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Motivation in workplaces refers to stakeholders' willingness to execute their roles correctly to meet the organizational goals while also experiencing personal development. Scholars have studied the concept in different fields, and they agree it is essential in businesses. When the employees are motivated, productivity increases ensuring competitive benefits. In addition, they develop commitment with the company lowering chances of turnover while boosting innovation leading to growth and development. Notably, while ensuring workplace motivations, leaders ought to pay attention to self-efficacy, mastery beliefs and learned helplessness as they directly increase productivity.

Boosting motivation in workplaces requires application of self-efficiency tools. It is where workers gain the confidence to execute their roles on time and in the right manner (Rhew et al., 2018). For example, an employee would be directed to lead a team in changes implementation. If they are self-efficient, confidence that the process would be a success within the time given is evident. Leaders have to ensure the workers impact the aspect, so they become motivated to play different roles.

Furthermore, mastery beliefs are needed in guaranteeing workplace motivation, referring to capabilities to influence a particular outcome (Louw et al., 2016). Masters are people with the belief that they would change anything and meet the expected results. Workers with this capability solve the day to day challenges in workplaces gaining the motivation to keep working to achieve the businesses' goals. Learned helplessness, on the other hand, is a state reached when one experiences repeated stressful situations. It makes them believe the issues cannot be resolved and thus quit trying. Workers should be equipped with stress management skills, so the learned helplessness situation is not reached as it would kill motivation.

Organizations should take the following actions in ensuring self-efficacy in workplaces. Smart goals and expectations need to be developed, in that the employees can attain. Setting ambiguous goals leads to failures, while shallow objectives create a false self-efficacy. Managers should thus set challenging goals yet attainable as this would boost efficacy (Rhew et al., 2018). Training should also be conducted from time to time, to impact new knowledge and skills in their different areas. For example, a team would be formed to ensure excellent self-efficacy and be used as a role model for the rest. When workers gain new skills, the confidence to play their roles increases, hence leading to self-efficacy. Acknowledgment and rewarding again improve efficacy as the workers realize their potential and value to the organization.

Additionally, workers need mastery beliefs to be motivated to meet organizational goals. In developing this, leaders should establish a learning plan, where the members master their crafts. The program created should meet the mastery needs of each employee. They should also be allowed to take control of time while at work. It would make them organized, in that they spend more time on the areas challenging until they gain expertise (Louw et al., 2016). Here, training and guidelines are required to empower them to master their strengths and practice. Teamwork is moreover needed, so they support each other, and in the end, they all become one while each executes their roles. Learned helplessness is collective in organizations which should be prevented for motivation to be developed. It would be done by ensuring support and encouragement in both personal and work-related stress (Landry et al., 2018). For example, support groups would be established, where employees understand the source of stress and gain insights on ways to resolve them. Feelings of helplessness should also be eliminated by adopting stress management skills. The aspects would boost self-awareness in that workers determine the actions to take when stress comes up instead of quitting trying.

The three aspects need to be implemented as they boost productivity since the workers become motivated. With self-efficacy, workers understand their roles and execute them right without fear of failure leading. Mastery beliefs equip them with skills to handle challenges at work and remain focused to meet the organizational goals. As a result, it boosts production as conflicts and resistance among other issues in day to day interactions are eliminated. Moreover, when learned helplessness is prevented, employees face stressors other than repressing them, therefore removing the attitude to quit. Instead, they gain momentum to work as stressors are eliminated, making the emotional aspects stable. As a result, the actions taken are realistic and for the benefit of the company, thus increasing production. Therefore, organizations would ensure motivation by ensuring self-efficacy and mastery beliefs while preventing learned helplessness.

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