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# **A Research on The Difficulties in Managing Human Resources**

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**Abstract:** The main goal of human resource management is to create management structures that guarantee an organization's human capital is utilized effectively and efficiently to achieve its objectives. Within organizations, people can be a key competency. An organization's competitive advantage is built upon this core competency, which serves as its strength. For this reason, managing people as human resources is crucial in all kinds and sizes of organizations. The generation comprising the workforce as a whole is evolving rapidly, bringing with it changes in needs, preferences, and habits. HRM as a field is likewise going through a lot of change to meet the challenges. This paper discusses the changes occurring in HRM procedures as well as the difficulties the new system is encountering. The additionally, the paper offers suggestions for addressing the difficulties that the novel HRM practices face.

**Key words:** HRM practices have changed, human resource management, traditional HRM, modern HRM

## **1. Introduction**

The term Human Resource Management (HRM) refers to the integration of different managerial and organizational procedures, guidelines, and frameworks with the aim of "recruiting, building, engaging, and retaining" workers who help the company achieve its objectives. These resources support managers in developing the skills of their staff members and enhancing their loyalty to the company. HRM plays a critical role in boosting productivity, performance, and ensuring employee satisfaction. This can increase a company's competitive advantage and have a direct impact on its success. Put another way, we can argue that there is a significant shift taking place in HRM that will alter career paths in a variety of unpredictable ways. Workers are outsourcing and automating many administrative tasks, emphasizing business acumen more than ever. As a result, many HR professionals will need to compete and show off new skills.

**Statement of the problem:** In order to compete with rivals on a global scale and to survive in a diverse economy, HR managers now face a challenge in carrying out their duties and responsibilities. No matter the size or type of business, human resources are necessary and vital, so making the most use of the workforce that is on hand is a difficult task for HR managers in this cutthroat period. This is the reason we have selected this subject and have attempted to examine the new problems in HRM and find answers to them.

### **Objectives**

1. To research the HRM challenges.
2. To focus attention to upcoming difficulties in HRM.
3. To offer recommendations for overcoming obstacles.

## **2. Research Methodology**

Secondary data were used in this study. The information was gathered via websites, the internet, etc.

### **Findings**

## Emerging HR challenges

**Globalization in HRM:** Every successful businessman has heard the term "globalization," and the idea of a "global village" is a prevalent problem in the contemporary business world. People from all over the world are coming together as a single community through the process of globalization, which is facilitated by the extensive network of communication technologies. The modern business world has been impacted by this aspect of globalization as well. HR managers can now hire people from all over the world, eliminating the need for them to rely on a small, local market to find the qualified candidates needed to handle global challenges.

The impact of "Globalization" on HRM challenges.

- One concern for Indian businesses is how to deal with MNC competition.
- As globalization increases, more foreign companies are joining the Indian market, and in the years to come, the obstacles faced by these companies will be far more formidable than those faced by domestic ones.
- Businesses are compelled by globalization to swiftly extend into international markets beyond their immediate borders.
- A significant amount of investment and modernization would necessitate the replacement of a less trained, unskilled, and redundant workforce with highly skilled and technically trained individuals.
- It is inevitable that more and more training will be required to keep well-trained executives' technological and behavioral skills up to date.

**Handling multicultural/Diverse Workforce:** A workforce that is multicultural consists of both men and women from various racial and cultural backgrounds. Despite certain distortions brought on by discrimination or cultural bias in hiring, the labor force in any nation is a reflection of the population from which it is drawn. HR managers may find it difficult to deal with individuals who differ in terms of "age," "gender," "race," "educational background," "location, income," "parental status," "religious beliefs," "marital status," "ancestry," and "work experience." Cultural differences can frequently result in communication problems and an increase in the friction that can arise when people interact who have different expectations and habits. The diversity of the workforce is growing as a result. It is difficult to manage these people because of their diverse religious, cultural, and moral backgrounds.

**Employee Selection:** Any company must carefully consider their hiring practices, but small businesses, which sometimes find it difficult to compete with larger companies, should pay special attention to this process. For small businesses to create and provide high-quality goods and services, they require skilled and knowledgeable staff members. In addition to these challenges, there are a few other elements that affect the choice of employees. A human resources manager must therefore take all of these aspects into account when choosing the ideal candidate for his company. The following are a few variables that influence employee selection:

Outside factors: • Suggestions Current employees may suggest friends or family to fill open positions, regardless of whether the recommendation comes from a good or bad source.

- Influence from politics

Certain applicants might show up for the interview with the influence of politicians who, in certain cases, we might have to choose because they are well-known to the HR manager and have positive ties to the business.

- Personal bias
- Bribing

Some candidates may offer bribe to make selection

❖ Internal factors:

- Cost of recruitment

Cost incurred for the process of recruitment may also affect the selection process.

- Job analysis
- Human resource planning

An employee selection plan may already exist before candidates are chosen, and an HR manager may need to adhere to it in order to make decisions; otherwise, he may not be able to act independently.

### **Compliance with Laws and Regulation:**

It can be challenging for business owners to stay on top of evolving employment laws. Many people decide to disregard employment laws because they think their company is exempt from them. However, doing so might result in audits, legal action, and perhaps even the company's failure. It will be extremely difficult for the HR manager to choose an employee while taking into account all laws and regulations because, in addition to being in charge of hiring staff, he also has a responsibility to take care of employment laws and regulations. He needs to keep himself informed about the evolving laws and rules pertaining to employment.

### **Training and development:**

"Training is costly. It costs more if you don't have training. –Nehru Training is about understanding where you are right now and, occasionally, where you can take your abilities. People can learn new material, new techniques, and refresh their current knowledge and skills through training; as a result, there are significant improvements and an increase in productivity at work. The goal of providing training is to make a lasting impression that keeps employees informed about emerging trends long after the program has ended. Individual and group skill development can be provided through training. The process of "building the capacity to achieve and sustain a new desired state that benefits the organization or community" is known as "organizational development." and their surroundings. In order to train and develop a workforce, the human resources department must overcome numerous obstacles. These include making sure that the high performers who propel the business remain stable and encouraging both underachievers and untapped potential employees to succeed. Putting money into the education and training of entry-level workers is another typical HR issue. Some companies struggle to locate the necessary resources. Some of the hardest workers are those who work on the front lines, and they might not have time for training.

### **Balance With Work Life:**

When a husband and wife work, juggling work and life becomes important. Working women now make up 15% of India's 150 million urban female population. Employee work-life conflict must be minimized and resolved as soon as possible by any company that wants to be known as "a great place to work." The difficulty, though, lies in understanding and taking actions that promote work-life balance without encroaching on workers' personal lives. Such an organization's HR department is frequently pressed for innovative ideas that are doable to implement but have a significant impact. Businesses that have found success in this area have raised the bar for work-life balance by doing more than just attending to domestic issues. Programs aiming at work-life balance include:

- a) Policies regarding sick leave
- b) Job sharing
- c) Child care at or near the workplace
- d) Adjustable work schedules
- e) Attendance to ailing children and staff

### **Retaining employee**

Working professionals now have the freedom to work anywhere in the world thanks to globalization. Because they have access to so many lucrative job opportunities, it is important to hire and retain the best talent in the industry. You can motivate and retain employees by providing an excellent work environment and more compensation and benefits than your competitors. Conflict situations are a necessary part of any organization. Eighty percent of conflict situations are known to arise without human volition. Its causes include people's unique traits as well as the organizational structure, which is influenced by the culture that has been developed within the company. Organizations that ignore the risk of work-life conflict run the risk of accepting employee performance that falls short of expectations. Conflicts between employees and employers as well as between employees should be handled by HR managers without harming the parties involved. HR managers can effectively handle conflicts among employees even though it is nearly impossible to prevent them. To prevent future conflicts, they must be able to hear out each side, make a decision, and persuade them.

How to overcome the HR challenges...?

- **Appropriate HR planning:** In order to overcome the aforementioned difficulties, an HR manager needs to properly plan before beginning the recruitment or selection process. This includes determining the number of openings for each type of job, where to find candidates, what qualifications candidates must have, how to conduct interviews, and any obstacles that may arise during the candidate selection process.
- **Facilitation:** Providing facilitation to both new and current employees is the responsibility of an HR manager. In order to prevent employee attrition, he must pay particular attention to female employees as well as the most capable and talented workers. He must also consider what will inspire each employee to give

it their all.

- **Ethical Behavior:** An HR manager should practice ethical behavior to maintain friendly relations with staff members, prevent disputes, and handle a diverse workforce with caution.
- **Coordination:** An HR manager needs to motivate his staff to take initiative and operate in a diverse workplace. He must therefore cultivate a coordinating attitude both within himself and in the workplace.
- **Consideration and Sympathy:** Because humans are social creatures, they require consideration and sympathy from others, whether they be at work or elsewhere. Because HR managers deal with people, they need to be understanding and considerate of their problems.
- **Knowledge of Labor:** An HR manager needs to be fully informed about labor, which includes understanding employees' perspectives. A manager needs to have extensive experience working with a diverse workforce. In addition, he needs to be aware of how the labor market is evolving and how employment laws and regulations are changing. He needs to be aware of the average working hours as well as the minimum and maximum pay rates.
- **Fairness:** An HR manager shouldn't treat his employees unfairly or harshly.
- **Communication:** Employees and the HR manager, or departmental managers, must have appropriate, understandable communication. Employers should emphasize to staff members the advantages of the change for all parties involved so that they can swiftly and readily adapt to it.
- **Businesses should give their staff members daily opportunities to put their talents and skills to use. Reaching objectives will inspire them and provide an opportunity for skill development.**

**Future emerging hrm challenges:**

Human resources professionals are facing an increasing number and variety of challenges as businesses turn their attention to enhancing employee experience and culture. A variety of HR issues may arise as a result of digital disruptions, changes in workplace culture, shifting political and economic conditions, etc.

The HR planning process is one of the most important tasks for HR managers. The organization function has changed from being "behind the scenes" to being a crucial differentiator in business when it comes to HR functions in the twenty-first century. In the twenty-first century, HR roles have evolved significantly, particularly in the wake of globalization. Managing manpower is a laborious task that calls for specific expertise.

The challenges that the HR manager is facing are listed below and have been identified.

1. Hiring and choosing
2. Professional advancement and development
3. Fostering a diverse workforce and organizational culture
4. Managing and resolving conflicts
5. Business ethics and values
6. Handling a Multigenerational Staff
7. Motivating and retaining strategies
8. Adjustable work schedules
9. Distinctive work-life equilibrium
10. Handling the Five R's
11. Industrial relations

**3. Conclusion**

According to the aforementioned explanations, globalization has a variety of effects on businesses, some of which may involve cultural diversity. In the modern era, HRM must develop the knowledge, perspective, and skills necessary to obtain a competitive edge on a global basis. Since creativity and innovation are known to be the keys to success, HR managers need to be constantly on the lookout for them. HR plays a critical role in preparing employees for the challenges posed by globalization, which has given businesses a whole new perspective. Since the organization has become more adept at using technology, it is crucial to implement any changes. In addition to the effects of globalization, other factors include advancements in technology, the skill and competency of current employees, and A HR manager will have many challenges when it comes to hiring and choosing the best

employees, including knowledge among younger generations, laws and regulations regarding employee benefits, and increasing competition in the business environment.

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