

Chapter – 8 Focus Area 2022

Controlling



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Controlling is the process through which management ensures that the actual performance conforms to the planned performance



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Controlling discovers deviation from the results expected



It also identifies the reasons for deviations and suggests suitable action to avoid their recurrence in future

Controlling Process (Steps in Controlling)

5. Taking Corrective Actions

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4. Analysing Deviations





3. Comparison of Actual Performance



2. Measurement of Actual Performance



1. Setting Standards



1. Setting performance Standards

To achieve the goals, standards of performance have to be determined in planning itself



a) Quantitative Standards

Standards must be in concrete and tangible forms which will make evaluation process easy



Eg: Cost of production for one unit is Rs.100 etc.

b) Qualitative Standards

Standards can also be in intangible forms



Eg: The results expected from a training programme, loyalties of workers, Improving motivation level of employees, etc.

2. Measurement of actual performance

Actual performance of each activity in terms of quality and quantity should be measured



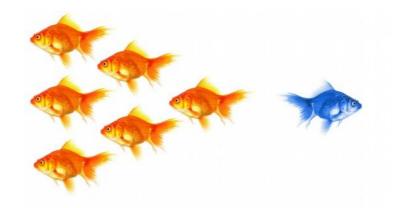
3. Comparison of actual performance with standards

Comparison of actual performance with the standards reveals the deviations between actual and desired results



4. Analysing deviations

The extent of deviations and causes of such deviations are to be found out



It is important to ascertain whether deviations are within the expected range

Deviations in key areas of business require urgent attention

Methods of Analysing Deviations in Key areas a) Critical Point Control

The control measures should be focused on Key Result Areas (KRAs) which are critical in the success of an organization





These KRAs are the Critical Points, if anything goes wrong at this critical point, the entire organization will suffer

Eg: 5% increase in labour cost is a serious matter than 20% increase in postal charges

Methods of Analysing Deviations in Key areas b) Management by Exception (MBE) / Control by Exception

All deviations need not be brought to the attention of top management



Only those deviations which seem exceptionally high and which cannot be easily solved by lower level management alone should be reported to top management

5. Taking corrective actions

As soon as deviations are reported, it is the duty of the executives to take steps to correct the past action so that deviations may not occur again and the plans are properly executed



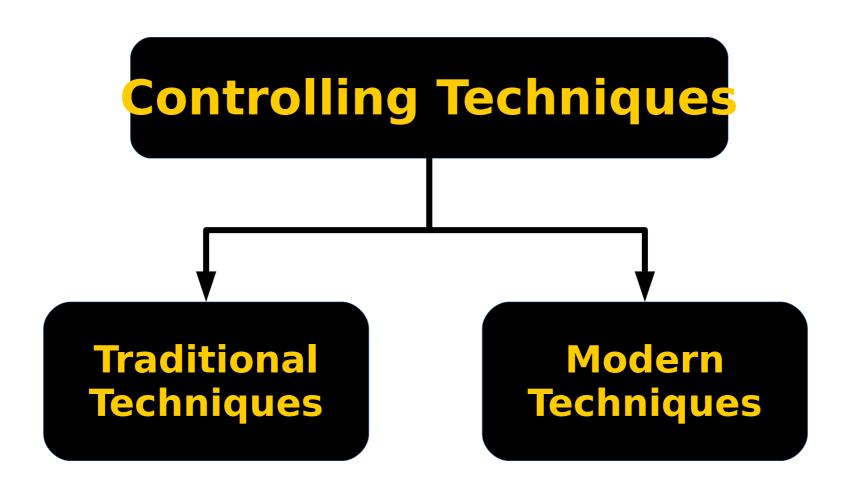
If there is no deviation or if the deviation is within the permissible limit, let the situation remains as it is

- 1. Setting performance Standards
- 2. Measurement of actual performance
- 3. Comparison of actual performance with standards
- 4. Analysing deviations
- 5. Taking corrective actions



Cause of deviation	Corrective action to be taken
Defective material	Change the supplier or quality
Defective machinery	Repair or replace
Obsolete machinery	Undertake technological up gradation
Increase in labour turnover	Improve working conditions and provide better incentives
Defective process	Modify the existing process

Techniques of Managerial Control



1. Personal observation

Personal observation on the employee may create a psychological pressure to perform well



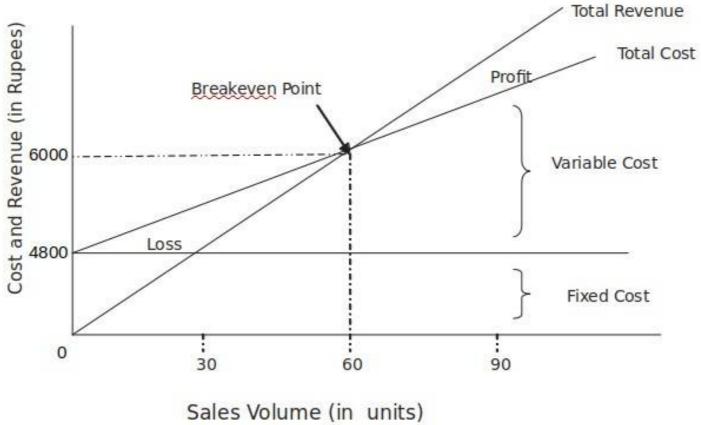
2. Statistical reports

Statistical information regarding performance of employees in the form of charts, graphs, tables etc. enable the managers to interpret them and to make comparison



3. Break-even analysis

The level of operation where total revenue or sales are equal to total cost is called the break-even point



At this point (sales volume) the firm makes no profit no loss

4. Budgetary control

Controlling the activities of an organization with the help of budgets

It involves the comparison of actual performance with the budgetary standards



E.g. Sales budget, production budget, Materials budget etc.

Budgetary control

- Budget is a guidance for management in planning and policy formulation.
- Gives a direction to the organisation by fixing the goals and targets.



Budgetary control

- 3. Minimises wastages and losses.
- Actual performance can be compared with budgetary standards.
- 5. It motivates the executives to attain targets.



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