

Quality of Work Life (QWL) in it Sector – Indian Scenario

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Abstract:

The success for any organization is the end product of its commitment to deploy, develop and retain its effective workforce. The superiority of work life is the congenial work environment, peaceful work atmosphere, and an effective work life balance which results in win-win situation both for the employer and workers.

It intends to attain vision into present working life Procedures and follows, as well as work-life stability issues of IT Workers. Some important features that effect quality of work life comprised high package higher the expectation, culture, climate, occupational health care, policies and procedures, compensation and benefits, job security etc. QWL offers for the stable association among work, non-work and family Features of life.

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I. INTRODUCTION

A high quality of work life (QWL) is necessary for administrations not only to deploy the workers but also to keep them in tact in the organization resulting in

- Developing the knowledge and aptitude for learning of the individual
- Making them aware of their own strengths and deficiencies
- Giving them work compatible with their capacity to provide them contentment, making them enjoy their work

II. DEFINITION

QWL had been described as “the quality of relationship between employees and the total working environment”. It is defined in other words, “Satisfaction with QWL is experienced when individuals are satisfied with interacting factors, such as optimal external conditions and social aspects, as well as being internally motivated by factors inherent in the work itself and which ultimately results in a sense of psychological well being of employees”.

III. THE CONCEPT OF QWL

The term (QWL) is presumed invented from a worldwide work association's conference in 1972 at Arden House, Columbia University, New York (Davis & Cherns,

1975). However there appears certain upon description of QWL, it had been used as a concept which communicates to the well-being of workers.

IV. OBJECTIVES OF THE STUDY

- To study the workers life in IT companies.
- To examine the need and scope of QWL.
- To recognize features influencing QWL in an IT industries.
- To evaluate HR's role in improving QWL.
- To examine how quality of work life leads to high satisfaction.

V. WORK LIFE IN INDIAN IT COMPANIES

The IT manufacturing has impartial happened to take a limited real stages in this direction. “Organisations in this sector are aiming at driving a culture whereby an employee is not looked down upon or ridiculed when he/she has a personal commitment to fulfil. They are given adequate time and space to spend quality time and effort towards fulfilling both work and personal objectives,” Indian IT firms are in a progressively reasonable atmosphere with objectives for superior heights. Workers find it problematic to sustain stability among work and life, and as the result the quality of work is also affected directly or indirectly.

VI. NEED AND SCOPE FOR QWL

The Superiority of Work Life programs purposes at assimilating the socio-psychological requirements of workers the exclusiveness necessities of a specific technology, the assembly and process of the association and the socio-culture milieu. It seeks to create a culture of work obligation in organization and culture at huge so as to certify advanced efficiency and better job fulfillment of the employees. Superiority of working life is the grade to which associates of the association are capable to fulfill their personal requirements over their knowledge in the association. The attention is on the difficult of forming a human work atmosphere where worker effort co-operatively and give to organisation's objectives.

Robert Owen, British entrepreneur, a cotton mill owner in Scotland in the early 19th century, pioneered ideas about better treatment of workers.

Owen argued that improving working conditions would not only recover worker's quality of work life but lead to a 50 to 100 percent increase in productivity.

The planned and effective QWL programs shall fetch the organization with the following. Benefits:

- Ø Improved productivity
- Ø Improved quality of production
- Ø Offering better customer service
- Ø Highly engaged workforce
- Ø Reduced absenteeism
- Ø Improved employee morale and commitment
- Ø Reduced attrition rates
- Ø Attraction of best talent
- Ø Greater flexibility in staffs' attitudes and ability to deal with changes.

HR departments of organizations play an important role in designing the QWL. The reason is obvious. "Supporting the employees as they balance home and work responsibilities leads to a highly engaged workforce thereby becoming a large contributor to employee loyalty".

IBM has been the pioneer in practicing the QWL in IT Sector. Besides, General Motors, Ford, Xerox, BHEL, TISCO are the other companies implementing quality of work life vehemently.

QWL is the entirety total for physical (working conditions), psychological and financial features which affect the job. It is the implementation of all those procedures which create the job less routine and added recompensing. These processes contain autonomy, appreciation, belongingness, growth and exterior rewards.

It is concerned with improving not only life at effort but also life external work.

Measuring Quality of work life:

Questionnaires and Interviews are useful measures here to measure superiority of work life. In fact, General Motors gives a questionnaire with 16 dissimilar dimensions of QWL to all its employees to recognize their perception around the superiority of their work life.

VII. HIGH PACKAGE – HIGHER THE EXPECTATION

The gratitude of the India rupee beside the US dollar has also meant that staff incomes in India have got high luxurious. "Though people who have been successful in the longer term have used the strategy of spending more time at the workplace, they have been able to balance this with adequate time with their families. So, in the long run it's not the question of spending time at work or at home, but spending quality time at both places matters a lot".

VIII. ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE

The IT companies and their workers work in an atmosphere that has seen numerous variations in current years. Organizations are progressively reliant on their IT organization to distribute 24/7 convenience, so organization controlling software and facilities are progressing to meet these requirements, different type of organizational structure are like Flat, Tall, Matrix and the like, the structure also includes the hierarchy and the channels involved in the relating the crew and taking decisions and passing on the bottom of the pyramid. Many feel convenient with the minimal levels of managerial hierarchy to gather or pass the information. This has a got a vital impact in the determining the working environment.

IX. CULTURE AND CLIMATE

The growth of association mainly, how you achieve variation effect the attainment of your commercial. Association growth activities occur in the dealing of people systems such as formal and informal collections, work culture and climate, and association plant to increase their efficiency using changes of applied behavioral sciences.

X. OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH CARE

The safe work atmosphere delivers the base for the people to like employed. The work must not pose a health hazard for the people. The owner and worker, attentive of their risks and rights, can attain a lot in their jointly valuable dialogue. Work signifies such a part in life which has been selected to it through the person himself.

XI. COMPENSATION & BENEFITS

Administrations are stressed to keep up with variations in salary and compensation thinking. There were days long back, when administrations gave equal growths to all association members. This income grows, in the one percent to five percent kind, lead the wrong message to underperformers.

XII. SUITABILITY OF WORKING HOURS

The working hours in the organization are normally eight to twelve hours in the corporate scenario, and that concept of flexi-time if adopted shall be much ease for the employees in the software development activities. The flex time is prevailing in the Indian software concerns but even then it's

not followed to the fullest as per the views given by the employees, but if considered shall contribute to a good working environment.

XIII. COMMUNICATION

Face-to-face or person-to-person relational communication is the highly repeated communication process high people use at effort. Moreover, persons lead into via email, newsletters, and meetings. Deprived communication is regularly cited problem in organizations. Maintaining transparency in communication and following the channels accordingly shall create a good and effective communication system in the organization.

XIV. MOTIVATIONAL TECHNIQUES & RETAINING STRATEGIES

Worker inspiration, positive worker determination, rewards and acknowledgment are explored in these incomes. What creates motivated, contributing people. The administration's recompense strategy reflects its power to drive quality workers. As competition for employees increases, attracting and retaining employees will become a challenge, to certify that the association remains a needed place to effort by providing opportunities for learning. "It is important to keep an eye on fast track people who are intelligent and excellent performers. Performance is a primary requirement; therefore, excellent performers should be valued. They should be identified, nurtured and provided growth opportunity."

Celebrations at Work

The corporate life style is very tedious and materialistic now-a-days, as the type of work is monotonous and the employees get bored and stressed often, which reflects in poor quality output in their results. In-order to cope up with this situation, the HR should introduce some new activities Music, Poetry, Art etc. competitions among the workers during leisure and boost them up. Also they are expected to form the club-membership and a get together among the employees and their family members for a movie or for an outing, etc., which will directly reflect in their performance in a notable way.

XV. TRAINING AND DEVELOPMENT

The relevant training and growth is high essential for the young professionals. To train employees in new skills, new ideas, and new ways of performing work. The right training design will ensure your ability to help learners adopt the new ideas received in the training, and creates an effective work force in the organizational setup.

Job Security

The IT jobs are highly paid profession and the stability is not sure in this sector, hence it is quite obvious that it lacks security and becomes the major factor that affects the employee's attitude and in turn reflects the performance in a negative manner. The employees gain confidence and feel comfortable in the work place only if they are given some sort of assurance for their job.

Study Assistance - Time Off For Study

Employees and the organization are very keen in talent acquisition and talent retention, for which the employees are asked to update their knowledge base through training and upgrade their qualification so as to suit the client requirements to serve them better, hence the study assistance to be provided in monetary and non-monetary aspects. Like the managers are sponsored for their executive programs at leading institutes to enhance their potentials.

Opportunities For Advancement / Career Growth

Employers frequently fail to comprehend the significance of providing chances for growth of their workers or their job growth. A favorable employed atmosphere, good culture, preparing and job development with passable income are particular requirements that contribute for a good QWL. Recognizing the influence of remaining achievers also stimulates others to try hard and put in their best. A respectable organisational behavioural attentions on areas like training, job growth and believe in preparing workforce improved on the

Professional aspect.

HR's Role

The part of HR department in QWL differs widely. In certain association top administration employs a decision-making to certify the QWL and output determinations happening during the association. The rules and performance section also effect inspiration and fulfillment indirectly. Difficult imposed security and health program, for sample can give workers and managers a great sense of security from accidents and industrial health hazards, like wise reparation rules can inspire and fulfill employee through inducement procedures or they may harm inspiration and gratification by inadequate increases or absolute income freezes.

XVI. RESULTS, DISCUSSION AND STRATEGIES

The research reveals that the major requirements that are expected from the employees end from their management and work place is good Compensation & Benefits, a working environment that does not harm their health, good prospects for career growth, security for their job, and the like... These requirements are too considered with utmost care by the employers, and perform an effective Internal Marketing strategy through enhancing the QWL; keeping in mind the requirements and expectations from the employees. If failed to give immediate attention to these facts, it might slowly affect the business and may incur a heavy loss in manpower resources and also in their financial turnover & profit.

XVII. SUGGESTIONS

A Worker Management Committee can be set up to oversee the implementation of QWL. The drive behind implementing quality of work life should be to ensure good QWL and effective work life balance for the workers and organizational efficiency for the organization as a whole

XVIII. CONCLUSION

Workers are the soft properties and are the hidden worth of a concern. Therefore, if administrations are worried about evolving their human properties and achievement a modest benefit in the marketplace, it appears essential that they appear to one of their highly valuable assets, namely, their human income through retaining QWL involvements in consonance their numerous requirements causing encouraging job-related replies in return.

The absolute fact that prevails in the corporate life is prolonging the implementation of plans, related to enhancing the QWL. The factors discussed above are not in practice to the fullest, and the management should fasten the implementation process which shall contribute to success of the individual and the organization as a whole.

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