## **3 PLANNING & RECRUITING**

## Employment / Workforce Planning

Definition: Process of identifying positions to fill and how to fill

Top management /executive positions called succession planning

Guiding principle: strategic plan - diversify, vertically integrate, expand regionally, how to compete

#### Succession Planning

Def: Is a process whereby an organization ensures that employees are recruited & developed to fill each key role within the company.

Why it is important: As your organization expands, loses key employees, provides promotional opportunities, and increases sales, your succession planning guarantees that you have employees on hand ready and waiting to fill new roles.

## Forecasting HR Needs

Forecast/estimate HR needs criteria:

## Tools for Forecasting HR Needs

- Plots past sales and various staffing levels
  - Markov Analysis
- Availability of internal candidates based on job transitions (sales exec to sales director)
- Uses matrix with probabilities of mobility

## Forecasting Internal Sources of Candidates

HR replacement charts (Critical positions/top management)

- shows performance level: outstanding, satisfactory, needs improvement
- shows promotion potential : ready, needs training, questionable

Computerized skills inventory /HRIS (most jobs)

# Purpose of Replacement Charts

Help companies visualise key job roles, current employees and existing and future vacancies. Positions are mapped alongside information such as potential replacements, gender and promotion potential.

# Purpose of Skills Inventory

It summarizes the skills, education & experiences of current employees. Depending on size & complexity of business, process for preparing skills inventory will vary. Can use commercial software/database programs.

## External Sources of Candidates

- Recruiting via internet (company websites, online job boards like Monster, Jobstreet etc)
- Social networking websites (Linked-in)
- Mobile recruiting network (texting vacancies)
- Job fairs/college recruiting/internship
- Recruitment advertisers: gather, screen, compile & manage applicants
- Referrals
- **Employment** agencies
- **Temporary Agencies**
- Offshoring/outsourcing