EFFECT OF LEADERSHIP BEHAVIORS ON KNOWLEDGE CREATION IN INDIAN ORGANIZATIONS

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D URPOSE

THE purpose of this paper is to investigate the relationship as well as impact of behaviors or actions of a leader on the creative performance of employees for a sample of 204 employees from 6 organizations.

Design/Methodology/Approach: A questionnaire consisting of four psychometric instruments has been provided to respondents i.e., to workers and managers spread across various functional groups, managerial levels from six selected organizations operating in different sectors of the Indian economy. A total of 204 fully-filled questionnaires have been received both personally and through emails and digital forms. Data, regarding different aspects of Knowledge Worker viz., their leaders' behaviors, organizational culture, technology, and Knowledge Creation were collected using questionnaire. Data were statistically treated and analyzed using SPSS software package to obtain results for the stated purpose of the study.

Findings: Expectancy-free, Non-Bossy leader with collaboration and experimentation ethos in the organizations along with tailor made IT services help in knowledge identification and creation. Expectancy of a leader is considered negatively as pressure leading us to believe the anti-Pygmalion effect under the overall head of self-defeating prophesies. Expectancy is generally taken as positive as it influences the motivation of the employees. But this paper argues that expectancy of a leader creates a pressure or negatively impacts the knowledge creation and they really abhorred it in these organizations surveyed. Non-bossy leadership is well accepted by the employees of the surveyed organizations for better Knowledge Identification and Creation. Expectancy-free, Non-Bossy Leadership behaviors help in the organizational endeavor of Knowledge Creation.

Research Limitations: This study was conducted in only six Indian Organizations or organizations located in India. Hence, its generalizability is limited to other similar contexts.

Practical Implications: The research study offers several recommendations for helping leadership of the organization as well as top management to design and implement such practices and actions which will help in effective Knowledge Capture for Organizational excellence.

Originality/Value: There is a dearth of literature and especially empirical research regarding Knowledge Creation and its determinants that take into consideration wide array of variables and their respective enabling and disabling roles and contributions. This gap is being filled by this empirical study about the impact of leaders' behavior on Knowledge creation in Indian organizations.

Key Words: Leaders' behavior, Expectations, Anti-Pygmalion, Self-defeating Prophesy, Knowledge Creation.

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Introduction

The present study tries to augment the understanding of applicability and efficacy of western concepts regarding leadership and creative performance in the non-western context especially India. As Smith and Peterson (1988) argued for greater need to investigate leadership styles in different countries that arises from the variation in preferences for leadership styles from one culture to another. The majority of leadership researchers conceptualize and conduct studies in developed countries while limits of the current understanding of the dynamics of leadership concepts in non-western contexts remain (Fein, Tziner, and Vasiliu, 2010; Shahin and Wright, 2004). The cultural difference between oriental and occidental world is so extreme that simply copying and implementing western concepts in non-western world would benefit no one and might provide unintended negative consequences. Ryan and Tipu (2013) argued for such kind of research which improves understanding of the usefulness and validity of western leadership concepts in non-western contexts and assists in identifying different dimensions of leadership to inform to a better degree both the practice and development of leadership skills.

Leadership provides dynamism in an organization. The present and future of the organization lies in the hands of able leaders. The human civilization is full of contributions of great leaders. Leadership is one of the world's oldest preoccupations. The study of leadership rivals in age the emergence of civilization, which shaped its leaders as much as it was shaped by them. Purposeful stories have been told through the generations about leaders' competencies, ambitions, and shortcomings; leaders' rights and privileges; and the leaders' duties and obligations (Bass, 1990).

A considerable portion of leadership research focuses on transformational, transactional, and laissezfaire leadership styles (Antonakis, Avolio, and Sivasubramaniam, 2003). The study of leadership concepts in developing countries results in inconsistent findings that often contradict expected outcomes from developed country contexts (Pillai, Scandura, and Williams, 1999; Shahin and Wright, 2004). That's why, the most basic aspect of leadership i.e., leaders' behaviours must be taken into account. Bedeian and Glueck (1983) defined leadership as a term used to describe a *category of behaviors*. According to this view, leadership is a dynamic process in which an individual behaves in a certain manner thereby influencing others to follow. Thus, leadership is the art of influencing individual or group activities towards achievement of enterprise goals.

Creative Performance

For long term survival in the context of rapid technological development, new production techniques and increasing global competition, creative and innovative new products and services is the only strategy to cushion the organization in future (Mumford et al., 2002; Hitt, Hoskisson, and Kim, 1997; Porter, 1990). The organizations must have the ability to develop new ideas "in house" frequently to have competitive advantage (Bolton, 1993; Cohen & Levinthal, 1990; Pavitt, 1990). These development of new ideas "in house" is nothing but the creation and identification of new knowledge. Creativity i.e., the generation of new ideas (Mumford et al., 2002) is basically knowledge creation (Kumar, 2012). It has a potentially powerful influence on organizational performance (Arad, Hanson, and Schneider, 1997; Drazin, Glynn, and Kazanjian, 1999; Tushman and O'Reilly, 1997) including profit and growth (Nystrom, 1990). Bowen, Rostami, and Steel (2010) report the positive relation between innovation and future firm performance. Knowledge creation form integral part of the Knowledge management. The Knowledge management has various antecedents (Singh and Sharma, 2008a; Singh and Sharma, 2011a), main drivers (Singh and Sharma, 2008b); key attributes (Singh and Sharma, 2008c); and important implications and consequences (Singh and Sharma, 2008d).

Those civilizations that had well developed culture were able to subsume the less developed civilizations due to better and effective weaponry, war traditions, and culture. An inspiring hero or leader like Alexander can shape and sharpen the war traditions and weaponry culture to write history as engraving on the stone for generations to come to learn and inspire. Similarly, modern organizations, the better ones, survive and prosper and the weaker organizations are consumed or wasted in the path of history.

This argues the role of leadership, culture, and technology in the development of civilization which also applies in the modern organizations (Kumar, 2012).

Creativity or knowledge creation has been studied and found to have been impacted by culture (DeLong, 1997; Tesluk, Farrand Klein, 1997), technology (Castells, 1996), and leadership (Bass, 1990), strategies (Amabile et al., 2004), climate (Tesluk, Farr and Klein, 1997), human resource management policies and procedures (Newell et al., 2002), and access to resources (Amabile et al., 2004).

Nystrom (1979) argued that the probability of success may be increased by establishing and maintaining a creative problem solving environment. Starbuck (1992) argued that it is very easy for creativity and innovation to be stifled even when the structural conditions are generally supportive of knowledge work tasks. Firms are, therefore, cautioned to try and avoid the development of particular norms and practices that might constrain innovative behavior (Newell et al., 2002).

Several earlier studies argued about the inter-relationship of cultural ethos, technology, and leadership with knowledge creation. Pareek (2006) suggested that some organizations promote creativity and excellence, while other organizations may make people obedient, dependent and conformist. Organizational learning, development, and planned change cannot be understood without considering culture as a primary source of resistance to change and learning – the challenge lies in conceptualizing a culture of innovation in which learning, adaptation, innovation, and perpetual change are the stable elements (Schein, 1992).

Nonaka and Takeuchi (1995) argued that organizational culture can be seen as consisting of beliefs and knowledge shared by members of the organization. Studies of organizational culture have been able to shed light on the organization as an epistemological system. In addition, they have underscored the importance of such human factors as values, meanings, commitments, symbols, and beliefs, and paved the way for more elaborate research on the tacit aspect of knowledge. Furthermore, they have recognized that the organization, as a shared meaning system, can learn, change itself, and evolve over time through the social interaction among its members and between itself and the environment. Culture is important to organizational knowledge creation. A good part of our knowledge has been learned as culture from the older generations (Nonaka and Takeuchi 1995). Older or different cultures are basically the knowledge repository for respective civilization. As Schein (1992) suggested that group's culture is that group's accumulated learning. When a particular civilization starts taking root, the culture is formed involving an accumulated learning of its citizens.

Creation of knowledge is not so new. However, the development of ICTs helped in storing and sharing the ideas and knowledge with all the employees in the organization. The technology per se is very influential for the knowledge creation. The relationship between knowledge creation and technology is bi-directional. As technology helps in knowledge creation, same way created knowledge is instrumental in development of new technologies or technological revolutions. Newer technologies or technological revolutions come on the heap of older technology (Kumar, 2012).

However, Knowledge creation is not only the domain of technology or IT firms rather it is being practiced by almost all firms with different level of intensity under different name. Knowledge can be managed without much help of the technology even and is being done since ancient times. For example, the most religious and most basic- story-telling and suggesting moral of the story to the kids by their grand-parents at home since the time immemorial, "*Shruti*" and "*Smriti*" viz., "*Manusmriti*" – these are traditional texts that have passed on through generations just by hearing and memorizing from *Gurus* to *Shishya*. Technology has become the enabler and prompter in the whole gamut of Knowledge creation and management (Kumar, 2012).

Several authors defined Leaderships in different ways having different attributes and functions. Koontz and O'Donnell (1964) defined leadership simply as influence, the art or process of influencing people so

that they will strive willingly toward the achievement of group goals and also argued that leadership is the ability of a manager to induce subordinates (followers) to work with confidence and zeal. Roberts and Hunt (1991) also defined a leader as a person whose behavior has a determining effect on the behavior of other group members. Leadership is the interaction among members of a group in which leaders are agents of change. The leader is a person whose acts, more than anyone elses affect the motivation and competencies of the group. Singh and Kumar (2013) pointed out various attributes of a leader having different functions in the organization including spirituality.

Relationship between Leadership and Creative Performance

However, the creative performance is different ball-game altogether due to several factors viz., nature of creative work, characteristics of the creative employees and nature of environment required for creative performance. The creative work involves complex, ill-defined problems where performance requires the generation of novel and useful solutions (Besemer and O'Quin, 1999; Ford, 2000; Mumford and Gustafson, 1988; Ward, Smith, and Finke, 1999; Mumford et al., 2002). The creative employees shows a variety of traits like expertise, strong orientation towards autonomy and achievement, lack of concern about power and affiliation, a common personality profile includes openness, flexibility, cognitive complexity, self-confidence, dominance and introversion (Mumford et al., 2002), intense curiosity (Heinzen, Mills, and Cameron, 1993), work based identity and achievement (Rostan, 1998), and substantial achievement motivation (Barron and Harrington, 1981; Mumford and Gustafson, 1988).

Although many variables influence creativity and innovation in the organizational settings, there is reason to suspect that leaders and their behavior represent a particularly powerful influence (Mumford et al., 2002). A leader not only influences the knowledge creation indirectly through the organizational culture but also most of the time a leader provides a creative leadership directly for the knowledge creation. Puccio et al., (2007) argued that change originates in creative thought, and the ability to engage in creative thinking or foster it in others a skill that separates those who lead from those who follow. They went one step ahead and suggested that effective leaders embody the spirit of creativity and argued that creative thinking is the core of leadership competence. Kotter (1996) identified five specific skills (risk taking, humble self-reflection, solicitation of opinions, careful listening, and openness to new ideas) that, when developed, enhance leadership effectiveness. Puccio et al., (2007) argued that Kotter's five skills bear a striking similarity to qualities associated with creative people thus creative leadership. Innovation management is a difficult process which requires consistent support and involvement of the leader (Ireland and Hitt, 1999). The followers are more likely to innovate if leaders provide support (Basu and Green, 1997). Examination of the relation between leadership and innovation is pertinent as leaders positively influence outcomes of innovation processes (Den Hartog and Verburg, 1997; Howell and Avolio, 1993). Leaders employing intellectual stimulation behaviors encourage diversity of opinion and the generation of creative ideas among their followers (Bundy, 2002).

Puccio et al., (2007) also highlighted the fact that in today's complex work and social environments, creativity plays a crucial role in helping leaders to be more effective at facilitating change. The dynamic business conditions in developing countries pose challenges to leaders in an environment where organizational disposition towards innovation is a key contributor to gaining and sustaining competitive advantage for survival (Perry-Smith, 2006; Puranam, Singh, and Zollo, 2006). Examination of the leadership – innovation connection is important in a developing country context as organizations often face intense competition, institutional instability (Farashahi and Hafsi, 2009). All the above studies suggest how leader, directly or indirectly, influence creative performance and their combined influence on developing countries like India.

However, Jung (2001) pointed out, leadership, at least traditionally, has not been held to be particularly significant influence on creativity and innovation. Leadership has not generally been found to have a particular important influence on creativity as leadership of creative people requires expertise (Mumford et al., 2002). Amabile et al., (2004) argued that Leaders' behaviors influences creative

performance of the subordinates directly as well as indirectly through perceptual and affective reaction, and discussed in detail, both positive and negative spiral of effective and ineffective forms of leader behavior in the context of perceived leaders' support – a key feature of work environment for creativity (Amabile et al., 2004). The componential theory of organizational creativity specifies broad features of leader behavior that contribute to the perceived work environment for creativity. This suggests that all behaviors of a leader cannot be grouped together as either supporting or hampering creativity. Consequently, leaders' behaviors must be studied more separately and thoroughly than emphasizing on models of leadership.

Relationship between Leadership Expectancy and Performance

Expectancy of a leader plays a very important role in the performance of the employees. Several authors (Likert, 1961, 1967; McGregor, 1960) have argued that leaders who expect more get more. However, the most important expectancy that has been dealt thoroughly is Pygmalion effect under the classification of self-fulfilling prophecies (Merton, 1948, 1968; Wilkins, 1976). Merton (1968) defined the self-fulfilling prophecy as, in the beginning, a *false* definition of the situation evoking a new behavior which makes the original false conception come 'true'. This specious validity of the self-fulfilling prophecy perpetuates a reign of error. For the prophet will cite the actual course of events as proof that he was right from the very beginning. The Pygmalion effect i.e., high expectations of a leader leads to high performance of the subordinates, is supported by several research articles (Eden, 1984, 1990, 1992; Jussim, 1986; Rosenthal & Jacobson, 1968; Rosenthal & Rubin, 1978). The opposite of Pygmalion i.e., Golem effect (low expectation leads to low performance) (Babad, 1977; Babad, Inbar, and Rosenthal, 1982; Oz and Eden, 1994;. Davidson and Eden, 2000), is also found to be true. However, the opposite of self-fulfilling prophecies is self-defeating prophecies. The "self-defeating prophecy", through the very fact of its being promulgated, turns out to be wrong (Merton, 1936). As per the self-defeating prophecies, the expectancies itself work against the achievement of the goal. Expectancies of the leader itself set the target or goal to be achieved which is resisted and rebelled rather implicitly by employees.

A lot of literature can be found on the Pygmalion effect and its benefits. The opposite of Pygmalion i.e., golem effect, along with the reverse-Pygmalion (Eden, 1984, Collins, Hair, Jr., and Rocco, 2009), reverse-golem effect and Galatea Effect (Eden, 1984), literature is available albeit a little. However, it's very difficult to find any literature on the anti- Pygmalion effect which falls under the classification of self-defeating prophecy (Bushman, Baumeister, and Stack, 1999). In all the above phenomena, the expectations play a major role, which is also the case in this study. For this research study, the performance of employees is judged on the knowledge creation that's why it is taken as dependent variable.

As Korman (1971) argued that the leaders' expectations work through the medium of work group norms and group values as well as through the medium of leadership influence directly. The variable of organizational culture and technology is taken into consideration in this study as moderating variables having impact on Knowledge creation just to identify and isolate the specific behaviors or actions of leader that influence creative performance.

Researchers report weakness in the appropriateness and applicability of western management theory in non-western contexts across a variety of organizational studies, including leadership studies (Ardichvili and Gasparishvili, 2001; Ford and Ismail, 2006; Kiggundu, Jørgensen, and Hafsi, 1983; Pillai et al., 1999). Overall, the literature linking specific leader behaviors to group performance is scant (Kim and Yukl, 1995), and the literature linking specific leader behaviors to individual creative performance is even smaller (Amabile et al., 2004). This study tries to fill this gap as well as considering the modifying and intervening factors viz., organization culture and technology which influences knowledge creation, into consideration.

Research Methods

The primary objective of this study is to understand and find out the relationship and impact of leadership behaviors on knowledge creation. Since leadership is not the only variable that influences and

significantly predicts the knowledge creation to a large extent, several other intervening variables including organizational culture, technology, and background variables are also taken into the consideration for this research. These variables provide a kind of amicable environment and sometime play very active role for Knowledge Creation to grow and develop in the organization.

Sample

The sample includes 204 employees working in 6 organizations in India. These organizations belong to mainly three sectors viz., power sector, infrastructure sector other than the power sector, and IT sector, with the largest proportion of respondents working in power sector (Power – 49%, IT sector 34.8%, Infrastructure sector other than power – 16.2%). The sample comprises 83.8% males and 16.2% females. The underrepresentation of women in the study is indicative of existing gender bias in workforce participation among women in India.

Data Collection

The primary data has been randomly collected using self-administered questionnaire from the 204 respondents belonging to various functional areas working at the different managerial levels. The survey process itself ensured the confidentiality of information provided by the respondents and requests them to respond thoughtfully and frankly as their frank answers are the best answers. Data were obtained from a wide range of organizations, varying in size and function, in order to minimize the influence of background and confounding variables and increase the empirical validity of the findings (Nguyen and Mohamed, 2011). As Ryan and Tipu (2013) argued that developed countries offer easy accessibility to secondary data and reference materials for the identification of research populations and development of sampling frames which are non-existent in developing countries. Consequently, appropriate techniques and instruments, as follows, were used in this research study.

Instruments

The questionnaire introduces the researcher and informs the respondents about the questionnaire which is related to leadership, organizational cultural ethos, technology, and knowledge. The study measures leadership with a leadership questionnaire (Likert and Likert, 1976) involving 26 items relating to day to day activities of a leader. For measuring Organizational Culture, the questionnaire suggested by Pareek (1997) was used. It includes 40 questions and all of which relates to organizational ethos of OCTAPACE. The technology aspect of the organization is measured by 5 generic questions related to technology. These questions are applicable even to the most basic of the organization, which may not belong to the IT sector. The knowledge creation is measured by The Knowledge Management Assessment Tool (KMAT) given by Maier and Moseley (2003). This is a diagnostic survey that helps to determine the effectiveness of the Knowledge creation practices. It is administered to employees to assess the presence of such practices in their work. Respondents rate their level of agreement with thirty statements on five KM dimensions: viz., identification and creation, collection and capture, storage and organization, sharing and dissemination, and application and use.

Testable Hypotheses

Following are the null and the alternate hypotheses.

- HA1- There is a relationship between Organizational Cultural Ethos and Knowledge Identification and Creation.
- HA2-There is a relationship between Leadership and Knowledge Identification and Creation.
- HA3- There is a relationship between Technology and Knowledge Identification and Creation.
- HA4- There is difference among the sectors of organizations on Knowledge Identification and Creation.

• HA5- There is a difference in perceptions of male and female regarding Knowledge Identification and Creation.

Analysis and Interpretation of Data

For calculation of gender-wise and sector-wise differences in the Knowledge creation performance, dummy variables were created and used to know the gender (Table 1) and sectorial differences (Table 2) relating to Knowledge Identification and Creation.

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	0	171	83.8	83.8	83.8
	1	33	16.2	16.2	100.0
	Total	204	100.0	100.0	

Table 1: Dummy Variable for Gender

	Dum var Sec 1- IT Sector	Dum var Sec 2- Infrastructure Sector	No. of Responses	Remarks
Organization- A	0	0	100	Base-Power
Organization-B	1	0	38	IT Org.
Organization-C	1	0	30	IT Org.
Organization-D	0	1	25	Infrastructure
Organization- E	0	1	8	Infrastructure
Organization- F	1	0	3	IT Org.
TOTAL	71	33	204	

 Table 2: Dummy Variables for Sector-wise Distribution of Crganizations

Econometric Analysis of Data

The raw scores of all the items of every instruments viz., leadership practices, OCTAPACE, KMAT, and background information of each respondent have been collected and tabulated. These raw scores of each and every question are further processed and transformed into variables including components and dimensions using standard key of the respective instruments.

The tool of Principal component analysis was applied on the raw score of leadership to find out the leadership structure and pattern of behaviors. Kumar (2012) and Singh and Kumar (2013) concluded that in the country like India any leadership is a *category of behaviors*. The four dimensions (viz., support, team-building, goal emphasis, and help with work) of Leadership are perceived differently by employees in India into four new dimensions of practices or actions or category of behaviors (viz., Expressive Environment Facilitator, Non-Bossy, Democratic and Expectancy Pressure by the leader) identified as four categories of leadership behaviors using the Principal Component Analysis technique on 26 items of leadership as collected from the questionnaire. Each item of leadership concerns with a particular leadership practice. The Principal Component Analysis points out how these items are perceived and grouped by an individual employee. As Vera and Crossan (2004) argued about this kind of ingenuity suggesting that most of the work is prescriptive in nature and says little about leadership styles or specific practices through which leaders contribute. Singh and Kumar (2013) argued that a leadership style is a combination of specific practices through which leaders as positive

or with good intentions from the leaders' point of view or from the academic perspective are equally perceived from same perspective by employees. A leader is not only what a leader does but also how those actions are perceived. Some of the categories of behaviors impacts positively and some negatively. These principal components are as follows:

Leadership 1_1: Expressive Environment Facilitator

This principal component of a leader encompasses several leaders' practices which could be collectively called as expressive environment facilitating practices of a leader. Here, a leader is a friendly, open to new ideas, a good listener, allows others to express feelings and ideas, paraphraser, role model, and does not dominate and pressurize his followers.

Leadership 1_2: Non-Bossy Leader

The Principal component "Leadership1_2" has items whose common theme is "*Non-Bossy Leadership*" actions or behaviors where a leader avoids being dogmatic, pontificating, being impatient, dominating, treating his or her subordinates in a condescending manners.

Leadership 2_1: Democratic Leader

This principal component of Leadership has a common theme of "*Democratic Leader*", where a leader avoids imposing a decision, is patient, accepts more blame, uses "we" more often, is open to criticism, encourages disagreements, willing to take risks, generous in giving credit and recognition and avoids favoritism.

Leadership 2_2: ExpectancyPressure of a Leader

This principal component has a common theme of "*Expectancy pressure of a Leader*", where a leader expects best from everyone, believes in self or own group importance, encourages people to be innovative and creative, displays confidence and trust in subordinates and shares information frankly.

Kumar (2012) and Singh and Kumar (2013) further divided these four principal components of leadership into mainly three aspects. Expressive environment facilitator and democratic leadership activities or practices form part of positive aspect of leadership. Expectancy of a leader creates a pressure for an employee which is treated negatively by the employees. Bossy behavior is considered negatively and leaders who avoid bossy behavior are basically leaders who avoid negative practices of bossism as perceived by employees.

Pareek (1997) pointed out that several studies have used different terminology for same thing and also argued that same terms have been used with different meanings. He claimed that various terms, used in the context of organizational culture, are values, ethics, beliefs, ethos, climate, environment, and culture. He argued that the culture-related concepts can also be seen as multi-level concepts. The core (first level) is the values, which give a distinct identity to a group. This is the ethos of the group. *The Random House Dictionary* defines ethos as "the fundamental character or spirit of a culturedominant assumptions of people or period". Ethos can be defined as the underlying spirit or character of an entity or group and is made up of its beliefs, customs, or practices. At the base of ethos are core values. The eight important values relevant to institution building are *openness, confrontation, trust, authenticity, proaction, autonomy, collaboration, and experimentation.* The acronym came out to be OCTAPACE (Pareek, 1997).

The eight dimensions of OCTAPACE were compacted into a single construct of "Over-All-Culture" using the Principal Component Analysis. Similarly, all the five variables or items of technology were transformed into one composite component named "All-Technology" using Principal Component Analysis. The major advantage of using Principal Component analysis is to get one composite construct that represents all the underlying items in it. It helps in understanding the overall impact of all those particular items at the same time on the dependent variable in the regression analysis.

The process of knowledge identification and creation begins with transformation of data (isolated facts with no meaning) and information (interpreted data with meaning) into a value-added resource through experience and logical inferences. Knowledge thus becomes an actionable resource in the organization. It provides employees with the ability to perform a particular task or identify hidden trends and unusual patterns within data and information for operational and strategic decision-making. Identification and creation of knowledge is often accomplished through interviews, observation, brainstorming sessions, focus groups, portfolio analysis, root-cause analysis, and other similar techniques that generate new ideas and knowledge. These are very often led by experts in the particular domain (Maier and Moseley, 2003).

The Principal Component multiple regression analysis was used to find the relevant predictors and the extent of their predicting ability. Initially, Knowledge Identification and Creation was taken as dependent variables and four principal components of Leadership (Kumar, 2012), eight OCTAPACE ethos, five technology variables and relevant background variables were incorporated for modeling of the data. Again, in the another set of multiple regression analysis, the principal components of variables viz., "Over-All-Culture" for OCTAPACE, "All-Technology" for technology and four Principal Components of Leadership are taken as independent variables for the Knowledge Identification and Creation as dependent variable in the Principal Component Multiple Regression analysis for the modeling as follows.

Knowledge Identification and Creation (KIC)-Regression

For the Knowledge Identification and Creation, five (Non-Bossy Leadership 1_2, Expectancy Leadership 2_2, Collaboration, Experimentation, and "Q3. Wede sign and tailor our electronic performance support systems to meet our learning needs" independent variables were identified, as shown in Table 3.

	Mean	Std. Deviation	Ν
KIC	24.21	5.089	204
Leadership 1_2	0.0000000	1.00000000	204
Leadership 2_2	0.0000000	1.00000000	204
Collaboration	13.72	2.189	204
Experimentation	13.14	2.376	204
Q3. Tailor Performance Support System	2.96	0.748	204

Table 3: Descriptive Statistics

All the correlation coefficients, as shown in Table 4, among all the variables are highly significant at 1% level of significance, except the correlation coefficient between Expectancy Leadership 2_2 and "Q3. We design and tailor our electronic performance support systems to meet our learning needs", which is significant at the level of 5%. All the correlation coefficients among the independent variables are relatively small but the correlation coefficients between dependent variable and independent variables are relatively medium and large, as expected, to explain as much variance as possible. Expectancy Leadership 2_2 has negative, significant, and relatively small correlation coefficients with remaining independent variables but relatively high with dependent variable. Negative correlations coefficient of Expectancy Leadership 2_2 is quite interesting phenomenon of this study. The small, negative, and significant (at 5% level) correlation coefficient between Leadership 2_2 and Technology item "Q3. We design and tailor our electronic performance support systems to meet our learning needs" suggests that there is an expectancy pressure of a leader to create a more generalized, homogeneous and ready-made technology and not a tailor made Performance Support System. The small but significant correlation coefficients among the predictors suggest that our predictors are measuring different things and there is no collinearity.

		KIC	Leadership 1_2	Leadership 2_2	Collabora- tion	Experi- mentation	Q 3. Tailor Performance Support System
Pearson Correlat	ion KIC	1.000	0.430	-0.399	0.541	0.597	0.451
	Leadership 1_2	0.430	1.000	-0.487	0.228	0.263	0.259
	Leadership 2_2	-0.399	-0.487	1.000	-0.228	-0.262	-0.158
	Collaboration	0.541	0.228	-0.228	1.000	0.512	0.243
	Experimentation	0.597	0.263	-0.262	0.512	1.000	0.288
	Q 3. Tailor Performance Support System	0.451	0.259	-0.158	0.243	0.288	1.000
Sig. (1-tailed)	KIC	_	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
	Leadership 1_2	0.000	_	0.000	0.001	0.000	0.000
	Leadership 2_2	0.000	0.000	_	0.001	0.000	0.012
	Collaboration	0.000	0.001	0.001	_	0.000	0.000
	Experimentation	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	_	0.000
	Q3. Tailor Performance Support System	0.000	0.000	0.012	0.000	0.000	_

Table 4: Correlations

Table 5: Variables Entered/Removed^b

Model	Variables Entered	Variables Removed	Method
1	Q 3. Tailor Performance Support System, Leadership 2_2, Collaboration, Leadership 1_2, Experimentation $^{\rm a}$	_	Enter

a. All requested variables entered; b. Dependent Variable: KIC

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Table 6: Model Summary^b

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Model	R	R Square	Adjusted R Square	Std. Error of the Estimate	R Square Change	F Change	df1	df2	Sig. F Change	Durbin- Watson
1	0.747^{a}	0.558	0.547	3.425	0.558	50.041	5	198	0.000	1.979

a. Predictors: (Constant), Q3.tailorperformancesupportsystem, Leadership2_2, Collaboration, Leadership1_2, Experimentation b. Dependent Variable: KIC.

The Table 5 suggests that all the variables have been incorporated into the model using "enter method" after finding the appropriate variables by forward and backward method of regression.

In the column labeled R (in Table 6) is the value of the multiple correlation coefficient i.e., 0.747 between the predictors and the outcome. The high multiple correlation coefficient of the value +0.747 which suggests that there is good overall fit of the regression model. The R² of the model is 0.558 which suggests that 55.8% of the variance in the KIC is explained by the model based on the sample. The R^2 (55.8%) of this model refers to moderately substantive magnitude of relationship. However, the same model has Adjusted $R^2 = 54.7\%$ which tells us that the 54.7% of the variance in KIC would be accounted for if the model had been derived from the population from which the sample was taken. The adjusted R^2 indicates that 54.7% of the variance in the dependent variable i.e., Knowledge Identification and Creation can be predicted from these five predictors viz., "Q3. We design and tailor our electronic performance support systems to meet our learning needs", Expectancy Leadership 2_2, Collaboration, Non-Bossy Leadership 1_2, and Experimentation (Morgan et al., 2011). The adjusted R² gives us some idea of how well our model generalizes and ideally we would like its value to be the same, or very close to, the value of \mathbb{R}^2 . In this model, the shrinkage is = 55.8-54.7= 1.1 It's a mere shrinkage of 1.1 that suggests that if the model were derived from the population rather than a sample it would account for approximately 1.1% less variance in the outcome. The Durban-Watson value of 1.979 which is near to 2 is quite acceptable".

The ANOVA Table (in Table 7) shows that F = 50.041 and is statistically significant. This indicates that these five predictors significantly combine together to predict Knowledge Identification and Creation".

Model		Sum of Squares	df	Mean Square	F	Sig.
1	Regression	2934.843	5	586.969	50.041	0.000ª
	Residual	2322.510	198	11.730		
	Total	5257.353	203			

Table 7: ANOVA^b

a. Predictors: (Constant), Q3.tailorperformancesupportsystem, Leadership2_2, Collaboration, Leadership1_2, Experimentation

b. Dependent Variable: KIC.

As per Table 8, we have

KIC= 2.443+ 0.803 X Non-Bossy Leadership 1_2 – 0.729 X Expectancy Leadership 2_2 + 0.583 X Collaboration + 0.690 X Experimentation + 1.589 X "Q3. We design and tailor our electronic performance support systems to meet our learning needs".

When Principal Components of Technology and Ethos are Taken

Here the principal components Leadership 1_2, Leadership 2_2, 'All-Technology' and 'Over-all-Culture' were incorporated as independent variables for Knowledge Identification and Creation in the Principal Component Regression Analysis, as shown in Table 9.

The principal component multiple regression equation was calculated to investigate the best predictors of Knowledge Identification and Creation involving all the technological variables as principal component named "All-Technology", all organizational culture ethos as another principal component named "Over-all-Culture" along with two principal components of leadership viz., Non-Bossy Leadership 1_2 and Expectancy Leadership 2_2. The basic objective behind incorporating the principal components of all cultural ethos and technological variables as another principal

Table 8: Coefficients ^a												
	Unstandardized					95% Co	nfidence				Collinea	arity
	Coeffic	eients	Coefficients			Interv	Interval for B Correlations			Statist	ics	
Model	В	Std. Error	Beta	Т	Sig.	Lower Bound	Upper Bound	Zero- order	Partial	Part	Toler- -ance	VIF VIF
1 (Constant)	2.443	1.843		1.325	0.187	-1.192	6.078					
Leadership1_2	0.803	0.284	0.158	2.831	0.005	0.244	1.363	0.430	0.197	0.134	0.718	1.393
Leadership2_2	-0.729	0.279	-0.143	-2.609E0	0.010	-1.280	-0.178	-0.399	-0.182	1.232E-1	0.740	1.351
Collaboration	0.583	0.130	0.251	4.497	0.000	0.327	0.838	0.541	0.304	0.212	0.718	1.393
Experimentation	0.690	0.122	0.322	5.656	0.000	0.449	0.930	0.597	0.373	0.267	0.688	1.454
Q 3.Tailor Performance Support System	1.589	0.344	0.234	4.621	0.000	0.911	2.267	0.451	0.312	0.218	0.873	1.146

a. Dependent Variable: KIC

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Table 10: Correlations

		KIC	Leadership 1_2	Leadership 2_2	All Technology	Overall Culture
Pearson Correlation	KIC	1.000	0.430	-0.399	0.408	0.652
	Leadership1_2	0.430	1.000	-0.487	0.234	0.339
	Leadership2_2	-0.399	-0.487	1.000	-0.315	-0.311
	AllTechnology	0.408	0.234	-0.315	1.000	0.410
	OverallCulture	0.652	0.339	-0.311	0.410	1.000
Sig. (1-tailed)	KIC	_	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
	Leadership1_2	0.000	-	0.000	0.000	0.000
	Leadership2_2	0.000	0.000	-	0.000	0.000
	AllTechnology	0.000	0.000	0.000	-	0.000
	OverallCulture	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	-
N	KIC	204	204	204	204	204
	Leadership1_2	204	204	204	204	204
	Leadership2_2	204	204	204	204	204
	AllTechnology	204	204	204	204	204
	OverallCulture	204	204	204	204	204

Table 11: Variables Entered/Removed^b

Model	Variables Entered	Variables Removed	Method
1	Overall Culture, Leadership 2_2, All Technology, Leadership 1_2ª	—	Enter

a. All requested variables entered.

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	Mean	Std. Deviation	Ν
KIC	24.21	5.089	204
Leadership1_2	0.0000000	1.0000000	204
Leadership2_2	0.0000000	1.0000000	204
AllTechnology	0.0000000	1.0000000	204
OverallCulture	0.0000000	1.0000000	204

Table 9: Descriptive Statistics

component is to understand and predict to what extent all the organizational ethos and technology items influence Knowledge Identification and Creation.

All the correlation coefficients (in Table 10 among variables are relatively moderate and small, highly significant at the significance level of 1% and positive except with Expectancy Leadership 2_2 which has negative correlation coefficients with all the variables (dependent and independent). The relatively small to moderate and highly significant correlation coefficients suggest that the likelihood of multicollinearity is quite less. The Table 11 - Variables Entered/Removed, suggests that all the above variables have been incorporated into the model using "enter method".

The multiple correlation coefficient (in Table 12) of these independent variables on Knowledge Identification and Creation is +0.708. The high multiple correlation coefficient suggests that there is good overall fit of the regression model. The R² of the model is 0.502 which suggests that almost 50% of the variance in the KIC is explained by the model based on the sample. The R^2 (50.2%) of this model refers to moderately substantive magnitude of relationship. However, the same model has Adjusted R^2 = 49.2% which suggests us that the 49.2% of the variance in KIC would be accounted for if the model had been derived from the population from which the sample was taken. The adjusted R² indicates that 49.2% of the variance in the dependent variable i.e., Knowledge Identification and Creation can be predicted from these four predictors comprising principal components viz., Expectancy Leadership 2_2, Non-Bossy Leadership 1_2, All-Technology and Overall-Culture (Morgan et al., 2011). The adjusted R² gives us some idea of how well our model generalizes and ideally we would like its value to be the same, or very close to, the value of R². In this model the shrinkage is = 50.2-49.2 = 1.0 It's a mere shrinkage of 1.0% that suggests that if the model were derived from the population rather than a sample it would account for approximately 1.0% less variance in the outcome. The Durban-Watson value of 1.865 which is near to 2 is quite acceptable, suggesting that assumption of independent errors is tenable.

The ANOVA Table (in Table 13) shows that F = 50.103 and is statistically significant even at 1% level of significance. This indicates that these four predictors significantly combine together to predict Knowledge Identification and Creation.

Mod	lel	Sum of Squares	Df	Mean Square	F	Sig.
1	Regression	2637.982	4	659.496	50.103	0.000ª
	Residual	2619.371	199	13.163		
	Total	5257.353	203			

Table 13: ANOVA^b

a. Predictors: (Constant), OverallCulture, Leadership2_2, AllTechnology, Leadership1_2

b. Dependent Variable: KIC.

Table 12: Model Summary^b

					Change Statistics							
Model	R	R Square	Adjusted R Square	Std. Error of the Estimate	R Square Change	F Change	df1	df2	Sig. F Change	Durbin- Watson		
1	0.708^{a}	0.502	0.492	3.628	0.502	50.103	4	199	0.000	1.865		

a. Predictors: (Constant), Overall Culture, Leadership 2_2, All Technology, Leadership 1_2,

b. Dependent Variable: KIC.

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Table 14: Coefficients^a

Unstandardized		Standardized			95% Co	nfidence		a 1.		Collinea	arity		
	Coeffic	cients	Coefficients			Interv	Interval for B		Correlations			Statistics	
		Std.				Lower	Upper	Zero-			Toler-	VIF	
Model	B	Error	Beta	Т	Sig.	Bound	Bound	order	Partial	Part	-ance	VIF	
1 (Constant)	24.206	0.254		95.294	0.000	23.705	24.707						
Leadership 1_2	0.874	0.299	0.172	2.922	0.004	0.284	1.464	0.430	0.203	0.146	0.724	1.381	
Leadership 2_2	-0.604	0.302	-0.119	-2.002	0.047	-1.198	-0.009	-0.399	-0.141	-0.100	0.713	1.403	
All Technology	0.624	0.286	0.123	2.180	0.030	0.060	1.188	0.408	0.153	0.109	0.793	1.262	
Overall Culture	2.580	0.292	0.507	8.839	0.000	2.004	3.155	0.652	0.531	0.442	0.761	1.313	

a. Dependent Variable: KIC

Table 15: Coefficients^a

	Unstandardized St Coefficients C		Standardized			95% Co	nfidence		a 1 .	•	Collinea	urity
			Coefficients			Interval for B		Correlations			Statistics	
		Std.				Lower	Upper	Zero-			Toler-	VIF
Model	В	Error	Beta	Т	Sig.	Bound	Bound	order	Partial	Part	-ance	VIF
1 (Constant)	23.060	0.484		47.650	0.000	22.106	24.014					
Dumvar Sec1	3.391	0.751	0.318	4.515	0.000	1.910	4.872	0.323	0.303	0.301	0.897	1.115
Dumvar Sec2	-0.212	0.972	-0.015	-0.218	0.828	-2.127	-1.704	-0.117	-0.015	-0.015	0.897	1.115

a. Dependent Variable: KIC

The coefficients Table 14 shows that all the four principal components viz. two components of leaderships, culture and technology, are significantly contributing to the equation for predicting Knowledge Identification and Creation. The resulting model is

KIC = 24.206 + 0.874 X Non-Bossy Leadership 1_2 - 0.604 X Expectancy Leadership 2_2 + 0.624 X All-Technology + 2.580 X Over-all-Culture.

Again, the dummy variables were introduced in the multiple regression analysis to find out any sectoral difference (in Table 15) among the organizations belonging to different sectors and gender differences (in Table 16) as follows.

The t value of "dumvar sec 1" (in Table 15) is highly significant even at 1% level of significance. This suggests that the organizations belonging to IT sector are significantly different from the power sector organization. It's not only different but they are better than the power sector organization in the area of Knowledge Identification and Creation. Similarly, t value of "dumvar sec 2" is non-significant suggesting that infrastructure sector organizations are not significantly different from power sector organization in the area of Knowledge Identification and creation. Similarly, the t value of "dumvar gender" (in Table 16) what stands for gender is non-significant suggesting that there is no significant difference among male and female employees' perception about the Knowledge Identification and Creation.

	Unstand Coeffi	lardized cients	Standardized Coefficients			95% Confidence Interval for B	
Model	B Error		Beta	Т	Sig.	Lower Bound	Upper Bound
1 (Constant) Dumvar Gender	24.029 1.092	$0.389 \\ 0.967$	0.079	61.787 1.129	$0.000 \\ 0.260$	23.262 -0.815	$24.796 \\ 2.999$

Table 16: Coefficients^a

a. Dependent Variable: KIC

Hypotheses Testing

The positive and highly significant correlation coefficients between organizational cultural ethos of OCTAPACE and Knowledge Identification and Creation suggest that there is a relationship between organizational cultural ethos and Knowledge Identification and Creation. Other than the correlation coefficients, some of the OCTAPACE variables were incorporated as predictors of Knowledge Identification and Creation in the multiple regression analysis. Along with that, the principal component multiple regression analysis was also calculated for Knowledge Identification and Creation as dependent variable and the principal component of all OCTAPACE variables as one of the independent principal component variable named "Over-all-Culture". The presence of this principal component multiple regression analysis suggest that they do influence the Knowledge Identification and Creation and there is a relationship between them. Thus, the null hypothesis is rejected and the alternative hypothesis, HA1- "There is a relationship between organizational cultural ethos and Knowledge Identification and Creation", is accepted.

All the correlation coefficients are highly significant, positive, and moderate in the correlation coefficient matrix involving principal components of leadership and Knowledge Identification and Creation. In the principal component regression analysis, two of the principal components of leadership are involved as predictor for Knowledge Identification and Creation. The results, of these two statistical techniques when used in the testing of this null hypothesis, suggest that null hypothesis is rejected. Thus, the alternate hypothesis HA2, -"There is a relationship between Leadership and Knowledge Identification and Creation", is accepted.

For Knowledge Identification and Creation, two different multiple regression equations were calculated: one involving one item of Technology questionnaire and other involving the Principal Component of Technology named "All-Technology". The individual items of Technology i.e., "We design and tailor our electronic performance support systems to meet our learning needs" got incorporated. Also, the Principal Component of Technology "All-Technology" positively contributed to Knowledge Identification and Creation. Thus, the null hypothesis is rejected and the alternate hypothesis HA3, – "There is a relationship between Technology and Knowledge Identification and Creation", is accepted.

The IT sector organizations are significantly different from power sector organization in the Knowledge Identification and Creation. However, infrastructure sector organizations other than power sector are not significantly different from power sector organization Knowledge Identification and Creation. So, it can also be inferred that IT sector organizations are significantly different than the infrastructure sector organizations. Thus, this null hypothesis rejected and the alternative hypothesis HA4, -"There is difference among sectors of industry on Knowledge Identification and Creation and Creation, is accepted.

In the multiple regression analysis involving Knowledge Identification and Creation as dependent variable, there is no significant difference between the perceptions of male and female respondents about Knowledge Identification and Creation. Thus, null hypothesis is accepted and the respective alternative hypothesis "HA5" is rejected.

Discussion

The Regression Equation -1

The simultaneous multiple regression was conducted to investigate the best predictors of Knowledge Identification and Creation. The five variables viz., Leadership 1_2 :"*Non-Bossy Leader*", Leadership 2_2 : "*Expectancy pressure of a Leader*", "Collaboration" ethos, "Experimentation" ethos and one technology item named "Q3. We design and tailor our electronic performance support systems to meet our learning needs", combined together to predict Knowledge Identification and Creation. All the five variables significantly predict Knowledge Identification and Creation, F (5, 198) = 50.041, p < 0.001. The adjusted R² (0.547) indicates that 54.7% of the variance in the dependent variable i.e., Knowledge Identification and Creation can be explained by the model. According to Cohen (1988), this is a large effect.

Leaving "Expectancy Pressure of a Leader", all the independent variables have positive impact on Knowledge Identification and Creation. Without any expectancy and bossy behavior of a leader, employees generally easily collaborate with one another and work as a team on any problem and experiment on it to solve any problem or for knowledge creation. In this whole process of Knowledge creation, the tailor made performance support system helps positively. The higher level of standardized beta coefficient of the ethos "Experimentation" in the regression equation confirms and supports beyond doubt the argument that Experimentation helps in Knowledge Identification and Creation by playing major role. This endeavor of "Experimentation" is also supported by Collaboration ethos and tailor-made performance support system.

The above conclusion derived using multiple regression analysis supports the idea and environment regarding knowledge creation itself i.e., nature of creative work, characteristics of creative workers and their relationship with environment viz., leadership, culture, and technology. The characteristics of creative employees i.e., autonomy, etc., are supported by expectancy-free and non-bossy leader's behaviors.

The Regression Equation-2

Similarly, the Principal Component multiple regression equation was calculated to investigate and find the significant principal components as predictors of Knowledge Identification and Creation. The combination of four variables viz., Leadership 1_2: "Non-Bossy Leader", Leadership

 2_2 :"*Expectancy pressure of Leader*", "All-Technology" and "Over-all-Culture" predict Knowledge Identification and Creation in a statistically significant manner, F(4, 199) = 50.103, p <0.001. The adjusted R² (0.492) indicates that 49.2% of the variance in the dependent variable i.e., Knowledge Identification and Creation can be explained by the model. This is a large effect. The standardized coefficients of beta for all the independent principal components suggest that "Over-all-Culture" influences the Knowledge Identification and Creation much more and far ahead than other variables like leadership and technology. Positive cultural ethos like OCTAPACE influences Knowledge Identification and Creation and Creation for and Creation for all creation for all the independent of the standard state of the state of the standard state of the state o

The Dummy variables

The dummy variables are used to understand the sector-wise/sector-specific difference among the organizations regarding the functioning of Knowledge Identification and creation. IT sector organizations are significantly different from the power sector organization. It's not only different but they are better than the power sector organization in the area of Knowledge Identification and Creation. Similarly, infrastructure sector organizations are not significantly different from power sector organization in the area of Knowledge Identification and creation. Similarly, gender-wise difference in respective perceptions about Knowledge Identification and Creation was also calculated. There is no significant difference between perceptions of male and female employees about the Knowledge Identification and Creation in their respective organizations.

Technology

Out of five technology variables only one "we design and tailor our electronic Performance Support Systems to meet our learning needs" could get into the regression equation. This suggests that technology per se is not that useful until and unless they support the need and requirements of the knowledge worker. Thus, the trailor-made performance support system instead of generic off-the shelf that fulfills the employees needs are required by employees for knowledge creation. This idea is also supported by Castells (1996) that what characterizes the current technological revolution is not the centrality of knowledge and information but the application of such knowledge and information to knowledge generation and information processing/ communication devices, in a cumulative feedback loop between innovation and the use of innovation.

Organizational Cultural Ethos

This research study tries to locate the ability of the group of creative employees to create and innovate in the supporting organizational culture and technology in the hands of able leadership. Several studies in India suggest the importance of organizational culture in Knowledge management which involves Knowledge Creation. Singh and Sharma (2011) argued that for an organization to have a KM system (KMS), the organization culture is a key and primary factor. The organizational culture includes the shared values, beliefs, norms, expectations, and assumptions that bind people and systems. The organizational culture is particularly important in KM because it gives the people a stable and harmonious basis and helps them to adapt and integrate other variables with the environment. Singh and Sharma (2011) also found that in telecom industries, organizational culture has a strong influence on KM. It's not only the overall KM that is influenced by overall Organizational Culture, rather specific stages of Knowledge management process is influenced by specific elements of organizational culture. The interaction, dialogue, and frequent contacts must be promoted through cultural issues to create new ideas, share them, transmit tacit Knowledge, and facilitate solutions to novel or existing problems. Singh and Sharma (2011) suggested that companies which need to implement KM successfully should focus on developing learning culture, building networks that foster conversation, relationships, mutuality, and trust among employees.

Leadership Behaviours

Kouzes and Posner (1995) found that leaders were able to facilitate extraordinary accomplishments among their followers tended to engage in five specific behaviors viz., challenging the processlooking for innovative ways to improve the organization; inspiring a Shared Vision- envisioning the future, creating an ideal image of what the organization can become: Enabling others to act-building spirited teams (fostering collaboration); Modeling the way- set an example, and Encouraging heartmaking people feel like heroes. Puccio et al., (2007) argued that Kouzes and Posner (1995) research on what leaders do to bring about extraordinary results bears a resemblance to known process practices that bring about creative acts. However, the above regression equations in this study did not involve other principal components of leadership which might have supported the above assertions of creative leadership. However, Puccio et al., (2007) went on to suggest that creative people and effective leaders may not be one and the same. The regression equations in this study suggest that leaders are not creative as perceived by employees of the organization as the other principal components of leadership which has ingredients of Kotter's (1996) five skills and Kouzes and Posner's (1995) all the five sets of behaviors have not got incorporated into the regression equations. Of all the four principal components, only two principal components were able to perform its role in the knowledge creation and identification. Some of the categories of behaviors impacts positively and some negatively and some of them don't even count for creative performance.

Anti-Pygmalion

The opposite of Pygmalion effect was found in the selected organizations i.e., expectations create a kind of pressure on employees and thus reduces their performance towards knowledge identification and creation. Even though there are very few studies that involve self-defeating prophecies, some of them reasoned for it as negative compensatory behavior (Zebrowitz, Andreoletti, Collins, Lee, and Blumenthal, 1998), autonomy syndrome (Amabile et al., 2004), Murphy's Law and Peter Principle. The role of a leader, nature of creative work and characteristics of creative employees don't match up completely for example, autonomy and flexibility as required by employees for creative performance and existence of a leader or boss or manager and organization itself, which has rules, roles and resource constraints. Amabile (1996) also provided a detailed account of negative effects of expectations on creative performance. Expectations are more like external constraint which as social force is detrimental to creativity. The creative persons reject expectations, external motivation and external constraints. This research concludes that there is Anti-Pygmalion effect i.e., high expectation leads to low performance, on the knowledge creation in the selected organizations.

Non-Bossy Leadership

A leader can influence the knowledge creation only indirectly by creating conducive environment through the organizational cultural ethos. The negative aspect remains with the leader like expectancy pressure and bossy actions. The bossy leaders are avoided and non-bossy actions of a leader influence positively, cultivate and produce new knowledge through knowledge identification and creation. Apart from that, Bass (1990) reviewed several research studies and found evidence concerning the relationship of dominance to leadership. Bass (1990) argued that leadership were found to be more dominant and ascendant in 11 studies; were rejected as leaders if they were bossy, domineering persons in 4 studies, and no differences appeared in 2 studies (p-67). Caldwell (1920) argued that high school pupils expressed preference for leaders who could keep order without being bossy. Similar is the result that comes out of this research study suggesting that the employees expressed preference for leaders who don't act bossy.

So both the categories of behaviors of a leader viz., non-bossy and expectancy – free, are nothing but requires hand-off approach by a leader. Creative employees perceive that if the leader practices hands off approach, it would be better for knowledge creation. Out of these five specific behaviors of Kouzes and Posner (1995), "enabling others to act" is the basic spirit of the findings of this research.

Recommendations

On the basis of this study, following are the recommendations for organizations to incorporate in their policy.

- 1. Leaders should avoid bossy behaviors in their practices. Employees want their leaders not to behave like a Boss. The avoidance of Bossy behaviors can improve the organizational culture and thus influencing the Knowledge Identification and Creation in the positive way directly as well as indirectly through organizational culture and ethos.
- 2. Leaders should avoid expecting too much from the employees rather a leader should sit together with the employees and jointly set the targets or goals as well as check points. It not only reduces the expectancy pressure of a leader but also promotes the democratic values in the organization. This is nothing but practicing of Management By Objectives (MBO) in the organization. Eden (1992) suggested that MBO and goal-setting trigger Self-Fulfilling Prophecies and challenging objectives are explicit expression of high expectations. When a manager and a subordinate agree upon challenging objectives, they are setting the stage for double expectation effects, i.e., a Pygmalion effect on the part of the manager or *leader* (italics mine) and a Galatea Effect on the subordinate's part. This influences the Knowledge Identification and Creation directly and indirectly through improving OCTAPACE Organizational ethos and Organizational Culture (Schein, 1985).
- 3. Eden (1992) suggested Culture is intimately involved in organizational Self-Fulfilling Prophecies because it is a rich source of performance expectations. Myth making is a promising way of molding organizational culture to create productive Self Fulfilling Prophecies. All the Organizational ethos of OCTAPACE, viz., openness, confrontation, trust, authenticity, Proaction, autonomy, collaboration, and experimentation, are positive ethos. The top management needs to work on them and promote it throughout the organization. Leaders need to be trained to promote it as leadership and organizational culture and ethos have bi-directional relationship. These organizational ethos variables have very significant impact on Knowledge Identification and Creation and all OCTAPACE variables need to be promoted throughout the organization.
- 4. All the technological variables are important and they provide basic technological infrastructure for the Knowledge Creation to flourish in the organization. However, a few of them influence more than others. Tailor-made electronic Performance Support System specific to the organizational needs and full access to data, information, and knowledge as per the job requirements influence Knowledge Identification and Creation in the organization and help develop it as a 'Knowledge Organization'. Organizations need to work on that aspect of technology than buying a generalized-off-the-shelf technology from the market.

Limitation of the Study

This research study tried to incorporate various variables that have most deterministic influence on knowledge creation involving an integrated, multi-disciplinary and systematic investigation with relatively unique method. Its findings are quite relevant as there is hardly any study in India on knowledge management in general and knowledge creation in particular involving such a large gamut of factors together. However, findings are relevant only to culture specific so its applicability beyond Indian subcontinents may not be exact. The study tries to investigate the knowledge creation in six organizations operating in different sectors to make it more generalized though; the survey method has its own lacuna. Apart from its limitations, being an empirical research on Knowledge Creation in India, the academicians as well the practitioners may find it relevant and useful where there is scarcity of literature on Knowledge Creation in India and the role a leader play through his actions, practices, and behaviors.

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Mode	l Dimen- sion	Eigen value	Condition index	Cons- tant	Leadership 1_2	Leadership 2_2	Collabora- tion	Experi- mentation	Q 3. Tailor Performance Support System
1	1	3.934	1.000	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	2	1.485	1.627	0.00	0.24	0.25	0.00	0.00	0.00
	3	0.514	2.768	0.00	0.70	0.72	0.00	0.00	0.00
	4	0.040	9.857	0.02	0.02	0.00	0.05	0.06	0.96
	5	0.015	16.258	0.25	0.02	0.01	0.17	0.93	0.01
	6	0.011	18.684	0.73	0.02	0.02	0.78	0.01	0.03

Annexure 1: Collinearity Diagnostics^a

a. Dependent Variable: KIC

Annexure 2: Casewise Diagnostics^a

Case Number	Std. Residual	KIC	Predicted Value	Residual
32	-2.841	10	19.73	-9.730
42	2.711	31	21.72	9.283
52	-3.336	15	26.42	-11.424
108	2.689	32	22.79	9.208
140	-2.704	15	24.26	-9.262
151	2.521	36	27.37	8.633

a. Dependent Variable: KIC.

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	Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Std. Deviation	Ν
Predicted Value	12.79	35.24	24.21	3.802	204
Std. Predicted Value	-3.003	2.901	0.000	1.000	204
Standard Error of Predicted Value	0.259	1.251	0.562	0.170	204
Adjusted Predicted Value	12.61	35.19	24.21	3.809	204
Residual	-11.424	9.283	0.000	3.382	204
Std. Residual	-3.336	2.711	0.000	0.988	204
Stud. Residual	-3.381	2.772	0.000	1.006	204
Deleted Residual	-11.740	9.713	-0.003	3.507	204
Stud. Deleted Residual	-3.475	2.821	-0.001	1.013	204
Mahal. Distance	0.162	26.079	4.975	3.865	204
Cook's Distance	0.000	0.143	0.006	0.016	204
Centered Leverage Value	0.001	0.128	0.025	0.019	204

Annexure 3: Residuals Statistics^a

a. Dependent Variable: KIC.

Annexure 4: Collinearity Diagnostics^a

Model	Dimension	Eigen	Condition		Variance Proportions					
		value	Index	(Cons-	Leadership	Leadership	All Tech-	Overall		
				tallt)	1_4	4_4	nology	Culture		
1	1	2.050	1.000	0.00	0.09	0.10	0.08	0.09		
	2	1.000	1.432	1.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		
	3	0.855	1.549	0.00	0.24	0.15	0.35	0.15		
	4	0.610	1.833	0.00	0.06	0.20	0.38	0.60		
	5	0.485	2.057	0.00	0.61	0.56	0.19	0.15		

a. Dependent Variable: KIC.

Case Number	Std. Residual	KIC	Predicted Value	Residual
18	2.344	33	24.50	8.503
32	-3.107	10	21.27	-11.273
43	-2.192	16	23.95	-7.954
52	-3.484	15	27.64	-12.641
98	-2.613	16	25.48	-9.480
108	2.507	32	22.90	9.095
118	-2.281	17	25.28	-8.275
140	-2.455	15	23.91	-8.907
151	2.585	36	26.62	9.377

Annexure 5: Casewise Diagnostics^a

a. Dependent Variable: KIC.

Annexure 6: Residuals Statistics^a

	Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Std. Deviation	Ν
Predicted Value	11.68	33.77	24.21	3.605	204
Std. Predicted Value	-3.474	2.654	0.000	1.000	204
Standard Error of Predicted Value	0.292	1.260	0.539	0.179	204
Adjusted Predicted Value	11.31	33.67	24.21	3.614	204
Residual	-12.641	9.377	0.000	3.592	204
Std. Residual	-3.484	2.585	0.000	0.990	204
Stud. Residual	-3.529	2.608	0.000	1.007	204
Deleted Residual	-12.965	9.547	-0.003	3.716	204
Stud. Deleted Residual	-3.635	2.647	-0.001	1.014	204
Mahal. Distance	0.324	23.477	3.980	3.701	204
Cook's Distance	0.000	0.136	0.007	0.019	204
Centered Leverage Value	0.002	0.116	0.020	0.018	204

a. Dependent Variable: KIC.