

## Management by Objectives (MBO)

→ SMART → Time Bound. objectives between  
specific      ↑↑      Relevant      manager and  
                 Attainable      subordinates.  
                 measurable

- Key Concepts:
- 1) Goal setting
  - 2) Participative Process
  - 3) Performance Measurement
  - 4) Feedback and Coaching
  - 5) Rewards and Recognition.
  - 6) Flexibility and Adaptation.

Benefits of MBO:

- a) improved communication
- b) increased employee motivation
- c) better alignment of individual efforts with organisational goals

Some key points related to objectives in planning and organising process:

- 1.) Clarity and Specificity → well defined, clear and specific
- 2.) Measurability → to be able to track the

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- 3) Time-bound → frame or deadline.
- 4) Alignment with overall goal
  - ↳ in sync with the main goal.
- 5) Realistic and Attainable
  - ↳ challenging but realistic
- 6) Relevance:
- 7) Hierarchy of Objectives:
  - ↳ In larger organisations, objectives are often cascaded down from top-level to middle management.

What is a policy in management?

- ↳ A policy is a pre-determined course of action or a set of guidelines established by an organisation to guide decision-making, behaviour and actions of its members.
- Policy provide a framework for consistent & informed decision-making, ensuring that the

→ Policy provides effective decision-making, ensuring that the organization's objectives are met while adhering to legal, ethical and operational requirements.

- Why do a company need a policy/ policies?
- ⇒ to solve a purpose, to cover a wide range of areas within an organisation ex ethics, safety, information etc.
- ⇒ Better communication.
- ⇒ flexibility at work
- ⇒ implementation & enforcement.

Examples of organizational policies include:

a) Human Resources Policy

↳ Covering areas such as hiring practices, employee benefits, performance evaluation, disciplinary procedures.

b) Information Technology Policy:

↳ addressing issues related to data security, internet usage, software

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c) Environmental Policy: Outlining the organisation's commitment to sustainable practices, waste management, and environmental compliance.

d) Financial Policy: Defining guidelines for budgeting, spending, financial reporting, internal controls

having well-defined policies, organisations can promote consistency, transparency and fairness in their operations. Policies provide a road map for employees to follow, reducing uncertainty and ensuring that the organisation functions effectively and ethically.

PROCEDURE: it refers to a set of established and documented steps or guidelines that individuals or teams follow to carry out specific tasks or activities in a consistent

individuals or teams perform specific tasks or activities in a consistent and efficient manner.

↳ It provides a structured approach to handling routine or repetitive tasks, ensuring that they are executed in a standardised way, reducing risk of errors, and promoting uniformity across organisation.

Some key aspects of procedures include:

- a) Clarity and specificity → clear, concise, specific
- b) Repeatability → for tasks performed regularly or frequently.
- c) Efficiency & effectiveness
- d) Compliance & Standardization
- e) Training and Knowledge transfer
- f) Continuous Improvement.

Example of procedures across industry & organizational context:

1. Employee Onboarding Procedure
2. IT Support Ticket Procedure

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2. Purchase Order Approval Procedure
3. Emergency Evacuation Procedure
4. Performance Appraisal Procedure

## STRATEGIES DECISION-MAKING APPROACHES:

### ① Rational Decision Making:

↳ systematic and logical analysis of all available information of alternatives.

### ② Intuitive Decision Making:

↳ It is a decision-making approach where the manager relies on their instincts, past experience and gut feelings to make a choice.

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Rationality:

↳ Herbert Simon

↳ in this approach managers make satisfactory decisions that are

make satisfactory decisions are good enough given the constraints of time, resources and information availability.

#### ④ Political Decision Making:

↳ in this approach, decision making considers interests and power struggles and decisions are made through negotiation, bargaining and compromise.

#### ⑤ Collaborative Decision Making

↳ involves multiple stakeholders.

#### ⑥ Decision Trees and Models

↳ Managers can use decision trees and models to map out different alternatives

#### ⑦ Group Decision Making:

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↳ involving a group of individuals in decision making process can lead to collective intelligence & better decision. However it can also be time consuming & prone to conflicts.

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