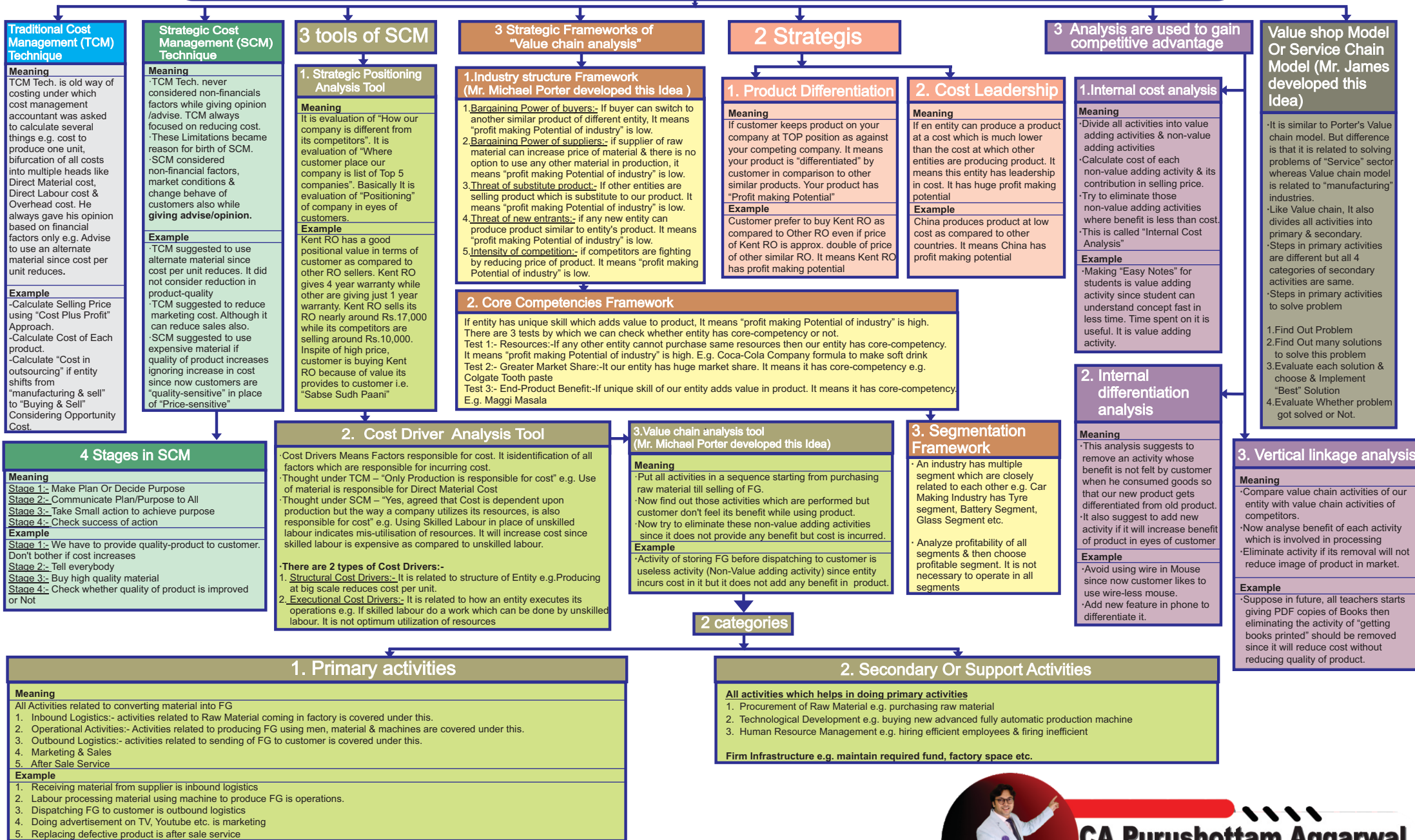


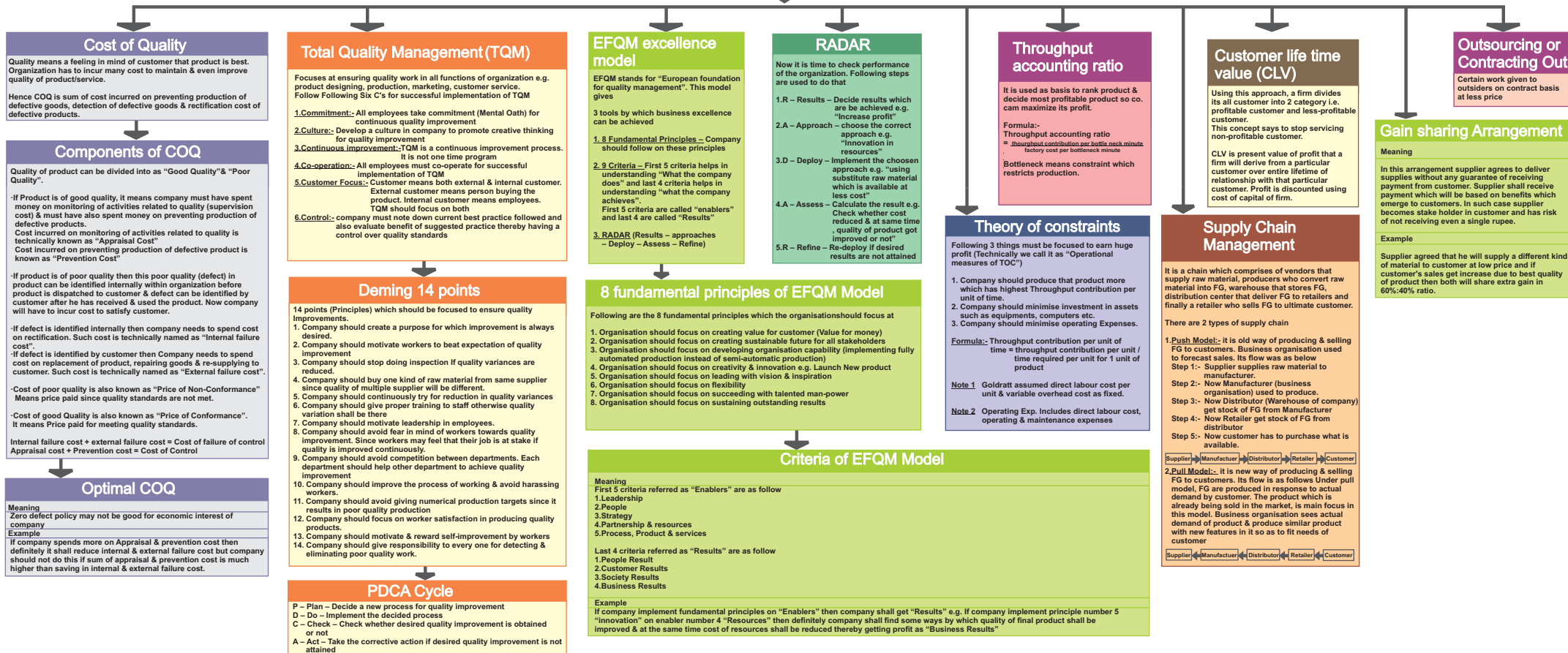
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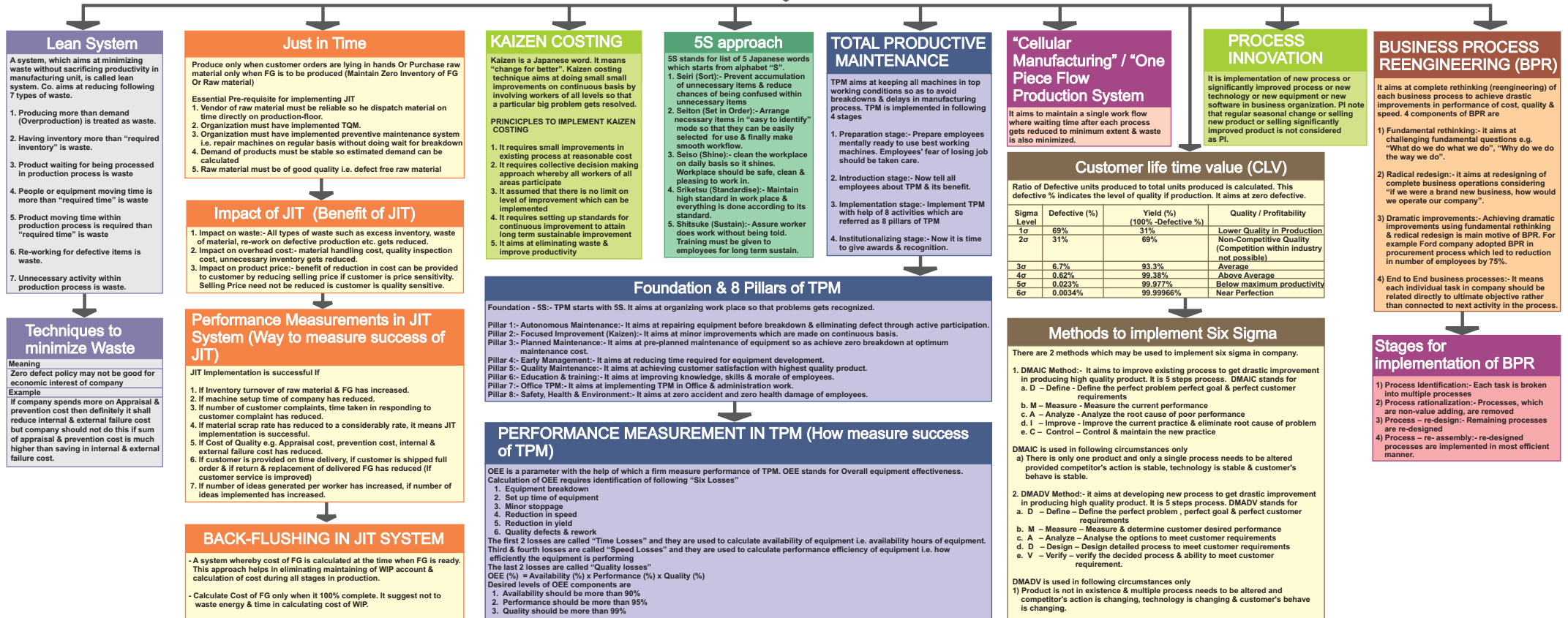
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CHAPTER 4 – COST MANAGEMENT TECHNIQUES

Cost Management Techniques

- A technique which aims at
1. Not allowing actual cost go above standard cost (Technically we call it Cost Control)
 2. Reduction of cost (Technically we call it Cost Reduction)

Areas on which cost management technique may be applied

1. Product design:-Cheaper substitute of material may help in reducing cost but Quality should not be reduced.
2. Factory layout equipment:-Replacing old machines on expiry of life is better way to avoid production of defective units.
3. Production Plan Programme & Method:- Following things must be checked w.r.t. production plan Whether there is any wastage of material Whether there is any scope for reduction in idle capacity Whether stores control services are efficient (Stores means raw material) Whether labour is wasting its time.

TARGET COSTING CONTROL POINTS

Following points must be taken care of in target costing

1. Identify principal control point:- E.g. Timing of new product launch should be decided. If product is launched at right time then only it can absorb maximum market demand.
2. Point of Go / No Go decision:- organization should pre-decide the time & cost to be invested in deciding design of product. If target cost is not achieved within that time then company should leave this project/product.
3. Milestones:- It means stages which has been completed in target costing process. It aims at reaching level of design e.g. 80% product design is ready or 2 months has been invested in analyzing product design out of decided 3 months.

Points to remember for successful implementation of target costing

1. Create a project charter which describes goals of target costing efforts. This helps in pre-deciding the time & cost to be invested in target costing process hence it avoids delays.
2. Obtain management support:- An individual from Top management must be part of product design team because he can eliminate small problems in timely manner so that project is completed on time
3. Obtain a budget:- Top management must pre-approve budget amount to be spent in target costing process so as to decide "Go / No Go" decision. Money must be allocated out of corporate budget.
4. There are different individuals from different departments of an organization. All of them may have different agendas in regard to "What they want program to produce". Hence a strong team manager must be in target cost team
5. Target costing team must have individuals who are only involved in performing work assigned by target costing team. They should be full time participants.
6. Target costing may be very complex if it is related to high cost product & this product has many features & components. Using project management tools such as tracking the completion of small small task, easy access to previous cost data may help in performing target costing task easily.

Target Costing

Target costing is exactly opposite to cost plus profit approach. Under cost plus profit approach, a company used to produce a product without any cost restriction in mind. Once the product gets produced then they simply add the desired profit & decide selling price. But under target costing, a company first decide the price which a consumer can pay for its product then it decide the profit to be earned. Now desired profit is reduced from selling price to arrive at budgeted cost per unit. This budgeted cost is technically called target cost for company. Company aims to produce a product within its target cost.

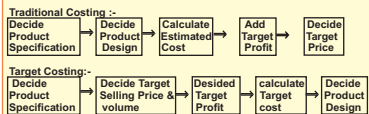
Components of Target Costing

1. Value Analysis (VA):- It is reviewing the material composition of existing product so that cost can be reduced without doing any reduction in value of product for customer.
2. Value engineering (VE):- It is use of VA tool on new product. VE aims at reducing cost even before producing. Sometimes it is also known as functional analysis.

Target costing impact profitability

Target costing has a large positive impact on profitability in following 2 ways

1. It continuously focuses on product cost throughout life cycle of product thereby regular track of actual cost is kept. Product design team becomes alert if there is little bit increase in cost. This process keeps on reducing target cost & thereby profit becomes higher
2. It helps in deciding target price at which company feels that customer will get value for money, if customer gets value for money then demand automatically gets increased and finally profit gets improved. Strategy of target costing is entirely different from traditional costing.



Life cycle costing

A product has a life like a human. LCC aims at identifying cost & revenue over life of a product. This analysis tools helps in identifying strategies to be adopted during product's life to maximize profit e.g. which pricing strategy should be adopted during launching state, pricing at maturity stage etc.

4 stages in PLC (Product Life cycle)

1. Introduction stage
2. Growth Stage
3. Maturity or Stabilization stage
4. Decline stage

Stage 1:- Introduction Stage

This is first stage when product is launched. This has following characteristics:

1. Objective:- Since product of firm is not known in market hence firm focuses on creating product awareness.
2. Sales Level:- Initially sales volume is low.
3. Cost per customer:- Company spends much on high promotional & distribution expenses i.e. huge marketing cost incurred hence there is high cost per customer in this stage
4. Profit:- Initially profit is also low or even negative
5. Competitors:- Less competition since an organization normally launches a better product

Following strategies are adopted during this stage

1. Product:- basic version product is offered
2. Price:- Pricing may very low or very high. Low pricing is called "Penetration pricing" and high pricing is called "Skimming pricing"
3. Advertising:- Firm advertises a lot to build product awareness among customer & dealers. Sales promotion cost is very high.
4. Distribution:- Initially distribution channel is not so big. Initially company chooses only those dealers who are very passionate about product.

Stage 2:- Growth Stage

Sales begin to increase rapidly due to greater customer awareness. This is second stage which has following characteristics:

1. Objective:- Since product of firm is known in market hence firm focuses on maximizing market share.
2. Sales Level:- Sales volume increases rapidly.
3. Cost per customer:- Company spends much on high promotional & distribution expenses i.e. huge marketing cost in incurred. Cost per customer is now average since number of customers increases.
4. Profit:- Profit starts rising at increasing rate
5. Competitors:- gaining huge market share attract new competitors in market

Following strategies are adopted during this stage

1. Product:- Now advanced version product is offered. After sales service & warranty is also provided.
2. Price:- firm will maintain high price so as to realize maximum profit. It has exceptions i.e. price is reduced if
 - a. Low price will lead to market penetration
 - b. Firm has spare capacity to absorb the increased sales
 - c. New competitors are entering market day-by-day.
3. Advertising:- Firm advertises with a view to build product awareness in mass market
4. Distribution:- company aims at building intensive distribution channel.

Stage 3 – Maturity Stage

During this 3rd stage, sales continue to increase but rate is decreasing e.g. in 4th year sales increased by 25% as compared to 3rd year and in 5th year sales increased by 20% as compared to 4th year. Sales is increasing but rate of increase is decreasing. Sales begin to increase rapidly due to greater customer awareness.

This is third stage which has following characteristics:

1. Objective:- aim is to maximize profit while firm tries to maintain market share.
2. Sales Level:- Sales volume is on peak level.
3. Cost per customer:- low cost per customer
4. Profit:- Profit level is high.
5. Competitors:- There is intensified competition in the market.

Following strategies are adopted during this stage

1. Product:- Now firm try to diversify brands & models
2. Price:- Price will be close to cost due to high competition
3. Advertising:- Firm stresses on brand difference & benefits thereof
4. Distribution:- company aims at building more intensive distribution channel since now big distribution channel becomes a support.

Stage 4:- Decline Stage

Decline in sales volume is feature of 4th stage. Need or demand for the product disappears. Now market provides better & less costly substitutes. Sales begin to increase rapidly due to greater customer awareness.

This is 4th stage which has following characteristics:

1. Objective:- Reduce unnecessary expenditure since sales is low or even zero.
2. Sales Level:- Sales volume is low
3. Cost per customer:- low cost per customer since marketing expenses are low & customers are also low
4. Profit:- Profit starts declining or even losses occur
5. Competitors:- Several competitors also leave the market

Following strategies are adopted during this stage

1. Product:- Product can be sold with little new features & adding more values to customer
2. Price:- Gap between price & cost is further reduced.
3. Advertising:- this cost is also reduced
4. Distribution:- company identifies and close unprofitable outlets. Only selective distribution channels are kept.

Pareto Analysis

This was developed by Mr. Pareto. He made 80:20 rule. He observed that 80% wealth is owned by 20% citizens so he focused and laid down that an entity should apply this rule in organization also. It should identify those 20% activities or product which are contributing to its 80% sales & hence should focus mainly on these. This rule recommends to focus on most important aspect of decision making in order to simplify the process of decision making

Areas in which Pareto Analysis can be applied

1. Product Pricing:- A firm can maximize its profit at best price. Best price does not mean minimum price or maximum price. Best price means at which sales are at its maximum. Top management should identify 20% product which contribute to 80% of sales. Now Top management can devote sufficient time to decide price about these 20% product.
2. Customer profitability analysis:- Pareto analysis focuses on analyzing profitability on the basis of customers & identify those 20% customers who contributes to 80% profit. Now entity may think over the strategies to keep these 20% customers happy.
3. Stock Control:- Identify those 20% raw material which are responsible for 80% of stock cost. Now decide maximum stock level, minimum stock level and re-order level for this critical raw material.
4. Application of Activity Based Costing:- Under ABC, overheads are apportioned over products based upon number of cost drivers used. Pareto analysis says to identify those 20% cost drivers which are responsible for 80% overhead costs.
5. Quality control:- Identify those 20% causes which are responsible for 80% problems as reported by customers. Focus & improve on these 20% causes may provide competitive advantage.

Environmental Management Accounting (EMA)

Some organization adversely affect environment by its activities such as disposal of waste material, disposal of waste water etc. so these organization needs to incur cost to safe environment. EMA is collection of environment cost & thereafter doing analysis of these costs to control & reduce such costs. Environmental costs are divided into 4 categories:-

1. Prevention cost:- cost associated with preventing adverse impacts on environment e.g. evaluation of equipment w.r.t. pollution emission
2. Appraisal cost:- Cost incurred to determine whether products, processes & activities are in compliance with environmental standards.
3. Internal failure cost:- cost incurred from performing activities that has led to waste and same has not been discharged into environment e.g. disposing toxic material.
4. External failure cost:- cost incurred after environmental damage has been caused outside the organization.

4 Techniques to identify environmental cost

- 1 Input – output analysis:- Waste is identified by controlling input & output e.g. suppose 100 kg of material has been bought & 80kg has been utilized in production process. Now company has to account difference 20 kg. 10% of this 20 has been sold as normal loss scrap and remaining 90% has been waste. Now company must analyze impact on this waste on environment.
- 2 Flow cost Accounting:- This technique uses not only material flows but also the organisational structure. It makes material flows transparent by looking at the physical quantities involved, their costs and their value. It divides the material flows into three categories: material, system and delivery and disposal. The values and costs of each of these three flows are then calculated. The aim of flow cost accounting is to reduce the quantity of materials which, as well as having a positive effect on the environment, should have a positive effect on a business' total costs in the long run.
- 3 Life cycle costing:- under life cycle costing, environmental cost of a product is analysed over life of a product. Company must adopt TQM to reduce lifecycle cost.
- 4 Activity Based Costing:- ABC allocates internal costs to cost centres and cost drivers on the basis of the activities that give rise to the costs. In an environmental accounting context, it distinguishes between environment-related costs, which can be attributed to joint cost centres, and environment driven costs, which tend to be hidden on general overheads.

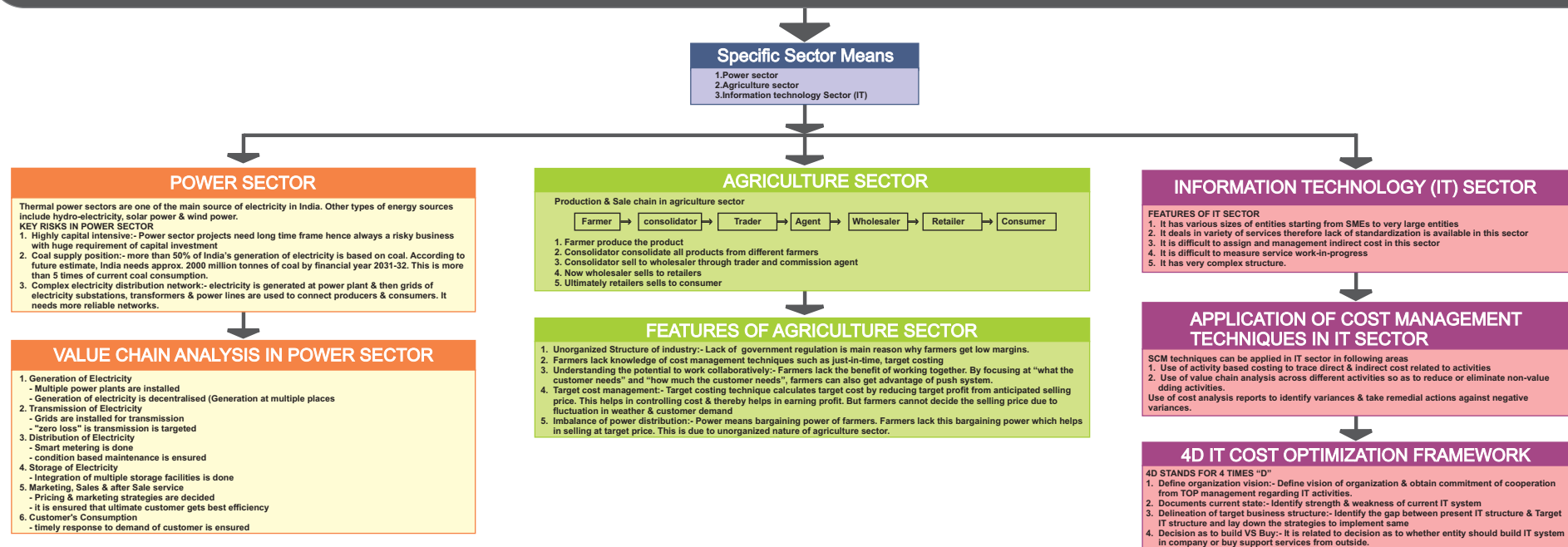
Controlling of environmental costs

After identification of environmental cost, now the task of controlling the cost arises. Following environmental cost are controlled

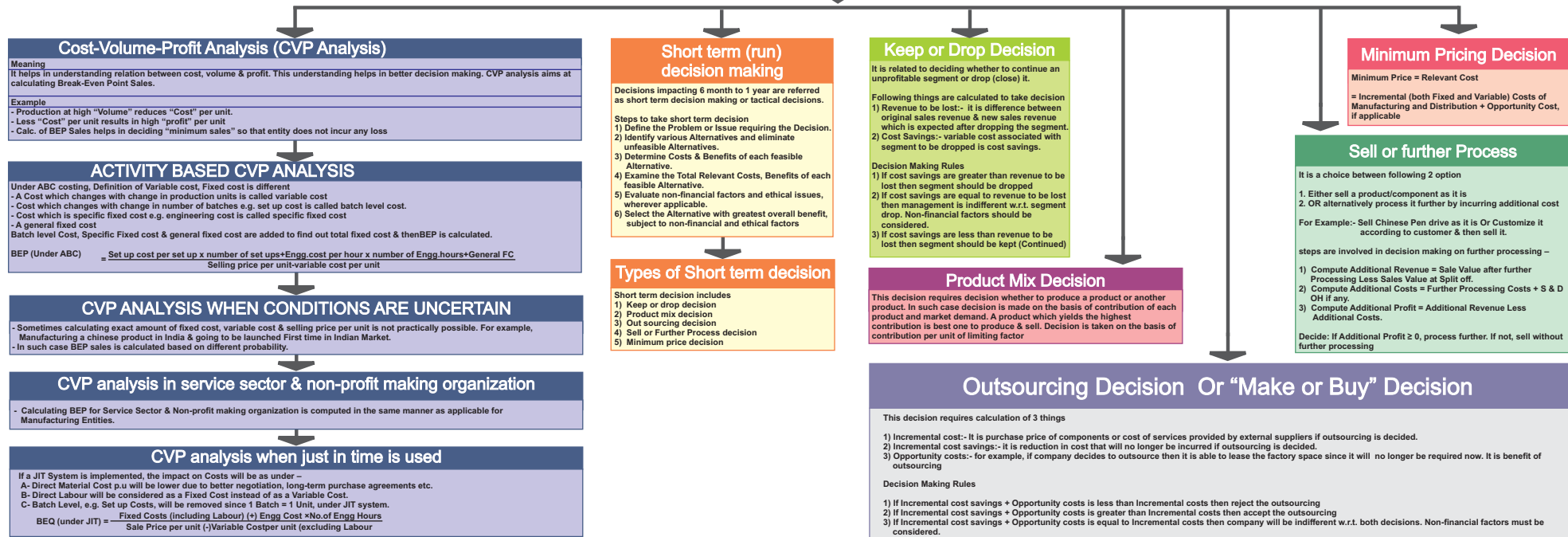
- 1 Waste:- Waste of material can be calculated by comparing material bought in and material consumed in production. Waste has environmental cost in terms of lost resources. Fines paid for non-compliance of pollution norms.
- 2 Water:- Organization spend money on water 2 times i.e. first while buying water and 2nd while disposing extra water. It is important for organization to identify where water is used & how consumption of water can be reduced thereby reducing environmental costs also
- 3 Energy:- energy cost can be reduced by identifying inefficiencies and wasteful practices thereby identifying cost savings
- 4 Transport & Travel:- If a business invest in most fuel efficient vehicles then it can save in terms of travel & transport of goods & material.
- 5 Consumables & raw materials:- These costs are usually easy to identify and discussions with senior managers may help to identify where savings can be made. For example, toner cartridges for printers could be refilled rather than replaced.



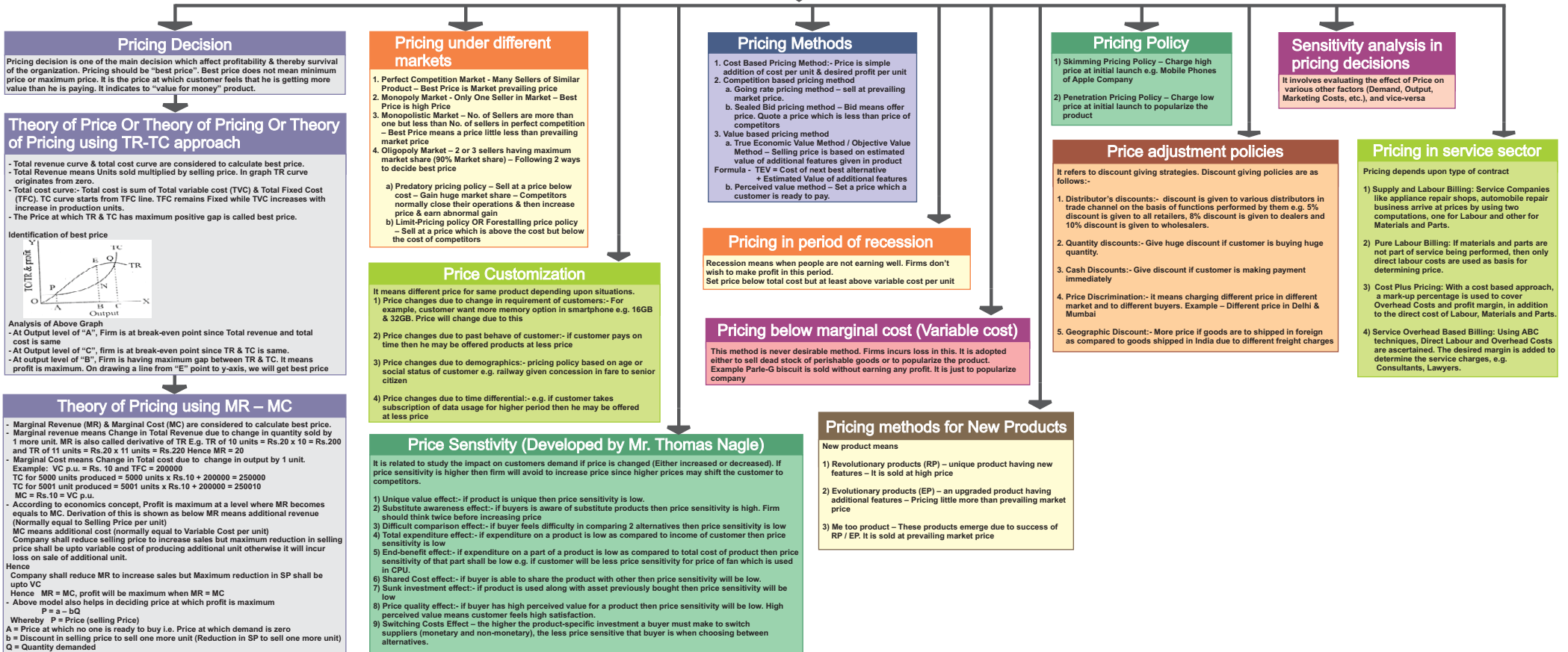
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CHAPTER 6 – DECISION MAKING



CHAPTER 7 – PRICING DECISION



CHAPTER 8 – PERFORMANCE MEASUREMENTS & EVALUATION

Introduction

- Every company is formed for some purpose. Example profit making is the objective of Dabur Company & Giving service to poor patients is the objective of hospitals.
- We need some parameter with which we can actual performance & evaluate whether entity is successful or not. This is technically called "Performance measurement & evaluation"

Responsibility Centers & Its types

Each Dept. is given some responsibility e.g. Dept. A has to earn profit, Dept. B has to minimize production cost. Each Dept. is informed of "What he is required to do" and "What is expected from it"

Types of RC

1. Cost Centre:- It is responsible for cost management i.e. cost control & cost reduction.
2. Revenue Centre:- It is responsible for increasing sales revenue
3. Profit Centre:- It is responsible for increasing profit
4. Investment Centre:- It is responsible for maximum utilization of all available resources.

Types of Performance measurement techniques

Following techniques are used for financial evaluations

1. Return on Investment (ROI)
2. Residual Income (RI)
3. Economic Value Added (EVA)
4. Shareholder Value Added (SVA)

Following techniques are used for financial as well as non-financial evaluations

1. Triple Bottom Line (TBL)
2. Performance Pyramid Model
3. Performance Prism Model
4. Building Block Model (BB Model)
5. Balance Score Card (BSC)

Financial Evaluations

Return on Investment (ROI)

Performance of a Dept. is compared with desired ROI. Comparison with absolute figure of desired profit is not considered good.

$$ROI = \frac{\text{Divisional Profit}}{\text{Assets of Division}} \times 100$$

Residual Income (RI)

Performance of a Dept. is compared with residual income. Residual income means income earned by division over & above minimum target income. Minimum target income means investment multiplied by opportunity cost of capital.

Steps to Calculate RI

1. Calculate Profit of Division
2. Calculate opportunity cost of capital e.g. investment amount x Opportunity Cost of Capital
3. Calculate RI = Division's profit - Opportunity Cost of Capital

RI technique measures income in absolute figure which is its limitations.

Non - Financial Evaluations

Triple Bottom Line Model ("TBL" or "3BL" or "3P") – Developed by Mr. John Elkington

In 1994 he emphasized on looking at social & environmental performance rather than simple financial performance. TBL has 3 dimensions

- 1) **Social (People):-** It focuses on "Do something for people". It is proven fact that a company which ignore their people earns "Lower profit"
- 2) **Environmental (Planet):-** It focuses on "Look after your planet". It is proven fact that a company which focuses on environment gets a powerful image in mind of people which lead to several benefits. Coca-cola company pledges to achieve major recycling initiative by 2030.
- 3) **Economic (Profit):-** It is related measuring economic success of company & improving it. It focuses on "Don't Forget to earn profit".

Performance Pyramid Model - developed by Cross and Lynch



It has 4 levels of "SMART" model

1. Level 1 OR TOP Level:- Top of Pyramid shows vision and mission of the organization which describes its ambitions and how will it achieve its vision.
2. Level 2 OR Business Level:- This aims to achieve CSF w.r.t. market-related measures & financial-measures. Marketing & financial success is required utmost to achieve corporate vision.
3. Level 3 OR Operating system level:- It has 3 indicators which helps in measuring business operating system. Now Marketing strategies & financial strategies are linked to higher customer satisfaction, increased flexibility to respond to change in market immediately & higher productivity. Productivity means optimum utilization of resources such as men, money & material (3Ms)
4. Level 4 OR Department level:- It has 4 criteria to evaluate performance of departments. Success of strategies are measured at departmental level. It includes quality of product, on-time delivery, less cycle time Less time to produce quality & less wastage (Reduce non-value adding activities).

Benchmarking & its types

Benchmarking means "comparing with best & taking improvements". Its Types are as follows

- 1) **Competitive benchmarking:-** It involves comparison with competitors. Competitors products, services & activities are compared with own products, services & activities.
- 2) **Process benchmarking:-** It involves comparison with Processes, operations & activities of best organization are compared with own Processes, operations & activities.
- 3) **Strategic Benchmarking:-** It involves comparison of long term strategies. It looks at what other companies are doing w.r.t. development of new competitive products.
- 4) **Global benchmarking:-** It involves finding out difference between international culture, international business processes, international operations & national culture, processes & operations.
- 5) **Functional Benchmarking:-** It involves comparison of similar functions from best organization from a different sector. It leads to innovation & drastic improvements.
- 6) **Internal benchmarking:-** It involves comparison within different units of same business organization. It is internal comparison.
- 7) **External benchmarking:-** It involves comparison with outside organizations which are known to be best in class.

Benchmarking is categorized into 2 category.

- 1) **Intra-Group benchmarking:-** Under this, A group is formed in which all companies in same industry agree to share their data related to processes & activities with each other. It helps in identifying and transfer of best practice to all members of the group
- 2) **Inter-industry benchmarking:-** Under this, non-competing business having similar process is identified and used for comparing businesses. For example, a school book publishing company may compare with university book publishing company and identify best practice between them & take advantage.

BENCHMARKING CODES OF CONDUCT

- 1) **Principle of legality:-** It should not lead to illegal activities e.g. Doing price fixation
- 2) **Principle of exchange:-** Parties of benchmarking arrangement should be loyal in exchanging information about processes, operations & activities.
- 3) **Principle of confidentiality:-** Information & findings should not be communicated outside
- 4) **Principle of Use:-** Gathered information should be used only for improvement purpose among benchmarking partners.
- 5) **Principle of first party contract:-** There should be a legal contract among benchmarking partners which clearly defines rights & responsibilities of each party to it.
- 6) **Principle third party contract:-** third party means a person who was not in benchmarking team but he may have access to findings of benchmarking committee. Legal contract among benchmarking partners should clearly define whether or not access to third party will be available.
- 7) **Principle of preparation:-** benchmarking process should be clearly defined. It should clearly lay down all activities with their sequence to perform so that objectives of benchmarking can be obtained.

Performance measurement of "Not-For-Profit" organizations

There are 2 techniques to measure performance of NGOs

- 1) Value for money framework
- 2) Adapted Balanced Scorecard

VALUE FOR MONEY FRAMEWORK

There is a framework i.e. "Value for money framework" which helps in evaluating performance of "Not-For-Profit" organizations. It has following 3 parameters to evaluate performance of "Not-For-Profit" organizations. There are 3E in this framework

- 1) **Effectiveness:-** Assessment of whether NGO achieved its mission & objectives?
- 2) **Efficiency:-** Assessment of whether resources & funds utilized properly? i.e. Assessment of whether maximum output obtained with minimum resources/input?
- 3) **Economy:-** Assessment of whether desired output produced at lowest cost without compromising quality?

ADAPTED BALANCED SCORECARD APPROACH

There are 4 perspective in adapted balanced scorecard:-

- 1) **Customer perspective:-** customer means beneficiaries. It aims at satisfaction of beneficiaries.
- 2) **Financial perspective:-** It aims at proper utilization of raised funds therefore focused at members/donors.
- 3) **Internal processes perspective:-** It aims at getting efficiency in using resources
- 4) **Learning & growth perspective:-** It aims at capability of organization to adjust according to changing environment.

Economic Value Added (EVA) (Developed by Stewart)

Performance of a Dept. is evaluated using EVA. If entity is earning EVA, it means its performing better on financial ground.

EVA is the profit earned over and above cost of capital of the firm.

Formula

$$EVA = \text{Net operating income after tax (NOPAT)} - \text{Capital employed} \times \text{Weighted average cost of capital (WACC)}$$

$$WACC = \left[\frac{\text{Cost of Equity} \times \text{Proportion of equity in total capital} + \text{Cost of Preference Capital} \times \text{Proportion of Preference Capital in total capital} + \text{Cost of debt} \times \text{Proportion of debt in total capital} \times (1 - \text{tax rate}) \right]$$

Steps to Calculate EVA

- 1) Calculate NOPAT
- 2) Calculate WACC & Capital Employed
- 3) Calculate EVA

Adjustments to calculate NOPAT – Stewart suggest following adjustment while calculating EVA

- 1) Amount of interest on loan & its tax benefit is removed. If interest is charged in P&L A/c then interest on loan is added back and tax benefit on interest is reduced.
- 2) Non-Cash Items e.g. goodwill written Off, Preliminary Expenses W/OFF should be added back (If reduced)
- 3) Accounting Dep. should be added back (If reduced) and Economic Dep. Shall be reduced. Economic Depreciation means reduction in market value of assets
- 4) Provision for doubtful debts shall be added back (If reduced)
- 5) Interest on capital shall be added back (If reduced)
- 6) Increase in capitalized research & development cost shall be added back (If Reduced)
- 7) provision of deferred tax shall be added back (If reduced)

Shareholder Value Added (SVA) Or shareholder value analysis – Developed by Mr. Alfred Rappaport

If an entity keeps on increasing SVA, it means company is performing better on financial grounds.

SVA per Share = Total Shareholder Value + Number of Shares Outstanding.

Total Shareholder value means value of Company's present and future Cash Flows discounted at an appropriate Cost of Capital.

According to "Alfred" following 7 factors affect shareholder value

- 1) Growth Rate of Sales
- 2) Operating Profit Margin
- 3) Income Tax Rate
- 4) Investment in working capital
- 5) Investment in Fixed capital
- 6) Cost of Capital
- 7) Life of project

He calls these 7 factors as "Value drivers"

Balance Score Card

Scorecard is like a marksheet of student and when scorecard is used in relation to business, it was termed as "Balanced Scorecard". It includes financial as well as non-financial aspect.

- 1) **Financial perspective:-** It encourages identification of high level financial measures which helps in answering the question "How do we look to shareholders?" e.g. Sales growth every year, High ROI etc.
- 2) **Customer Perspective:-** It encourages identification of high level measures which helps in answering the question "How do customer view us?" e.g. % of Sales from new product, on-time delivery, customer satisfaction etc.
- 3) **Internal business perspective:-** It encourages identification of high level financial measures which helps in answering the question "At What must we excel?" e.g. less cycle time, less per unit cost of product etc.
- 4) **Learning & growth perspective:-** It encourages identification of high level financial measures which helps in answering the question "How can we continue to improve, create value & innovate?" e.g. developing new products

Performance prism model

It puts 5 questions which are necessary to answer to complete performance measurement.

1) **Stakeholders satisfaction:-** "Who are the stakeholders and what are their need & wants?". Here stakeholders include customers, investors, employees, suppliers etc. Need & want of each stakeholder is different e.g.

- a. Customer need high quality product, on-time delivery, timely respond to customer problem etc.
- b. Employee need high salary package, on the job training, timely promotion etc
- c. Investor need high ROI
- d. Suppliers need timely payment, feeling of being partner in business of organization etc

2) **Stakeholders contribution:-** "What the organization needs from stakeholders?".

- a. Organization wants customers to be loyal & actual feedback provider.
- b. Organization wants employee to be reliable, responsibility-taker, skillful etc
- c. Organization wants investor to believe in plans & policies of management.
- d. Organization wants suppliers to supply high quality raw material, timely supply etc

3) **Strategies:-** "What strategies should be put to satisfy wants and needs?". In the performance prism model, strategy means "how the goal will be achieved". It is the route that an organization takes to reach goal, not the goal itself. Goals are defined in first 2 perspective of this model e.g. Plan to launch a new product with help of skillful employees may fulfill both above goals.

4) **Processes:-** "What processes are required to implement above strategies?" after deciding strategy, now company needs to find out "Right business processes" to support strategies. Business process reengineering may be used to identify redundant process. Value chain analysis may be used to identify key processes. Strategies helps to decide "What to do" and Processes helps to decide "How to do".

5) **Capabilities:-** "What capabilities organization needs to operate processes?" Capabilities means people, technologies & infrastructure required to enable a process to work. Availability of right capabilities is of utmost importance as per performance prism model.

Building Block Model - developed by Fitzgerald & Moon

It is specifically designed for service sector.

There are 3 aspects to build performance measurement system.

First Aspect	Dimensions	Deciding goals on which performance shall be measured
Determinants (The things that are important to get results)	1. Innovation 2. Quality 3. Resource Utilisation 4. Flexibility 5. Competitive Performance 6. Financial Performance	Number of New products Product Reliability, Product Friendliness Good Productivity & Efficiency (Less wastage, Less time to produce) Ease in change in Specification, Sales Growth, Relative Market Share Growth Good Profitability, Return on Capital Employed, Optimum Liquidity
Results		
- Getting the Top 4 correct will lead to strong financial & competitive performance. - These are insured at Board Level - They are further broken in multiple targets for divisional managers so that someone is responsible to ensure that Each target is achieved.		
Second Aspect	Standards Key Performance Indicators	Deciding what the company wants / desires
	1. Ownership 2. Achievability 3. Equity	Who is responsible to achieve standards How difficult are standards All managers should be given equally challenging standards
Third Aspect	Rewards	Deciding what the managers will receive
	1. Clarity 2. Motivation 3. Controllability	Targets should be very very clear e.g. innovate one new product within every 3 months Rewards should itself motivate managers to achieve standards Reward should be based on non-financial elements also.



CHAPTER 9 – TRANSFER PRICING

Meaning of Transfer Price (TP)

Meaning

Price at which goods / services are sold internally within an organization, is called TP

Example

If a subsidiary company sells goods to a parent company, the cost of those goods paid by the parent to the subsidiary is the transfer price.

TP Methods

- 1) Market based TP – TP is decided based on market price of similar goods / services
- 2) Shared Profit relative to Cost Method – TP is sum of Cost incurred per unit & share in profit

Step 1 - Calculate total profit of the company using following formula

Total profit of company = Sales value – Cost of Supplying Dept. – Cost of Receiving Dept.

Step 2 - Divide profit in ratio of total cost of individual deptt.

$$A's \text{ Share} = \frac{\text{Total Profit of company}}{\text{Total Cost of Company}} \times A's \text{ Cost}$$

$$\text{Step 3 - TP} = \frac{A's \text{ Total Cost} + A's \text{ Share of profit}}{\text{Total Qty}}$$

3) Cost Based TP

- a. Marginal Cost Based TP – TP is equal to variable cost / marginal cost of units produced by supply Dept. for receiving Dept.
 - b. Standard Cost Based TP – TP is equal to standard cost of producing the units
 - c. Full Cost Based TP – TP is equal to total cost incurred in producing units.
 - d. Cost plus Mark-up Based TP – TP is equal to cost per unit & profit per unit.
- 4) Negotiation Based TP – TP is the price at which both supply Dept. & Receiving Dept. is agree.

Goal Congruence

Meaning

It means department has to achieve its objective in align with objectives of organization.

Example

Dept. A (Selling Dept.) must earn profit in internal transfer but must also ensure that Entity gets cost advantage by using FG of Dept. A as raw material

Range of TP to promote goal congruence

In order to promote "Goal Congruence" a range of TP is decided i.e. minimum transfer price and maximum transfer price.

1. Minimum TP:- it is determined by supply dept.

Minimum TP = Marginal cost of production + any additional incidental cost incurred by supply dept. e.g. storage cost etc. + Opportunity Cost

Opportunity Cost means benefit forgone if decision to supply internally is taken in spite of selling outside

2. Maximum TP:- it is determined by purchase dept.

Maximum TP is lower of

- Market purchase price of component (External Buy-in-Price) OR
- Net Marginal Revenue

Net Marginal Revenue

= The price at which purchase department sells its FG in market (Selling price of Purchase Dept.)

- Cost incurred by purchase Dept. after purchase of component

Example:- Dept. A produces Product A and Dept. uses product "A" as component/raw material to produce its FG "B".

Dept. A incurs marginal cost of Rs.10 per unit on producing "A". Dept. B incurs marginal cost of Rs.5 per unit to process it further.

Division B sells product "B" externally at Rs.20 per unit. You are required to calculate price range of TP assuming that Component

"A" can be purchased from market at Rs.14 per unit.

Solution:- Minimum TP = Marginal Cost = Rs.10 per unit

Maximum TP means Lower of

1. Net Marginal Revenue i.e. Selling Price of FG – Modification Charges by Purchase Dept. i.e. Rs.20 – Rs.5 = Rs.15

2. External buy-in-price i.e. Rs.14 Hence maximum TP is Rs.14 per unit.

Range of TP which promotes goal congruence, will be Rs.10 per unit to Rs.14 per unit

Methods to resolve TP Conflict

1. Dual Rate TP system:- under this system, Supply management records its transfer at "cost plus profit" and purchase department records internal transfer at "marginal cost". Inter-departmental profit is eliminated by an accounting entry. This method makes happy to both department. There are 2 prices at which internal transaction is recorded that's why it is called "Dual rate TP system".

2. Two Part TP system:- under this method, one TP is calculated at which both departments records the transaction. TP includes "marginal cost of production" plus "lump-sum fixed charge". "Marginal cost of production" means additional cost incurred by supply department to produce for internal transfer. "lump-sum fixed charge" enables supply department to charge some portion of fixed cost of supply department. This helps supply dept. to show better profitability.

It is called "Two Part TP system" since TP includes 2 types of cost

- First Marginal Cost
- Second Fixed Cost

International TP

When purchase division and supply division operates in different country then price at which goods/services are transferred from supply to purchase division, is termed as "International TP".

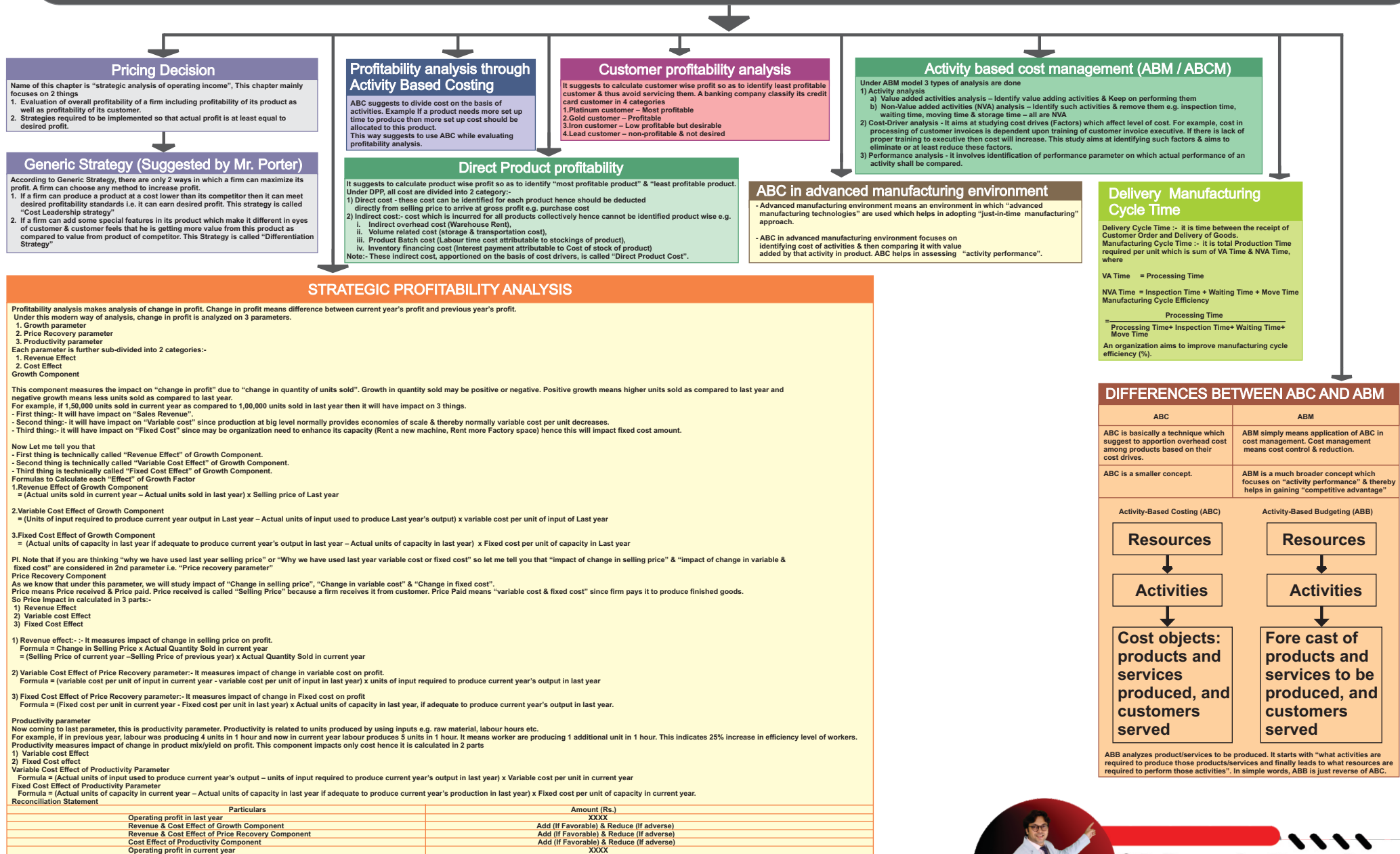


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CHAPTER 11 – BUDGETORY CONTROL

Budget

Meaning:
It means establishment of future targets

Example:
Mr. A decided to sell 2,00,000 units in next quarter. (It is sales target)

Budgetary Control

Meaning
Comparing actual result with budgeted target, finding out variances & taking corrective action, if variance is negative

Example
Mr. A compared actual sales of 1,50,000 units with 2,00,000 units as budgeted & found out reason of non-achieving sales target. Now he take new initiatives to avoid it in future

Feedback control

Meaning:
It means taking corrective action after the error has taken place.

Example:
Co. started production & thereafter found that production quality is low. It identified that low quality of raw material is the reason for low quality if production. Hence now buying high quality of raw material. Action of buying high quality material after error, is called feedback control system.

Feed-Forward control

Meaning:
It means taking corrective action even before the error has actually taken place. If forecast about result is negative then corrective action is taken in advance even before actual results

Example:
Even before starting production, production manager estimated that raw material quality is not good and production will be of low quality due to this. So he ordered high quality material even before producing

4 Types of Feedback

- 1. Positive feedback**
When budgeted targets are actually achieved & therefore no corrective action is required then it is called positive feedback. Actual Sales is 2 Lakh units. Budgeted Sales target was 2 Lakh units. Hence positive feedback. No adverse variance.
- 2. Negative feedback**
When actual results are less than budgeted targets & corrective action is required then it is called negative feedback. Actual Sales is 1.50 Lakh units. Budgeted Sales target was 2 Lakh units. Hence negative feedback. Corrective action is required to avoid adverse variance in future e.g. increasing marketing activities to increase sales.
- 3. Primary feedback**
When negative variance is small and it can be corrected by lower management staff. It is called primary feedback. TOP management is not required to interfere. Workers abnormal idle time of 10 minutes on daily basis can be avoided if their reporting managers scolds workers & gives warning to cut salary if abnormal idle time continues further.
- 4. Secondary feedback**
When negative variance is big & TOP management has to interfere to avoid it in future. It is called secondary feedback. Workers abnormal idle time of 2 hours on daily basis. Workers are ignoring warning of salary cut given by reporting officer. Now TOP management ordered to mark full day leave if a worker abnormally waste more than 10 minutes on daily basis

Control reports

Meaning
It means report card. It shows "budgeted targets", "actual achieved result" & "variance" of each budget. It is also called "Feedback reports".

Example
It is like mark sheet of CA Student wherein "Required Passing Marks", "Actual obtained Marks" and "Fail/Pass" is written

The Effect of budget difficulty on performance

- Meaning**
- If budget target is easy then actual result is normally more than budgeted target.
 - If budget target starts becoming difficult then actual results starts falling short of budgeted target.
 - If budget target is very difficult to achieve then actual results gets far below than budgeted target.

Example

- Student fixed daily study target of 6 hours & actually studied 7 hours in a day. So he easily achieved it.
- Student fixed daily study target of 10 hours & actually studied only 6 hour. His study time reduced due to tension.
- Student fixed daily study target of 16 hours & actually studied 5 hour. Too much difficult plan keeps mind in tension always.

Imposed style budgeting approach

Meaning
Budget is prepared by TOP management & targets are distributed among employees. Lower level staff is not asked anything while setting budget. It is also called Top-Down budget approach

Example
Father, in a house, fixed monthly expense budget of Rs.40,000 without talking to his wife & children about their requirement.

Participative style budgeting approach

Meaning
Lower level staff makes budget & submit it to TOP management through departments' heads. Now TOP management reviews budget & suggest any changes, if required. So All employees participate in making budget. It is also called Bottom-UP approach.

Example
Children told about their requirement to mother & Now mother submitted budget to Father for approval after adding her requirement. Now father may suggests some changes, if he thinks so. So all participate in making budget

3 Styles to evaluate actual performance against budgeted target

- 1. Budget constrained style**
Under this, managers are evaluated by comparing actual results with budgeted targets for a small period say monthly. Comparing actual monthly sales with budgeted monthly sales target will come under this style
- 2. Profit conscious style**
Under this, managers are evaluated by comparing actual cash profit with budgeted cash profit for a longer period say yearly. Comparing actual cash profit from operating activities with budgeted yearly cash profit will come under this style
- 3. Non-Accounting style**
Under this, managers are evaluated based on quality of product they produce, based on customer satisfaction they provide etc. hence only quality factors are considered for evaluating managers. If more customers are giving positive feedback about product & service, it means managers are working good.

Beyond budgeting

Meaning
Under this style of budgeting, targets are not given in numbers rather targets are growth based.

Example
Giving profit target of Rs.1.20 Crore on a sales target of Rs. 10 Crore in a year is a style of traditional budgeting method. Under beyond budgeting, managers will be told to achieve Net profit ratio of 15%. Benefit of this is that, in case sales gets reduced to 8 Crore. Even then company will ear Rs. 1.20 Cr (Rs.8 Cr. X 15%)

Leadership Principles of Beyond Budgeting

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- :- Customer Focus on improving customer satisfaction
 - :- If customer is happy then profit will go on increasing
 - :- Accountability Decide responsibility of each employee
 - :- Manager A, You are responsible to buy material from market.
 - :- Performance Focus on better product performance
 - :- If product is best then profit will go on increasing
 - :- Freedom to Act Give some right to managers to take action
 - :- Manager A, You are free to decide supplier of raw material
 - :- Governance Make good policies for employees
 - :- Give promotion to manager if he beats the target
 - :- Information Share all information with all employees
 - :- Everybody must be aware of all required information

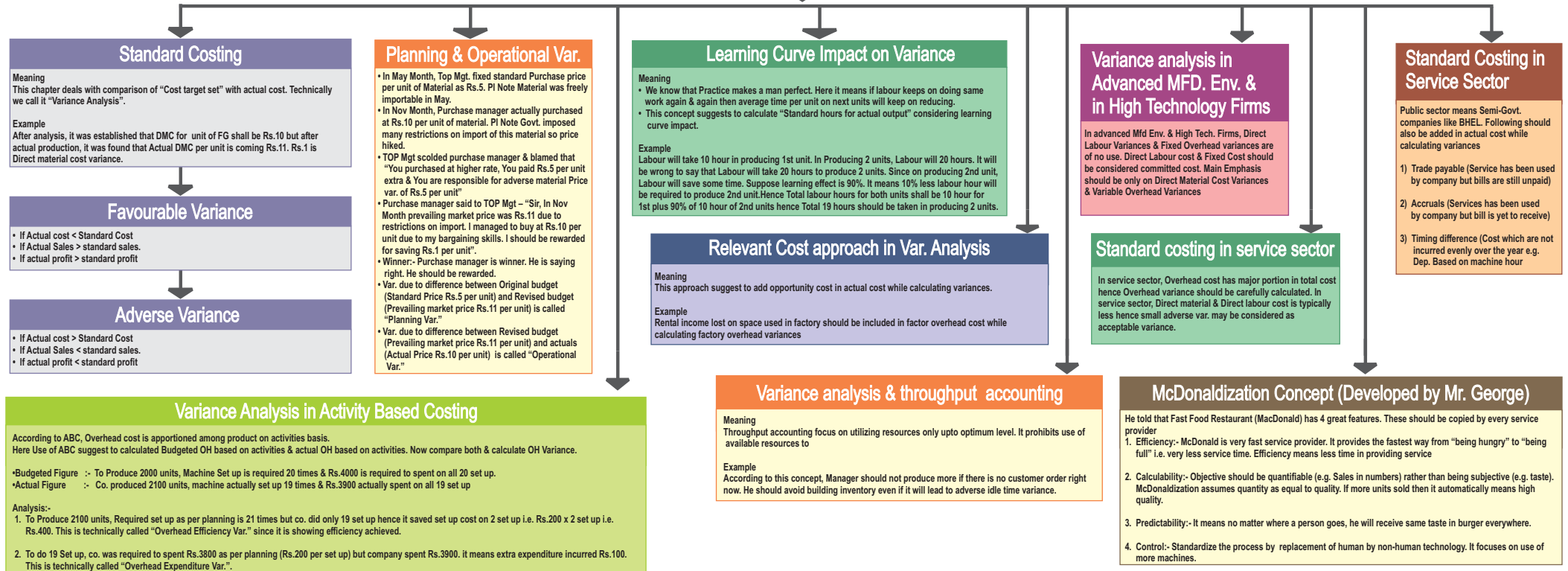
Process Principles of Beyond budgeting

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Example
- :- Goals Set Goals of entity & keep improving them
 - :- To earn good profit & pay good salary
 - :- Rewards If employee do one good thing and one bad thing then definitely reward him for good thing.
 - :- Employee was present full year without a leave but his some work remained undone. Give Reward to employee on "100% attendance"
 - :- Planning Make & improve plan continuously
 - :- Controls Evaluate performance of budget based on Key performance indicator
 - :- Resources Make resources available as & when required
 - :- Co-ordination Ensure co-ordination among all functions & departments
 - :- Purchase department & production department must share information.



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Methods to decide whether start Investigation of Variances or Not

Finding out exact reasons for adverse variance is very good thing. But it is beneficial or not. Sometimes cost incurred in investigation of adverse var. is more than adverse var. itself so in such case it is not beneficial to start investigation.

Following methods are used to take decision whether start investigation or not?

1. Non-Statistical model (Also called Simple Rule of thumb method)
2. Statistical model

Non-Statistical Model

Meaning
Under this method, investigation of variances starts when it exceeds limit of acceptable variance.

Example
Adverse direct material cost variance shall be investigated only when adverse variance is more than 5% of standard direct material cost.

Statistical Model

Statistics Formula & Graphs are used under this. Following 3 methods are there

1. Probability & Normal distribution curve Method
2. Statistical control charts method
3. Mathematical Rule Method

Probability & Normal distribution curve Method

Meaning

Here probability (%) is calculated of getting adverse variance. Normal distribution curve table & Following formula is used.

$$Z = \frac{x - \mu}{\sigma}$$

Whereby μ = mean
 σ = Standard Deviation

Example

- Avg. Production time p.u. = 2.50 Hour
- Std. Deviation = 15 Minute i.e. 0.25 Hour (Means actual production time p.u. may be more by maximum 15 minute or may be less by maximum 15 minute)
- Calc. of probability that 1 unit gets produced in 3 hour?

$$Z = \frac{3 \text{ hour} - 2.50 \text{ hour}}{0.25 \text{ hour}} = 2$$

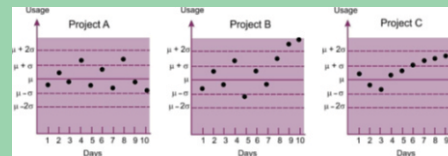
- If we check value of Z in normal distribution curve table then we will find value as 0.9772
- We get 97.72% if we multiply it by 100
- Conclusion:- There are 97.72% chances that 1 unit will get produced in 3 hour. It means there are 2.28% chances that 1 unit will be produced in more than 3 hour. Less chances for idle time adverse variance

Statistical control charts method

Control charts are used under this method to decide whether initiate investigation or not. Principles of normal distribution theory are used where μ = Mean and σ = Standard Deviation, we have -

- (a) 68.27% of the observations are expected to fall within the range $\mu \pm \sigma$ from the Mean.
- (b) 95.45% of the observations are expected to fall within the range $\mu \pm 2\sigma$ from the Mean.
- (c) 99.8% of the observations are expected to fall within the range $\mu \pm 3\sigma$ from the Mean.

If company accept 1 standard deviation, it means there are 68.27% chances that actual outcome will fall within acceptable variation limit and If company accept 2 standard deviation, it means there are 95.45% chances that actual outcome will fall within acceptable variation limit. For Example company accepted 2 times standard deviation limit so let us plot actual outcome of 3 different projects and decide whether variance is "in control" or "out of control". Actual outcomes are shown with the help of dots.



- If we check out project "A", all actual outcome is within acceptable limit of variation hence variance is "in control" so investigation need not to be started.
- If we check out project "B", last 2 outcomes are beyond acceptable limit of variation hence variance is "out of control" so investigation should be started.
- If we check out project "C", all actual outcome is within acceptable limit of variation but outcomes are gradually increasing hence company may treat it as "out of control" & may start investigation

Mathematical Rule Method

Meaning

Start Investigating the variance if $PB > C$ Whereby

P means Probability of getting variance "out of control" e.g. in our example probability of doing work beyond 3 hour was 2.28%. B means benefit to be received from being "out of control" to "in control" situation i.e. benefit means cost saving in future by avoiding unacceptable variances. Let us assume B as Rs.100 C means cost to be incurred to investigate variances e.g. manager time. Let us assume C as Rs.25

Example

On reading above 3 things together, company will need to incur 25 rupees to convert "out of control" variance in "in control" variance & thereby will get future benefit of 100 rupees but the chances of getting "out of control variance" is only 2.28%.

$$\text{Formula } PB > C \\ 2.28\% \times \text{Rs.100} > \text{Rs.25} \\ 2.28 > 25$$

Above equation is not true since 2.28 is not greater than 25 hence in above situation company should not start investigation even if variance is "out of control".

Interdependence of variances

Meaning

Variances are inter-dependent on each other. Hence interpretation of variances should be done with regard to its dependent variance

Example

Purchase of "High Quality" material at high price may lead to adverse direct material price variance but "high Quality" may save some material consumed thereby leading to favourable direct material usage variance.

Interpretation Of Variances

Interpretation means identifying possible causes of variances. Cause of Direct Material price variance may be

1. Purchase from different supplier at high price.
2. Ordering at low order size may reduce bargaining power & thereby increase material price.
3. Unexpected increase in purchase related cost such as transportation cost.
4. Inefficient buying procedure i.e. buying without doing proper research in market.
5. Purchasing material in emergency at high price

Budget Slacks

Creating variance reports and taking action on adverse variances does have impact on behavior of employees. If an organization is too strict about adverse variances then employees of that organization may attempt for "budget slacks".

Budget slack means deliberately under-estimation of budgeted revenue or over-estimation of budgeted expenditure.

Variance Report

It aims at reporting of computed variances to relevant executive responsible for this variance. It starts with computation of variances, reporting of variances to executive and ends with finding out the exact reasons for occurrence of variance.

After knowing the exact reasons, it becomes responsibility of executive to take necessary steps to stop re-occurrence of adverse variances. The report on which executive starts analyzing reasons is called "Variance report".



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