The Effect of Employee Satisfaction (ES) on Employee Commitment (EC): An Explorative Analysis on Private Sector Banks in Odisha

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ABSTRACT

The study examines the degree of employee satisfaction from the different factors that affect employee commitment. Basically, the relationship between the factors of job satisfaction and employees commitment on private sector bank employees is examined. In order to achieve the objectives of this study, the survey was conducted using a structured questionnaire. The sample size consists of 143 banks employees of different branches of a leading private sector bank in twin city of Odisha i.e. Cuttack and Bhuabneswar. The research instrument of content and construct reliability and validity was tested. Data were analysed using Frequency distribution, Factor Analysis, Structural Equation Modelling and Regression analysis. This study shows that job satisfaction is inherently interwoven with organisational commitment. Since organisational commitment has a direct impact on employee retention, performance and organisational behaviour, it is essential to meet the required conditions for its existence.

KEYWORDS: Employee Satisfaction, Employee Commitment, Bank Employees, Performance.

INTRODUCTION

The modern business environment, being particularly dynamic, requires new techniques for achieving competitive advantage. In accordance with Zeygaridis and Stamatiadis (1997), the creation of an excellent climate of cooperation with employees is a precondition for reaching a business's final objectives. Therefore, the satisfaction of employees is considered an important factor in the success of the organisation, since employees is perhaps the most important component. Businesses appreciating these factors and making proper use of their collected data may shape the economic and working conditions governing their operation, placing greater emphasis on relations with the employees (Terzidis and Tziwrtzakis, 2004; Bontis et al., 2011). Many surveys have been conducted in the last decade for job satisfaction in the Greek private sector, highlighting the relationship between employee satisfaction and organizational commitment. In fact, the creation of employment captive workers has proven to be the organization's most difficult task to achieve. The outcome of various surveys has shown that work engagement is positively associated with organizational results, such as the low rate of resignations, high organizational commitment, high financial and business organizational performance (Salanova et al., 2005; Steger et al., 2013; Saari and Judge, 2004).

JOB SATISFACTION

Job satisfaction reflects the general attitude of employees towards the work, whether they are happy with their profession or their work (Porter et al., 1975). In particular, employees job satisfaction highlights the degree of identification of personality and the needs of the employee with the characteristics of the working environment (Wanous and Lawler, 1972; Holland, 1996), while connected to the mental health of workers, profitability and satisfaction (Spector, 1997). Also, employee's job satisfaction has a positive impact on running a business, becoming a major factor in the emergence of well-functioning working conditions. At the same time, it plays an important role in gaining and maintaining competitive advantage under the appropriate leadership style (McGrath and MacMillan, 2000), as an increase in performance provides quality service and products, faster service and creates long-term partnerships, ensuring sustainability and development (Bontis et al., 2011). However, the negative or positive critical assessment is directly related to the mood and emotional situation in which the worker exists at a given time, the prevailing working conditions, as well as the requirements of the connection work and expectations (Bush and Middlewood, 2005).

EMPLOYEES COMMITMENT

Employee's commitment towards organisation is considered as one of the most important attributes, as is the power between the businesses internal and external environment that represents the extent to which the employee feels a part of the business. Additionally, as an extra factor, the correlation between personal and organizational objectives and values is given by Ghorbanhosseini (2012). At the same time, organizational commitment is determined with regard to the psychological condition of the worker, in which is characterized the relationship of an employee with the company, leading to a strong belief in the values of the business, intention to pay significant effort for the achievement of objectives, as well as a desire for continued cooperation (Meyer and Allen, 1991; Liden et al., 2000). Organizational commitment directly influences performance, as well as the development of organizational behavior (Meyer and Herscovitch, 2001).

| Table 1: Demographic Profile of the Private Sector respondents (N=143) | | | | | | | |
|--|---------------------|-----------|---------|-----------------|--|--|--|
| Items | | Frequency | Percent | Cum. Percent | | | |
| | Male | 97 | 70 | 70 | | | |
| Sex | Female | 46 | 30 | 100 | | | |
| | Others | 0 | 0 | | | | |
| | Total | 143 | 100 | | | | |
| Marital | Married | 91 | 60 | 60 | | | |
| Status | Unmarried | 52 | 40 | 100 | | | |
| | Total | 143 | 100 | | | | |
| Age | Below 25 yrs | 48 | 30 | 30 | | | |
| | 26–40 yrs | 62 | 40 | 70 | | | |
| | 41–50 yrs | 26 | 20 | 90 | | | |
| | 50 yrs and above | 7 | 10 | 100 | | | |
| | Total | 143 | 100 | | | | |
| | Supervisory | 27 | 19 | 19 | | | |
| Comment | Assistant manager | 42 | 29 | 48 | | | |
| Position in | Deputy Manager | 25 | 18 | 66 | | | |
| the Organisation | Manager | 40 | 28 | 94 | | | |
| | Others specify | 9 | 6 | 100 | | | |
| | Total | 143 | 100 | | | | |
| | Below graduate | 5 | 4 | 4 | | | |
| Qualification | Graduate | 35 | 25 | 29 | | | |
| Quantication | Post graduate | 37 | 26 | 55 | | | |
| | Professional degree | 66 | 45 | 100 | | | |

DATA ANALYSIS

| | Total | 143 | 100 | |
|------------------|--------------------|-----|-----|-----|
| | Below 5 lakhs | 65 | 46 | 46 |
| | 5 - 10 lakhs | 54 | 38 | 84 |
| Annual Income | 10 - 20 lakhs | 15 | 11 | 95 |
| | 20 lakhs and above | 9 | 5 | 100 |
| | Total | 143 | 100 | |

Source: developed from the survey data

Out of the total respondents, majority of the respondents are male (70 percent) and few are females i.e. 30 percent. In marital status of the sample respondents, majority of the employees are married (60 percent) and 40 percent are unmarried respectively. Similarly, in age, maximum of the employees are coming in the age group of 26 to 40 years (40 percent) and then coming in the age group of below 25 years (30 percent). Few of sample respondents are coming in the age group of 41 to 50 years (20 percent) and 50 years and above (10 percent).

Majority of bank sample bank employees are in assistant manager level (29 percent) followed by manager (28 percent). Few are in the position of deputy manager (18 percent) and supervisory level (19 percent).

Further, in qualification level of employees, majority of the respondents are having professional degree (45 per cent) and then coming post graduate which constitute around 26 per cent and graduate 25 per cent respectively.

In annual income, majority of the respondents are having income below 5 lakhs (46 percent) and then coming between 5 to 10 lakhs (38 percent) followed by 10 to 20 lakhs (11 percent). Few of the respondents are having annual income of 20 lakhs and above (5 percent).

Reliability Analysis of Employees Satisfaction (Private Sector Bank)

For measurement of Employees Satisfaction (ES) in Private Sector bank, nineteen variables are taken. To test the reliability of the 19 variables Cronbach's Alpha has been used.

| SI. | Particulars | Mean | Std. Deviation | Cronbach's Alpha | Combined Cronbach's Alpha | N of Items |
|------|--|------|-------------------|---------------------|---------------------------------|---------------|
| ES1 | I love to do the job as they are very interesting and challenging | 4.17 | 1.003 | 0.823 | | |
| ES2 | The work environment helps me to give the best | 3.98 | 1.502 | 0.830 | | |
| ES3 | The attitude of superior towards me makes me feel secure and encouraging | 3.94 | 1.289 | 0.840 | | |
| ES4 | Workload is evenly distributed | 4.09 | 1.404 | 0.831 | | |
| ES5 | My job gives me a feeling of personal accomplishment | 3.82 | 1.499 | 0.842 | | |
| ES6 | I am able to lead a happy and peaceful life | 3.84 | 1.320 | 0.821 | | |
| ES7 | I am satisfied with my standard of living | 3.62 | 1.373 | 0.832 | 0.835 | 19 |
| ES8 | I feel proud being an employee of bank | 4.13 | 1.186 | 0.851 | | |
| ES9 | Bank helps me to maintain a good social status | 3.97 | 1.353 | 0.821 | | |
| ES10 | Bank's pay structure and pay scales are good | 4.10 | 1.092 | 0.841 | | |
| ES11 | Incentives, bonus and all allowance scheme are also very attractive | 4.08 | 1.190 | 0.815 | | |
| ES12 | Promotion policies are very good and effective | 4.06 | 1.179 | 0.824 | | |
| ES13 | Promotion policy is implemented timely | 3.95 | 1.218 | 0.844 | | |
| ES14 | All good jobs are recognized and awarded | 3.83 | 1.343 | 0.832 | | |

| ES15 | Employees at their work place are encouraged to work as a team | 4.15 | 1.332 | 0.842 | |
|------|--|------|-------|-------|--|
| ES16 | I do not face trouble in getting leave from work | 3.50 | 1.453 | 0.841 | |
| ES17 | My managers are good decision makers | 4.00 | 1.337 | 0.833 | |
| ES18 | I rarely feel exhausted at work | 3.59 | 1.344 | 0.820 | |
| ES19 | The performance appraisal system is fair | 3.61 | 1.695 | 0.826 | |

Source: developed from the survey data (Primary)

Further, the Cronbach's Alpha value of each items (19) and combined is coming above 0.8, which indicated good consistency of the variables used for the measurement of Employees Satisfaction (ES) for private sector bank. After reviewing of the reliability Table 2, it can be concluded that the items used in the questionnaire are internally homogenous and consistent (Cronbach's alpha value >0.8). At the same time, all items that validated the questionnaire were good. Therefore, all the variables in the questionnaire used for the study of ES are significant for the study.

Factor Analysis of Employees Satisfaction (Private Sector Bank)

The factor analysis was applied to 19 variables related to views of Employees Satisfaction of Private Sector bank employees. KMO value of factor analysis is coming 0.857, which indicates that factor analysis is reliable to be done for these 19 variables which is also cross validated by significant value of Bartlett's test of sphericity i.e. 0.000.

| Table 3: KMO and Bartlett | s Test of Employees Satisfa | action (Private Sector Bank) |
|-------------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------------|
| Kaiser-Meyer-Olkin Measure | e of Sampling Adequacy. | 0.857 |
| Portlatt's Test of Sphericity | Approx. Chi-Square | 3951.881 |
| Darnett's Test of Sphericity | df | 171 |
| | Sig. | 0.000 |

Source: developed from the survey data (Primary)

As authored by Kaiser (1974), if KMO value lies between 0.8 and 0.9 are great for factor analysis. For these data, the value is 0.857, which falls into range being great. This represents, factor analysis is significant and appropriate for these data.

| G | I | nitial Eigenv | alues | Extra | Extraction Sums of Squared Loadings | | Rotation Sums of Squared Loadings | | f Squared s |
|-----------|--------|------------------|-----------------|--------|--|-----------------|--------------------------------------|------------------|-----------------|
| Component | Total | % of Variance | Cumulative % | Total | % of Variance | Cumulative % | Total | % of Variance | Cumulative % |
| 1 | 10.628 | 55.937 | 55.937 | 10.628 | 55.937 | 55.937 | 6.104 | 32.126 | 32.126 |
| 2 | 1.968 | 10.358 | 66.295 | 1.968 | 10.358 | 66.295 | 3.800 | 19.999 | 52.125 |
| 3 | 1.277 | 6.723 | 73.018 | 1.277 | 6.723 | 73.018 | 3.108 | 16.358 | 68.483 |
| 4 | 1.133 | 5.964 | 78.982 | 1.133 | 5.964 | 78.982 | 1.995 | 10.498 | 78.982 |
| 5 | 0.799 | 4.206 | 83.188 | | | | | | |
| 6 | 0.650 | 3.423 | 86.611 | | | | | | |
| 7 | 0.568 | 2.990 | 89.601 | | | | | | |
| 8 | 0.455 | 2.395 | 91.996 | | | | | | |
| 9 | 0.418 | 2.199 | 94.195 | | | | | | |
| 10 | 0.346 | 1.820 | 96.014 | | | | | | |
| 11 | 0.224 | 1.179 | 97.193 | | | | | | |
| 12 | 0.165 | 0.870 | 98.063 | | | | | | |
| 13 | 0.140 | 0.736 | 98.799 | | | | | | |
| 14 | 0.115 | 0.603 | 99.402 | | | | | | |
| 15 | 0.048 | 0.252 | 99.654 | | | | | | |
| 16 | 0.038 | 0.200 | 99.854 | | | | | | |
| 17 | 0.019 | 0.101 | 99.955 | | | | | | |
| 18 | 0.006 | 0.032 | 99.987 | | | | | | |
| 19 | 0.003 | 0.013 | 100.000 | | | | | | |

 Table 4: Total Variance Explained of Employees Satisfaction (Private Sector Bank)

Extraction Method: Principal Component Analysis.

Source: developed from the survey data (Primary)

The total variance explained table shows that all the 19 variables used for the measurement of Employees Satisfaction (ES), are reduced to four different factors which explained around 78.982% of the total variance.

Out of the four reduced factors, 1^{st} factor explaining about 32.126% of the variance. The 2^{nd} factor explains about 19.99%, 3^{rd} factor 16.358% and the 4^{th} factor 10.498% of the total variance. In combine, the entire 4 factors explain about 78.982% of the total Variance.

| SI. | Particulars | Component | | | |
|------|--|-----------|-------|-------|-------|
| | | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| ES1 | I love to do the job as they are very interesting and challenging | | | 0.844 | |
| ES2 | The work environment helps me to give the best | 0.780 | | | |
| ES3 | The attitude of superior towards me makes me feel secure and encouraging | 0.736 | | | |
| ES4 | Workload is evenly distributed | 0.791 | | | |
| ES5 | My job gives me a feeling of personal accomplishment | | | 0.875 | |
| ES6 | I am able to lead a happy and peaceful life | 0.780 | | | |
| ES7 | I am satisfied with my standard of living | 0.689 | | | |
| ES8 | I feel proud being an employee of bank | 0.790 | | | |
| ES9 | Bank helps me to maintain a good social status | 0.658 | | | |
| ES10 | Bank's pay structure and pay scales are good | | 0.777 | | |
| ES11 | Incentives, bonus and all allowance scheme are also very attractive | | | | 0.797 |
| ES12 | Promotion policies are very good and effective | | 0.736 | | |
| ES13 | Promotion policy is implemented timely | | 0.850 | | |
| ES14 | All good jobs are recognized and awarded | | 0.727 | | |
| ES15 | Employees at their work place are encouraged to work as a team | | | | 0.622 |
| ES16 | I do not face trouble in getting leave from work | | | 0.869 | |
| ES17 | My managers are good decision makers | 0.698 | | | |
| ES18 | I rarely feel exhausted at work | 0.741 | | | |
| ES19 | The performance appraisal system is fair | 0.694 | | | |

Extraction Method: Principal Component Analysis. Rotation Method: Varimax with Kaiser Normalization.

Source: developed from the survey data (Primary)

All the 19 variables of employees satisfaction are reduced to 3 factors. We have extracted the factors through varimax method and through principal component analysis where the eigen value is greater than 1. Variable 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 8, 9, 17, 18 and 19 constitute factor 1 with new name as "*Social Status and living Style*". Similarly, variable 10, 12, 13 and 14 defined as factor 2 with new name as "*Pay Structure and Promotion*". Further, variable 1, 5 and 16 constitute factor 3 named as "*Challenging and Personal Accomplishment*" and the variable 11 and 15 constitute factor 4 named as "*Incentives and Team work*".

| Table 6: New factors of Employees Satisfaction (Private Sector Bank) | | | | | | |
|--|------------------------------------|--|--|--|--|--|
| Factors | Variables | Name of the factor | | | | |
| ES_F1 | 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 8, 9, 17, 18 and 19 | Social Status and living Style | | | | |
| ES_F2 | 10, 12, 13 and 14 | Pay Structure and Promotion | | | | |
| ES_F3 | 1, 5, and 16 | Challenging and Personal Accomplishment | | | | |
| ES_F4 | 11 and 15 | Incentives and Team work | | | | |

Source: developed from the survey data (Primary)

Structural Equation Model (SEM) of Employees Satisfaction (Private Sector Bank)



ES(ICICI)_F1: Social Status and living Style; ES(ICICI)_F2: Pay Structure and Promotion; ES(ICICI)_F3: Challenging and Personal Accomplishment; ES(ICICI)_F4: Incentives and Team work Fig.1: SEM of Employees Satisfaction (Private Sector Bank)

| Table 7: Summary | SEM results o | of Employees | Satisfaction | (Private S | ector Bank) |
|-------------------------|---------------|----------------------------|--------------|------------|-------------|
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| Particulars | CFI | RMSEA | GFI | NFI |
|-----------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Chi-square = 2.494 | 0.909 | 0.091 | 0.905 | 0.911 |
| Degrees of freedom $= 2$ | | RFI | | |
| Probability level $= 0.000$ | | 0.910 | | |

Source: developed from the survey data (Primary)

CFI: Comparative fit index; *RMSEA:* Root Mean Square Error of Approximation; *NFI:* Normed fit index; *GFI:* Goodness – of-fit; *RFI:* Relative fit index

The above table shows the model fitness structured by SEM regarding experience on employee's satisfaction of private sector bank. It was observed that all the measures were associated with their respective constructs. The fit of the model was examined and verified, that each indicator loaded significantly with its intended construct. In the SEM model, Chi-square = 2.494, df = 2, p<0.001, CFI=0.909, GFI=0.905, NFI=0.911, RFI = 0.910, RMSEA=0.091, provided a good fit to the data (Browne and Cudek, 1993; Hu and Bentler, 1999).

| Particulars | | | Estimate | S.E. | C.R. | P Label | |
|-------------|---|------------------------|----------|-------|-------|---------|---|
| ES_F3 | < | Employees Satisfaction | 1.000 | | | | - |
| ES_F2 | < | Employees Satisfaction | 0.159 | 0.376 | 0.423 | *** | |
| ES_F1 | < | Employees Satisfaction | 0.299 | 0.690 | 0.433 | *** | |
| ES_F4 | < | Employees Satisfaction | 0.349 | 0.803 | 0.434 | *** | |

 Table 8: Regression Analysis of factors (Employees Satisfaction of Private Sector Bank)

Source: developed from the survey data (Primary)

The above tables shows the results of regression model derived through SEM. As shown in the above table, all the p value of the contributing variables related to Employees Satisfaction of private sector bank factors was accepted since the significant value of p is coming *** (<0.05). The path analysis reveals that - regression weights of the above model is structurally fitted. Further, all the contributing variables to the factor (**Employees Satisfaction**) are statistically significant and contributing to the SEM. Out of the four independent derived factors, the factor " $ES_F3(0.927)$: Challenging and Personal Accomplishment is contributing maximum towards Employees Satisfaction. Since estimated value of the regression weights is coming highest.

Rating the impact of ES on EC

| SI | Particulars | Frequency | Percent | Cumulative |
|----|--------------------------|-----------|---------|------------|
| | i ui ucului b | | | Percent |
| 1 | Not at all Effective (1) | 6 | 4 | 4 |
| 2 | Ineffective (2) | 10 | 7.0 | 11.0 |
| 3 | Moderately Effective (3) | 16 | 11.0 | 22.0 |
| 4 | Effective (4) | 16 | 11.0 | 33.0 |
| 5 | Highly Effective (5) | 95 | 66.0 | 99.0 |
| | Total | 143 | 100.0 | |

Table 9: Rate the impact of ES on EC Bank

Source: developed from the survey data

The above table shows, the rate of impact of Employees Satisfaction (ES) on Employees Commitment (EC) by the bank employees (private sector). Majority of the respondents gives it is highly effective (66.0 percent) then coming effective (11.0 percent). This reveals that, there is an impact of ES on EC.

Private Sector Bank

Hypothesis: Employee Satisfaction (ES) significantly affects Employee Commitment (EC) in private sector banks in Odisha.



Fig.2: Employee Satisfaction (ES) and Employee Commitment (EC) in bank

| bank | | | | | | |
|-----------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|--|--|
| Particulars | CFI | RMSEA | GFI | NFI | | |
| Chi-square = 5.11 | 0.901 | 0.125 | 0.880 | 0.877 | | |
| Degrees of freedom $= 0.00$ | RMR | GFI | | | | |
| Probability level = 0.000 | 0.076 | 0.899 | | | | |

Source: developed from the survey data

For the test of employee's perception towards ES on EC in Bank, confirmatory factor analysis through AMOS was used to test the observed variables associated with their respective constructs. In the model, chi-square value is coming 5.11, df = 0.00, p<0.001, CFI=0.901, GFI= 0.880, NFI= 0.877, RMSEA= 0.125, provided a good fit to the data. This reveals, each variable loaded significantly, since p-values are less than 1 per cent (p<0.01).

Regression Analysis (ES on EC of private sector banks)

Table 11: Path coefficients (ES on EC of Private Sector Banks)

| | Particulars | Estimate | S.E. | C.R. | P Label |
|-------------------------|-----------------------------|----------|-------|-------|------------|
| Employees Commitment | < Employees Satisfaction | 0.231 | 0.040 | 5.794 | *** |

Source: developed from the survey data

The path coefficient through SEM of employees satisfaction of bank on employee commitment is coming positive (0.231~0.23). This reveals that there is a positive low degree of impact of employee satisfaction on employee commitment since the estimated coefficient value is coming $0.231 \sim 0.23$. This proofs the hypothesis that '*Employee Satisfaction (ES) significantly affects Employee Commitment (EC) in private sector banks in Odisha'*.

| Particulars | Estimate | S.E. | C.R. | P Label |
|------------------------|----------|-------|--------|---------|
| Employees Satisfaction | 3.717 | 0.046 | 80.897 | *** |
| Employees Commitment | 3.139 | 0.151 | 20.749 | *** |

 Table 12: Regression Weights (ES on EC of Private Sector Banks)

Source: developed from the survey data

. The above table represents the regression weights of SEM of employee satisfaction and employee commitment through maximum likelihood estimates. Both the parameter/ factor is coming significant since the significant value of t-test (C.R.) is coming 0.000 (p label = ***). Out of the two factor, employee satisfaction is coming higher coefficient (3.717) than employee commitment (3.139) though both contributing positive and significant.

CONCLUSION

The primary objective of this study was the investigation of the effect of employee job satisfaction on orgnisational commitment, in a leading private sector banks of Odisha. As a result of the analyses, it is understood that job characteristics such as objectives, instructions, etc., are the most important factor in employee satisfaction, followed by work conditions and social aspects of the job. On the other side, employees are not so satisfied with payments and promotion opportunities.

This study focused on the private sector on two city only, so future researchers may investigate the relationship between job satisfaction and organizational commitment in other sector. The recording and recognition of employee proposals for being more satisfied is another subject of research arising from this study.

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