

## # Decentralisation and Delegation of Authority

✓ distribution of decision making power and responsibility from top management to lower levels (among departments, divisions, units)

### Adv

1. Faster decision making.
2. Enhanced flexibility
3. Employee development
4. Increased Innovation

### Disadv

1. Potential loss of control.
2. Inconsistent decision making.
3. Communication challenge.

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Delegation → process of entrusting a part of one's authority and responsibilities to subordinates.

It involves assigning task, granting decision-making power & holding individuals accountable for their performance.

Adv : 1. Focus on core tasks.

2. Time saving
3. Employee empowered
4. Speed and Efficiency

Delegation

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- Disadv :  
1. Risk of inadequate delegation  
2. Accountability concerns  
3. Overloading.

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## DIRECTING, COORDINATING and CONTROLLING

Directing → process of influencing, inspiring and motivating individuals and teams to perform their tasks to the best of their abilities.

Some important elements of directing functions:

1. Leadership : set clear goals, communicate expectations and create positive work environment

2. Communication : clearly open communication to achieve company's goal, strategies.

- to achieve company's  
objectives & strategies.
3. Motivation: Through various means such as providing rewards, recognition, challenging tasks, supportive work culture.
4. Team Building: managers need to foster teamwork, encourage cooperation, and resolve conflicts to create a harmonious ~~weak~~ environment.
5. Empowerment: giving employees autonomy and authority to make decisions related to their work and take ownership of their tasks.

Relation of Supervision with Directing, Controlling and Coordinating

### ① Directing.

- a) supervisors provide clear instructions and guidance to employees, communicating the organisation's goals and objectives.
- b) motivating & inspiring employees.
- c) supervisors also clarify job roles, responsibilities to ensure that

→ supervisors also clarify job roles, responsibilities and performance expectations to ensure that employees understand what is expected of them.

- ② Coordinating (a) role of coordinating activities of various individuals or teams within the organisation.
- (b) ensures that different units work in harmony and efforts are synchronised.
- (c) resolve conflicts & ensure effective communication between different teams.

- ③ Controlling : (a) Supervisors monitor employee's performance & compare it against the set standard or targets
- (b) They identify from the desired performance and take corrective actions to address any issues or inefficiencies.

Key Responsibilities of a Supervisor:

- 1 Training & Development
- 2 Motivation & Support
- 3 Time Management

- (2) Performance Management
- (3) Conflict Resolution
- (4) Resource Allocation
- (5) Communication
- (6) Ensuring Safety and compliance.

## Span of management:

refers to the no. of subordinates or employees that a manager can effectively supervise, direct and control.

### Factors affecting Span of management

- (1) Complexity of task
- (2) Level of Competence and Expertise
- (3) Skills and training of Subordinates
- (4) Degree of Decentralisation
- (5) Communication Technology.

### ① span of control (Factors determining span)

# (U) Span of control (also known as Span)

- a) Nature of work → easy or complex tasks  
    ↳ wider span                          narrow span
- (b) Competence of Manager → skilled or less exp  
    ↳ wider                                  narrow
- (c) Clarity of communication  
    → clear & well established  
    ↳ wider  
    → or challenging and time consuming ↳ narrow
- (d) Use of technology → wider span of control  
    is allowed.

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What are the elements of ~~the~~ motivation?

- (a) Recognition and Rewards
- (b) clear Goals and Expectations
- (c) Opportunities for Growth & Advancement

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- (d) Positive work environment
- (e) Intrinsic Motivation
- (f) Effective leadership
- (g) work-life Balance
- (h) Autonomy & Empowerment
- (i) Teamwork and collaboration

## Methods of Directing

- 1 Leadership style →
- 2 Communication →
- 3 Motivation →
- 4 Training & Development Techniques →
- 5 Setting Clear Objectives.