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Editorial

It is heartening to see that the first issue of the VICHAARA AN INTERNATIONAL JOURNAL OF MANAGEMENT has been brought out successfully. An educational journal is a platform where knowledge gets amplified and disseminated; research results and innovations are documented and unique experiences are shared for enhancement of knowledge.

The design architecture of *Vichaara* is made in such a way that it becomes a comprehensive document to reflect the different dimensions of Management discipline. *Business Research* forms the core part wherein original, empirical based research papers are included. Four such studies find a place in the current issue: 1) "Impact of Person Environment Fit on Job Satisfaction" 2) "A Study of Financial Position of Selected Steel Industries Ltd in BSE" 3) "Impact of Advertisement on Jewel Purchase Decision: A Study in Coimbatore District" 4) "Feasibility of Online Marketing: A Study in Coimbatore District".

Another Dimension is about *Contemporary Management Thought* which include a new concept namely "Servitude" and another is on FDI in Retail Sector. A concept based *Case Study* namely Transformation from CRM to CMR finds its application in yarn marketing. *Book Review* is an added feature. An exclusive section on *Management Practices* is included to throw insights into successful entrepreneurs as well as robust enterprises and the coordinates and ingredients of success phenomena. The section devoted to *Revisiting Native Wisdom* provides scope for rediscovering native management perception and practices prevailing since ancient times in India as well as in other old world countries.

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MANAGEMENT PRACTICES SUCCESS STORY OF HIGH PERFORMANCE ENTERPRISE BARANI HYDRAULICS INDIA PRIVATE LTD, COIMBATORE

An Epitome of Entrepreneurial Success...... Edited by Dr. Sangeetha Natarajan, Associate Professor, VIMS, Coimbatore

It's often easier for aspiring entrepreneurs to hear the positive steps they need to take for lasting success, rather than the pitfalls to avoid. New entrepreneurs, the source of innovation that our economy so desperately needs, must walk a fine tightrope driven by time and resource management. Focus and execution become the watchwords for success. This is the story of M/s.Barani Hydraulics India Private Ltd based in Coimbatore.



Neither endowed with impressive educational attainment, nor having the industry background an erstwhile employee of Lakshmi Machine Works, a leading Textile Machinery manufacturing industry in Coimbatore, transformed into an innovative entrepreneur at the prime age of twenty seven and established his own unit. For twelve long years he struggled to have a foot hold in the manufacturing of Hydraulic Machines.

The Person and the growth trajectory

The person is Mr.T.K.Karuppanaswamy who started as a small scale unit in the year 1988 with a meager capital of Rs. 4000 it has grown into a mighty enterprise with around annual turnover of 100 crores, with 120 corporate and 43 MNCs as its clients. The success phenomenon has within it a few imponderables, lessons and USPs.



The First penetration in the market

All the three existing corporate players in Hydraulic Machinery manufacturing were big giants. They had a cartel type of operation in pricing and supply and created a monopoly situation in the market. It is almost impossible to penetrate into the domain, which exactly Barani did in 2001. The market was highly competitive and only with superior quality and precision and cost effective production, Barani could find entry into the market.

The phase of great breakthrough

The maturity phase and great breakthrough started in the year 2007 when The Rane Brakes gave the opportunity to supply the machinery for manufacturing the components, which they had been till then importing from Japan. As the import was not cost effective the company wanted to find Indian supplier. But the Japanese collaborators did not cherish the idea. The general perception of foreign companies was that 'none of the Indian Manufacturer is capable of meeting global standards'. Against great resistance, Barani got the opportunity to supply the machinery in 2007 to Rane Breaks with JIS (Japanese Industrial Standard) Grade one accuracy, which is a real breakthrough. This proved to be a turning point in its success sphere.

Then onwards Barani is the valued supplier for a variety of Industries including automobile spare parts, break lining and disc pads, automobile interiors, clutch pads, wheels, tyre retreading and envelopes, chases, gear boxes etc. Besides automobile industry, the customer base of Barani extends to ceramics, steel, general engineering, rubber etc. For the past 25 years Barani holds the credential of manufacturing more than six hundred machines, matching global standards. Barani products are import substitutes in India and also exported to Sri Lanka, Australia, Malaysia, Saudi Arabia, Japan and USA.



Foreign Collaboration

The trajectory of high growth started in 2011 when Barani Hydraulics entered into collaboration with M/s Saint Gobain- Grindwell Norton Ltd, a French based ceramic company, which has its manufacturing facility in India. Bharani Hydraulics proved its superior technology and got encomiums from the French client. That led to the further diversified growth of the company. As such Barani's cliental base includes 120 corporate and 43 MNCs. It has been given the first supplier status by M/s Saint Gobain. It is the second highly rated supplier of GE Energy out of 1600 suppliers.

Success Phenomenon

The impressive performance of Barani can be attributed to a few critical factors:

- 1. It has a technological superiority with highly automated machines for design such as AutoCAD. By such methods the machinery produced is highly automated and labour saving.
- 2. It has high level of consistency in the product performance and quality. The defective rates have been progressively reduced and the efficiency rates of workers have been improving constantly. This lead to productivity gains and energy savings.
- 3. Marketing is a myth for Barani as it does not have a marketing department. In fact it does not believe in marketing as the 'the quality product sells itself'.
- 4. In its growth path, Barani got many recognitions through awards and certificates which include:
- a. National Award for Best Entrepreneurship in 2007.
- b. Entrepreneurship Appreciation Award in 2008.
- c. Rastriya Rattan Award in 2009.
- d. Second national Award for Outstanding contribution to the Nation in 2009.
- e. Third National Award for Best Entrepreneurship in 2010.
- f. Gold Award for the Best Machinery Supplier in 2010 and
- g. Bharat Gavrav Award in 2010.

Social Responsibility

The Managing Director is a person of great conviction not only for quality and achievements but also for the progressive ideas in the arena of social responsibility. He has a genuine pride in contributing to the National economy by foreign exchange savings by means of his indigenous substitutes. He provides employment to about 750 people both directly and indirectly.

He along with his friends promoted an Engineering college in a rural area which is flourishing.



The future outlook of Barani Hydraulics will certainly take it to a higher elevation:

- a. It will continue to be driven by innovation and will never compromise on quality.
- b. It will continue to bestow faith and confidence in the employees.
- c. It will serve as a solution provider than a supplier to all its clients.
- d. It will enter into further collaboration with National and International clients.

e. It visualizes an MNC status to itself by 2018.

Lessons from Bharani in the EPITOME way!

Simple anagrams can help keep one focused on the task at hand. This simple "rubric" followed by Bharani is as follows:

Execute: As your paramount task, Execution will determine the results of your efforts. Bharani's slogan appears to be "Just do it!"

<u>Performance</u>: You need a way to measure your results and define success. Your staff culture must develop a performance orientation. Reward success- a clear policy followed in Bharani!

Innovate: No matter where you are in the organization, Innovation should occupy a healthy portion of your time. You must improve the way you do things, if only by applying "best practices" related to your discipline; Bharani does every time though a small player!.

<u>**Trends</u>**: You need to evaluate your results by putting them in the proper perspective, from both an internal as well as external market context;</u>

Organization: People matter! It takes all kinds to run a healthy company, but you must rid your organization of "corporate crabgrass" and poor performers;

<u>Map</u>: You have to have a plan that defines your near and long term objectives and everyone in the organization must have a copy of the Map to guide their efforts. The Map is your primary tool to gain "Focus" and keep everyone on track.

Execute: And that brings us back to Execution, the beginning and ending of all that you do. Stays focused and make "it" happen!

This simple anagram incorporates the four key elements of business success: strategy, execution, culture, and organization. Innovation is often given a fifth spot in journals on the topic, but leadership should always be focused on performance, measured both internally and using metrics from the marketplace in general. Once priorities have been set and communicated to every employee, the sole mission is then execution-and revenue generation is the only performance measure that really means anything with a genuine pride in contributing to the national economy and with a deep a sense of social responsibility and commitment.