking.
- **4. Order Management Systems (OMS)**: Specialized software that manages order processing, from order placement to fulfillment. OMS solutions help optimize inventory and shipping. Examples include Brightpearl and TradeGecko.

- **5.** Warehouse Management Systems (WMS): Help manage warehouse operations, including inventory tracking, order picking, and shipping logistics. Popular systems include Fishbowl and Manhattan Associates.
- **6. Point of Sale (POS) Systems**: Essential for retail environments, these systems process transactions and manage inventory in real time. Examples include Square and Clover.
- **7. Mobile Order Processing Apps**: Allow customers to place orders via mobile devices. These apps enhance convenience and can integrate with other systems.
- **8. Artificial Intelligence (AI) and Machine Learning**: Used for demand forecasting, personalized recommendations, and optimizing inventory levels. AI can analyze customer data to predict trends and improve order accuracy.
- **9. Robotic Process Automation (RPA)**: Automates repetitive tasks in order processing, such as data entry and order tracking, improving efficiency and reducing errors.
- **10. Blockchain Technology**: Enhances transparency and security in the order processing supply chain, allowing for better tracking of goods and reducing fraud.
- **11. API Integrations**: Enable different systems (e.g., e-commerce platforms, ERPs, CRMs) to communicate seamlessly, facilitating real-time data sharing and updates.

Types of Order Processing

Order processing can be categorized into several types, each suited for different business models and operational needs. Here are the main types:

- 1. Manual order processing: This traditional approach involves physical paperwork and human interaction at every step. This approach can be time-consuming and prone to errors, resulting in inefficient inventory management, shipping inaccuracies, and increased fulfilment costs.
- **2. Automated order processing:** Automated order processing is technology and systems put in place to process orders faster by eliminating manual work. With automation, order processing can help reduce human error, improve operational efficiencies, and ultimately speed up the fulfilment and shipping process.

- **3. Online order processing:** Order processing begins when a customer places an order and involves the administrative tasks of verifying payment, updating inventory levels, and ensuring the order details are correct. Order fulfilment, on the other hand, is the physical process of preparing and delivering the product to your customer.
- **4. Phone Order Processing**: Order processing in which customers place orders via phone calls, requiring operators to manually enter data into the system.
- **5. Point of sale (POS) order processing:** A POS, or point of sale, enables merchants to process payments and log transactions. It is a computer-based cash register with software capable of tallying up orders, taking payments, monitoring inventory and buying trends, creating invoices, and collecting marketing data.
- **6. Recurring order processing:** Recurring order processing refers to the systematic management of orders that are placed on a regular schedule, typically for subscription-based products or services. This process automates the ordering and billing cycle, making it convenient for both businesses and customers.
- **7. Bulk order processing:** Bulk order processing refers to the handling and fulfilment of large-volume orders from customers, typically involving significant quantities of a single product or multiple products. This process is common in wholesale transactions, B2B sales, and certain retail scenarios.
- **8. Drop shipping order processing:** Drop shipping order processing is a retail fulfilment method where a store doesn't keep the products it sells in stock. Instead, when a store sells a product, it purchases the item from a third-party supplier (wholesaler or manufacturer) that ships it directly to the customer.
- **9. Backorder processing:** Backorder processing refers to the management of customer orders for items that are temporarily out of stock but will be available for fulfilment in the future. This system allows businesses to continue selling products even when inventory is low, while keeping customers informed about their orders.

Order Processing Steps

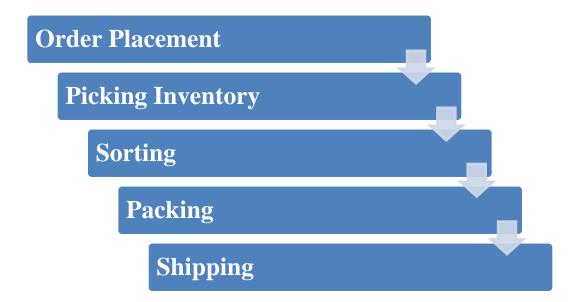


Figure 3

Order processing includes five main steps from order placement to delivery and sometimes continues on if a customer starts a return process.

Step1: Order placement

When the business receives a customer order, order details (including items, item quantities, shipping details and delivery addresses) are typically sent to an order management system. If the company has several fulfilment centers or warehouse locations, the OMS will automatically determine the appropriate warehouse location to ship from, based on the delivery address and item availability. This helps reduce transit times and delivery costs. In some instances, one order with multiple items may be fulfilled from several warehouse locations to ensure faster delivery. For example, if one fulfilment center does not stock a certain item or that item is out of stock, the customer may receive two shipments from two different locations so they do not have to wait for items to be re-stocked.

Step2: Picking inventory

The process of collecting a specified quantity of items from inventory to satisfy customer orders. Order picking must be a highly controlled process because it directly influences the productivity of the overall order processing workflow, the sooner orders are accurately picked, the sooner they can be packed and shipped. To efficiently pick orders, organizations generally employ different picking strategies, including but not limited to:

- Piece picking, where each picker collects the necessary products for one order at a time.
- Zone picking, where each picker is responsible for picking items within a zone of the warehouse. All items are collated in the end.
- Batch picking, where order pickers collect products for several orders simultaneously, in batches.

Picking can be done manually by using picking slips and spreadsheets, or automatically using barcodes and scanners, or even picking robots or machines.

Step3: Sorting

This is when picked items are separated according to their destination. If zone or batch picking strategies are used, for instance, each item must be sorted into its respective order before it can be packed and shipped. Sorting is an essential step toward accuracy and customer satisfaction because it's the perfect time for workers to ensure all ordered items are present and in good condition for shipping.

Step4: Packing

The process of protectively packing items into appropriate shipping boxes. The packing process also includes weighing the packages and labeling them with recipients' addresses and any necessary delivery instructions. Whether items are packed in custom packaging or plain corrugated shipping boxes, it's important to prioritize dimensions and weights that can be easily handled and are cost-effective.

Step5: Shipping

The process of transporting orders to their final destination. Orders can either be shipped directly to the customer, or they might first be consolidated with other orders going to nearby locations to cut costs and minimize the total number of shipments. If orders are consolidated, multiple orders are usually shipped with the same carrier and then forwarded to specific locales as necessary. When shipping, it's important to use a reliable tracking system so you and your customers can monitor orders.

Once items are delivered, businesses often follow up with customers to ensure satisfaction or answer any questions regarding the product purchased. If the order processing steps are carried out effectively - meaning all items are delivered accurately, timely and safely - customers are more likely to be satisfied.

Methods of Order Processing



Figure 4

<u>Traditional methods</u>: Traditional methods of order processing typically involve more manual and less automated approaches.

- **1. Paper-Based Systems**: Orders are often taken using physical forms or documents, which are then manually processed and filed.
- **2. Phone and Fax Orders**: Customers place orders over the phone or via fax, requiring staff to manually input the details into a system, leading to potential errors.

- **3. Manual Inventory Management**: Inventory tracking is done through spreadsheets or paper logs, making it challenging to maintain real-time accuracy and visibility.
- **4. Email Orders**: Orders can be placed via email, requiring staff to check inboxes regularly and manually enter order details into the system.
- **5. Limited Communication Channels**: Communication is often restricted to a few methods (phone, fax, mail), which can lead to delays and miscommunication.
- **6. In-Person Orders**: Customers physically visit stores to place orders, which involves face-to-face interactions and manual order entry.
- **7. Sequential Processing**: Each step in the order processing chain (order entry, inventory check, fulfilment, shipping) is handled sequentially, often slowing down the overall process.
- **8. Basic Accounting Systems**: Financial tracking and invoicing are often done through basic spreadsheets or separate accounting software, which may not integrate well with order processing.
- **9. Limited Data Analysis**: Analysis of sales data and customer preferences relies on manual aggregation, making it difficult to derive insights quickly.
- **10. High Error Rates**: Manual entry and processing increase the likelihood of errors, leading to issues like incorrect orders, inventory discrepancies, and customer dissatisfaction.

<u>Modern methods</u>: Modern methods of order processing leverage technology to streamline operations, improve accuracy, and enhance customer satisfaction.

- 1. Automated Order Management Systems (OMS): Software that automates the entire order lifecycle, from order placement to fulfillment. It integrates with various sales channels, ensuring real-time updates and efficiency.
- **2. E-commerce Platforms**: Solutions like Shopify, WooCommerce, and Magento facilitate online orders, providing integrated payment processing, inventory management, and order tracking.
- **3. Mobile Order Apps**: Mobile applications allow customers to place orders easily from their smartphones, enhancing convenience and access to real-time information.

- **4. Cloud Computing**: Cloud-based systems enable businesses to scale resources as needed, providing access to order data from anywhere and improving collaboration across teams.
- **5. Real-Time Inventory Management**: Technologies that sync inventory levels in real-time across all sales channels, reducing the risk of overselling and stockouts.
- **6. Data Analytics and AI**: Machine learning algorithms analyze customer data to predict trends, optimize inventory, and personalize the shopping experience.
- 7. Customer Relationship Management (CRM) Systems: These systems help manage customer interactions, track orders, and analyze buying patterns, improving customer service and retention.
- **8. Barcode and RFID Technologies**: These technologies automate inventory tracking and order fulfilment, enhancing accuracy and efficiency in warehouse operations.
- **9. Point of Sale (POS) Systems**: Integrated POS solutions streamline transactions and inventory management in retail environments, providing instant access to sales data.
- **10. Robotic Process Automation** (**RPA**): RPA automates repetitive tasks in order processing, such as data entry and order tracking, reducing errors and freeing up staff for higher-value tasks.
- **11. APIs for Integration**: APIs enable different systems (e.g., e-commerce platforms, ERPs, and logistics) to communicate seamlessly, ensuring smooth data flow and process efficiency.
- **12. Omni-Channel Order Fulfilment**: This approach allows customers to order through multiple channels (online, in-store, mobile) and choose from various fulfilment options, enhancing flexibility and customer experience.

Objectives of Order Processing

Order processing involves several key objectives aimed at ensuring efficiency and customer satisfaction.

- **1. Accuracy**: Ensure that orders are processed correctly, minimizing errors in item selection, quantities, and customer information.
- **2. Speed**: Minimize the time taken from order receipt to fulfilment, enhancing customer satisfaction through timely delivery.

- **3. Efficiency**: Streamline the order processing workflow to optimize resources, reduce costs, and improve productivity.
- **4. Inventory Management**: Maintain accurate inventory levels to prevent stockouts or overstock situations, facilitating smooth order fulfilment.
- **5. Customer Communication**: Provide clear communication with customers regarding order status, tracking information, and any potential issues.
- **6. Flexibility**: Adapt to varying order volumes and customer needs, including accommodating changes or special requests.
- **7. Return Management**: Efficiently handle returns and exchanges to enhance customer experience and maintain customer loyalty.
- **8. Data Management**: Collect and analyze data related to orders to identify trends, improve forecasting, and inform business decisions.
- **9. Integration**: Ensure seamless integration with other systems (e.g., inventory management, shipping, and customer relationship management) for a cohesive operation.
- **10. Compliance**: Adhere to relevant regulations and standards, including payment processing, data protection, and shipping requirements.

Advantages of Order Processing

Order processing offers several advantages that can significantly enhance business operations and customer satisfaction.

- **1. Improved Efficiency**: Streamlined order processing reduces the time and effort required to manage orders, leading to faster turnaround times.
- **2. Enhanced Accuracy**: Automated systems minimize human errors in order entry and fulfillment, ensuring that customers receive the correct items and quantities.
- **3. Customer Satisfaction**: Timely and accurate order fulfilment improves customer experience and fosters loyalty, as customers appreciate reliable service.
- **4. Better Inventory Management**: Effective order processing helps maintain optimal inventory levels, reducing the risk of stockouts or overstock situations.
- **5. Data Insights**: Analyzing order data can provide valuable insights into customer preferences, sales trends, and inventory needs, aiding strategic decision-making.

- **6. Cost Reduction**: Efficient order processing can lower operational costs by optimizing resources, reducing labor costs, and minimizing returns due to errors.
- **7. Scalability**: A well-structured order processing system can easily scale to accommodate growing order volumes without compromising service quality.
- **8. Integration with Other Systems**: Order processing can be integrated with inventory management, shipping, and customer relationship management systems, leading to a more cohesive business operation.
- **9. Streamlined Communication**: Clear communication regarding order status, tracking, and fulfillment helps manage customer expectations and reduces inquiries.
- **10. Competitive Advantage**: Businesses with efficient order processing can respond more quickly to market demands, offering better service than competitors.

Disadvantages of Order Processing

While order processing has many advantages, there are also some potential disadvantages to consider:

- **1. Complexity**: As order volumes increase, the processes can become more complex, requiring more sophisticated systems and training for staff.
- **2. Initial Costs**: Implementing or upgrading order processing systems can involve significant initial investments in technology and training.
- **3. Dependency on Technology**: Over-reliance on automated systems can lead to issues if there are technical failures or software glitches, potentially disrupting order fulfilment.
- **4. Limited Flexibility**: Rigid systems may struggle to accommodate unique customer requests or last-minute changes, leading to dissatisfaction.
- **5. Data Security Risks**: Managing customer information poses risks; data breaches can result in significant reputational and financial damage.
- **6. Inventory Challenges**: Poorly managed order processing can lead to discrepancies between actual stock levels and system records, causing stockouts or excess inventory.
- **7. Employee Resistance**: Staff may resist changes to established processes or new technologies, leading to implementation challenges.

- **8. Over-automation**: Excessive automation may reduce the personal touch in customer service, which can negatively impact customer relationships.
- **9. Maintenance Costs**: Ongoing maintenance and updates of order processing systems can incur additional costs and require dedicated resources.
- **10. Scalability Issues**: While some systems can scale, others may struggle to keep up with sudden spikes in demand, leading to bottlenecks.

Challenges in Order Processing

- 1. Order Accuracy: Inaccurate order entries can lead to wrong shipments, increasing return rates and customer dissatisfaction.
- **2. Inventory Management:** Maintaining accurate inventory levels is challenging, often resulting in stockouts or excess inventory.
- **3. Fulfillment Delays:** Unforeseen delays in shipping and logistics can disrupt order fulfillment and negatively impact customer trust.
- **4. Scalability:** Growing order volumes can overwhelm existing processes, necessitating investments in technology and workforce training.
- **5. Customer Communication:** Ensuring timely updates on order status can be difficult, particularly if systems are not well-integrated.
- **6. Returns Processing:** Managing returns efficiently requires clear procedures and robust customer service, which can be resource-intensive.
- **7. Technology Reliance:** Dependence on technology means system outages or failures can disrupt operations, affecting overall performance.

Meaning of Data Handling and Order Processing

Data handling is a crucial aspect of order processing, influencing efficiency, accuracy, and customer satisfaction.

1. Order Data Entry

• **Automation**: Automated systems can capture order data directly from online forms or point-of-sale systems, reducing manual entry errors.

• **Standardization**: Using standardized data formats helps maintain consistency in how orders are processed.

2. Data Accuracy

- Validation: Implementing validation checks during data entry can help catch errors (e.g., incorrect addresses or payment information).
- **Real-Time Updates**: Real-time data synchronization ensures that changes in inventory or order status are immediately reflected, minimizing discrepancies.

3. Inventory Management

- **Stock Levels**: Accurate data handling allows businesses to monitor stock levels and reorder points, preventing stockouts and excess inventory.
- **Forecasting**: Analyzing historical order data helps predict future demand, optimizing inventory management.

4. Customer Information Management

- **CRM Integration**: Integrating order processing with customer relationship management (CRM) systems allows for personalized communication and targeted marketing based on customer data.
- **Data Privacy**: Ensuring compliance with data protection regulations (like GDPR) is essential when handling customer information.

5. Order Tracking and Communication

- Status Updates: Effective data handling enables timely updates on order status, which can be communicated to customers through automated emails or tracking systems.
- **Feedback Mechanisms**: Collecting customer feedback post-order can help improve processes and address any issues promptly.

6. Analytics and Reporting

- **Performance Metrics**: Analyzing order processing data helps identify bottlenecks, measure efficiency, and assess employee performance.
- **Trend Analysis**: Understanding sales trends and customer preferences can inform business strategies and inventory decisions.

7. Returns and Exchanges

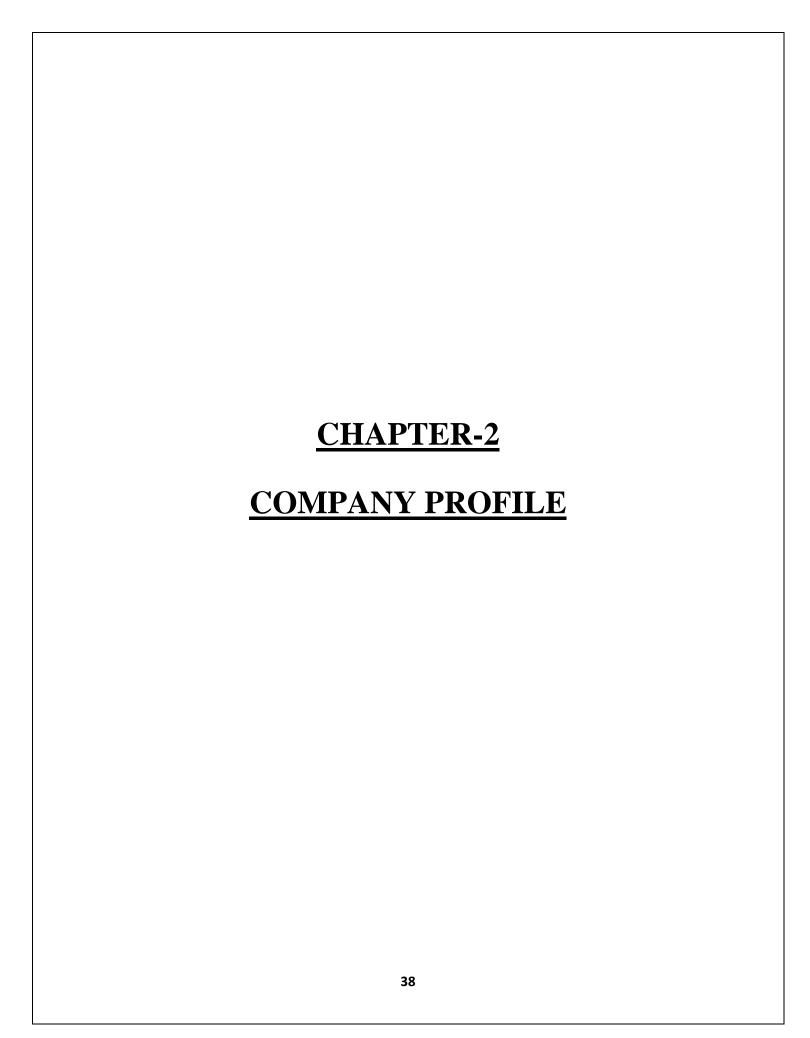
• **Data Processing**: Efficiently managing return requests and processing exchanges requires accurate tracking of order data to facilitate smooth operations.

8. Integration with Other Systems

• **ERP and Accounting**: Integrating order processing data with enterprise resource planning (ERP) and accounting systems helps streamline financial reporting and inventory control.

Conclusion

Effective data handling and order processing are critical components of modern business operations. Streamlined data management enhances accuracy, reduces errors, and improves decision-making. Efficient order processing ensures timely fulfillment, boosts customer satisfaction, and fosters loyalty. By leveraging technology and best practices, organizations can optimize these processes, resulting in increased productivity and competitive advantage. Continuous evaluation and improvement of data handling and order processing strategies are essential for adapting to changing market demands and maintaining operational excellence.



CHAPTER-2

COMPANY PROFILE

Emmbros Forgings Pvt. Ltd.

Emmbros Forgings Pvt. Ltd., established in 1995 and was founded by Raj Mehta has come out to be a name of repute for its utmost quality range of forged and machined components for the automotive and



related industries, catering to both domestic and international market. Serving for more than two decades, EFPL has become a One-Stop Shop of Automotive Transmission Gears, Shafts, Axles, Pinions, Spindles, Yokes, Spools and Pipe Forgings to various OEM's in and across the nation. Armed with commitment, technical expertise, established quality process and a winner's attitude, EFPL has created a sought-after position for itself in the automobile sector.

The company have recently completed their transition from an ISO/TS 16949:2009 company to IATF 16949:2016 accredited company.

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VISION

To be a leader in the global forgings industry by manufacturing world class high-quality products and giving true value addition to their customers and stakeholders. Their desire and commitment to pursue excellence will continue to be backed up by ethical business practices, strong teamwork and an environment that promotes strong innovative solutions. This forward-looking vision reflects the company's ambition to continuously improve and expand its capabilities while maintaining integrity and customer focus.

MISSION

The mission of Emmbros Forgings Pvt. Ltd. Focuses on several key areas:

- **1. Products:** To establish and maintain the highest level of customer satisfaction by offering a wide and extensive range at competitively priced products while continually upgrading technology.
- **2. Services:** To assure better delivery of services pre and post shipment.
- **3. Productivity:** To optimize the process of manufacturing by removing bottlenecks to increase efficiency.
- **4. Environment:** To contribute towards society's well-being through corporate social responsibility (CSR) initiatives.

PRODUCTS

<u>Manufactured products</u>: The company caters to the requirements of raw forgings for automotive industry, earthmoving, mining, petrochemical and agricultural equipment industry.

Different types of products in which company deals in:

• Automotive Axle Shafts



• Automotive Transmission Gears



• Clutch Shaft



• Drive Shafts



• Input Shafts



• Pinions

• Primary Shafts



• PTO Shafts



• Spindles



• Spline Shafts



• Spools



• Differential Shafts



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Automotive Axle Shafts

- Application-specific design and engineering
- Quality materials
- Precision manufacturing processes
- Statistically controlled testing processes

Clientele

Emmbros Forgings Pvt. Ltd. cater to varied requirements of automotive industry with better-conceived, better-managed, quicker-to-market programs; efficient, effective and productive processes; and high-quality components & systems delivered on time, every time.

They are mainly suppliers to OEM and their OEM suppliers are further exporting our products. Along with their standards range of products, they can also custom design & develop forged components as per drawings/designs or samples provided and also for LCV/HCVs vehicles and Tractors of Indian and foreign make.

The esteemed clientele includes:

- 1. Messrs. Tafe Motors & Tractors. Ltd. Parwanoo
- 2. Messrs. Eicher Demm, Thane
- 3. Messrs. HMT (Tractors) Ltd. Pinjore
- 4. Messrs. Mahindra Gujarat Tractors Ltd., Vadodara
- 5. Messrs. International Tractors Ltd, Hoshiarpur

Customers of Emmbros Forgings Pvt. Ltd.

- 1. MAHINDRA
- 2. EICHER
- 3. SONALIKA
- 4. TAFE
- 5. VE COMMERCIALS VEHICLES
- 6. WINDLASS
- 7. BHARAT















Infrastructure

Cutting Shop:

The company have numerous fully automated bi-metallic Band Saws enabling it to meet forging capacity with minimum-cutting losses.

- Semi- Automatic Cutting Machines (SPM)
- Semi- Automatic Cutting Machines (Indo-tech)
- Shearing Machine 100mm

Forge Shop:

The company manufacture forged components that can be customized as per the customer's specifications.

- Up-setter 7" (Ryazan, Russia)
- Up-setter 5" (National, USA)
- Drop hammer -2.5 Ton (Rattan)

Machine Shop:

To maintain world class machining standards for various forged components.

- CNC lathe Machines (ACE/LMW)
- Vertical Machine Centre (LMW)
- Gun Drilling Machine
- Centre/Facing Machine (WMW)
- Broaching Machine
- Milling Machine







Heat Treatment:

Emmbros Forgings Pvt. Ltd. offers its customers the inherent advantage of in-house Gas based Heat Treatment.

- Continuous Normalizing / ISO-Thermal Annealing Furnace
- Shot Blasting Machines-Surfex

Die Shop:

Emmbros Forgings Pvt. Ltd. has a fully equipped Die-Shop which comprises a 4-axis Vertical Machining Center along with other supporting machines.

- Lathes
- VMC
- Milling machines

Quality Control and Inspection:

Emmbros Forgings Pvt. Ltd. has complete in-house quality control and Laboratory facilities.

- Laboratory Testing
- Jominy testing apparatus
- Brinell cum Rockwell Hardness Testers
- Spark Test







DIRECTORS- EMMBROS FORGINGS PVT.LTD.

The company has 4 directors and no reported key management personnel.

The longest serving director currently on board is Raj Mehta who was appointed on 15 December, 1994. Raj Mehta has been on the board for more than 29 years. The most recently appointed director is Yatharth Mehta, who was appointed on 07 August, 2023.

Mohinder Mehta has the largest number of other directorships with a seat at a total of 2 companies. In total, the company is connected to 1 other companies through its directors.

BANK-WISE BIGGEST CHARGES ON ASSET

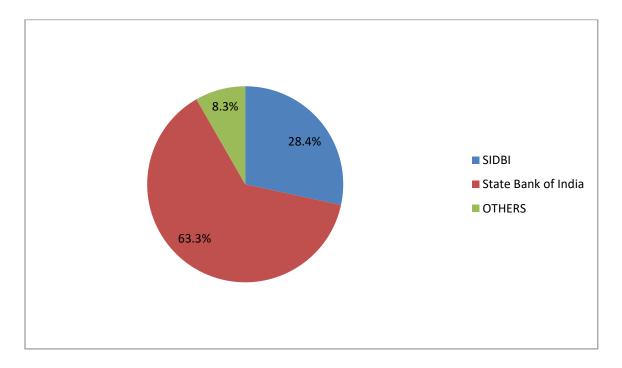


Figure 5

Quality Certification

Emmbros Forgings Pvt. Ltd. is committed to achieve customer's delight by providing Quality Product, at the right time (On time delivery), at the most competitive cost and exceed the aspirations of the customer.

Their dedicated team of Engineers are keeping abreast with the latest technology and continuously working to improve upon the product quality by applying statistical methods, problem solving tools, innovative process design and robust processes of manufacturing.

In order to remain cost competitive globally their organization is focused on optimization of resources and following ISO/TS 16949:2009 Quality Management System in its true sense.

They recently had their transition from ISO/TS 16949: 2009 to the latest IATF 16949:2016 Quality Management system.

Emmbros Forgings has a history of maintaining excellent relations with customers built on superior quality and performance.





Recent Development

The company focus on advancements such as:

- **1. Expansion Initiatives**: Companies frequently look to expand their manufacturing facilities or enter new markets, either domestically or internationally.
- **2. Technological Advancements**: Investments in advanced manufacturing technologies, like automation and AI, to improve production efficiency and product quality.
- **3. Sustainability Practices**: Many firms are increasingly focusing on sustainability, implementing eco-friendly manufacturing processes or reducing waste.
- **4. New Product Lines**: Launching new products or improving existing ones to meet evolving customer needs or industry standards.
- **5. Collaborations and Partnerships**: Forming strategic partnerships with other companies, suppliers, or research institutions to leverage expertise and enhance capabilities.
- **6. Industry Certifications**: Achieving certifications related to quality management (like ISO standards) to improve credibility and attract more clients.

Future Goals

These goals can help enhance operational efficiency, drive growth, and improve customer satisfaction.

1. Innovation and Technology Adoption:

- Investing in Advanced Manufacturing Technologies: Implementing automation, robotics, and smart manufacturing practices to improve production efficiency and reduce costs.
- **Research and Development**: Focusing on developing new alloys and forging techniques to meet evolving market demands.

2. Sustainability Initiatives:

- **Eco-Friendly Practices**: Adopting sustainable practices in production, such as reducing waste and energy consumption, and utilizing renewable energy sources.
- **Recycling and Reuse**: Implementing systems for recycling scrap material and reducing the carbon footprint.

3. Market Expansion:

- **Diversifying Product Offerings**: Expanding the range of forged products to cater to various industries, such as automotive, aerospace, and construction.
- Geographic Expansion: Exploring new markets domestically and internationally to increase market share.

4. Quality Assurance and Compliance:

- Enhanced Quality Control Systems: Implementing rigorous quality management systems to ensure products meet industry standards and customer specifications.
- **Certifications and Compliance**: Achieving relevant certifications (e.g., ISO) to enhance credibility and competitiveness.

5. Customer-Centric Approach:

- Improving Customer Engagement: Establishing stronger relationships with customers through regular feedback and personalized services.
- Faster Order Processing and Delivery: Streamlining operations to reduce lead times and enhance customer satisfaction.

6. Workforce Development:

- **Training and Skill Development**: Investing in employee training programs to enhance skills and keep pace with technological advancements.
- Attracting Talent: Creating a strong employer brand to attract skilled professionals in engineering and manufacturing.

7. Digital Transformation:

- **Data-Driven Decision Making**: Leveraging data analytics for better forecasting, inventory management, and operational efficiencies.
- Implementing ERP Systems: Adopting integrated software solutions to streamline processes across departments.

8. Collaboration and Partnerships:

- **Strategic Alliances**: Forming partnerships with other manufacturers, suppliers, and technology providers to enhance capabilities and market reach.
- Engagement with Industry Associations: Collaborating with industry groups to stay informed about trends and standards.

9. Product Customization:

• **Tailored Solutions**: Offering customizable forging solutions to meet specific customer needs and specifications.

10. Resilience and Risk Management:

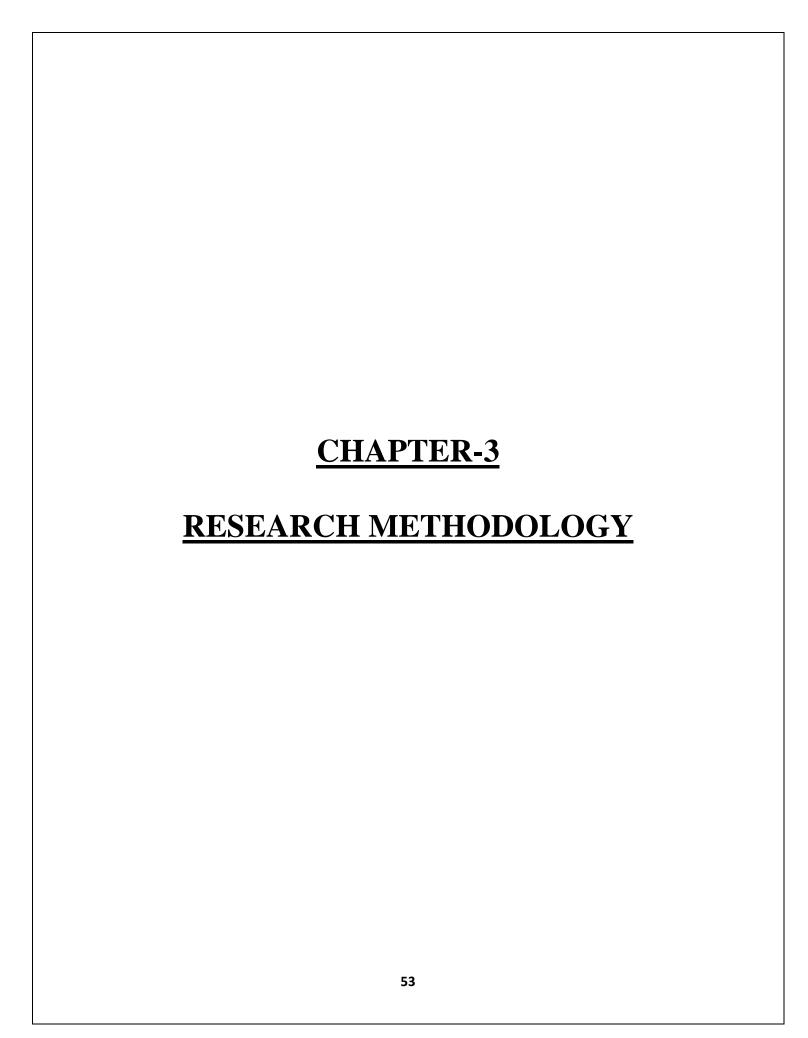
- **Supply Chain Diversification**: Building a resilient supply chain by sourcing materials from multiple suppliers and regions to mitigate risks.
- **Crisis Preparedness**: Developing contingency plans for potential disruptions in operations.

Achievements

The achievements of the company include:

- **1. Quality Certifications**: Achieving industry-standard certifications (e.g., ISO 9001, TS 16949) that demonstrate commitment to quality management systems.
- **2. Product Innovation**: Development of new and advanced forged products or materials that cater to specific industry needs, leading to improved performance or reduced costs.
- **3. Client Base Expansion**: Successfully securing contracts with major clients across diverse industries like automotive, aerospace, and construction.
- **4. Awards and Recognitions**: Receiving industry awards for excellence in manufacturing, innovation, or customer service.
- **5. Sustainability Initiatives**: Implementing eco-friendly manufacturing practices, such as reducing waste and energy consumption, earning recognition for sustainability efforts.

- **6. Technological Advancements**: Investing in cutting-edge technologies like automation, robotics, and AI to improve manufacturing processes and operational efficiency.
- **7. Export Growth**: Expanding exports to international markets, establishing a global footprint, and enhancing brand reputation.
- **8. Customer Satisfaction**: High customer retention rates and positive feedback indicating strong relationships and service quality.
- **9. Community Engagement**: Participation in community development programs or initiatives that contribute to local economies.
- **10. Research and Development:** Establishing an R&D wing that leads to innovative forging techniques or materials, contributing to industry advancements.



CHAPTER-3

RESEARCH METHODOLOGY

Research Methodology

Research is "creative and systematic work undertaken to increase the stock of knowledge". It involves the collection, organization and analysis of information to increase understanding of a topic or issue. Research methodology refers to the systematic plan and approach that a researcher uses to conduct a study. It encompasses the overall strategy and specific techniques used to collect, analyze, and interpret data to answer research questions or test hypotheses. The choice of methodology depends on the research objectives, the nature of the data, and the desired outcomes of the study. It is a careful consideration of study regarding a particular concern or problem using scientific methods. The faction that provides base to the research are:

- Desire to get a research degree along with its consequential benefits
- Desire to face challenge in solving the unsolved problems
- Desire to get intellectual joy of doing some creative work
- Desire to be of service to the society
- Desire to get respectability

According to the American sociologist Earl Bobbie, "Research is a systematic inquiry to describe, explain, predict and control the observed phenomenon. Research involves inductive and deductive methods." For this study, the data was collected by distributing a questionnaire, an online Google form out of which 100 responses were collected.

Examples:

Ethical Considerations-Obtain consent from students and their parents before participation. Ensure confidentiality of responses and grades.

Expected Outcomes-Insights into effective study habits that correlate with higher academic performance. Recommendations for students to improve their study habits based on findings.

Data Collection

The task of data collection begins after Research problem is being defined and research design is chalked out. Data collection is a process of gathering information from all the relevant sources to find a solution to the research problem. It helps to evaluate the outcome of the problem. The data collection methods allow a person to conclude an answer to the relevant question. Most of the organizations use data collection methods to make assumptions about future probabilities and trends. Once the data is collected, it is necessary to undergo the data organization process. Following are the two types of data collection method:

- **Primary Source:** The name implies, this is original, first-hand data collected by the data researchers. This process is the initial information gathering step, performed before anyone carries out any further or related research. Primary data results are highly accurate provided the researcher collects the information. However, there's a downside, as firsthand research is potentially time-consuming and expensive
- **Secondary Source:** Secondary data is second-hand data collected by other parties and already having undergone statistical analysis. This data is either information that the researcher has tasked other people to collect or information the researcher has looked up. Simply put, its second-hand information. Although it's easier and cheaper to obtain than primary information, secondary information raises concerns regarding accuracy and authenticity. Quantitative data makes up a majority of secondary data.

Sample Design

A sample design is a definite plan for obtaining a sample from a given population. There are many sample designs from which a researcher can choose. Researchers must prepare a sample design from which should be reliable and accurate for their research only.

• Sampling unit: The first step in developing any sample design is to clearly define the set of objectives technically called universe to be studied. The universe of my study includes manufacturing unit. The organization which is indulged in applications of different elements of marketing mix.

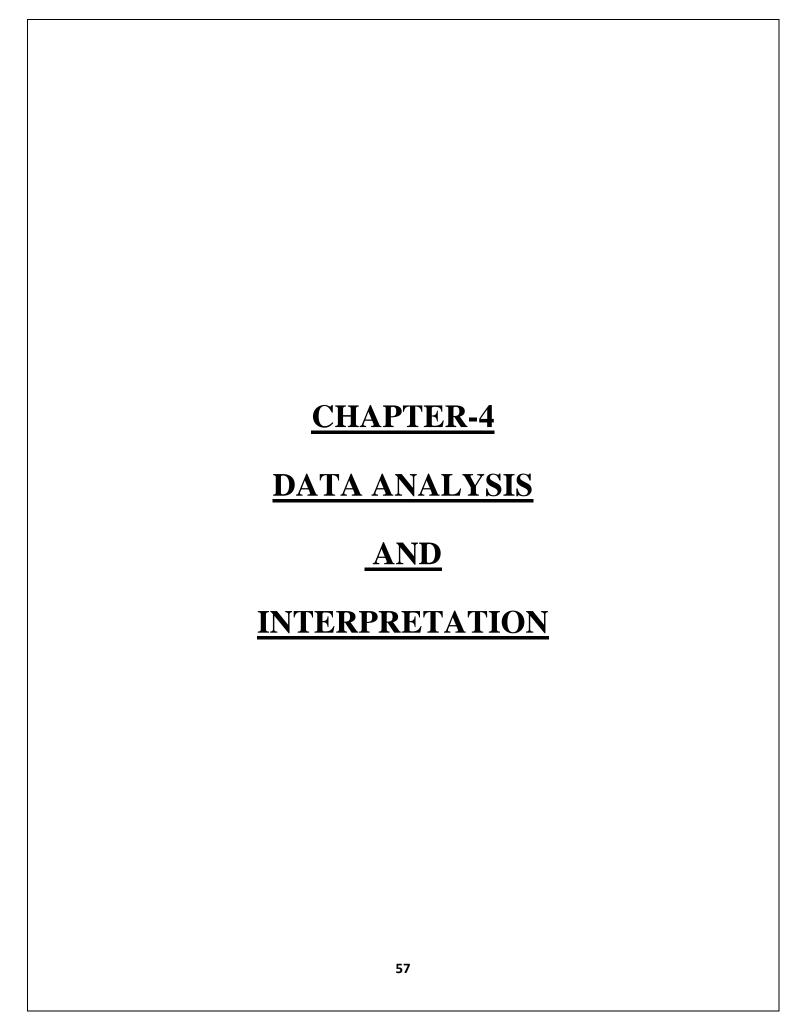
• Sample Size: It refers to the organization surveyed. Although large samples are reliable but due to shortage of time and money only a particular organization has been selected.

Objectives of the study

- 1. To study about Data Handling and Order Processing.
- 2. To study Data Handling and Order Processing at Emmbros Forgings Pvt. Ltd.
- 3. To study the challenges faced by Emmbros Forgings Pvt. Ltd. Over Data Handling and Order Processing.

Limitations of the study

- 1. Size of sample is small due to shortage of time and resources.
- 2. Problems in accessing different parties related to the organization.
- 3. Respondents might be biased in favour of organization.
- 4. Difficulty was faced in getting responses as less time was devoted by the respondents.
- 5. Participants may provide biased input by responding to questions they believe are favorable to the researcher rather than their authentic response.
- 6. Respondents are usually limited to the text in the survey itself for direction about how to complete it and where to respond.
- 7. Even when appropriate methods for sampling have been employed, some studies remain limited by the use of data collected only from participants who decided to enroll in the study (self-selection bias).



CHAPTER-4

DATA ANALYSIS AND INTERPRETATION

Data Analysis

It is the process of systematically applying statistical and/or logical techniques to describe and illustrate, condense and recap, and evaluate data. It is useful for making business decisions the procedure helps reduce the risks inherent in decision-making by providing useful insights and statistics, often presented in charts, images, tables, and graphs. Data analysis has multiple facets and approaches, encompassing diverse techniques under a variety of names, and is used in different business, science, and social science domains. In today's business world, data analysis plays a role in making decisions more scientific and helping businesses operate more effectively. The purpose of Data Analysis is to extract useful information from data and taking the decision based upon the data analysis. Following points outline the process of data analysis:

- Data Requirement Gathering: It involves citing the analysis as if what type of data is to be used, and how data is planned to be analysis.
- **Data Collection:** Guided by identified requirements, it involves collection of the data from different sources. Sources include case studies, surveys, interviews, questionnaires, direct observation, and focus groups. Make sure to organize the collected data for analysis.
- **Data Cleaning:** This process involves removing white spaces, duplicate records, and basic errors. Data cleaning is mandatory before sending the information on for analysis.
- Data Analysis: Data analysis software and other tools help to interpret and understand the data and arrive at conclusions. Includes Excel, Python, Looker, Rapid Miner, Microsoft Power BI. etc
- **Data Interpretation:** It involves interpretation of results and coming up with the best courses of action possible.
- **Data Visualization:** Data visualization is a graphically showing of information in a way that people can read and understand it through use of charts, graphs, maps, bullet points,

or a host of other methods. Visualization helps to derive valuable insights by helping in comparing datasets and observing relationships.

Importance of Data Analysis

A huge part of a researcher's job is to sift through data. That is literally the definition of "research." However, today's Information Age routinely produces a tidal wave of data, enough to overwhelm even the most dedicated researcher.

Data analysis, therefore, plays a key role in distilling this information into a more accurate and relevant form, making it easier for researchers to do to their job.

Data analysis also provides researchers with a vast selection of different tools, such as descriptive statistics, inferential analysis, and quantitative analysis.

So, to sum it up, data analysis offers researchers better data and better ways to analyze and study data in following ways:

- Better Customer Targeting: You don't want to waste your business's precious time, resources, and money putting together advertising campaigns targeted at demographic groups that have little to no interest in the goods and services you offer. Data analysis helps you see where you should be focusing your advertising efforts.
- Knowing Target Customers Better: Data analysis tracks how well your products and campaigns are performing within your target demographic. Through data analysis, your business can get a better idea of your target audience's spending habits, disposable income, and most likely areas of interest. This data helps businesses set prices, determine the length of ad campaigns, and even help project the number of goods needed.
- Reduce Operational Costs: Data analysis shows you which areas in your business need
 more resources and money, and which areas are not producing and thus should be scaled
 back or eliminated outright.
- Better Problem-Solving Methods: Informed decisions are more likely to be successful
 decisions. Data provides businesses with information. You can see where this progression
 is leading. Data analysis helps businesses make the right choices and avoid costly pitfalls.
- More Accurate Data: If you want to make informed decisions, you need data, but there's more to it. The data in question must be accurate. Data analysis helps businesses

acquire relevant, accurate information, suitable for developing future marketing strategies, business plans, and realigning the company's vision or mission.

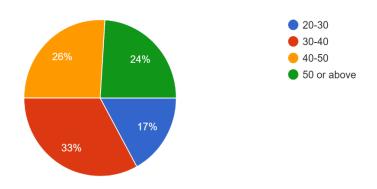
Data Interpretation

Data interpretation is the process of reviewing data and drawing meaningful conclusions using a variety of analytical approaches. Data interpretation aids researchers in categorizing, manipulating, and summarizing data in order to make sound business decisions. The end goal for a data interpretation project is to develop a good marketing strategy or to expand its client user base. There are certain steps followed to conduct data interpretation:

- Putting together the data needed (neglecting irrelevant data)
- Developing the initial research or identifying the most important inputs.
- Sorting and filtering of data.
- Forming conclusions on the data.
- Developing recommendations or practical solution

Table 1: Age group

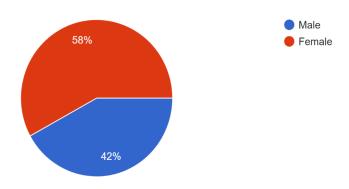
Age	No. of Respondents	% of Respondents
20-30	17	17%
30-40	33	33%
40-50	26	26%
50 or above	24	24%
Total	100	100%



The majority of respondents are in the middle-aged categories, with the 30-40 age group representing the largest share at 33%, followed closely by the 40-50 group at 26%. The 20-30 age group has the fewest respondents at 17%, indicating a smaller presence of younger individuals. The 50 or above group accounts for 24% of respondents, highlighting a notable segment of older adults in the survey. While the data reflects a range of ages, it shows a clear focus on middle-aged individuals, with 59% of respondents aged 30 or older. Overall the data indicates a balanced yet middle-aged skew in the respondent pool, which may inform targeted approaches for engagement or analysis related to these age groups.

Table 2: Gender

Gender	No. of Respondents	% of Respondents
Male	42	42%
Female	58	58%
Total	100	100%



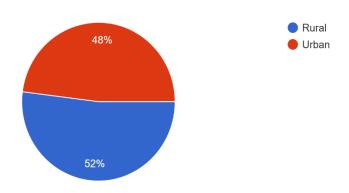
• Male: 42 respondents (42%)

• **Female:** 58 respondents (58%)

The sample consists of a higher percentage of female respondents (58%) compared to male respondents (42%). This indicates a slight female majority in the data set, suggesting that the perspectives and opinions gathered may be influenced by this gender imbalance. Understanding how gender may affect responses could be important for interpreting the overall findings, particularly if the subject matter has gender-related implications.

Table 3: Locality

Area	No. of Respondents	% of Respondents
Urban	48	48%
Rural	52	52%
Total	100	100%



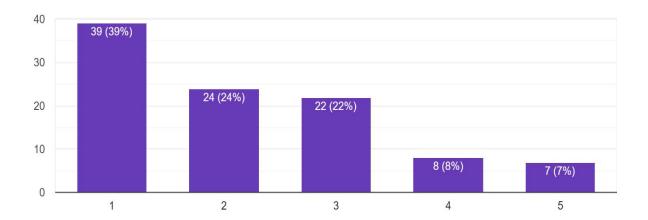
• **Urban:** 48 respondents (48%)

• **Rural:** 52 respondents (52%)

The sample is fairly evenly split between urban (48%) and rural (52%) respondents, with a slight majority from rural areas. This balanced representation suggests that the perspectives gathered reflect a mix of experiences and viewpoints from both localities. Such diversity in locality may influence the findings and provide a comprehensive understanding of the topic at hand, highlighting potential differences in attitudes or needs between urban and rural populations.

Table 4: Proper organization of data ensures easy access and retrieval for future analysis.

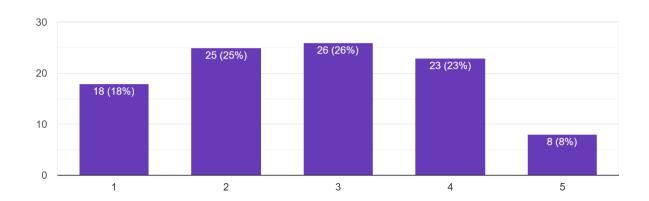
Sr. No.	Particulars	No. of Respondents	% of Respondents
1	Strongly Agree	39	39%
2	Agree	24	24%
3	Neutral	22	22%
4	Disagree	8	8%
5	Strongly Disagree	7	7%
	Total	100	100%



The data indicates a strong recognition of the importance of proper data organization, with 63% of respondents affirming its value. The neutrality of 22% suggests room for further education or experience-sharing regarding data management practices. The low percentage of respondents who disagree highlights a consensus that effective data organization is vital for ease of access and future analysis.

Table 5: Security measures for sensitive data must be strictly enforced to prevent unauthorized access.

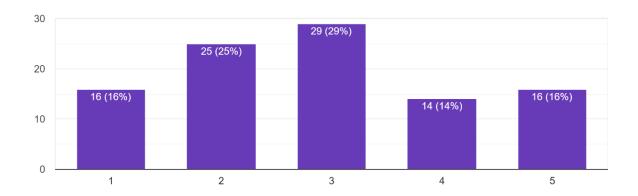
Sr. No.	Particulars	No. of Respondents	% of Respondents
1	Strongly Agree	18	18%
2	Agree	25	25%
3	Neutral	26	26%
4	Disagree	23	23%
5	Strongly Disagree	8	8%
	Total	100	100%



The responses indicate a mixed perspective on the enforcement of security measures for sensitive data. While 43% (18% strongly agree and 25% agree) support strict enforcement, a significant portion (31%) is either neutral or disagrees with the statement. The relatively high percentage of neutral (26%) and disagreeing respondents (23%) suggests that opinions on the necessity of these security measures vary widely. This indicates a need for further discussion or education on the importance of data security, as well as potential areas of concern among respondents who are not fully supportive.

Table 6: Data integrity checks play a crucial role in maintaining accuracy and reliability.

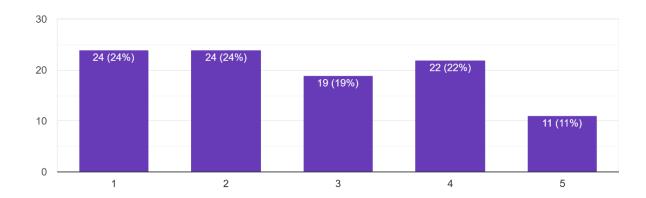
Sr. No.	Particulars	No. of Respondents	% of Respondents
1	Strongly Agree	16	16%
2	Agree	25	25%
3	Neutral	29	29%
4	Disagree	14	14%
5	Strongly Disagree	16	16%
	Total	100	100%



The responses indicate a divided opinion on the significance of data integrity checks. Only 41% (16% strongly agree and 25% agree) recognize their crucial role, while a notable 29% remain neutral, and 30% express disagreement (14% disagree and 16% strongly disagree). The high percentage of neutral responses suggests uncertainty or lack of strong opinions on the matter. Overall, the data highlights a need for increased awareness and understanding of the importance of data integrity checks to foster a more consistent viewpoint among respondents.

Table 7: Regular backups of data safeguard against loss due to system failures or breaches.

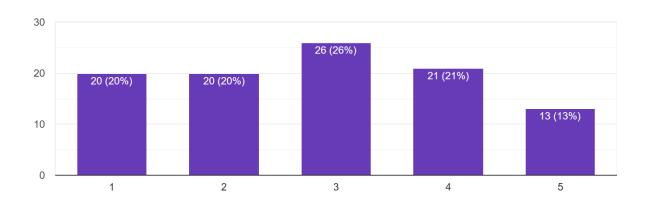
Sr. No.	Particulars	No. of Respondents	% of Respondents
1	Strongly Agree	24	24%
2	Agree	24	24%
3	Neutral	19	19%
4	Disagree	22	22%
5	Strongly Disagree	11	11%
	Total	100	100%



The responses indicate a fairly balanced view on the importance of regular data backups, with 48% (24% strongly agree and 24% agree) recognizing their necessity for protection against data loss. However, a substantial portion (33%) either disagrees (22%) or strongly disagrees (11%), suggesting skepticism about the effectiveness or necessity of backups. The presence of 19% neutral respondents also indicates some uncertainty. Overall, the data suggests a need for further education on the critical role of regular backups in data security to achieve more consensus among respondents.

Table 8: Compliance with data protection regulations is essential for all data handling processes.

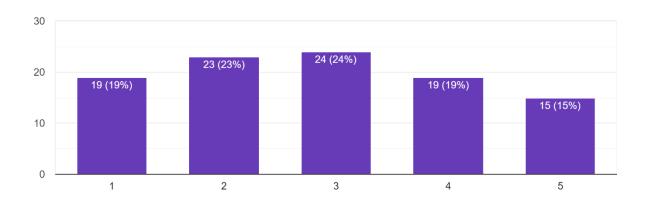
Sr. No.	Particulars	No. of Respondents	% of Respondents
1	Strongly Agree	20	20%
2	Agree	20	20%
3	Neutral	26	26%
4	Disagree	21	21%
5	Strongly Disagree	13	13%
	Total	100	100%



The responses indicate a divided perspective on the necessity of compliance with data protection regulations. Only 40% (20% strongly agree and 20% agree) view it as essential, while a significant 34% express disagreement (21% disagree and 13% strongly disagree). The highest percentage of respondents (26%) remain neutral, suggesting uncertainty or ambivalence regarding the issue. Overall, the data highlights the need for increased awareness and education about the importance of data protection compliance, as many respondents do not fully recognize its significance in data handling processes.

Table 9: Effective data visualization techniques enhance understanding and interpretation of complex datasets.

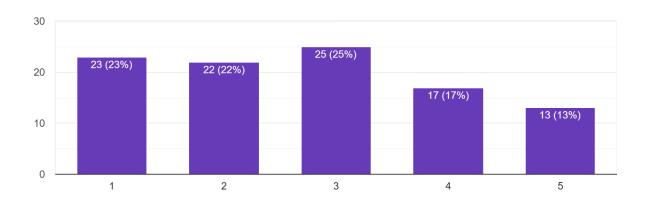
Sr. No.	Particulars	No. of Respondents	% of Respondents
1	Strongly Agree	19	19%
2	Agree	23	23%
3	Neutral	24	24%
4	Disagree	19	19%
5	Strongly Disagree	15	15
	Total	100	100%



The responses show a mixed opinion regarding the effectiveness of data visualization techniques. Only 42% (19% strongly agree and 23% agree) recognize their value in improving understanding, while a notable 34% (19% disagree and 15% strongly disagree) do not see them as beneficial. Additionally, 24% of respondents are neutral, indicating uncertainty about the impact of data visualization. Overall, the data suggests that while there is some acknowledgment of the benefits of data visualization, there is also a significant portion of respondents who either disagree or remain unsure, highlighting the need for further education on the importance and effectiveness of these techniques in data interpretation.

Table 10: Data entry procedures require accuracy to minimize errors during the collection process.

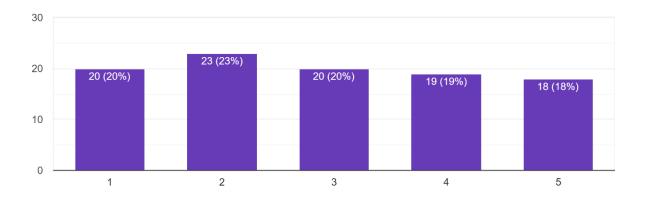
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1	Strongly Agree	23	23%
2	Agree	22	22%
3	Neutral	25	25%
4	Disagree	17	17%
5	Strongly Disagree	13	13%
	Total	100	100%



The responses indicate a general recognition of the importance of accuracy in data entry procedures, with 45% (23% strongly agree and 22% agree) acknowledging its necessity. However, a notable 30% (17% disagree and 13% strongly disagree) express skepticism about the emphasis on accuracy. Additionally, the 25% neutral responses suggest uncertainty or ambivalence regarding the issue. Overall, while many respondents understand the significance of accurate data entry, there remains a considerable portion who either disagree or are unsure, highlighting an opportunity for further education on best practices in data collection.

Table 11: Analysis of data trends provides valuable insights for informed decision-making.

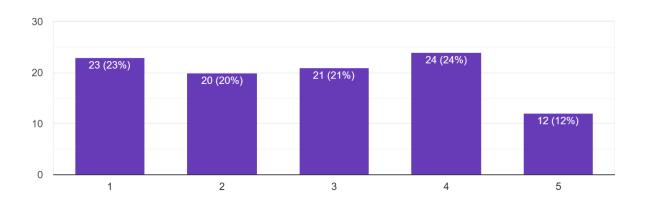
Sr. No.	Particulars	No. of Respondents	% of Respondents
1	Strongly Agree	20	20%
2	Agree	23	23%
3	Neutral	20	20%
4	Disagree	19	19%
5	Strongly Agree	18	18%
	Total	100	100%



The responses indicate a mixed perspective on the importance of data trend analysis for decision-making. Only 43% (20% strongly agree and 23% agree) recognize its value, while a significant 37% (19% disagree and 18% strongly disagree) do not support the notion. Additionally, the neutral responses (20%) reflect uncertainty or ambivalence. Overall, while there is some acknowledgment of the benefits of analyzing data trends, a substantial portion of respondents either disagree or remain unsure, suggesting a need for further education on how data analysis can enhance decision-making processes.

Table 12: Training best data handling practices improves overall efficiency and accuracy within company.

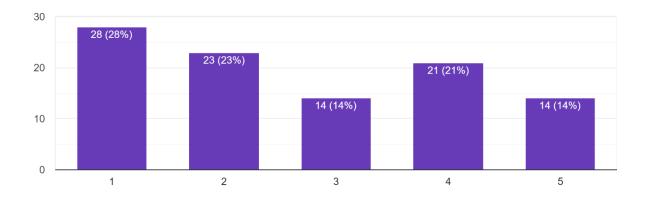
Sr. No.	Particulars	No. of Respondents	% of Respondents
1	Strongly Agree	23	23%
2	Agree	20	20%
3	Neutral	21	21%
4	Disagree	24	24%
5	Strongly Disagree	12	12%
	Total	100	100%



The data reflects a divided perspective on the impact of training in best data handling practices on overall efficiency and accuracy within the company. 43% of respondents (23% strongly agree and 20% agree) recognize that such training can enhance efficiency and accuracy. 21% are neutral, suggesting ambivalence or uncertainty about its effectiveness. 36% (24% disagree and 12% strongly disagree) do not believe that training improves these aspects. Overall, while there is a notable acknowledgment of the importance of training, a significant portion of respondents remains skeptical or uncertain, highlighting a potential need for better communication about the benefits of these training programs.

Table 13: Data retention policies define the duration for which different types of data are stored.

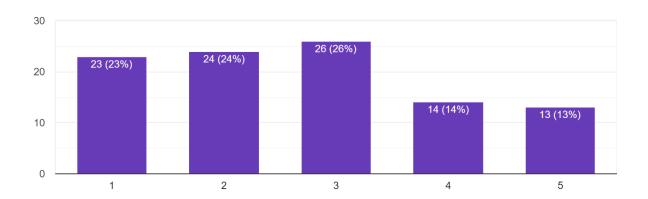
Sr. No.	Particulars	No. of Respondents	% of Respondents
1	Strongly Agree	28	28%
2	Agree	23	23%
3	Neutral	14	14%
4	Disagree	21	21%
5	Strongly Disagree	14	14%
	Total	100	100%



The responses indicate a general understanding of the importance of data retention policies, with 51% (28% strongly agree and 23% agree) recognizing their role in establishing storage durations for various data types. However, 35% (21% disagree and 14% strongly disagree) express skepticism or disagreement regarding the necessity of such policies. The 14% neutral responses suggest some uncertainty among respondents. Overall, while a majority acknowledges the importance of data retention policies, a significant minority remains unconvinced, highlighting a potential area for further education on the value of structured data retention practices.

Table 14: The order processing system includes receiving and confirming customer orders promptly.

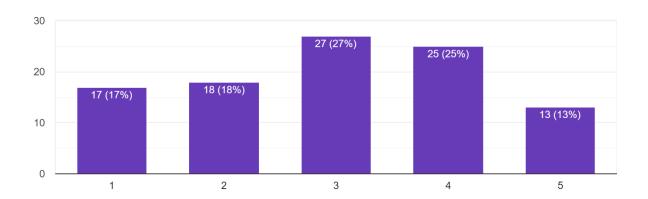
Sr. No.	Particulars	No. of Respondents	% of Respondents
1	Strongly Agree	23	23%
2	Agree	24	24%
3	Neutral	26	26%
4	Disagree	14	14%
5	Strongly Disagree	13	13%
	Total	100	100%



The responses indicate a moderate recognition of the importance of a timely order processing system, with 47% (23% strongly agree and 24% agree) affirming its significance. However, a notable 27% (14% disagree and 13% strongly disagree) do not support this view, and 26% of respondents remain neutral, reflecting some uncertainty or ambivalence. Overall, while a significant portion of respondents acknowledges the need for efficient order processing, there is still a considerable number who are either skeptical or unsure, suggesting an opportunity for improvement in communication about the system's benefits.

Table 15: Accurate entry of order details ensures the correct processing of customer requests.

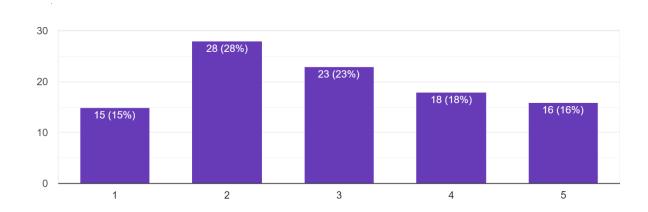
Sr. No.	Particulars	No. of Respondents	% of Respondents
1	Strongly Agree	17	17%
2	Agree	18	18%
3	Neutral	27	27%
4	Disagree	25	25%
5	Strongly Disagree	13	13%
	Total	100	100%



The responses indicate a divided perspective on the significance of accurate order entry. Only 35% (17% strongly agree and 18% agree) believe it is essential for correct processing, while a substantial 38% (25% disagree and 13% strongly disagree) express doubt about its importance. Additionally, the 27% neutral responses suggest a considerable level of uncertainty or ambivalence among respondents. Overall, while some acknowledge the importance of accuracy in order details, a significant portion remains skeptical or unsure, highlighting a need for better communication on how accurate order entry impacts customer service and processing efficiency.

Table 16: Verification of product availability occurs before order fulfillment begins.

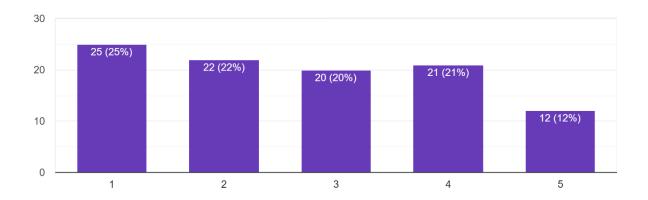
Sr. No.	Particulars	No. of Respondents	% of Respondents
1	Strongly Agree	15	15%
2	Agree	28	28%
3	Neutral	23	23%
4	Disagree	18	18%
5	Strongly Disagree	16	16%
	Total	100	100%



The responses indicate a mixed perspective on the necessity of verifying product availability prior to fulfilling orders. While 43% (15% strongly agree and 28% agree) recognize its importance, a substantial 34% (18% disagree and 16% strongly disagree) express skepticism about the practice. The 23% neutral responses suggest uncertainty or ambivalence among respondents. Overall, while there is a significant portion that acknowledges the value of checking product availability, a considerable number remain unconvinced or uncertain, indicating an opportunity for further education on the role of this verification process in enhancing order fulfilment efficiency and customer satisfaction.

Table 17: Communication is clear with the warehouse for picking and packing orders happens efficiently.

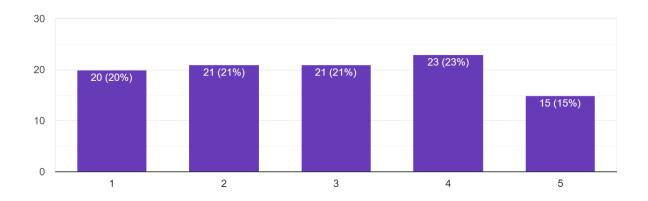
Sr. No.	Particulars	No. of Respondents	% of Respondents
1	Strongly Agree	25	25%
2	Agree	22	22%
3	Neutral	20	20%
4	Disagree	21	21%
5	Strongly Agree	12	12%
	Total	100	100%



The responses indicate a moderately positive perception of communication and order fulfilment processes. A total of 47% (25% strongly agree and 22% agree) believe that communication is clear and that orders are picked and packed efficiently. However, 33% (21% disagree and 12% strongly disagree) express skepticism about this efficiency, while 20% remain neutral, suggesting some uncertainty. Overall, while a majority acknowledges effective communication and efficiency in the warehouse processes, a significant portion of respondents are either unconvinced or uncertain, indicating a potential area for improvement in operational practices or communication strategies.

Table 18: Shipping methods are selected based on customer preferences and delivery timelines.

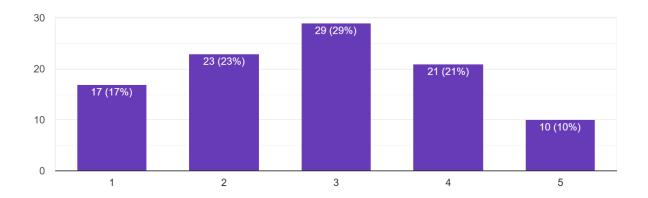
Sr. No.	Particulars	No. of Respondents	% of Respondents
1	Strongly Agree	20	20%
2	Agree	21	21%
3	Neutral	21	21%
4	Disagree	23	23%
5	Strongly Disagree	15	15%
	Total	100	100%



The responses indicate a varied perspective on how shipping methods are chosen. Only 41% (20% strongly agree and 21% agree) believe that shipping is effectively based on customer preferences and delivery timelines. In contrast, a significant 38% (23% disagree and 15% strongly disagree) do not agree with this statement, while 21% remain neutral, suggesting uncertainty about the process. Overall, while some respondents recognize the importance of considering customer preferences in shipping decisions, a notable portion expresses skepticism, highlighting a potential need for improvements in aligning shipping practices with customer expectations.

Table 19: Tracking information is provided to customers once orders are dispatched.

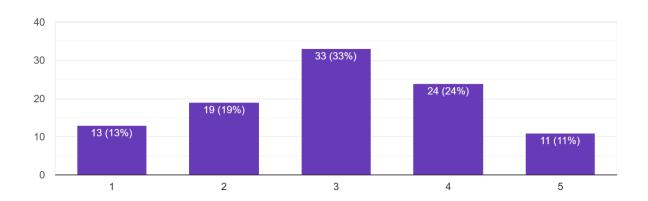
Sr. No.	Particulars	No. of Respondents	% of Respondents
1	Strongly Agree	17	17%
2	Agree	23	23%
3	Neutral	29	29%
4	Disagree	21	21%
5	Strongly Disagree	10	10%
	Total	100	100%



The responses indicate a mixed perception regarding the provision of tracking information to customers. Only 40% (17% strongly agree and 23% agree) believe that tracking information is consistently provided after dispatch. A significant 31% (21% disagree and 10% strongly disagree) do not agree with this statement, while 29% remain neutral, reflecting uncertainty about the process. Overall, while a portion of respondents recognizes the importance of providing tracking information, a notable percentage expresses doubt or is unsure, suggesting that improvements in communication regarding tracking may be needed to enhance customer satisfaction and transparency.

Table 20: Order processing workflows are designed to minimize delays and errors.

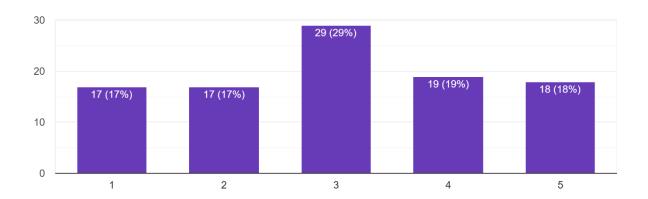
Sr. No.	Particulars	No. of Respondents	% of Respondents
1	Strongly Agree	13	13%
2	Agree	19	19%
3	Neutral	33	33%
4	Disagree	24	24%
5	Strongly Disagree	11	11%
	Total	100	100%



The responses indicate a significant level of ambivalence regarding the effectiveness of order processing workflows. Only 32% (13% strongly agree and 19% agree) believe that these workflows effectively minimize delays and errors, while a substantial 35% (24% disagree and 11% strongly disagree) express skepticism. Additionally, 33% of respondents are neutral, indicating uncertainty or a lack of strong opinions on the matter. Overall, the data suggests that while some recognize the intention behind order processing workflows, many are either doubtful or unsure about their actual effectiveness, highlighting an area for potential improvement in workflow design and communication about their benefits.

Table 21: Customer inquiries about order status are addressed through effective communication channels.

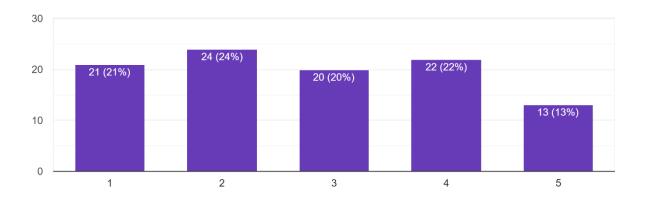
Sr. No.	Particulars	No. of Respondents	% of Respondents
1	Strongly Agree	17	17%
2	Agree	17	17%
3	Neutral	29	29%
4	Disagree	19	19%
5	Strongly Disagree	18	18%
	Total	100	100%



The responses indicate a mixed perception of the effectiveness of communication channels for addressing customer inquiries about order status. Only 34% (17% strongly agree and 17% agree) believe that inquiries are handled effectively, while a significant 37% (19% disagree and 18% strongly disagree) do not share this confidence. Additionally, 29% of respondents are neutral, reflecting uncertainty or ambivalence regarding the communication process. Overall, the data suggests that while some respondents see value in the current communication channels, many others express doubt or uncertainty, highlighting a potential need for improvements in how customer inquiries are managed and communicated.

Table 22: Returns and exchanges are managed according to established company policies.

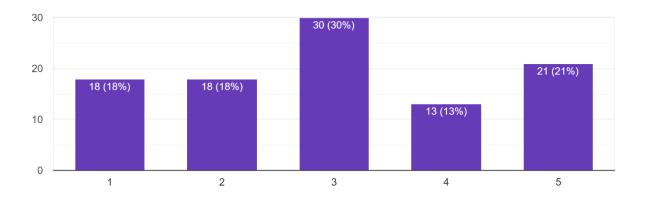
Sr. No.	Particulars	No. of Respondents	% of Respondents
1	Strongly Agree	21	21%
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3	Neutral	20	20%
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5	Strongly Disagree	13	13%
	Total	100	100%



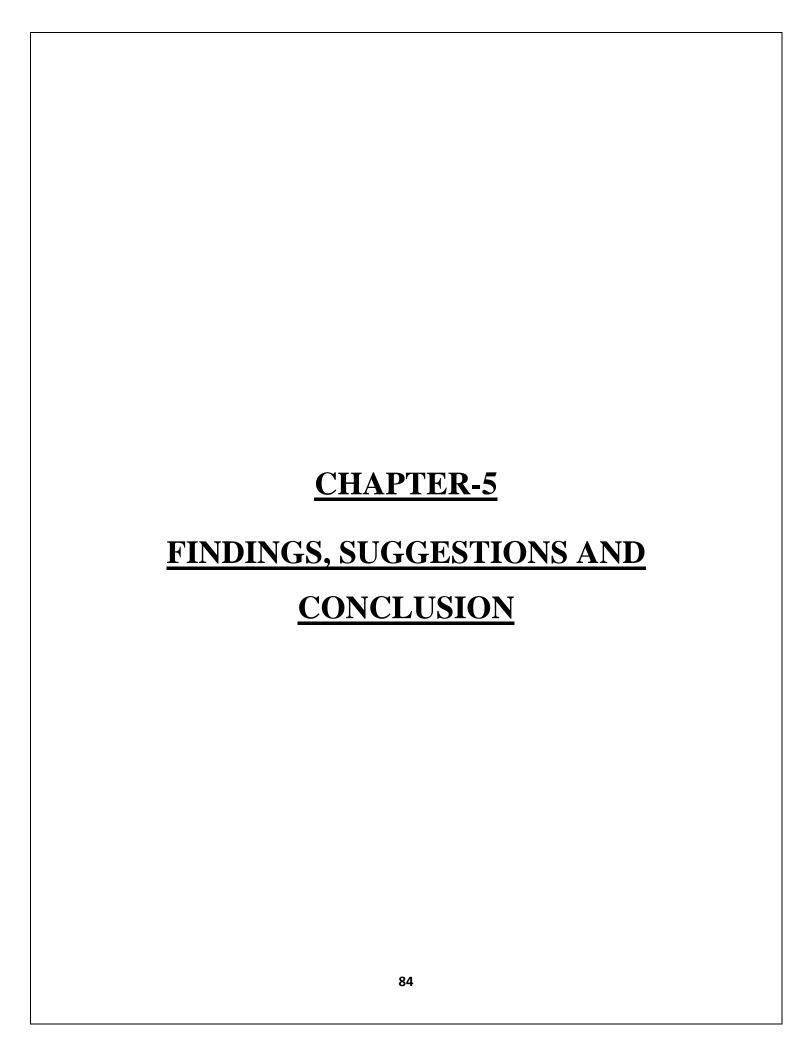
The responses reflect a mixed perception of the management of returns and exchanges. A total of 45% (21% strongly agree and 24% agree) believe that these processes align with company policies. However, a significant 35% (22% disagree and 13% strongly disagree) express skepticism about this alignment, indicating potential gaps in policy implementation or communication. Additionally, the 20% neutral responses suggest some uncertainty or ambivalence among respondents. Overall, while a majority recognizes the importance of established policies, there is a considerable portion of respondents who either doubt or are unsure about the effectiveness of the current returns and exchanges management, highlighting an area for potential improvement in policy adherence and communication.

Table 23: Regular reviews of order processing metrics help identify areas for improvement.

Sr. No.	Particulars	No. of Respondents	% of Respondents
1	Strongly Agree	18	18%
2	Agree	18	18%
3	Neutral	30	30%
4	Disagree	13	13%
5	Strongly Disagree	21	21%
	Total	100	100%



The responses indicate a varied perspective on the value of regular reviews of order processing metrics. Only 36% (18% strongly agree and 18% agree) acknowledge that these reviews are beneficial for identifying improvement areas. In contrast, a significant 34% (21% strongly disagree and 13% disagree) do not see the value in this practice. The 30% neutral responses reflect uncertainty or ambivalence about the effectiveness of such reviews. Overall, while a portion of respondents recognizes the importance of metrics in enhancing order processing, a notable percentage remains unconvinced or unsure, suggesting a potential need for improved communication on the benefits of metric reviews and how they can lead to operational enhancements.



CHAPTER-5

FINDINGS, SUGGESTIONS AND CONCLUSION

Findings

- 1. The data indicates strong support for the notion that proper organization of data facilitates easy access and retrieval for future analysis, with a combined 63% of respondents (39% strongly agree and 24% agree) affirming its importance.
- 2. The data reveals a divided opinion on the enforcement of security measures for sensitive data, with only 43% of respondents (18% strongly agree and 25% agree) supporting strict enforcement, while 31% express disagreement or strong disagreement.
- 3. The data indicates that only 41% of respondents (16% strongly agree and 25% agree) recognize the crucial role of data integrity checks in maintaining accuracy and reliability, while 30% express disagreement or strong disagreement.
- 4. The data shows that 48% of respondents (24% strongly agree and 24% agree) recognize the importance of regular data backups for protection against loss, while 33% express disagreement or strong disagreement.
- 5. The data indicates that only 40% of respondents (20% strongly agree and 20% agree) view compliance with data protection regulations as essential for data handling, while 34% express disagreement or strong disagreement.
- 6. The data shows that only 42% of respondents (19% strongly agree and 23% agree) recognize the effectiveness of data visualization techniques in enhancing understanding of complex datasets, while 34% express disagreement or strong disagreement.
- 7. The data indicates that 45% of respondents (23% strongly agree and 22% agree) believe accuracy in data entry procedures is essential to minimize errors, while 30% express disagreement or strong disagreement.
- 8. The data shows that only 43% of respondents (20% strongly agree and 23% agree) recognize the value of analyzing data trends for informed decision-making, while 37% express disagreement or strong disagreement.

- 9. The data shows that 43% of respondents (23% strongly agree and 20% agree) believe that training in best data handling practices enhances overall efficiency and accuracy, while 36% express disagreement or strong disagreement.
- 10. The data indicates that 51% of respondents (28% strongly agree and 23% agree) support the importance of data retention policies in defining storage durations, while 35% express disagreement or strong disagreement.
- 11. The data reveals that 47% of respondents (23% strongly agree and 24% agree) believe the order processing system effectively includes prompt receipt and confirmation of customer orders, while 27% express disagreement or strong disagreement.
- 12. The data indicates that only 35% of respondents (17% strongly agree and 18% agree) believe that accurate entry of order details is essential for correct processing, while 38% express disagreement or strong disagreement.
- 13. The data reveals that 43% of respondents (15% strongly agree and 28% agree) believe that product availability verification occurs before order fulfilment, while 34% express disagreement or strong disagreement.
- 14. The data shows that 47% of respondents (25% strongly agree and 22% agree) perceive clear communication with the warehouse as essential for efficient picking and packing of orders, while 33% express disagreement or strong disagreement.
- 15. The data indicates that only 41% of respondents (20% strongly agree and 21% agree) believe shipping methods are selected based on customer preferences and delivery timelines, while 38% express disagreement or strong disagreement.
- 16. The data reveals that while 40% of respondents are satisfied with receiving tracking information upon order dispatch, a significant 31% express disagreement, indicating mixed feelings about this practice.
- 17. The data shows that only 32% of respondents feel positively about order processing workflows minimizing delays and errors, while 35% express disagreement, indicating concerns about efficiency and accuracy.
- 18. The data indicates that only 34% of respondents are satisfied with the effectiveness of communication channels for addressing order status inquiries, while a combined 37% express disagreement, highlighting potential issues in customer support.

- 19. The data shows that only 45% of respondents feel positively about the management of returns and exchanges according to company policies, while 35% disagree, suggesting potential dissatisfaction with the process.
- 20. The data reveals that only 36% of respondents believe regular reviews of order processing metrics effectively identify areas for improvement, while 34% disagree, indicating a lack of confidence in this practice.

Suggestions

To enhance data handling and order processing at Emmbros Forgings Pvt. Ltd. The following suggestions are recommended:

Data Handling Improvements:

- 1. Implement Advanced Data Management Systems: Invest in an integrated ERP (Enterprise Resource Planning) system to centralize data collection, storage, and access across departments.
- **2. Utilize Data Analytics:** Employ data analytics tools to analyse trends, customer preferences, and order patterns. This can help in making informed decisions and improving forecasting accuracy.
- **3. Data Quality Assurance:** Establish protocols for regular data cleaning and validation to ensure accuracy and reliability in the information used for decision-making.
- **4. Real-time Data Tracking:** Implement real-time data tracking systems for inventory and orders to improve responsiveness and reduce delays in processing.
- **5. Employee Training:** Provide training programs for employees on data management best practices and the use of new technologies to enhance their skills and efficiency.

Order Processing Enhancements:

- **1. Streamline Order Management:** Automate the order entry process to minimize manual errors and speed up processing time. Consider using online portals for order placement.
- **2. Optimize Inventory Management:** Implement just-in-time inventory practices to reduce holding costs and improve order fulfilment rates. Use inventory management software to monitor stock levels accurately.
- **3. Enhance Customer Communication:** Develop a customer relationship management (CRM) system that allows for better communication regarding order status, delivery timelines, and updates.
- **4. Feedback Mechanism:** Establish a robust feedback loop with customers to gather insights on the order process, enabling continuous improvement based on customer input.

- **5. Multi-channel Order Processing:** Enable order processing through multiple channels (e.g., online, phone, in-person) to enhance customer convenience and accessibility.
- **6. Regular Performance Reviews:** Conduct regular assessments of order processing performance metrics (e.g., order cycle time, fulfilment accuracy) to identify areas for improvement and adjust strategies accordingly.

Conclusion

Effective data handling and streamlined order processing are critical components for the success of Emmbros Forgings Pvt. Ltd. by adopting advanced data management systems, utilizing data analytics, and implementing automated order processing solutions, the company can enhance operational efficiency and responsiveness to customer needs.

The balanced representation of urban and rural respondents underscores the importance of tailoring approaches to diverse market segments. Continuous improvement through employee training, real-time data tracking, and robust customer communication will further strengthen the organization's capabilities.

Overall, these enhancements will not only optimize internal processes but also foster stronger relationships with customers, leading to increased satisfaction, loyalty, and long-term growth. Emmbros Forgings Pvt. Ltd. is well-positioned to leverage these strategies for a more efficient and effective operational framework, ultimately driving business success in a competitive landscape.

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ANNEXURE

QUESTIONNAIRE

- 1. Age
 - 20-30
 - 30-40
 - 40-50
 - 50 or above
- 2. Gender
 - Male
 - Female
- 3. Locality
 - Rural
 - Urban
- 4. Proper organization of data ensures easy access and retrieval for future analysis.
 - Strongly Agree
 - Agree
 - Neutral
 - Disagree
 - Strongly Disagree
- 5. Security measures for sensitive data must be strictly enforced to prevent unauthorized access.
 - Strongly Agree
 - Agree
 - Neutral
 - Disagree
 - Strongly Disagree

- 6. Data integrity checks play a crucial role in maintaining accuracy and reliability.Strongly Agree
 - Agree
 - Neutral
 - Disagree
 - Strongly Disagree
- 7. Regular backups of data safeguard against loss due to system failures or breaches.
 - Strongly Agree
 - Agree
 - Neutral
 - Disagree
 - Strongly Disagree
- 8. Compliance with data protection regulations is essential for all data handling processes.
 - Strongly Agree
 - Agree
 - Neutral
 - Disagree
 - Strongly Disagree
- 9. Effective data visualization techniques enhance understanding and interpretation of complex datasets.
 - Strongly Agree
 - Agree
 - Neutral
 - Disagree
 - Strongly Disagree
- 10. Data entry procedures require accuracy to minimize errors during the collection process.
 - Strongly Agree
 - Agree
 - Neutral
 - Disagree

- Strongly Disagree
- 11. Analysis of data trends provides valuable insights for informed decision-making.
 - Strongly Agree
 - Agree
 - Neutral
 - Disagree
 - Strongly Disagree
- 12. Training best data handling practices improves overall efficiency and accuracy within company.
 - Strongly Agree
 - Agree
 - Neutral
 - Disagree
 - Strongly Disagree
- 13. Data retention policies define the duration for which different types of data are stored.
 - Strongly Agree
 - Agree
 - Neutral
 - Disagree
 - Strongly Disagree
- 14. The order processing system includes receiving and confirming customer orders promptly.
 - Strongly Agree
 - Agree
 - Neutral
 - Disagree
 - Strongly Disagree
- 15. Accurate entry of order details ensures the correct processing of customer requests.
 - Strongly Agree
 - Agree
 - Neutral

- Disagree
- Strongly Disagree
- 16. Verification of product availability occurs before order fulfillment begins.
 - Strongly Agree
 - Agree
 - Neutral
 - Disagree
 - Strongly Disagree
- 17. Communication is clear with the warehouse for picking and packing orders happens efficiently.
 - Strongly Agree
 - Agree
 - Neutral
 - Disagree
 - Strongly Disagree
- 18. Shipping methods are selected based on customer preferences and delivery timelines.
 - Strongly Agree
 - Agree
 - Neutral
 - Disagree
 - Strongly Disagree
- 19. Tracking information is provided to customers once orders are dispatched.
 - Strongly Agree
 - Agree
 - Neutral
 - Disagree
 - Strongly Disagree
- 20. Order processing workflows are designed to minimize delays and errors.
 - Strongly Agree
 - Agree

- Neutral
- Disagree
- Strongly Disagree
- 21. Customer inquiries about order status are addressed through effective communication channels.
 - Strongly Agree
 - Agree
 - Neutral
 - Disagree
 - Strongly Disagree
- 22. Returns and exchanges are managed according to established company policies.
 - Strongly Agree
 - Agree
 - Neutral
 - Disagree
 - Strongly Disagree
- 23. Regular reviews of order processing metrics help identify areas for improvement.
 - Strongly Agree
 - Agree
 - Neutral
 - Disagree
 - Strongly Disagree

