THE STRUCTURE OF ORGANIZATIONS

CHAPTER 2



ORGANIZATION

- An organization is a group of people working together in a formal way.
- Our life in a modern society is dominated by our interactions with organizations.

ORGANIZATION

"An organized group of people with a particular purpose, such as a business or government department"

ORGANIZATION

- It is impossible to live in a civilized society without close contact with many large organizations such as
 - Schools
 - Universities
 - Government departments
 - Health service
 - Commercial and industrial companies

LEGAL FORM OF ORGANIZATION

- Fundamentally the law recognizes individuals that is the individuals has a legal existence.
- They can
 - enter into the contracts which can be enforced by the courts
 - Sued for damages
 - Give evidences...

TYPES OF ORGANIZATION

- 1. Commercial Organizations
- 2. Non Commercial Organizations

COMMERCIAL ORGANIZATION

Four basic legal forms of organization are

- 1. Sole Proprietorship
- 2. Partnerships
- 3. Cooperatives
- 4. Limited Liability Company.

SOLE PROPRIETORSHIP

- A sole trader is an individual who runs their own business.
- There are no legal formalities attached to becoming a sole trader; you become a sole trader simply by starting to run a business
- A sole trader is personally liable for all the debts of the business so that all the trader's assets, including the family home, are at risk if the business fails.

PARTNERSHIPS

- If a group of people carry on a business with a view to making profits, then the law will treat them as being in a *partnership*.
- The most important consequences are that the partners are *jointly* and *severally* responsible for the partnership's liabilities.

COOPERATIVES

- A Corporation, chartered by the state in which it is headquartered, is considered by law to be a unique entity, separate and apart from those who own it.
- A Corporation can be taxed; it can be sued; it can enter into contractual agreements.
- The owners of a corporation are its shareholders.
- The shareholders elect a board of directors to oversee the major policies and decisions.
- The corporation has a life of its own and does not dissolve when ownership changes.

LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC)

There are principles that are fundamental to the concept of a limited liability company

- The company has corporate legal identity, that is, it is a legal person, completely separate from the people who work in it or the people who own it.
- The ownership of the company is divided into a number of shares. These shares can be bought and sold individually. The people who own these shares are known as the members of the company or shareholders.
- In the event that the company incurs debts or other legal liabilities, the owners of the company have no obligation to pay these. The most that shareholders stand to lose is the money they paid for their shares.

TYPES OF LIMITED COMPANY

- The UK recognizes two main types of limited company
- the public limited company (plc) e.g. Lloyds TSB Bank plc.
- the private limited company (Ltd) e.g Augusta Technology Ltd,

COMPANIES

- *Public* companies are allowed to offer their share to the public and their names must end with the word "Public limited company".
- A public company has a minimum paid up capital of Rs. 5 lacs.
- There is no limit for the number of members.

COMPANIES

- A *private* company cannot offer its shares to the public and its name must end with the word "limited".
- It has a minimum paid up capital of Rs. 1 lac.
- It has limited members up to 200.
- It prohibits any invitation from public for subscription to shares and any acceptance of deposits from persons other than members or directors.

NON COMMERCIAL BODIES

Non profit making Organizations are non Commercial Organizations

CONSTITUTION OF A COMPANY

All companies must have a written constitution, which consists of two documents

- Memorandum of association
- Articles of association

THE MEMORANDUM OF ASSOCIATION

- This document covers the following matters
 - The name of the company
 - The country in which its registered office will be located
 - The objects of the company
 - A liability clause
 - The company's authorised share capital and the number and nominal value of its shares.

THE ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION

- This document usually addresses the following topics
 - The rules to be applied in alloting new shares
 - The rules governing the transfer of shares
 - The rules regarding meeting of shareholders or members
 - Appointment and removal of directors
 - Powers of directors

- Directors are elected by shareholders to run the company on their behalf.
- They have considerable powers and in a large company with many shareholders, the effective democratic control is very weak.

- This situation is balanced by a series of obligations
 - directors must act in good faith and for the benefit of company.
 - Directors must exercise the skill and care in carrying out their duties that might be expected from someone of their qualifications and experience.
 - A director who has an interest in a contract made with the company must disclose this interest to the board of directors.

- Most companies have both executive and non-executive directors.
 - *Executive directors* are normally also employees of the company, with specific responsibility.
 - *Non-executive directors* act in advisory capacity only. Typically they attend monthly board meetings to offer the benefit of their advice and are paid a fee for their services.

- A company is required to have a *company secretary* whose duty is to keep various records that a company is obliged to maintain.
- Because of the technical expertise required, small companies often appoint an outside professional advisor as a company secretary.

DISCLOSURE REQUIREMENTS

- The limited companies are required to disclose information about their operations.
- All limited companies must submit an annual return and copies of their accounts to the registrar of companies.

CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

"Relationship between stakeholders in companies and its most senior management is known as corporate governance"

ORGANIZING AN ORGANIZATION

Organizing an Organization

Functional Units of an Organization

Geographical Organization

Organization by Product

Centalization vs Decentralization The position of Quality

Management

FUNCTIONAL UNITS OF AN ORGANIZATION

- Tasks carried out in an organization are grouped into five major functions
 - *Production:* activities that directly contribute to creating the products or services that the company sells.
 - **Quality Management:** quality activities necessary to ensure that quality of product and services produced is maintained at the agreed level.

FUNCTIONAL UNITS OF AN ORGANIZATION

- Sales and Marketing: sales in concerned directly with selling the product while marketing is concerned with establishing the environment in which product is sold.
- *Finance and Administartion:* every company needs to pay its bills, to look after its funds, to pay its employees and so on....data processing and legal department are also generally included in this function.

FUNCTIONAL UNITS OF AN ORGANIZATION

Research and Development: how can company do better the things that it is already doing and what other things can be done to raise profits.

GEOGRAPHICAL ORGANIZATION

- Organization operating over a large geographical area, there are tasks that should be best organized on a geographical basis.
- Because of cultural differences, an effective selling approach in one country can completely fail in another.
- Even the products that are most demanded in one country are almost unsaleable in another one.

ORGANIZATION BY PRODUCT

- When an organization produces several different products and services, it is desirable to use a top-level structure based on its products.
- It is the most common structure found in really large corporations today.
- Each division can either be headed by a director or can be itself a separate company with its own board of diectors (subsidiaries).

CENTRALIZATION VS DECENTRALIZATION

- Organizations can be centralised, decentralised and both.
- In a *centralised organization*, many of the detailed operational decisions are taken at the center.
- In a *decentralised organization*, as many details as possible are settled at local level.

POSITION OF QUALITY MANAGEMENT

- Whatever be the structure of an organization, the factor of "Quality" should be kept at the center.
- Pressures on production and sales create temptation to skimp on quality procedures.
- It can only be avoided by developing a "Quality Culture" within the organization.

Management

Motivation

Performance Appraisal

- Different management roles are classified on the basis of their particular concerns and methods for addressing those concerns. Some are
 - Project management
 - Production management
 - Corporation management

- The goal of *project managers* is to produce systems which meet the user's needs, on time and within budget.
- Their main concerns are planning, progress monitoring, acquisition and allocation of resources and quality control.
- The project manager horizon is the successful completion of a project.

- *Production management* is concerned with the management of activities which continue indefinitely and change comapritively slowly.
- It is concerned with productivity, efficiency and maintenance of quality.

- Corporate management deals with the management of organization as a whole.
- Corporate managers monitors the overall performance of the organization and handle serious problems that arise anywhere in the organization.

MOTIVATION

- How well individuals carry out their jobs depends on several factors
 - How well they understand what is required of them.
 - Their ability
 - The quality of facilities provided for doing the job.
 - Their motivation
 - The attitude of their colleagues.

MOTIVATION

- People are generally motivated by
 - Self esteem
 - The esteem of others
 - Satisfaction of social needs
 - A sense of security
 - Financial rewards

PERFORMANCE APPRAISAL

- Centarl idea of performance appraisal is that managers decides with each of their subordinate, what should be the subordinate's objectives in his next time period of job.
- At the end of that time period, the subordinate performance is assessed against these objectives and new objectives are agreed for the next time period.

PERFORMANCE APPRAISAL

- There are several important points inorder to make such a scheme work
 - Both manager and subordinate must participate in setting the subordinate's objectives.
 - Attainment of the objectives should be verifiable.
 - Subordinate's job must be sufficiently homogenous.
 - Continuing commitment from all levels of management is required.