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A STUDY ON EMPLOYEE JOB SATISFACTION IN FUSION BULIDING BLOCKS & MATERIALS PVT. LTD

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Abstract

Employee job satisfaction plays a pivotal role in enhancing productivity, as happy workers tend to be more productive, and productive workers are more likely to experience job satisfaction. In today's dynamic business environment, organizations face the constant challenge of maintaining high levels of employee engagement and motivation while addressing environmental pressures, rising healthcare costs, and the diverse needs of their workforce. This study explores key variables influencing employee satisfaction and examines strategies to maximize it. Based on a convenience sampling survey, primary data were collected directly from employees to assess their perceptions and experiences. The findings suggest that creating a supportive work environment that fosters job satisfaction and promotes work-life balance can significantly enhance employee performance. The study emphasizes the importance of managerial efforts in cultivating a workplace culture that not only retains talent but also drives exceptional performance through improved satisfaction.

Keywords: Deviance, Employee Performance, Satisfaction, turnover

INTRODUCTION

Fusion Building Blocks and Material Pvt. Ltd. significantly contributes to the economy by supporting India's infrastructure growth with sustainable building materials, generating employment, and encouraging industrial development. Its eco-friendly AAC blocks help reduce the nation's dependence on traditional clay bricks, conserving natural resources. By promoting energy-efficient construction, the company supports government initiatives like "Housing for All" and "Green India." It also boosts local economies through regional manufacturing units. Socially, Fusion fosters awareness of green building practices, contributing to healthier living environments.

Fusion Building Materials Private Limited, a subsidiary of the Fusion Group of Companies, is a leading manufacturer of eco-friendly Autoclaved Aerated Concrete (AAC) blocks, headquartered in Hyderabad, India. Established in 2015 under the leadership of Dr. Suresh Babu Sadineni, the company emphasizes sustainable construction solutions. Fusion operates state-of-the-art manufacturing facilities in Vizag, Gudur, and Pune, producing lightweight, high-strength AAC blocks that adhere to IS:2185 Part 3 standards. Certified by ISO 9001:2015, GRIHA, and IGBC, Fusion is committed to delivering innovative, green building materials that reduce environmental impact and construction costs.

The significance of Fusion Building Blocks and Material Pvt. Ltd. lies in its commitment to promoting sustainable construction through eco-friendly AAC blocks. It plays a vital role in reducing carbon footprints by offering energy-efficient and recyclable building materials. The



company supports fast, cost-effective, and durable construction practices in India's growing real estate and infrastructure sectors. With ISO and GRIHA certifications, it sets industry standards for green building solutions. Fusion's expansion and technological innovation reflect its influence in transforming conventional construction methods.

Employee job satisfaction is a central topic in organizational behavior, reflecting an employee's emotional response to their job and workplace. It influences productivity, employee retention, organizational commitment (Alagaraja, M. 2010, and Athar, M. R., et al., 2016), and overall workplace culture (Okpara, 2007). Numerous scholars have contributed to understanding this multifaceted concept from different theoretical perspectives. Job satisfaction as the combination of psychological, physiological, and environmental conditions that lead an employee to say, "I am satisfied with my job". Herzberg Two-Factor Theory, categorizing factors into hygiene factors (e.g., salary, work conditions) and motivators (e.g., achievement, recognition). The job satisfaction as "a pleasurable or positive emotional state resulting from the appraisal of one's job or job experiences" by Weiss, H. M. (2002). Job satisfaction as a multidimensional concept including facets like pay, supervision, and work conditions. The Job Characteristics Model, arguing that meaningful work, autonomy, and feedback lead to job satisfaction. The relationship between job satisfaction and job performance, concluding that higher satisfaction typically leads to better performance (Judge, 2001). Job satisfaction as a positive feeling about a job resulting from an evaluation of its characteristics. The Job Descriptive Index (JDI) to measure satisfaction across five areas: work, pay, promotion, supervision, and coworkers. Job satisfaction to performance through the expectancy theory lens, suggesting satisfaction is an outcome of performance if accompanied by rewards. Maslow though not directly about job satisfaction, Maslow's Hierarchy of Needs is often used to explain how fulfilling employee needs (e.g., safety, esteem) can lead to satisfaction (Maslow, 1943). . In his Theory X and Theory Y, McGregor discussed how managerial beliefs about employees influence motivation and satisfaction by Weiss, H. M. (2002). The Expectancy Theory, explaining that employee satisfaction is influenced by expectations about rewards and outcomes. Job satisfaction results from how fairly employees perceive they are treated, incorporating elements of organizational justice. Job satisfaction as an attitude reflecting how people feel about their jobs overall and about various aspects of their jobs.

REVIEW OF LITERATURE

Employee job satisfaction is a multidimensional concept influenced by a variety of organizational and personal factors. Understanding these determinants is crucial for organizations aiming to enhance productivity, reduce turnover, and foster a positive workplace culture (Kamaruddin, 2018). This literature review synthesizes key findings from contemporary research, providing a comprehensive narrative on the factors shaping job satisfaction.

Arokiasamy, et al. (2013) and Raziq and Maulabakhsh (2015) highlight that physical facilities and supervision within the workplace are positively correlated with job satisfaction, emphasizing the importance of a conducive environment for optimal employee performance. Empirical studies further confirm that a healthy, safe, and comfortable workplace boosts motivation and reduces turnover rates. A supportive and well-structured work environment significantly impacts employee satisfaction (Orhan, N., & Dincer, H. 2012, Munir, Y., & Rahman, R. A. 2016).



Bakotic (2016) found that jobs providing intellectual challenges and responsibilities yield higher satisfaction levels, even when salaries are moderate. Arokiasamy, et al. (2013) expressed that, Challenging work is associated with a sense of trust and capability, which in turn enhances employee engagement and reduces feelings of detachment by Havold, et al., (2021).

Raziq, A., & Maulabakhsh, R. (2015) noted that, Competitive compensation, including wages, bonuses, and benefits such as insurance and retirement plans, are consistently linked to higher satisfaction levels (Nguyen et al., 2003; Sobaih & Hasanein, 2023). Employees who perceive their compensation as fair and commensurate with their contributions are more likely to be satisfied and committed to their organizations (Murtaza, by (2015).

Nguyen et al. (2003) found that autonomy, alongside income, significantly influences job satisfaction. Employees who are empowered to make decisions and exercise independence in their roles report higher satisfaction. Orhan, N., & Dincer, H. (2012) expressed on his research documents, autonomy—the degree of control employees have over their work—emerges as a critical non-monetary factor.

Orhan, N., & Dincer, H. (2012) demonstrated a strong link between emotional intelligence and job satisfaction, suggesting that employees who can effectively manage their emotions are better equipped to handle workplace challenges and maintain positive relationships. Good relationships with supervisors and colleagues foster a collaborative and supportive atmosphere, further enhancing satisfaction (Judge, 2001).

Munir and Rahman (2016) underscore the role of acknowledgment and tangible rewards in enhancing job satisfaction. Regular feedback, performance evaluations, and formal recognition programs contribute to a sense of value and belonging among employees by Weiss, H. M. (2002). Recognition and reward systems are pivotal in reinforcing positive behavior and boosting morale.

Danish, R. Q., & Usman, A. (2010) and Arokiasamy, et al. (2013) highered on research documents A positive organizational culture that aligns with employees' personal values enhances job satisfaction. When employees believe in the company's mission and values, they are more motivated and loyal. Company culture shapes workplace behaviors and fosters a sense of community, which is essential for sustained satisfaction (Okpara, 2007).

Nguyen, et al., (2003) Job security and opportunities for career advancement are major determinants of satisfaction. Orhan, N., & Dincer, H. (2012) and Murtaza, et al., (2015) Employees who perceive stability in their employment and see clear paths for professional growth are more likely to be content and engaged in their roles.

Nguyen, et al., (2003), Orhan, N., & Dincer, H. (2012).expressed on Work-life balance is increasingly recognized as a crucial factor, especially in the context of modern work arrangements. Flexible schedules, remote work options, and adequate personal time off contribute significantly to job satisfaction by reducing stress and preventing burnout.

Investigation by Okpara (2007) and Murtaza et al. (2015) highlights the influence of cultural, gender, and ethical considerations on job satisfaction. In diverse contexts, such as the Indian



corporate sector, factors like flexibility, autonomy, and growth opportunities are particularly critical (Jain et al., 2019).

Employee job satisfaction plays a crucial role in enhancing productivity, motivation, and workplace morale. It reflects how positively employees feel about their roles, work environment, and organizational support. High job satisfaction leads to reduced turnover and better performance. Key factors influencing satisfaction include fair compensation, growth opportunities, and positive management. Overall, satisfied employees are the foundation of a successful and thriving organization.

The research on employee job satisfaction at Fusionbuilding Blocks & Materials Pvt. Ltd. reveals several gaps that need further exploration. There is limited data on how organizational culture specifically impacts employee morale within the company (Okpara, 2007). The influence of leadership style and communication effectiveness on job satisfaction remains under-investigated. Additionally, the role of career development opportunities and training programs in boosting satisfaction is not clearly understood (Hackman, J. R., & Oldham, G. R. (1975). There is also a lack of insight into the impact of workload and work-life balance on employees' well-being. A deeper analysis is needed to develop targeted strategies for improving employee satisfaction in this organization.

RESEARCH METHODOLOGY

this study focuses on systematically understanding employee satisfaction at Fusion Blocks Pvt. Ltd. Methodology refers to the practical approach through which the research was designed and conducted, ensuring valid and reliable outcomes aligned with the study's objectives. It involves the application of appropriate techniques, tools, and processes such as surveys and critical analysis to collect and interpret data. This research aims to explore various dimensions of employee satisfaction, including working schedules, remuneration, overtime allowances, job freedom, and job position. The study was conducted using a structured questionnaire as the primary tool for data collection, targeting a sample of 100 employees within the organization. Five members may be on the busze schedule and are not fully answering the quasinary. This method enables the collection of quantitative data, offering insights into how employees perceive their work environment and overall job satisfaction. The core idea driving the study is that employee satisfaction significantly impacts organizational performance, productivity, and staff retention. Therefore, aspects such as respect for employees, open communication with management, and adequate motivational factors were considered essential in the analysis. By adopting a survey-based approach, this research intends to provide meaningful suggestions to enhance employee engagement and organizational effectiveness.

OBJECTIVES OF THE STUDY

- > To understand the problem of the employee in the working condition.
- To know the employee's opinion about the workplace, pay, and benefits.
- To study and analyze the various factors affecting the job satisfaction level.



To effectively meet the objectives of the study, a structured questionnaire was developed. The questions were framed to be easily understood by respondents and included both open-ended and closed-ended types. Several questions required respondents to answer using a rating scale to assess their opinions and perceptions.

The study adopted a descriptive research design, often referred to as explanatory design, to capture the demographic characteristics of employees participating in training programs. Descriptive studies are useful when the researcher aims to understand specific traits of a group—such as age, occupation, and experience. Therefore, this design was deemed appropriate for the current study, which aims to determine employee satisfaction levels.

The research was conducted using a survey method to gather data from the target population. This approach allowed for systematic data collection from a sizeable group of participants. The sample for the study consisted of 95 respondents, providing adequate data for analysis. Both primary and secondary data were utilized in this research. Primary data were collected through personal interviews with employees using the structured questionnaire. The questionnaire was administered to 100 employees at Fusion Blocks Pvt. Ltd. Secondary data were gathered from previously published records, statistical reports, research articles, company documents, periodicals, and websites.

The study employed a convenience sampling method, which is a non-probability sampling technique where respondents are selected based on their availability and willingness to participate. This sampling approach provided quick and cost-effective data collection. The questionnaire used in this study included eighteen choice-based questions, which helped capture detailed insights from the participants.

The primary statistical tool used was percentage analysis. This method involves calculating percentages to compare data across different series or categories. It helps to describe relationships between variables in relative terms. The formula used for percentage analysis is:

% of Respondents = (Number of respondents / Total respondents) \times 100

DATA ANALYSIS AND INTERPRETATION

Understanding employee perceptions regarding organizational support and workplace practices is essential for fostering a productive and positive work environment. This study analyzes five key aspects of organizational support—access to materials and technology, clarity in job responsibilities, support for personal and professional growth, promotion of work-life balance, and employee involvement in decision-making. By evaluating the responses of 95 participants through structured survey questions, the study aims to assess the effectiveness of organizational practices in enhancing employee satisfaction and performance. The analysis provides valuable insights into how these factors contribute to the overall work culture, with the majority of respondents expressing favorable views. These findings offer a foundation for organizational improvements and strategic interventions to further strengthen employee engagement and operational efficiency.



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The company gives required materials, resources, and technologies to your job?

The company ensures that all necessary materials, tools, and technologies are readily available to support employees in their roles. This provision enables efficient workflow, enhances productivity, and minimizes delays. By offering up-to-date resources, the organization empowers staff to perform at their best.

Table 1: To Understand the Access to materials and technology to the organization

| OPTIONS | NO. OF. RESPONDENTS | PERCENTAGE |
|-------------------|---------------------|------------|
| Strongly agree | 45 | 47.37 |
| Agree | 24 | 25.26 |
| Neither | 13 | 13.68 |
| Disagree | 8 | 8.42 |
| Strongly disagree | 5 | 5.26 |
| Total | 95 | 100 |

The table 1 reveals that a majority of respondents (47.37%) strongly agree with the given statement, indicating a highly positive sentiment. An additional 25.26% agree, showing that nearly three-fourths (72.63%) of the participants express agreement. A neutral stance was taken by 13.68% of respondents, suggesting some uncertainty or indifference. Only a small portion disagreed (8.42%) or strongly disagreed (5.26%), indicating minimal opposition. Overall, the data reflects a strong favorable response among the participants.

2. The job responsibilities are clearly defined?

The company provides clear and detailed job descriptions, ensuring employees understand their roles and expectations. This clarity helps in reducing confusion, improving focus, and enhancing overall performance. With well-defined duties, team coordination and accountability are strengthened.

Table 2: To meet the structured job responsibilities in the organization.

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| OPTIONS | NO. OF. RESPONDENTS | PERCENTAGE |
| Strongly agree | 49 | 51.58 |
| Agree | 18 | 18.95 |
| Neither | 12 | 12.63 |
| Disagree | 9 | 9.47 |
| Strongly disagree | 7 | 7.73 |
| Total | 95 | 100 |
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The data indicates that more than half of the respondents (51.58%) strongly agree with the statement, reflecting a very positive perception. An additional 18.95% agree, bringing the overall agreement level to 70.53%. A neutral view is held by 12.63% of respondents, showing moderate uncertainty. Only a small proportion of respondents expressed disagreement (9.47%) or strong disagreement (7.73%). The majority opinion leans clearly toward a favorable response in Table 2.

3. Management involves in the success of personal growth and professional growth?

The management actively supports employees in achieving both personal and professional development. Through mentorship, training programs, and regular feedback, individuals are encouraged to enhance their skills and reach their full potential. This involvement fosters a motivated and growth-oriented work environment by Jain, A. K., et al., (2009)

Table 3: To rate the guided personal and professional growth in the organization.

| OPTIONS | NO. OF. | PERCENTAGE |
|-------------------|-------------|------------|
| | RESPONDENTS | |
| Strongly agree | 44 | 46.32 |
| Agree | 25 | 26.32 |
| Neither | 14 | 14.74 |
| Disagree | 8 | 8.42 |
| Strongly disagree | 4 | 4.21 |
| Total | 95 | 100 |

The table 3 shows that 46.32% of respondents strongly agree, indicating a predominantly positive response. When combined with those who agree (26.32%), a total of 72.64% of participants express agreement. About 14.74% remain neutral, reflecting a moderate level of uncertainty. Only a small portion disagrees (8.42%) or strongly disagrees (4.21%), suggesting limited negative feedback. Overall, the responses reveal a strong favorable perception among the participants.

4. The company creates an atmosphere of work-life balance?

The company fosters a healthy work-life balance by encouraging flexible schedules and respecting personal time. This supportive environment helps reduce stress and enhances overall well-being. Employees are empowered to maintain harmony between their professional and personal lives.

Table 4: To estimate the supportive work-life culture in an organization.

| OPTIONS | NO. OF. RESPONDENTS | PERCENTAGE |
|-------------------|---------------------|------------|
| Strongly agree | 42 | 44.21 |
| Agree | 23 | 24.21 |
| Neither | 12 | 12.63 |
| Disagree | 10 | 10.53 |
| Strongly disagree | 8 | 8.42 |
| Total | 95 | 100 |

The data reveals that 44.21% of respondents strongly agree, showing a significant positive sentiment. Adding those who agree (24.21%) brings the total agreement to 68.42%. A neutral stance is held by 12.63% of respondents, indicating some uncertainty. Meanwhile, 10.53% disagree and 8.42% strongly disagree, reflecting a combined 18.95% with negative views. Overall, the majority of respondents have a favorable outlook in table 4.



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5. Involvement of employees is effective in the decision-making process?

The company values employee input and actively involves them in the decision-making process. This approach fosters a sense of ownership, boosts morale, and leads to more well-rounded outcomes. Open communication and collaboration ensure that diverse perspectives are considered.

Table 5: To estimate the engaging employees in key decisions in an organization.

| OPTIONS | NO. OF. RESPONDENTS | PERCENTAGE |
|-------------------|---------------------|------------|
| Strongly agree | 40 | 42.11 |
| Agree | 27 | 28.42 |
| Neither | 13 | 13.68 |
| Disagree | 9 | 9.47 |
| Strongly disagree | 6 | 6.32 |
| Total | 95 | 100 |

The table 5 shows that 42.11% of respondents strongly agree, indicating a strong positive response. When combined with those who agree (28.42%), a total of 70.53% express agreement with the statement. About 13.68% remain neutral, showing some level of indecision or balance. A smaller portion of respondents disagrees (9.47%) or strongly disagrees (6.32%), totaling 15.79% with negative views. Overall, the majority of participants reflect a favorable opinion.

ANALYSIS FINDINGS

The analysis of employee feedback reveals significant insights into organizational support and workplace environment. A notable 56.84% of employees reported high satisfaction with the availability of required materials provided by the organization, indicating strong logistical support. In terms of role clarity, 49.47% of employees expressed satisfaction with how their job responsibilities are defined. When examining growth and development opportunities, 46.32% of employees agreed that management actively contributes to their personal and professional success. Additionally, 46.32% strongly agreed that the organization fosters a conducive environment for work-life balance, highlighting a balanced approach to employee well-being. Furthermore, 42.11% of employees felt highly satisfied with their level of involvement in organizational effectiveness, reflecting a sense of inclusion and empowerment within the company structure.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Managerial Implication of employee job satisfaction

The managerial implications of employee job satisfaction at Fusion Building Blocks & Materials Pvt. Ltd. are significant for enhancing overall organizational performance. Satisfied employees are more productive, engaged, and loyal, which reduces turnover and recruitment costs. Management should focus on improving work conditions, offering competitive salaries, and providing clear growth opportunities to maintain high satisfaction levels. Strengthening internal communication and recognizing employee efforts can also boost morale and motivation. Addressing job satisfaction systematically can lead to a more committed workforce, improved teamwork, and higher customer satisfaction, ultimately contributing to the company's long-term success.



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Policy maker's implication

For policymakers at Fusion Building Blocks & Materials Pvt. Ltd., understanding employee job satisfaction is essential for formulating effective HR and organizational policies. Policies should promote a healthy work environment, equitable pay structures, and transparent performance evaluation systems. Emphasis should be placed on employee welfare programs, professional development, and work-life balance initiatives. By aligning policies with employee needs and expectations, the company can foster a motivated and stable workforce. Such strategic policymaking not only enhances satisfaction but also drives innovation, operational efficiency, and long-term organizational growth.

Scholarly contribution

The scholarly examination of employee job satisfaction at Fusion Building Blocks & Materials Pvt. Ltd. contributes valuable insights into the manufacturing sector's human resource dynamics. By analyzing factors such as compensation, leadership, work-life balance, and career development, this case study enhances the understanding of how these elements influence employee morale and organizational performance. Such research aligns with broader studies in Indian manufacturing industries, which highlight the significant impact of job satisfaction on productivity and employee retention. This focused analysis offers empirical data that can inform both theoretical frameworks and practical applications in human resource management, particularly within similar industrial contexts.

Scope for further study

There is significant scope for further study on employee job satisfaction at Fusion Building Blocks and Material Pvt. Ltd. Future research can delve deeper into factors such as work-life balance, leadership styles, career development opportunities, and organizational culture. Exploring the impact of communication practices and employee recognition on job satisfaction could offer valuable insights. Additionally, comparative studies across departments or locations may help identify specific areas needing improvement. Understanding these aspects can support management in implementing strategies to enhance employee engagement and retention.

Limitations of The Study

One of the key limitations encountered during the data collection process was the presence of personal bias among some respondents. This bias affected their ability or willingness to provide objective and accurate responses, potentially influencing the overall quality of the collected data. Confidentiality Concerns: Another challenge was the restricted access to certain relevant information due to its confidential nature. Some respondents were reluctant to share data they considered sensitive, which limited the depth and scope of the analysis. It was also observed that some participants showed a lack of interest in completing the questionnaire. Many perceived it as a disruption to their routine work, resulting in incomplete or hurried responses. Time was identified as a significant barrier during the data collection phase. Both researchers and respondents faced time limitations, which impacted the thoroughness and timeliness of the data-gathering process.

CONCLUSION

This study highlights the important connection between job satisfaction and employee performance in private organizations. The findings indicate that while job satisfaction does not show a significant



relationship with demographic factors such as gender, qualification, family system, or marital status, it is notably influenced by the type of occupation. Among the examined professions, medical doctors report higher levels of job satisfaction compared to teachers and bankers. Moreover, the study confirms that employees who are satisfied with their jobs tend to perform better, showcasing improved productivity, work quality, and leadership capabilities. These insights emphasize the need for organizations to focus on enhancing job satisfaction as a means to boost overall employee performance. Particularly in customerfacing roles, satisfied employees contribute positively to the organization's image and success. Therefore, it is essential for organizations to implement strategies that foster a supportive work environment, uplift employee morale, and improve satisfaction, ultimately driving better performance, increased customer satisfaction, and long-term business growth.

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