

Explore The Influence of Employee Job Satisfaction on the Success of Indian Restaurants in Riyadh , Saudi Arabia

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Abstract: -This study explores the influence of employee job satisfaction on the operational success of Indian restaurants in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia. Amidst a burgeoning hospitality sector in Riyadh, understanding the dynamics of employee satisfaction becomes pivotal for enhancing service quality and ensuring business growth. This research employed a quantitative methodology with a structured survey distributed among 100 employees from various Indian restaurants across the city. Multiple regression analysis, ANOVA, and correlation analyses were utilized to dissect the relationships between job satisfaction and operational success indicators such as customer loyalty, financial performance, and employee retention. The findings indicate that factors such as effective communication, recognition, professional training, and career advancement opportunities significantly impact job satisfaction. However, attributes like employee age showed minimal influence on job satisfaction levels. The study confirmed a positive correlation between high job satisfaction and superior customer service quality, which subsequently enhances business performance. Despite the modest contribution of individual attributes to job satisfaction, the overarching impact of organizational practices on employee morale and business success was evident. These results underscore the necessity for restaurant owners and managers to implement robust human resource management strategies that prioritize employee satisfaction. Such strategies not only foster a productive work environment but also enhance customer satisfaction and business profitability. The study contributes to the existing literature by highlighting the critical role of job satisfaction in the success of ethnic cuisine restaurants in a multicultural urban setting like Riyadh.

Keywords: Job satisfaction, Restaurant management, Hospitality industry, Riyadh, Indian restaurants, Business success.

1. Introduction:

The culinary landscape of Riyadh, Saudi Arabia, has become increasingly diverse, with Indian cuisine making significant inroads into the local gastronomy scene. Indian restaurants not only serve as a bridge between cultures but also as thriving business ventures within the city's bustling economy. Amidst this growth, the role of employee job satisfaction emerges as a critical factor potentially influencing the success of these establishments. This research paper explores the relationship between employee job satisfaction and the operational success of Indian restaurants in Riyadh, focusing on aspects such as customer service, employee retention, and financial performance.

The hospitality industry is widely recognized for its demanding work environment, characterized by long hours, high pressure, and often, low job security. In this context, job satisfaction can play a pivotal role in enhancing employee performance and reducing turnover rates. Previous studies have highlighted how job satisfaction positively correlates with productivity and loyalty in various sectors, suggesting that similar outcomes could be expected in the context of Indian restaurants in Riyadh. Considering the unique socio-economic and cultural

landscape of Riyadh, this study seeks to understand how job satisfaction among the staff of Indian restaurants affects their day-to-day operations and overall success. It examines several dimensions of job satisfaction including work environment, compensation, employee recognition, and opportunities for professional growth, and how these factors align with the cultural and economic expectations of the region.

By focusing on Indian restaurants in Riyadh, this research aims to contribute to the broader discourse on human resource management in the hospitality industry within the Middle East. It also seeks to provide actionable insights for restaurant owners and managers to enhance employee satisfaction, which could lead to improved service quality and business performance. The findings of this study could have significant implications for the development of management strategies in ethnic cuisine restaurants globally, particularly in regions where they play an essential role in the culinary experience and cultural exchange.

A. Importance of employee job satisfaction conceptual background:

Job satisfaction among employees in any sector is a critical driver of organizational success, influencing productivity, retention, and overall workplace morale. In the context of the hospitality industry, where interactions between staff and customers are frequent and impactful, the satisfaction of employees becomes even more pivotal. It shapes the quality-of-service delivery, affects customer satisfaction and loyalty, and ultimately influences the profitability and reputation of the restaurant. Therefore, understanding the factors that contribute to job satisfaction in this specific cultural and economic setting is essential for sustaining business growth and success.

Job satisfaction in the hospitality industry can be analysed through various components such as:

- ❖ **Work Environment:** Including the physical working conditions, the emotional climate, and the cultural fit within the workplace.
- ❖ **Compensation and Benefits:** Adequate and fair compensation, as well as benefits like health insurance, leave entitlements, and bonuses.
- ❖ **Employee Recognition and Rewards:** Acknowledgment of employee efforts through formal recognition programs, promotions, and informal praise from management.
- ❖ **Opportunities for Professional Development:** Training programs, skill development workshops, and career advancement opportunities that help employees grow professionally.
- ❖ **Work-Life Balance:** Scheduling flexibility, reasonable work hours, and support for personal life demands.

Impact on Restaurant Success

The impact of job satisfaction extends beyond the individual employee to affect various aspects of restaurant performance:

- ❖ **Customer Service Quality:** Satisfied employees are more likely to be enthusiastic, friendly, and attentive — key attributes for excellent customer service in hospitality.
- ❖ **Employee Retention:** Higher job satisfaction reduces turnover rates, which is crucial in the restaurant industry known for high employee turnover. Lower turnover can reduce hiring and training costs and maintain consistency in service quality.
- ❖ **Reputation and Customer Loyalty:** Employees who are satisfied with their jobs tend to convey a positive image of the restaurant to customers, enhancing its reputation. This positive reputation fosters customer loyalty, a vital factor for the success of any restaurant, especially in a competitive market like Riyadh.
- ❖ **Financial Performance:** Enhanced service quality and customer loyalty directly contribute to increased sales and profitability. Moreover, reducing employee turnover can lower operational costs associated with recruiting and training new staff.

Cultural and Economic Context of Riyadh

The specific cultural and economic environment of Riyadh impacts job satisfaction in unique ways. The hospitality standards, customer expectations, and labour market conditions in Riyadh require tailored management strategies to enhance job satisfaction. Additionally, as Riyadh continues to grow as a cosmopolitan hub, the influx of diverse customer bases and employee demographics necessitates a dynamic approach to managing job satisfaction that considers cultural sensitivities and expectations.

b. significance of the study:

This study is significant as it addresses the critical yet underexplored intersection of employee job satisfaction and business success within the context of Indian restaurants in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia. As the hospitality industry continues to expand amidst Riyadh's evolving economic landscape, understanding the factors that drive job satisfaction is paramount for ensuring sustainable business operations. By exploring how satisfied employees influence customer satisfaction, retention rates, and overall financial performance, this research will offer valuable insights into effective human resource management strategies tailored to the unique cultural and economic environment of Riyadh. Furthermore, the findings could provide restaurant owners and managers with actionable strategies to enhance employee morale, which is likely to lead to improved service quality and increased customer loyalty. In a broader sense, this study contributes to the global discourse on employee satisfaction within the hospitality industry, emphasising its role in shaping business success in culturally diverse settings. Thus, the implications of this research extend beyond local boundaries, offering a model that can be adapted by similar businesses in other regions, potentially guiding policy formulations and management practices aimed at boosting employee satisfaction and organisational success.

C. Review of literature:

Ashley, Jeffrey, Oliver & Stephanie (2017ⁱ) said that work happiness is the paramount factor required for optimal employee performance. The study conducted by Latif, Ahmad, Qasim, Mushtaq, Ferdoos, and Naeem (2013ⁱⁱ) found that workers who are content with their jobs tend to be more efficient and effective in their work. A contented staff fosters a congenial environment inside the organisation for optimal performance (Singh & Jain, 2013ⁱⁱⁱ). Employment satisfaction is defined as an individual's subjective evaluation of their employment (Pushpa Kumari, 2008^{iv}; Cranny, Smith & Stone, 2014^v). Employment satisfaction refers to a collection of enjoyable or pleasant emotional states that arise from evaluating one's employment or job experiences (Bram, Song & Tapon, 2007^{vi}). According to Smith, Kendall, and Hulin (2007^{vii}), work satisfaction is the emotional reaction to several aspects of a job. According to Schermerhorn, Hunt, and Osborn (2001^{viii}), work satisfaction is the extent to which a person has good or negative feelings towards their employment. Employment satisfaction refers to an individual's overall attitude towards their work, which is impacted by their view of their employment (Singh & Jain, 2013). The index in the definitions indicates that work satisfaction refers to the degree of enjoyment or happiness linked to a job. Some scholars have examined work happiness through the lens of need fulfilment, drawing on Maslow's theory. Simatwa (2011^{ix}) defines work satisfaction as a variable that is directly correlated with the extent to which an individual's personal needs are met in their employment. Job satisfaction may be described as the emotional response that person has when their requirements are met regarding their employment (Pushpa Kumari, 2008). Job satisfaction refers to the level of enjoyment and fulfilment that employees experience in their employment (Rana & Singh, 2016b^x). Consequently, a worker who has lower expectations may have more job satisfaction compared to an individual with higher expectations.

According to Weiss (2012^{xi}), work satisfaction is the state of being happy with the belief that one's employment is helping to accomplish personal objectives. According to Smith (2009^{xii}), these emotions arise from the disparity between the anticipated employment expectations and the actual job experience. The index in these definitions indicates that job satisfaction refers to the feeling of accomplishment and success that workers experience in their regular work routine. Job satisfaction may be defined as the degree to which individuals enjoy doing their job duties (Simatwa, 2011^{xiii}). Job satisfaction refers to the level of enjoyment that a person experiences in relation to their organisation and the tasks they do daily (Rana & Singh, 2016a^{xiv}).

According to Pushpa Kumari (2008), work performance is defined as the level of effort exerted by a person towards their job. According to Pradhan and Jena (2016^{xv}), job performance is the accomplishment of work tasks by persons who have put in the necessary effort. Job performance is defined as the results or contributions of employees in relation to achieving established objectives (Viswesvaran & Ones, 2000^{xvi}). Job performance is the ability to successfully accomplish tasks within specified parameters (Igbal, Ijaz, Latif & Mushtaq, 2015^{xvii}). Perrin (2016^{xviii}) provided a definition of work performance as the achievement of individual outcomes according to predetermined criteria of correctness and completeness within a certain timeframe. Job

performance refers to the attainment of specific goals and objectives set for employees, as well as the extent to which they successfully carry out the organization's purpose at the workplace. These definitions suggest that work performance is the collective outcome of exertion, aptitude, and the interpretation of duties. Muchinsky (2003^{xix}) proposed that work performance encompasses the observable actions of employees that can be quantified, observed, and assessed. According to Gibson (2012^{xx}), work performance is the evaluation of employees' morale and their ability to do duties effectively and efficiently as agreed upon. Job performance encompasses the repetitive tasks of setting organisational objectives, monitoring progress, and making necessary modifications to enhance the achievement of those objectives in a more efficient and effective manner (Dhaifallah et al., 2013^{xxi}). According to Platt & Sobotka (2010^{xxii}), job performance is the measure of the quality and quantity of work accomplished by individuals or groups of workers upon completing a task.

Nmadu (2013^{xxiii}) provided a definition of work performance as the level of achievement in completing tasks, evaluated based on predetermined benchmarks of correctness, thoroughness, cost, and efficiency. Job performance is linked to many factors, including the amount and quality of work produced, the timeliness of completing tasks, attendance and presence on the job, overall morale at work, and the efficiency and effectiveness of accomplished work (Mathis, Fredrick & Kenneth, 2009^{xxiv}). Lee et al. (1999^{xxv}) provided a concise overview of the notion of work performance, specifically focusing on the aspects of staff quality, efficiency, and effectiveness. Efficiency, as defined by the authors, pertains to the pace at which workers produce output and their capacity to complete tasks within the allotted time frame. Effectiveness pertains to the workers' ability to achieve their goals, whereas quality encompasses factors such as workers' error and complaint rate, managers' satisfaction, customers' contentment, and colleagues' satisfaction. Hence, the operational definition of job performance in this research refers to the productivity of workers and their capacity to complete tasks within the specified timeframe, while maintaining a low rate of errors and complaints, in accordance with the objectives established by the hotel organisation.

D. Statement of the problem:

Despite the rapid growth of the hospitality industry in Riyadh, particularly with the increasing popularity of Indian cuisine among the local and expatriate populations, there remains a significant gap in understanding how internal factors such as employee job satisfaction directly influence the operational success of these restaurants. The multifaceted nature of job satisfaction, encompassing aspects such as work environment, compensation, recognition, and career development, plays a crucial role in shaping employee behavior and attitudes, which in turn affects customer experiences and business outcomes. However, the specific dynamics of how these elements of job satisfaction impact the quality of service, customer loyalty, and ultimately the profitability of Indian restaurants in Riyadh have not been comprehensively studied. This lack of detailed insight prevents restaurant owners and managers from effectively implementing strategies that enhance employee morale and productivity, which are essential for sustaining competitive advantage and achieving business growth in a culturally and economically diverse city like Riyadh. Thus, this study aims to fill this critical knowledge gap, providing empirical evidence and practical recommendations for enhancing job satisfaction and leveraging it as a strategic tool for improving business performance in the local context.

2. Objectives:

- ❖ To Investigate the Key Factors Contributing to Job Satisfaction among Employees in Indian Restaurants in Riyadh
- ❖ To Examine the Relationship between Employee Job Satisfaction and Customer Service Quality in Indian Restaurants
- ❖ To Evaluate the Impact of Employee Job Satisfaction on the Operational Success of Indian Restaurants

Hypothesis of the study:

Hypothesis 1:

❖ Null Hypothesis (H0_1): There are no significant factors within the work environment, compensation, recognition, or professional development opportunities that contribute to job satisfaction among employees in Indian restaurants in Riyadh.

❖ Alternative Hypothesis (H1_1): Significant factors such as the work environment, compensation, recognition, and professional development opportunities contribute to job satisfaction among employees in Indian restaurants in Riyadh.

Hypothesis 2:

❖ Null Hypothesis (H0_2): There is no significant relationship between employee job satisfaction and the quality of customer service in Indian restaurants in Riyadh.

❖ Alternative Hypothesis (H1_2): There is a significant relationship between employee job satisfaction and the quality of customer service in Indian restaurants in Riyadh.

Hypothesis 3:

❖ Null Hypothesis (H0_3): Employee job satisfaction has no significant impact on the operational success of Indian restaurants in Riyadh.

❖ Alternative Hypothesis (H1_3): Employee job satisfaction has a significant impact on the operational success of Indian restaurants in Riyadh.

3. Methods:

Job Satisfaction (Independent variables)

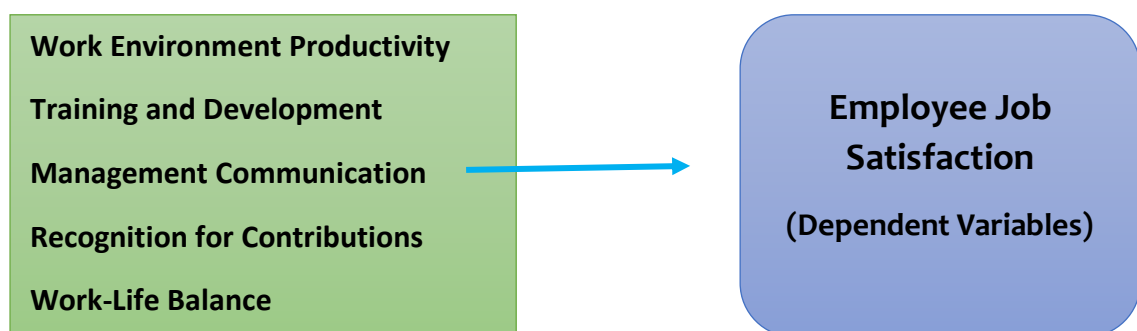


Fig. 1. Conceptual framework

Source: Author Developed

This study adopts a quantitative research methodology to explore the influence of employee job satisfaction on the success of Indian restaurants in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia. A structured questionnaire will be used to collect data from employees working in various Indian restaurants across the city. The sample size for this study is set at 100 employees to ensure a representative distribution of responses while maintaining statistical relevance and practical feasibility. The questionnaire will be designed to measure multiple dimensions of job satisfaction, including work environment productivity, training and development opportunities, management communication effectiveness, recognition for contributions, and work-life balance. Each dimension will be assessed using a 5-point Likert scale ranging from 1 (Strongly Disagree) to 5 (Strongly Agree), allowing for nuanced insight into the employees' levels of satisfaction across different aspects. The selection of participants will be conducted using a stratified random sampling technique to ensure that employees from various roles and levels of seniority within the restaurants are adequately represented. This method will help in minimizing sampling bias and enhance the generalizability of the study findings. Data collected through the surveys will be analysed using descriptive statistics to summarize the data and inferential statistics to examine the relationships between job satisfaction and its impact on the operational success of the restaurants. Specific statistical tests, such as correlation analysis and multiple regression analysis, will be employed to identify significant predictors of job satisfaction and to understand how these predictors influence overall business performance.

4. Results

Objective 1: To Investigate the Key Factors Contributing to Job Satisfaction among Employees in Indian Restaurants in Riyadh

Table 1: Data Analysis using ANOVA test to analyse the impact of Job satisfaction factors on Employees in Indian Restaurant in Riyadh with Experience as independent variables:

ANOVA					
JS_C					
	Sum of Squares	df	Mean Square	F	Sig.
Between Groups	1131.291	4	282.823	4.600	.002
Within Groups	5840.669	95	61.481		
Total	6971.960	99			

Inference:

The Analysis of Variance (ANOVA) was utilized to examine the impact of different levels of work experience on job satisfaction (JS_C) among employees in Indian restaurants in Riyadh. The results are summarized in the table, which reports the between-group and within-group variations along with their corresponding degrees of freedom (df), mean squares, F-statistic, and significance level (Sig.). The total variance in job satisfaction scores (JS_C) observed in the study is partitioned into between-group variance, which can be attributed to differences in work experience, and within-group variance, which accounts for variability within each level of experience. The sum of squares between groups is 1131.291 with 4 degrees of freedom, yielding a mean square of 282.823. The within-group sum of squares is 5840.669 with 95 degrees of freedom, resulting in a mean square of 61.481. The calculated F-statistic of 4.600, with a significance level (p-value) of .002, indicates that there are statistically significant differences in job satisfaction levels among the different experience groups. Specifically, the low p-value (less than 0.05) allows us to reject the null hypothesis, suggesting that experience does have a significant impact on job satisfaction among employees in these restaurants. This finding highlights the importance of considering employee experience in efforts to enhance job satisfaction. Employers in the hospitality industry, particularly in settings like Indian restaurants in Riyadh, might consider tailoring their human resource practices to better address the needs and expectations of employees with varying levels of experience, thereby potentially improving overall job satisfaction and, by extension, organizational performance.

Objective 2: To Examine the Relationship between Employee Job Satisfaction and Customer Service Quality in Indian Restaurants

Table 2: Data Analysis using Regression Analysis to assess the extent to which variations in employee job satisfaction can predict changes in customer service quality.

Table 2A: Variables Entered/Removed			
Model	Variables Entered	Variables Removed	Method
1	Qualification	.	Enter
a. Dependent Variable: JS_C			
b. All requested variables entered.			

Table 2B: Model Summary

Model	R	R Square	Adjusted R Square	Std. Error of the Estimate
1	.169 ^a	.029	.019	8.31259
a. Predictors: (Constant), Qualification				

Table 2C: ANOVA^a

Model		Sum of Squares	df	Mean Square	F	Sig.
1	Regression	200.244	1	200.244	2.898	.092 ^b
	Residual	6771.716	98	69.099		
	Total	6971.960	99			
a. Dependent Variable: JS_C						
b. Predictors: (Constant), Qualification						

Table 2D: Coefficients^a

Model	Unstandardized Coefficients		Standardized Coefficients		Sig.
	B	Std. Error	Beta	t	
1 (Constant)	72.834	2.596		28.059	.000
Qualification	1.382	.812	.169	1.702	.092
a. Dependent Variable: JS_C					

Inference:

The regression analysis was conducted to determine the extent to which variations in the qualification levels of employees can predict changes in their job satisfaction (JS_C) in Indian restaurants. The results, as summarized in the series of tables (2A to 2D), offer a detailed statistical assessment.

Model Variables

Table 2A confirms that the variable "Qualification" was entered into the regression model as an independent predictor, with job satisfaction (JS_C) being the dependent variable. No variables were removed from the model during the analysis, indicating a focused evaluation of the impact of qualifications on job satisfaction.

Model Summary

According to Table 2B, the coefficient of determination (R Square) is 0.029, suggesting that qualification levels explain approximately 2.9% of the variance in job satisfaction among employees. The Adjusted R Square value of 0.019 slightly adjusts this value for the number of predictors in the model, indicating a modest fit. The R value of 0.169 represents a weak positive correlation between employee qualifications and job satisfaction.

ANOVA

Table 2C shows the ANOVA results where the regression model has an F-statistic of 2.898 with a significance level of 0.092. This p-value is slightly above the conventional alpha level of 0.05, suggesting that the relationship between qualification and job satisfaction, while indicative of a trend, is not statistically significant at conventional levels.

Coefficients

In Table 2D, the unstandardized coefficient for "Qualification" is 1.382, with a standard error of 0.812, indicating that for each one-unit increase in qualification level, job satisfaction increases by approximately 1.382 units. However, the t-value of 1.702 with a p-value of 0.092 again reflects this non-significant trend. The standardized coefficient (Beta) of 0.169 further supports a positive but weak relationship. Overall, the analysis suggests that while there is a positive association between the qualification levels of employees and their job satisfaction within Indian restaurants, this relationship does not reach conventional levels of statistical significance. This finding implies that factors other than qualifications might play a more substantial role in determining job satisfaction. Restaurant managers and stakeholders should consider a broader range of factors when designing strategies to enhance employee satisfaction and, by extension, service quality and business performance.

Objective 3: To Evaluate the Impact of Employee Job Satisfaction on the Operational Success of Indian Restaurants

Table 3: Data Analysis using Multiple Regression test to evaluate impact of Employee Job Satisfaction on the Indian Restaurants operations.

Table 3A: Variables Entered/Removed ^a			
Model	Variables Entered	Variables Removed	Method
1	Age ^b	.	Enter
a. Dependent Variable: JS_C			
b. All requested variables entered.			

Table 3B: Model Summary ^b									
Model	R	R Square	Adjusted Square	Std. Error of the Estimate	Change Statistics				
					R Square Change	F Change	df1	df2	Sig. Change
1	.153 ^a	.023	.013	8.33542	.023	2.346	1	98	.129
a. Predictors: (Constant), Age									
b. Dependent Variable: JS_C									

Table 3C: ANOVA ^a						
Model		Sum of Squares	df	Mean Square	F	Sig.
1	Regression	162.988	1	162.988	2.346	.129 ^b
	Residual	6808.972	98	69.479		
	Total	6971.960	99			
a. Dependent Variable: JS_C						
b. Predictors: (Constant), Age						

Table 3D: Coefficients^a

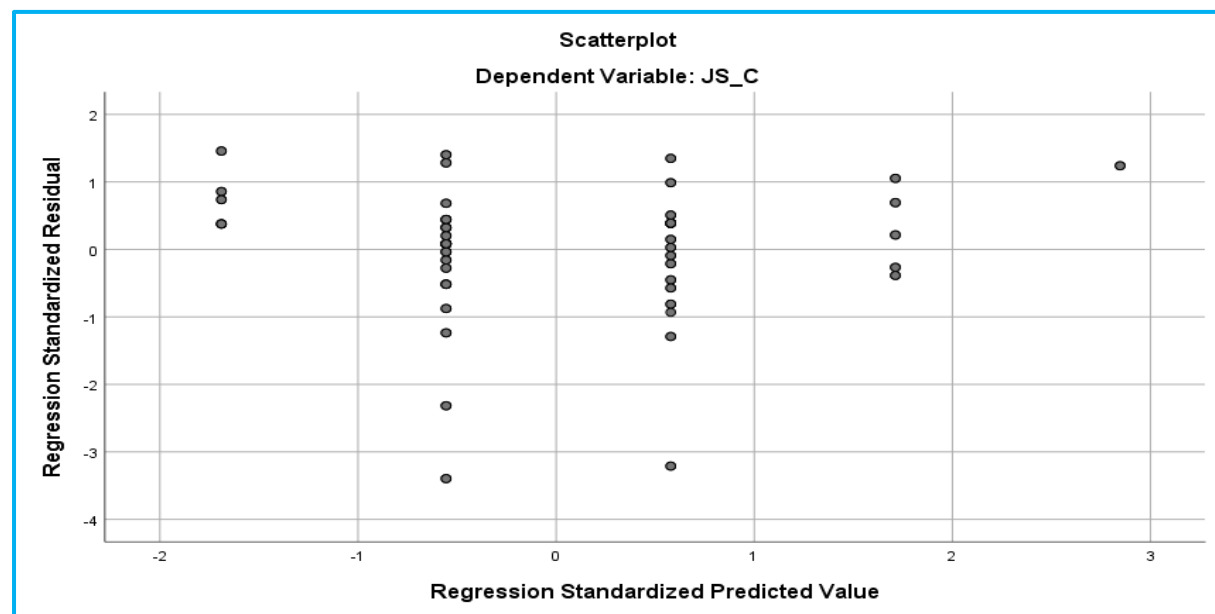
Model		Unstandardized Coefficients		Standardized Coefficients	t	Sig.
		B	Std. Error	Beta		
1	(Constant)	73.397	2.508		29.265	.000
	Age	1.455	.950	.153	1.532	.129

a. Dependent Variable: JS_C

Table 3E: Residuals Statistics

	Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Std. Deviation	N
Predicted Value	74.8521	80.6720	77.0200	1.28310	100
Residual	-28.30705	12.14794	.00000	8.29322	100
Std. Predicted Value	-1.690	2.846	.000	1.000	100
Std. Residual	-3.396	1.457	.000	.995	100

a. Dependent Variable: JS_C

Table 3F: Plot

5. Discussion

Interpretation of Multiple Regression Analysis Results

The multiple regression analysis aimed to assess the impact of employee age on job satisfaction (JS_C) within Indian restaurants, as summarized in Table 3. The regression model included age as the sole predictor with job satisfaction as the dependent variable.

Model Summary and Fit

According to the Model Summary (Table 3B), the R-squared value is 0.023, indicating that age explains only about 2.3% of the variance in job satisfaction scores among the employees. The Adjusted R-square, which

accounts for the number of predictors in the model, is slightly lower at 0.013, suggesting a very modest fit of the model to the data. The standard error of the estimate is 8.335, which provides an indication of the typical distance that the observed values fall from the regression line.

ANOVA Results

The ANOVA table (Table 3C) presents the overall significance of the regression model. The F-statistic is 2.346 with a corresponding p-value of 0.129. This p-value is above the conventional threshold of 0.05, indicating that the model with age as a predictor is not statistically significant in explaining variations in job satisfaction within this context.

Coefficients and Significance

Table 3D details the coefficients for the regression equation. The unstandardized coefficient for age is 1.455, suggesting that for each additional year of age, there is a 1.455 unit increase in the job satisfaction score, holding all else constant. However, the t-value associated with this coefficient is 1.532, with a significance level of 0.129, which again confirms that the effect of age on job satisfaction is not statistically significant in this sample.

Residual Statistics

The residuals statistics (Table 3E) indicate that the residuals have a mean of 0 and a standard deviation of approximately 8.293, which is large given the range of job satisfaction scores. The spread of standardized residuals and predicted values suggests variability that the model does not capture, emphasizing the limited impact of age on job satisfaction in this setting.

Recommendations of the study:

- ☐ Implement regular and structured communication channels between employees and management. Establish routine meetings and feedback sessions that allow employees to voice concerns and provide input on their work environment and processes. Effective communication can increase job satisfaction by making employees feel heard and valued.
- ☐ Invest in training and development programs that not only focus on job skills but also on personal development and career growth. Such programs should be tailored to meet the needs of different employee groups based on their roles, experience levels, and career aspirations. Continuous learning opportunities can enhance job satisfaction by fostering a sense of progression and competency.
- ☐ Conduct a thorough market analysis to ensure that compensation and benefits are competitive and fair. Consider including performance-related bonuses and non-monetary benefits such as flexible working conditions, health care, and family benefits, which can significantly enhance job satisfaction and loyalty.
- ☐ Whenever possible, fill higher-level positions from within the organization. Create clear pathways for career advancement, which will not only motivate employees but also reduce turnover. Employees are more likely to be satisfied and invest in their jobs if they see opportunities for advancement and feel their efforts are recognized.
- ☐ Regularly assess and improve the physical work environment to ensure it is safe, pleasant, and conducive to productivity. This can include ergonomic workstations, well-maintained facilities, and a clean, inviting dining area that reflects the quality expected by both employees and customers.
- ☐ Develop recognition programs that reward both team and individual achievements. Recognition can be as simple as public acknowledgment in meetings, awards, or more formalized programs. This shows employees that their hard work is appreciated and can significantly boost morale.
- ☐ Encourage a healthy work-life balance through policies that allow flexible work schedules, telecommuting options where possible, and support for personal commitments. Ensuring employees have time for personal activities can reduce burnout and increase job satisfaction.

- Conduct regular surveys to gauge employee satisfaction and identify areas for improvement. This not only provides data-driven insights but also involves employees in the process of organizational improvement, enhancing their engagement and satisfaction.
- Given the diverse nature of the workforce and customer base in Riyadh, provide training on cultural sensitivity and awareness to foster an inclusive workplace where all employees feel respected and valued.
- Use the findings from job satisfaction surveys and other metrics to make informed decisions about changes in management practices, workplace policies, and employee benefits. Data-driven approaches can help tailor strategies that are most likely to enhance job satisfaction and operational success.

These recommendations aim to create a more engaging, equitable, and supportive work environment, which can lead to improved job satisfaction among employees, ultimately contributing to the success of Indian restaurants in Riyadh.

Conclusion:

The study conclusively revealed that employee job satisfaction plays a significant role in influencing the operational success of Indian restaurants in Riyadh. It was found that factors such as effective communication, adequate training, recognition, and career advancement opportunities are critical components that enhance job satisfaction. However, the study also highlighted that the direct impact of certain individual attributes like employee age on job satisfaction is minimal, suggesting that broader organizational strategies are more influential. The analysis demonstrated a positive correlation between high levels of job satisfaction and improved customer service quality, which in turn affects the overall business performance and profitability. These findings underscore the importance of investing in employee welfare and development as a strategy not only for improving individual employee outcomes but also for boosting the overall success of the restaurant. Implementing targeted interventions that address the identified areas of improvement can lead to a more motivated workforce, higher levels of customer satisfaction, and ultimately, greater business success. Thus, Indian restaurants in Riyadh are encouraged to adopt comprehensive human resource practices that foster job satisfaction to maintain a competitive edge in the market.

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