

CMA TEST- 2 (Solution)

Time Allowed: 35 Minutes

TOPIC: EMPLOYEE COST

Total Marks: 20 Marks

Answer to Question no.1

Idle Time

- 1) In relation to labour cost, idle time refers to the situation where payment is made to the workers but the work is not effectively done. For example, if the worker is employed for 10 hours in a day and payment is made for such 10 hour but the worker has worked only for 8 hour, in such a case, the difference of 2 hrs. Can be regarded as idle time.
- 2) The problem of idle time may be normal or abnormal in nature. Normal situation is decided on the basis of past experience and nature of the business.
- 3) If idle time is normal in nature, in such a case, its burden is to be shifted on the customer by inflating the recovery rate. For example, if payment is made for 10 hour @ ₹ 27 per hour and further assume that idle time is 1 hour. Hence, recovery rate is computed below :-

$$\left[\frac{10 \text{ hrs.} \times ₹ 27 / \text{hr.} = ₹ 270}{10 \text{ hrs.} - 1 \text{ hr.} = 9 \text{ hours}} \right] = ₹ 30 / \text{hr.}$$
- 4) If idle time is abnormal in nature, the cost associated with it is to be self-absorbed and charged to costing P/L A/C. Abnormal situation arises due to inefficiency and unexpected events.

Answer to Question no.2:

Let x be the cost of material and y be the normal rate of wages per hour

| Factory Cost of output of Ram | (₹) | Factory Cost of output of Sam | (₹) |
|--|-----------------|--|-----------------|
| Material | x | Material | x |
| Time Wages | $30y$ | Time Wages | $40y$ |
| Bonus ($30y \times 20/50$) | $12y$ | Bonus ($40y \times 10/50$) | $8y$ |
| Overheads $30 \text{ hrs} \times ₹ 20$ | 360 | Overheads $40 \text{ hrs} \times ₹ 20$ | 480 |
| Factory Cost | $x + 42y + 360$ | | $x + 48y + 480$ |

Factory cost of product of Ram is ₹ 3,100 and of Sam is ₹ 3,280.

The two equations are:

$$x + 42y + 360 = ₹ 3,100$$

$$x + 48y + 480 = ₹ 3,280$$

Solving, we get $X = ₹ 2,320$ and $Y = ₹ 10$.

Thus:

- (i) Normal Wage Rate is ₹ 10 per hour
- (ii) Cost of material used for the product is ₹ 2,320 for each worker
- (iii) Input of material in units = $2,320/16 = 145$ units used by each worker

Answer to Question no.3:

Statement showing the Profit foregone last year due to labour turnover

| Particulars | ₹ | ₹ | ₹ |
|-------------------------------|---------------|----------|---|
| (A) Avoidable Expenses | | | |
| Settlement Cost | 43,820 | | |
| Recruitment Cost | 26,740 | | |
| Selection Cost | 12,750 | | |
| Training Cost | <u>30,490</u> | 1,13,800 | |

(B) Additional Possible Profit

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| Additional Possible Sales | 22,20,650 | | |
| (-) Variable Cost (80% of Sales) | <u>17,76,520</u> | <u>4,44,130</u> | <u>5,57,930</u> |

Computation of Additional Possible Sales

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| Actual Sales | = | ₹ 83,03,300 |
| Total labour hours | = | 4,45,000hours |
| (-) Unproductive training($\frac{1}{2} \times 30,000$ hrs) | = | <u>15,000</u> hours |
| Productive time | = | <u>4,30,000</u> hours |

As a result of labour turnover, following productive time is lost:

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| Unproductive training time | = | 15,000 hrs. |
| Delayed replacement | = | <u>1,00,000</u> hrs. <u>1,15,000hrs.</u> |

Hence, the amount of additional sales that could have been achieved had there been no labour turnover is $(₹ 83,03,300 \times 4,30,000 \text{ hrs}) \times 1,15,000 \text{ hrs} = ₹ 22,20,650$