Communication & Leadership

- The term 'communication' originates from the Latin word communicare, which means to share or impart.
- Communication is the process of exchanging of facts, ideas and opinions and a means that individuals or organisations use for sharing meaning and understanding with one another.
- Communication is a process, which involves organising, selecting and transmitting symbols in an appropriate way to ensure the listener perceives and recreates in his own mind the intended meaning of the communicator.

Communication is a two-fold process between two parties- the sender and the receiver. It involves an exchange and progression of thoughts, ideas, knowledge and information towards a mutually accepted goal or direction.

According to Behind Brown:

" Communication is the transmission and interchange of facts, ideas, feelings or course of action."

COMMUNICATION IS THE ART OF TRANSMITTING INFORMATION, IDEAS AND ATTITUDES FROM ONE PERSON To ANOTHER. COMMUNICATION IS THE PROCESS OF MEANINGFUL INTERACTION AMONG HUMAN BEINGS.

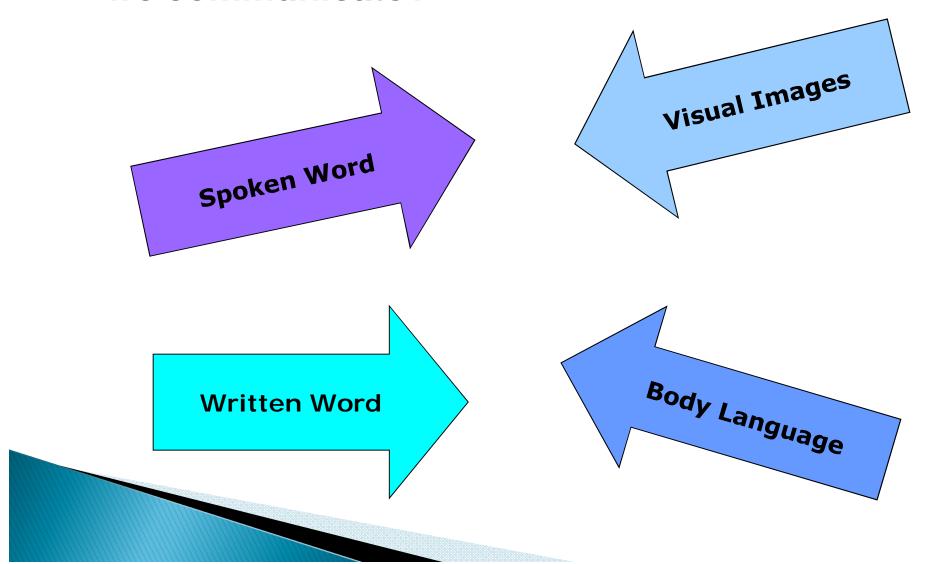
ITS ESSENCES:

- *PERSONAL PROCESS
- **★OCCURS BETWEEN PEOPLE**
- **★INVOLVES CHANGE IN BEHAVIOUR**
- **★**MEANS TO INFLUENCE OTHERS
- *EXPRESSION OF THOUGHTS AND

EMOTIONS THROUGH WORDS & ACTIONS.

- *TOOLS FOR CONTROLLING AND MOTIVATING PEOPLE.
- **★IT IS A SOCIAL AND EMOTIONAL PROCESS.**

What are the most common ways we communicate?



Downwards Communication: Highly Directive, from Senior to subordinates, to

assign duties, give instructions, to inform to offer

feed back, approval to highlight problems etc.

Upwards Communications: It is non directive in nature from down below, to

give feedback, to inform about

progress/problems, seeking approvals.

Lateral or Horizontal: Among colleagues, peers at same level for

information level for information sharing for

coordination, to save time.

In modern business environment communication extendsbeyond written or spoken words to listened word. Visual dimension added by T.V., computers has given to new meaning to

COMMUNICATION NETWORKS

communication.

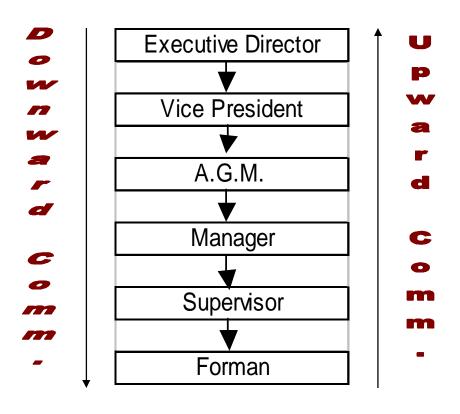
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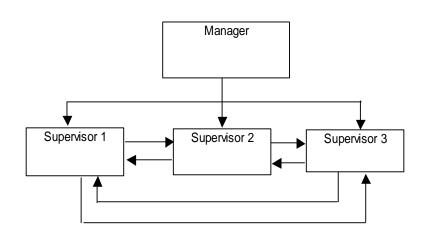
Virtually vertical as per chain go command within the hierarchy.

Informal Network:

Free to move in any direction may skip formal chain of command. Likely to satisfy social and emotional needs and also can facilitate task accomplishment.

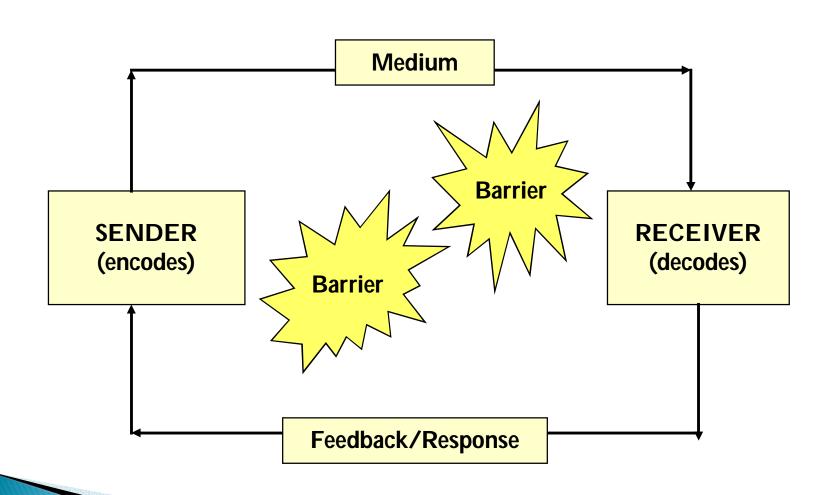
HIERARCHY LEVEL





Horizontal Comm.

The Communication Process



Barriers to Communication

- Noise
- Inappropriate medium
- Assumptions/Misconceptions
- Emotions
- Language differences
- Poor listening skills
- Distractions







Hearing Vs Listening

Hearing – Physical process, natural, passive



Listening – Physical as well

as mental process, active,

learned process, a skill

Listening is hard.

You must choose to participate in the process of listening.



VALUE OF LISTENING

- ★ Listening to others is an elegant art.
- * Good listening reflects courtesy and good manners.
- * Listening carefully to the instructions of superiors improve competence and performance.
- * The result of poor listening skill could be disastrous in business, employment and social relations.
- *Good listening can eliminate a number of imaginary grievances of employees.
- **★**Good listening skill can improve social relations and conversation.
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ESSENTIALS OF COMMUNICATION Dos

- *Always think ahead about what you are going to say.
- **★**Use simple words and phrases that are understood by every body.
- **★Increase your knowledge on all subjects you are required to speak.**
- *Speak clearly and audibly.
- **★**Check twice with the listener whether you have been understood accurately or not

ESSENTIALS OF COMMUNICATION Dos

- ★In case of an interruption, always do a little recap of what has been already said.
- *Always pay undivided attention to the speaker while listening.
- *While listening, always make notes of important points.
- *Always ask for clarification if you have failed to grasp other's point of view.
- *Repeat what the speaker has said to check whether you have understood accurately.

ESSENTIALS OF COMMUNICATION DON'TS

- *Do not instantly react and mutter something in anger.
- **★**Do not use technical terms & terminologies not understood by majority of people.
- **★**Do not speak too fast or too slow.
- **★**Do not speak in inaudible surroundings, as you won't be heard.

ESSENTIALS OF COMMUNICATION DON'Ts

- **★**Do not assume that every body understands you.
- *While listening do not glance here and there as it might distract the speaker.
- **★**Do not interrupt the speaker.
- **★**Do not jump to the conclusion that you have understood every thing.

How to Improve Existing Level of COMMUNICATION?

- *IMPROVE LANGUAGE.
- *IMPROVE PRONUNCIATIOON.
- *WORK ON VOICE MODULATION.
- *WORK ON BODY LANGUAGE.
- *READ MORE
- **★LISTEN MORE**
- *AVOID READING OR WATCHING OR LISTENING UNWANTED LITERATURE, GOSSIP, MEDIA PRESENTATION ETC.

How to Improve Existing Level of COMMUNICATION?

- *INTERACT WITH QUALITATIVE PEOPLE.
- *IMPROVE ON YOU TOPIC OF DISCUSSION,
- *PRACTICE MEDITATION & GOOD THOUGHTS.
- *THINK AND SPEAK.
- *DO NOT SPEAK TOO FAST.
- **★USE SIMPLE VOCABULARY.**
- *DO NOT SPEAK ONLY TO IMPRESS SOMEONE.
- *LOOK PRESENTABLE AND CONFIDENT.

Improving Body Language - Tips

- Keep appropriate distance
- Touch only when appropriate
- Take care of your appearance
- Be aware people may give false cues
- Maintain eye contact
- Smile genuinely

1. Coordination:

- Modern complex organizations are large, consisting of numerous employees working towards accomplishing common goals.
- Effectual systems of communication encourage better coordination.

2. Smooth Working:

Smooth and uninterrupted working of an enterprise, largely depends on good communication network.

3. Effective Decision-Making:

- It is essential to have a record of past and present data for immediate and effective decision-making.
- Communication is the primary base by means of which information is supplied to further help in making decisions.

3. Managerial Efficiency:

- Efficiency lays in the manner individuals and groups are assigned their respective targets...
- Managerial functions like planning, control, coordination, motivation cannot be discharged without communication.

4. Co-operation:

- Co-operation among workers is possible only when there is an exchange of information between individuals and groups and between the management and the employees.
- This not only promotes the industrial peace but also maximizes production.
- The two-way communication network enhances co-operation between people.

- 5. Effective Leadership:
- Leadership implies the presence of a leader and followers. There is always a continuous process of communication between them.
- Communication is the basis for direction, motivation as well as establishment of effective leadership.

6. Job Satisfaction:

- Communication is essential for achieving job satisfaction. Management conveys messages, which promote mutual understanding.
- Reception and recognition provide job satisfaction to employees.
- Two-way communication creates confidence, which leads to job satisfaction among employees.
- Openness, straightforward expression
- of opinions is necessary in this direction.

7. Increase Productivity:

- Communication helps the management in achieving maximum productivity with minimum cost and eliminating waste. These are the main objectives of the management.
- It is remarked that an archenemy of communication is the very illusion of it. This illusion can be avoided only with an effective system of communication.
- It is through communication that the workers can be well informed about the process of production, new methods of production and the activities of the workers in a similar organisation.
- Thus, a good system of communication helps the management to achieve maximum productivity with minimum cost, elimination of waste, reduction of cost etc.

8. Morale Building:

- Morale and good relations in the organisation are essential for achieving goals of the organisation and promoting its benevolence goodwill in the public.
- An effective system, of communication builds good morale and improves human relations.
- Participatory communication is the best technique of morale building and motivation.

9. Achieving Managerial Roles:

- Henry Mintzberg has described a manager's job by assigning three roles, namely inter-personal roles, informational roles and decisional roles.
- Communication plays a vital role in these three types of role.
- In case of interpersonal role, a manager has to constantly interact with subordinates.
- In informational role, a manager has to collect information from various people and supply the necessary information to others both inside and outside the organisation.
- A manager in a decisional role or written media of communication discharges interpersonal, informational and decisional roles as well.

What is a Leader?

A Leader is someone in authority to lead others to accomplish a goal(s). A leader needs to be able to motivate others to accomplish a goal(s) while at the same time encourage others to work toward their own professional goals.

What is leadership?

Leading people

Influencing people

Commanding people

Guiding people

The Nature of Leadership

- Leadership is a 'process' [focusing on what leaders actually do] and a 'property'.
- As a **process**, leadership is the use of non-coercive influence to shape the group's or organization's goals, to motivate behavior toward the achievement of those goals, and to help define group or organizational culture.
- As a <u>property</u>, leadership is the set of characteristics attributed to individuals who are perceived to be leaders.

The Nature of Leadership

Leaders are people who can influence the behaviors of others without having to rely on force <u>or</u> people whom others accept as leaders.

Leadership and Management

- •Leadership and management are related, but they are not the same.
- Organizations need both leadership and management if they are to be effective.
- Leadership is necessary to create change; management is necessary to achieve orderly results.

Types of Leaders

- Leader by the position achieved
- Leader by personality, charisma
- Leader by moral example
- Leader by power held
- Intellectual leader
- Leader because of ability to accomplish things

Managers vs. Leaders

Managers

- Focus on things
- Do things right
- Plan
- Organize
- Direct
- Control
- Follows the rules

- Focus on people
- Do the right things
- Inspire
- Influence
- Motivate
- Build
- Shape entities

Common Activities



Planning

Manager

- Planning
- Budgeting
- Sets targets
- Establishes detailed steps
- Allocates resources

- Devises strategy
 - Sets direction
 - Creates vision



Organizing

Manager

- Creates structure
- Job descriptions
- Staffing
- Hierarchy
- Delegates
- Training

- Gets people on board for strategy
- Communication
- Networks

Directing Work

Manager

- Solves problems
- Negotiates
- Brings to consensus

- Empowers people
- Cheerleader

Controlling

Manager

- Implements control systems
- Performance measures
- Identifies variances
- Fixes variances

- Motivate
- Inspire
- Gives sense of accomplishment

3 Styles of Leadership

Autocratic

- Authoritarian
- Tells employees/students what they want done and how to do it (without getting the advice from others).
- Works well if you don't have much time to accomplish goals or if employees are well motivated.
- Generally, this style is not a good way to get the best performance from a team.



Leadership Styles Con't.

Democratic

- Participative style
- The leader involves one or more employees/students in the decision making process (to determine what to do and how to do it).
- Leader maintains the final decision making authority.
- Allows everyone to be part of a team—everyone feels that they have participated and contributed.
- Encourages participation, delegates wisely, values group discussion.
- Motivates by empowering members to direct themselves and guides w/a loose reign.
- Negative—everything is a matter of group discussion and decision—doesn't really lead.



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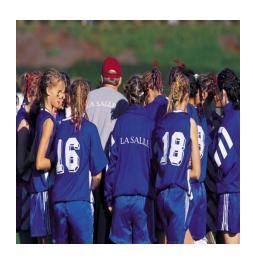


Delegative

- Free Reign (laisser faire)
- Leader allows employees/students to make the decisions.
- Leader is still responsible for the decisions.
- Employees/students analyze the situation and determine what needs to be done and how to do it. Leader sets priorities and delegates.
- Leader has little control. Team has little direction or motivation.

Managers vs. Leaders

*Managers are people who do things right, while leaders are people who do the right thing."
Warren Bennis



Leadership Goals

- Leadership style is the manner and approach of providing direction, implementing plans, and motivating people.
- Leaders vary their styles. A leader is not strictly one or another style. Most leaders use all three styles; one style, however, becomes the dominate one.
- Positive Leaders use rewards (independence, education) to motivate employees.
- Negative Leaders use penalties with employees. These leaders act domineering and superior w/people. Negative penalties include: days off without pay, reprimanding in front of others, assigning unpleasant job tasks.

Thanks