# Staff motivators in organised retail sector

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Cash benefit structures, career growth opportunities, incentive structure, organised retail sector, reward and recognition structure, staff motivation.

#### Abstract

**Purpose of Research:** The present paper studies the effectiveness of the factors in motivating the employees working in the retail industry. It also analyses the perception of the employees about the effectiveness of the factors influencing staff motivation and the difficulties faced by them in their workplace and their opinions on being better off. This study is very crucial in present day context as competition in retailing is getting steeper. Particularly after the economic slowdown in a highly volatile economic environment, retailers must analyse the factors affecting their employee motivation.

**Methodology**: In this study, the researchers have tended to highlight the positivist philosophical approach. The research has been carried through the survey done on the staffs of operations and sales team of some top organised retailers in Kolkata by a standardised questionnaire, blended with open ended and close ended questions. It also delves into the effect of demographics and psychology of the staffs and their perception about the factors influences their motivation level in the workplace, by using various statistical tools like Chi-Square Test, Cronbach's Alpha and Factor Analysis in the study.

**Findings:** Reward and Recognition structure and Cash Benefit structures are the most influential factors in motivating the staffs to work in retail sector, closely followed by Career growth opportunities. Again, the Incentive structure influences the staff motivation to perform better in sales.

**Practical Implications and Conclusions:** The components give an unadulterated and fulfilling experience to the staffs which makes them feel good about their work and also make them feel hopeful in order to make betterment in their career. These leads to positively influencing the motivation level of the staffs in the retail industry. This leads to better performance from the staffs in both quality and quantity. This also reduces employee turnover. This helps in maintaining a healthy environment work balance with a healthy relationship between the staffs and the management, in the retail sector. This in turn helps the retail sector to grow and prosper.

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## 1. Introduction

Quality of service is a leading criterion of excellence for most retailers and the quality of service is wholly dependent on employee service providers. Disgruntled, detached, and slothful employees can damage a retailer's bottom line as much as a big-box store locating across the street. Thus, employee motivation is one of the hottest, yet confusing, topics in the retail industry. Everybody wants the Rosetta stone to unlock the secrets of retail employee motivation.

Retail is a fast-paced and competitive environment, so it is no surprise that setting attainable goals is a huge motivating factor for employees. An easy way to motivate retail employees and work toward the company's goals is to create competitions encouraging employees to strive for those goals. To make sure these goals are attainable, otherwise those targets will just exhaust employees who already struggle with burnout. Offering more responsibility to the employees, the company can demonstrate that they are invested in their professional growth and see them as more than just an "asset" for the business. The monotony of a retail job can quickly make employees disengage, and so rewarding the employees with

more responsibility and recognizing retail employees for their effort is the true key to motivating them. Recognition can come in many forms: verbal, peer-to-peer, manager-to-peer, and more. Employees, especially those who work in retail thrive on recognition for a job well-done. It is to be also made sure that the employees are empowered to voice their opinions about what the company could do better. The employees should be encouraged to share their opinions. Again, providing a clear path forward is an easy way to motivate retail employees. Sometimes the best way to motivate retail employees is to break out of the monotony of a day with a nice surprise for the employees. A surprise as simple as pizza for lunch or cookies in the break room can change an employee's entire attitude at work. There are plenty more ways to surprise employees.

## Problem statement and motivation for the research

An amazing 100% of workers concur that yes inspiration is a significant factor by the way they perform; consequently, the requirement for inspiration in the retail business is as yet an enormously important factor today. Highly motivated employee will give more commitment and generate higher levels of productivity for the company. Earlier studies revealed that employees are motivated with factors like Good Wages, Job Security, Promotion & growth within the organization, Good working conditions , Interesting Work, Full Appreciation of labour done, Personal loyalty to employees, feeling of being "in on things", Tactful Discipline, Sympathetic help with personal problems and many more. Studies also state that the most important motivators used by retail stores are working conditions, skill development, recognition, role clarity, career growth and support from management. In excess of 60% of any retail association comprises of new ability. These are entry level positions uniquely the sales personnels. In the face of the growing competition in organised retail in Kolkata, it is extremely important to have the right set of employees and keep them motivated so that customers are satisfied and retained. It says that only satisfied employees can create satisfied customers. Under these present circumstances, the researchers felt that it is extremely important to identify the factors that influence employee's performance and employee satisfaction. This is extremely crucial for the survival, growth and enhancement of business in the organised retail segment in Kolkata.

### 2. Literature Review

Employee Motivation is widely exercised now across all corporate sectors including retail. The concept of motivation comes from a Latin word "movere" which suggests "to move" and motivation is what moves the staff from weariness to attention (Mohsan et al., 2004). Another definition is an activity that animates a worker to require a game-plan, which can cause accomplish some objective or to fulfill certain mental necessities of employee (George and Sabapathy, 2011). There are two styles of inspiration, Intrinsic or characteristic inspiration, and Extrinsic or extraneous motivation (Thomas & Velthouse, 1990, Mohsan et al., 2004, Gagne, 2005, Dwivedula et al., 2011, George and Sabapathy, 2011). (Thomas and Velthouse, 1990) defined intrinsic motivation as "a positively valued experiences that a personal employee gets directly from their work tasks", stems from an instantaneous relationship between the practitioner and furthermore the undertaking (George and Sabapathy, 2011), depend upon worker's volition to foresee her conduct (Dwivedula et al., 2011). They are self-roused on the grounds that they appreciate playing out the specific errands or appreciate the test of effectively finishing the undertakings (Mohsan et al., 2004). Some created factors that influence individuals to act in an extremely specific manner or to move during a specific heading incorporates obligation, opportunity to act, degree to utilize and develop skills and skills, interesting and challenging work, and opportunities for advancement. Employee motivation cannot be separate from demand of meaningful work. It is the duty of managers to make work meaningful for their employees so that they can be motivated with their job and due to this, employees will show a positive response in the organization. Achievement, accomplishment and status are remembered for the important work encounters (Yaseen, 2013).

Skill variety is the extent to which a particular job requires a variety of employee competencies to carry it out (Jackson, 2011). Feelings of feat, accomplishment and competence-derived from performing one's job are samples of intrinsic motivator and it is associated with 'psychological' rewards (George and Sabapathy, 2011). Extraneous inspiration comes from the outer workplace to the errand and is normally applied by somebody beside the individual being roused (George and Sabapathy, 2011), the outside

motivation maintains that the link between individual's motives and therefore the behaviour is moderated by the individual's affection, and cognition of the outcomes (Dwivedula et al., 2011). Extraneous inspiration is explained to 'substantial' prizes in (George and Sabapathy, 2011). Employees who are by and large abhor the undertakings however are inspired to perform well by some prize, pay, advancement, applause, or ovoid any negative results (Mohsan et al., 2004). The conversation on the inward and outside premise of inspiration infers that work inspiration could be a multi-dimensional idea (Dwivedula et al., 2011). Employee level of inspiration is likewise impacted by the nature of the workplace the two its actual credits and how much it gives significant work. While an agreeable actual climate is connected with worker inspiration, the relationship is not only just about as solid as the connection among inspiration and administrative conduct (Yazdani et al 2011).

Tella et al. (2007) stated, Strategies of motivating Workers as follow:- Salary, Wages and Conditions of Service: personnel managers must consider four major components of a salary structures these are the duty rate, which identifies with the significance the association joins to each work; payment, which motivates employees or gatherings by remunerating them reliable with their presentation; individual or unique stipends, identified with factors like shortage of specific abilities or certain classes of information experts or administrators, or with long help; and incidental advantages like occasions with pay, benefits, etc. Money: this is frequently done through the strategy for remunerating representatives for higher efficiency by imparting apprehension of loss of work (e.g., untimely retirement on account of lack luster showing). Nobody works free of charge, nor should they. Workers need to acquire sensible compensation/payments and representatives want their managers to feel that is the thing that they are getting. Cash is the key incitement no other motivator or persuasive strategy comes really near it as for its compelling worth. It has the matchless quality to polarize, hold and inspire people towards better. Frederick Taylor and his scientific management associate described money as the most fundamental factor in motivating the industrial workers to attain greater productivity (Abadi, et al., 2011). Research has proposed that award causes inspiration of the worker which straightforwardly impacts execution of the representative (Kalimullah, et al., 2010). The need to be promoted and earn enhanced pay might also motivate workers. Staff Training: Staff preparing is a considerable procedure for spurring representatives. Some research says that trained workers are more motivated with their job as compared to untrained employees. Training and Development Training provides chances to employees" growth and enhances their knowledge and skills for effective development. These training programs positively raise employees" advancement that is good for competencies (Hunjra et al., 2010).

Today associations from all round the world battle to persuade its workers to endure and contend in unique professional workplace effectively as inspiration places HR into action, improves level of efficiency of employees, enables the organizations to achieve sustainable competitive advantage and ultimately ends up in attain organizational goals . Reviewing the earlier literature, the following Hypothesis are formulated:

## **Hypothesis Formulation**

Hypothesis building directs the researcher to the concepts that should be studied in order to get answers to the research questions (Ghauri and Gronhaug, 2002). According to the research questions listed above the hypotheses will be formulated as follows:

Ho1: There is a relationship between the influence of staff motivation factors and the staff performance.

Ha1: There is no relationship between the influence of staff motivation factors and the staff performance.

In the first hypothesis, the independent variables consist of the influence of staff motivation factors and the dependent variable is the staff performance.

Ho2: There is a relationship between the influence of staff motivation factors and the level of staff satisfaction at work.

Ha2: There is no relationship between the influence of staff motivation factors and the level of staff satisfaction at work.

In the second hypothesis, the independent variables are the influence of staff motivation factors, and the dependent variable is the level of staff satisfaction at work.

## 3. Research Methodology

In this research, the researchers have tended to highlight the positivist philosophical approach. As the data collected is also influenced by its external environments and does not exist without individual bias of respondents.

# 3.1. Research Technique

The type of research technique used in this case is that of survey. The information gathered from the secondary sources / literature review has helped in the formation of the questionnaire. The survey questionnaire had primarily three sections. The first section was designed primarily to collect the demographic data of the respondents. The second part of the questionnaire contains a number of statements. It aims to identify the factors influencing the motivation of the employees. The third section had few open-ended questions, where the respondents were free to express their opinions according to the asked question. The sample size for the survey was 90. Convenient random sampling technique was followed during the research. The researcher tried to target both male and female respondents across different age groups, who are a part of the operations and sales department of the retail stores. The questionnaire in google forms were sent to numerous employees of retail industry who are involved in sales and operation department and only 90 responses came back. Before administering the final questionnaire, the questionnaire was tested in a pilot study.

## 4. Results

## 4.1. Results of Chi-Square Test

Table 1: Relationship of career growth opportunities with its significant variables

Statement/Question	Variables	Pearson Chi-Square Value	Significant/ Not Significant
Retail industry provides enough opportunities to	Educational Qualification	0.001	Significant
grow in career	Present Designation	0.000	Significant

From Table 1, the relationship between the availability of career growth opportunities in retail industry and the educational qualifications of the employees is strongly significant. The availability of career growth opportunities in retail industry is highly significant depending on the present designation of the employees.

Table 2: Relationship of satisfaction level on career growth opportunities with its significant variables

Statement/Question	Variables	Pearson Chi-	Significant/
		Square Value	Not Significant
How satisfied are the	Educational Qualification	0.001	Significant
employees about the career	Present Designation	0.000	Significant
growth opportunities in	Next Target Designation	0.004	Significant
retail industry?	Initial Designation	0.000	Significant
	Total Years Working in Retail Industry	0.000	Significant
	Years working in the present Designation	0.002	Significant

From Table 2, the satisfaction of the employees about the career growth opportunities available in the retail industry is significantly related with the educational qualifications, next target designation and no. of years of working in the present designation of the employees. It is also strongly significant depending on the present designation, total years of working in the retail industry and the initial designation of the employees.

Total Years Working in Retail Industry

Years Working in Present Designation

Significant

Significant

Statement/Question Variables Pearson Chi-Significant/ Square Value Not Significant satisfied the 0.031 Significant are Age employees with the leave Marital Status 0.043 Significant structure? **Educational Qualifications** 0.039 Significant Next Target Designation 0.034 Significant

0.000

0.010

Table 3: Relationship of satisfaction level on leave structure with its significant variables

From Table 3, the satisfaction of the employees about the leave structure is significantly related to age, marital status, educational qualifications, next target designation and no. of years of working in the present designation of the employees. It has a strong significant relationship with the total years of working experience in the retail industry of the employees.

Table 4: Relationship of satisfaction level on reward and recognition structure with its significant variables

Statement/Question	Variables	Pearson Chi-	Significant/
		Square Value	Not Significant
How satisfied are the	Educational Qualifications	0.000	Significant
employees about the	Present Designation	0.008	Significant
reward and recognition	Next Target Designation	0.036	Significant
structure in retail industry?	Initial Designation	0.025	Significant
maustry?	Total Years Working in Retail Industry	0.000	Significant
	Years Working in Present Designation	0.000	Significant

From Table 4, the satisfaction of the employees about the reward and recognition structure is significantly related with the present designation, next target designation and initial designation of the employees. It possesses strong significant relationship with the educational qualifications, total years of working experience in the retail industry and the years of working in the present designation of the employees.

Table 5: Relationship of satisfaction level on cash benefit structure with its significant variables

Statement/Question	Variables	Pearson Chi-	Significant/
		Square Value	Not Significant
How satisfied are the	Educational Qualifications	0.000	Significant
employees with the cash	Initial Designation	0.011	Significant
benefit structure?	Total Years Working in Retail Industry	0.038	Significant
	Years Working in Present Designation	0.009	Significant

From Table 5, the satisfaction of the employees about the cash benefit structure is significantly related with the educational qualifications, initial designation, total years of working experience in the retail industry and years of working experience in the present designation of the employees.

Table 6: Relationship of satisfaction level on incentive structure with its significant variables

Statement/Question	Variables	Pearson Chi-	Significant/
		Square Value	Not Significant
How satisfied are th	Present Designation	0.000	Significant
employees with th	Next Target Designation	0.005	Significant
incentive structure?	Initial Designation	0.007	Significant
	Total Years Working in Retail Industry	0.000	Significant
	Years Working in Present Designation	0.018	Significant

From Table 6, the satisfaction of the employees on incentive structure is significantly related to the present designation, next target designation and the initial designation of the employees. It has a

significant relationship with the total years of work in retail industry and also years of working in the present designation of the employees.

Table 7: Relationship of requirement of changes in incentive structure with its significant variables

Statement/Question	Variables	Pearson Chi-	Significant/
		Square Value	Not Significant
Requirement of changes in	Age	0.021	Significant
the incentive structure felt	Marital Status	0.015	Significant
by the retail employees.	Educational Qualifications	0.017	Significant
	Present Designation	0.000	Significant
	Initial Designation	0.003	Significant
	Total Years Working in Retail Industry	0.000	Significant
	Years Working in Present Designation	0.005	Significant

From Table 7, the feeling of the requirement of changes in the incentive structure in the employees is significantly related with the age, marital status, educational qualifications, initial designation, and years of working experience in the present designation of the employees. It is strongly significant depending on the present designation and the total years of working experience in the retail industry of the employees.

Table 8: Relationship of requirement of trainings with its significant variables

Statement/Question	Variables	Pearson Chi-	Significant/
		Square Value	Not Significant
Requirement of trainings	Age	0.010	Significant
for the retail employees.	Marital Status	0.002	Significant
	Educational Qualifications	0.003	Significant
	Total Years Working in Retail Industry	0.000	Significant
	Years Working in Present Designation	0.000	Significant

From Table 8, the relationship the requirement of trainings by the employees is significant with the age, marital status, and the educational qualifications of the employees. Total years of working experience in the retail industry and years of working experience in the present designation of the employees have strong significance on the requirement of the trainings by the employees.

Table 9: Relationship of motivation level of the employees to work in retail industry with its significant variables

Statement/Question	Variables	Pearson Chi-	Significant/
		Square Value	Not Significant
Motivation level of the	Educational Qualifications	0.002	Significant
employees to work in retail	Total Years Working in Retail Industry	0.043	Significant
industry.	Years Working in Present Designation	0.023	Significant

From Table 9, the motivation of the employees to continue working in the retail industry is significantly related with the educational qualifications, total years of working experience in the retail industry and the years of work experience in the present designation of the employees.

Table 10: Relationship of achieved rewards with its significant variables

Statement/Question	Variables	Pearson Chi-Square	Significant/
		Value	Not Significant
Achievement of rewards	Age	0.010	Significant
by the retail employees	Marital Status	0.007	Significant
	Educational Qualifications	0.007	Significant
	Present Designation	0.001	Significant
	Initial Designation	0.002	Significant
	Total Years Working in Retail Industry	0.001	Significant
	Years working in the present Designation	0.000	Significant

From Table 10, the achievement of rewards is significantly related with the age, marital status, and educational qualifications of the employees. It is also having significant influences on the present

designation, initial designation, total years of working in retail industry and years of working experience in the present designation of the employees.

Table 11: Relationship of perception of the employees about the best factor about working in retail industry with its significant variables

Statement/Question	Variables	Pearson Chi-	Significant/
		Square Value	Not Significant
Best factor about working	Age	0.004	Significant
in retail industry	Marital Status	0.000	Significant
	Educational Qualifications	0.008	Significant
	Present Designation	0.012	Significant
	Initial Designation	0.014	Significant
	Total Years Working in Retail Industry	0.000	Significant
	Years Working in Present Designation	0.000	Significant

From Table 11, the perception of the employees on the best factor about working in the retail industry is significantly related with age, educational qualifications, present designation, and initial designation of the employees. It is also having strong and significant relationship with the marital status, total years of working experience in the retail industry and years of working experience in the present designation of the employees.

Table 12: Relationship of the employees referring people to work in retail industry with its significant variables

Statement/Question	Variables	Pearson Chi-	Significant/
		Square Value	Not Significant
Retail employees referring	Educational Qualifications	0.002	Significant
people to join the retail industry.	Total Years Working in Retail Industry	0.043	Significant
	Years Working in Present Designation	0.023	Significant

From Table 12, the employees referring people to join the retail industry is significantly depending on the educational qualifications, total years of work experience in the retail industry and the years of working experience in the present designation of the employees.

## 4.2. Testing of Reliability of the Data

Table 13: Reliability Statistics

Cronbach's Alpha	N of Items
0.743	5

According to the Reliability Statistics in Table 13, the value of Cronbach's Alpha is equal to 0.743, which means that the data is approximately 74%% reliable. The general thumb rule is that, for primary data with reliability statistics of 60% is accepted. Therefore, the survey data can be accepted.

## 4.3. Results of Factor Analysis

Factor Analysis has been carried out for reduction of variables, influencing the staff motivation in the retail industry.

Table 14: Rotated Component Matrix

Table 11. Rotated Component Matth		
	Component	
	1	2
How satisfied are you about the career growth opportunities in	0.822	-0.278
retail industry		
How satisfied are you with the incentive structure	-0.050	0.959
How satisfied are you with the leave structure	0.730	0.491
How satisfied are you about the reward and recognition structure in	0.839	0.197
retail industry		
How satisfied are you with the cash benefit structure	0.851	-0.072

The statements are grouped in the following factors: -

Factor 1: 1, 3, 4, 5 - Overall Benefits in Retail

Factor 2: 2 - Benefits on Performance in Sales

The outcome of Factor Analysis revealed two factors, which mostly influence the staff motivation in organised retail industry. The first factor, consisting of four statements (1, 3, 4, 5) has been named as Overall Benefits in Retail. The second factor, comprising of one statement (2) has been named as Benefits on Performance in Sales. Career growth opportunities, leave structure, reward and recognition structure and cash benefit structure are the overall benefits provided in the retail industry to keep up the motivation of their staffs. Incentive structure is the benefit provided to the staffs depending on the performance in sales which motivate them to perform better.

#### 5. Discussion & Conclusion

The results of the Chi-Square Test indicate that, there exists significant relationship between the availability of career growth opportunities with the educational qualifications and the present designations of the employees. Moreover, the satisfaction level of the staffs on the career growth opportunities is more significantly related to the present designation, initial designation, and total years of work in the retail industry of the employees. The appropriate availability of the opportunities gives the staffs the hope of making them better off while still working which motivates them to work in the retail industry. The most significant variable in relation with the satisfaction level of the employees on the leave structure is the total working years in the retail industry of the employees. The benefits of proper leave structure help the staffs to relax rest and reflect on their work, which in turn motivates the staffs to perform better with more motivation to work better. The educational qualifications, total working years in the retail industry and years of working experience in the present designation of the employees have the most significance on the satisfaction level of the employees on the reward and recognition structure. The reward and recognition structure makes the staffs feel good about hard work they put in; the appreciative gestures make them feel good about the work they do which motivates them to work better the next time. The satisfaction level of the employees of the employees on cash benefit structure depends most significantly depends on the educational qualification and the years of work experience in the present designation of the employees. The cash benefit structures motivate the staffs to work for their company as they get congratulated and appreciated for having a special event in their personal life like, cash benefits/ gift vouchers provided after getting married, or for having a baby, etc. The satisfaction level of the employees on the incentive structure is most significantly related with present designation and the total years of working in the retail industry of the employees. This sets a target in the minds of the staffs so that they can earn more than usual which encourages them to work better and as they get appreciated with incentives; it also motivates them to work better in future too.

The staffs feel the need to have changes in the incentive structure depending strongly on the significant variables like present designation, total years of working in the retail industry of the employees. The most significant relationship of the perception of the employees for the requirement of trainings is with educational qualifications, total years of working in the retail industry and also years of work in the present designation of the employees. The educational qualification, total work experience in retail industry and also work experience in the present designation significantly influences the motivation level of the employees. The achievement of rewards is most significantly influenced by years working in the present designation of the employees. The perception of the staffs about the best factor of working in retail is significantly related to the age, marital status, present designation, initial designation, work experiences in the retail industry of the employees. The educational qualifications and the work experiences in years significantly influence the decision of the staffs about referring people to work in retail industry.

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career growth opportunities, the reward and recognition structure and the cash benefit structure have a neck-to-neck impact on the employees in motivating them to work better. Incentive structure of the second component named Benefits on Performance in Sales, helps in encouraging the staffs to work better in quality as well as in quantity so that they can hit above the minimum assigned targets which will lead them to earn more than usual. This is highly motivating for the staffs to work better in the retail industry.

The components give an unadulterated and fulfilling experience to the staffs which makes them feel good about their work and also make them feel hopeful in order to make betterment in their career through training and development which creates interest among workers to work for the employers in the retail industry. These leads to positively influencing the motivation level of the staffs in the retail industry. This leads to better performance from the staffs in both quality and quantity. This also reduces employee turnover. This helps in maintaining a healthy environment work balance with a healthy relationship between the staffs and the management, in the retail sector. This in turn helps the retail sector to grow and prosper.

## 6. Limitations & Future Scope

The present study has been conducted in the city of Kolkata, India. However, future studies may be extended to other parts of the country. Furthermore, the present study involved a sample size of 70. The sample size is small. Future studies can be conducted by using more sample size, to identify any variation in results. Time constraint has been another drawback of the study, and future research can be done in a larger time frame. Moreover, the pandemic of Covid-19 has made psychological changes in the minds of the staffs about the hygiene factors because they come in direct contact with several customers. So, future study can be extended with focus on the post-pandemic era.

## 7. Appendix

Gender: i) Male ii) Female

Age: i) 18-23 years ii) 23-28 years iii) 28-35 years iv) Above 35 years

Marital Status: i) Single ii) Married

Educational Qualification: i) Secondary ii) Higher Secondary iii) Graduate iv) Post Graduate & above

Your present designation: i) CCA ii) Fashion Consultant iii) Personal Shopper iv) Department Manager

Your next target designation: i) Fashion Consultant ii) Personal Shopper iii) Department Manager iv) Retail Operations Manager

Your initial designation: i) CCA ii) Fashion Consultant iii) Personal Shopper iv) Department Manager

Total years working in retail industry: i) 0-2 year ii) 2-5 years iii) 5-8 years iv) 8-10 years v) Above 10 years

No. of years working in the present designation: i) 0-1 year ii) 1-2 years iii) 2-3 years iv) 3-5 years v) Above 5 years

Retail industry provided enough opportunities to grow in career: i) Yes ii) No

How satisfied are you about the career growth opportunities in retail industry?

i) Extremely Satisfied ii) Satisfied iii) Neither Satisfied nor Dissatisfied iv) Dissatisfied v) Extremely Dissatisfied

Achieved rewards: i) 0 ii) 1 iii) 2 iv) 3 v) 4 vi) More than 4 times

Best Groomed Employee: i) Never ii) 1-2 times iii) 3-4 times iv) 5 times v) More than 5 times

Best Customer Care Associate: i) Never ii) Once iii) Twice iv) Thrice v) More than Thrice

Best Department Manager: i) Never ii) Once iii) Twice iv) Thrice v) More than Thrice

How satisfied are you with the incentive structure: i) Extremely Satisfied ii) Satisfied iii) Neither Satisfied nor Dissatisfied v) Extremely Dissatisfied?

How satisfied are you with the leave structure: i) Extremely Satisfied ii) Satisfied iii) Neither Satisfied nor Dissatisfied iv) Dissatisfied v) Extremely Dissatisfied?

How satisfied are you about the reward and recognition structure in retail industry?

i) Extremely Satisfied ii) Satisfied iii) Neither Satisfied nor Dissatisfied iv) Dissatisfied v) Extremely Dissatisfied No. of trainings offered to you:

Any training that you require but have not received: i) Yes ii) No

Areas you need to improve yourself.

Your plan on how you want to improve yourself:

How satisfied are you with the cash benefit structure: i) Extremely Satisfied?

ii) Satisfied iii) Neither Satisfied nor Dissatisfied iv) Dissatisfied v) Extremely Dissatisfied

Do you feel any changes are required in the incentive structure: i) Yes ii) No?

Do you feel motivated to work in retail industry? i) Yes ii) No

What is the best factor about working in retail industry? i) Timely salary ii) Good growth opportunity iii) Work culture iv) Supportiveness of the management

Do you refer people to join the retail industry? i) Yes ii) No

Reasons for referring people in retail industry

Where do you see yourself in next 2-3 years?

Your place of interest to work other than operation department

Your experience of working in retail industry (in your own words):

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