

INTRODUCTION TO STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT

- Father of Management is **Peter F. Drucker**
- Getting things done through others
- optimum utilization of resources of Strategic Management
 - Men
 - Machine
 - Material
 - Money
 - Methods.
- Management is both science & Art.
- functions of Management [POSDCO]
 - Planning
 - Organizing
 - Staffing
 - Directing
 - co-ordination
 - Reporting
 - Budgeting
 - communication
 - control.

Planning:- Defining future course of Action.

⇒ Strategy :- plan [eg: defeating competitors].

* always to win over enemy.

* Long Range blue print of an organization.

* Game plan.

* Achieving Goals.

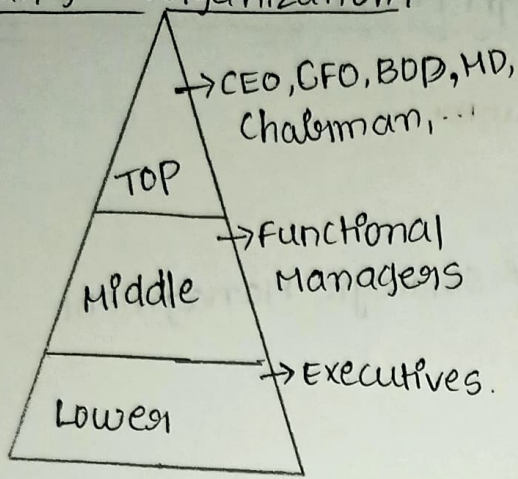
* competitive Advantage

* customer satisfaction.

Frame work of Strategic Management (FWSM) :-

- Strategic Analysis
- Strategic planning
- Strategic formation
- Strategic Implementation
- Strategic control.

Hierarchy of organization:-



Top-down
communication

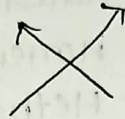
Bottom-up
flow of comm.

↓
orders &
Instruction

↑
Reports &
Feedback.

Crosswise

Lateral



← Same level. →

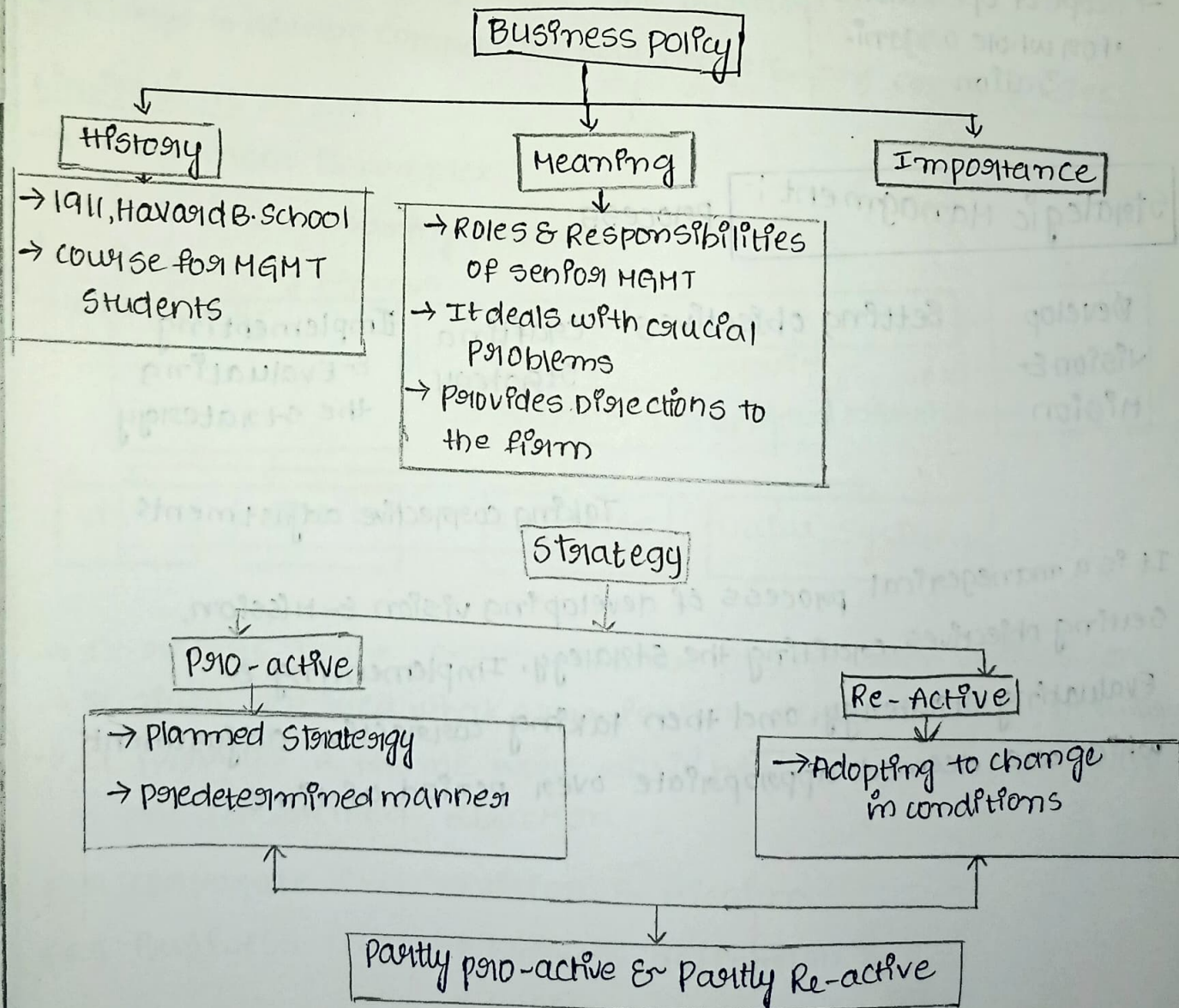
Competative Advantage:-

- one of the objective of Strategic Management.
- Gaining Advantage over the competitors
- It can be gained by developing core competences by the firm.
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 - unique strengths of the company that cannot be shared with others.
- It can be achieved by two ways
 - (a) To be a low cost provider
 - (b) To be unique in the market.

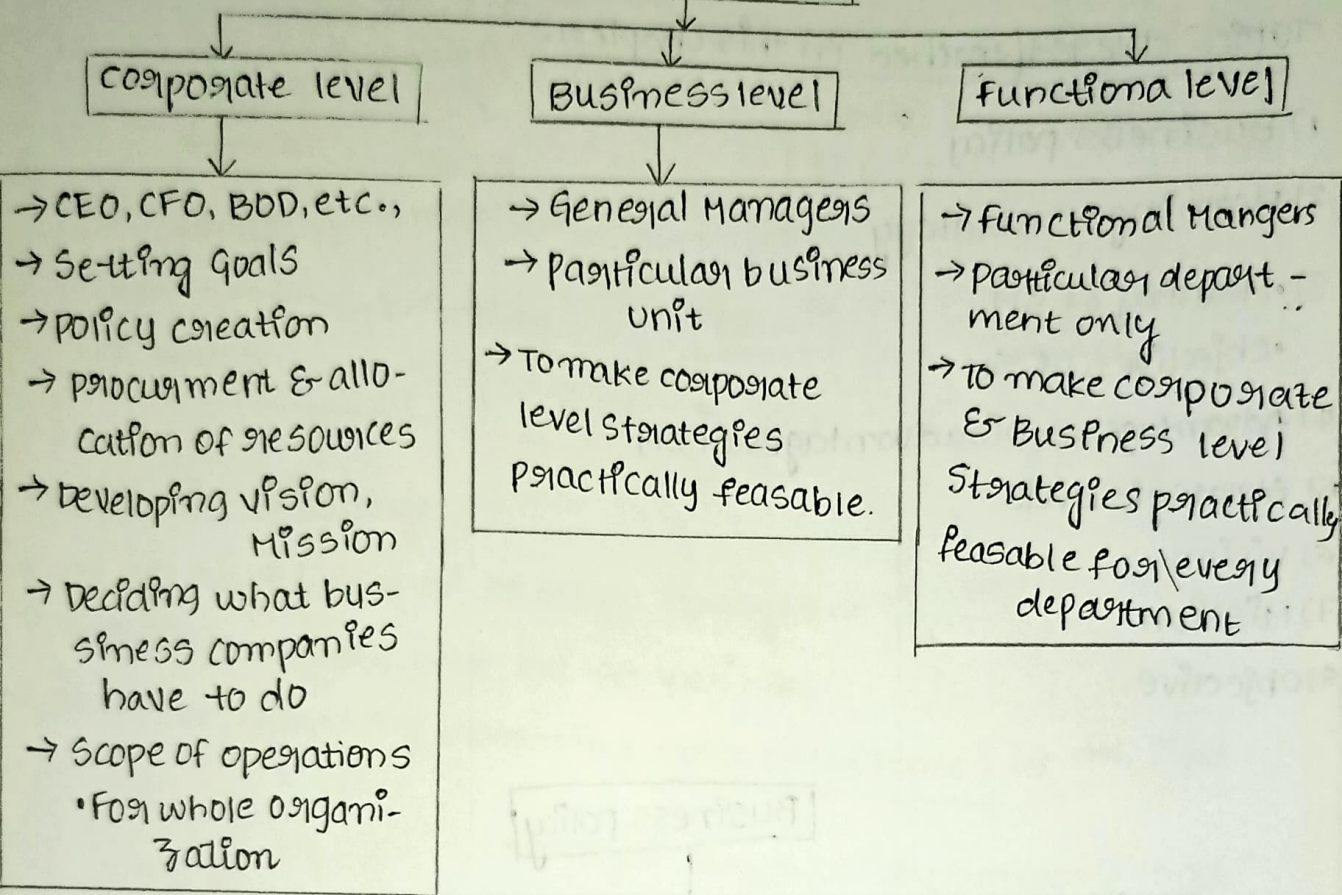
01. INTRODUCTION TO STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT

Topics covered/taught in this chapter:

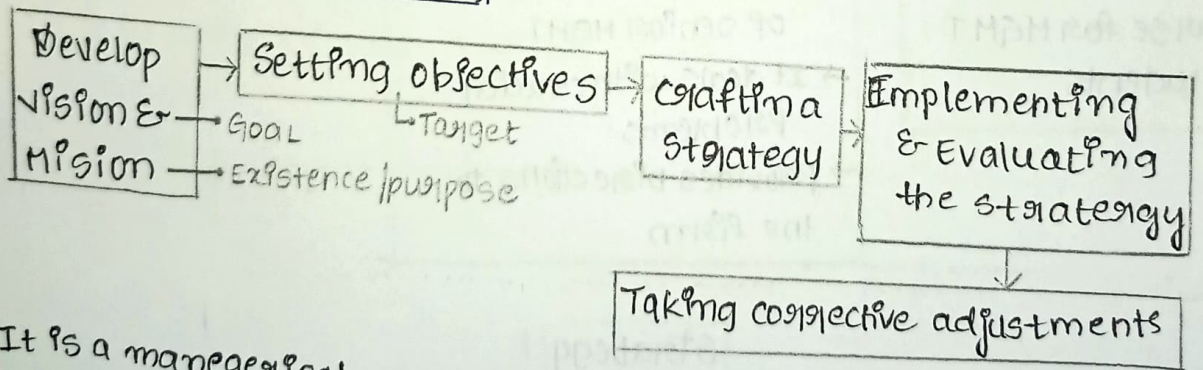
- 1) Business policy
- 2) Meaning of strategy
- 3) • Meaning of SM
• Objectives of SM
- 4) Advantages & Disadvantages of SM
- 5) Strategic levels
- 6) vision
- 7) Mission
- 8) objective.



Strategic levels



Strategic Management :- process



- It is a managerial process of developing vision & mission, setting objectives, crafting the strategy, Implementing & Evaluating strategy, and then taking corrective adjustments which are deemed appropriate over period of time.

Objective of SM:-

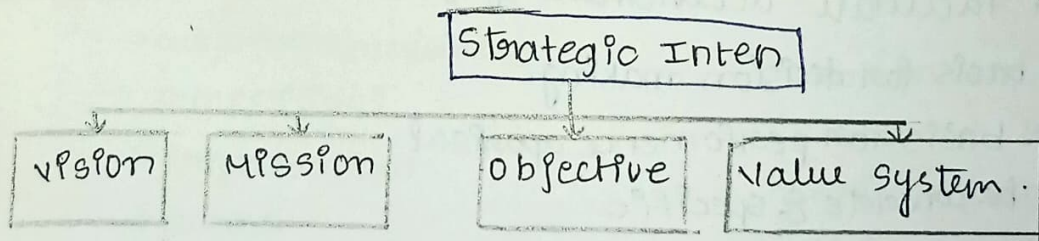
- 1) To create competitive advantage over the competitors to dominate the Market.
- 2) To guide the company through all changes in the environment.

Advantages of SM:-

- It provides directions to the firm
- It helps the firm to be proactive rather than being reactive.
- It provides frame work for decision making.
- It acts as a pathfinder.
- It acts as a corporate defensive mechanism against mistakes & pitfalls.
- It helps to enhance longevity of the business.
- It helps to develop competitive advantage & core competencies.

Limitations of SM:-

- Environment is complex.
- It is a time consuming process
- It is a costly process.
- uncertainty



- It refers to the process of what organization strives for
- It gives an idea what organisation desire to attain in future
- It provides a frame work within which organization adopt a pre determined direction.

For corporate level → vision & Mission

For Business Level → Business definition &
→ Business Model.

Elements of Intent:

- 1) vision
- 2) Mission
- 3) objective
- 4) value system

Vision: - Road Map of companies future

- It provides specifics about Technology, customer focus, Geography & product markets to pursued, and Kind of company management is trying to create.

Mission: present business scope of company:

(i) who we are?

(ii) what we do?

It also describes activities, capabilities, customer focus & Business make up.

Objectives: Performance targets i.e, the results & outcomes company wants to achieve. They act as Yardstick to measure performance & process.

↳ Measuring stool.

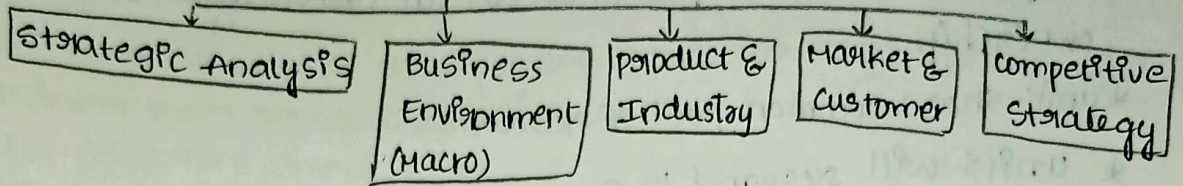
Characteristics of objective:

- They should define organizations Relationship with its environment
- They should facilitate achievement of vision & Mission
- They provide basis for decision making.
- They provide basis for performance appraisal.
- They should be concrete & specific
- They should relates to a time frame
- They should be measurable & controllable.
- They should be challenging.
- They should correlate with each other
- They should be set within constraints.

2. STRATEGIC ANALYSIS - EXTERNAL ENVIRONMENT.

→ this is the first step in strategic management.

→ this chapter contains



Business Environment

Internal Environment

→ within the organization;

- ↓
- strengths
- weakness

External Environment

→ components that exists out side of organization;

- ↓
- opportunities
- threats.

Micro

- Immediate environment
- Direct & Regular impact
- to some extent controllable
- Firm specific

Macro

- Remote Environment
- Indirect impact
- Beyond the control
- general environment

Components:-

- customers/consumers
- competitions
- organizations
- Market
- Suppliers
- Intermediaries

- Demographic
- Economic
- Political & legal
- Socio-cultural
- Technological
- Global

Global Environment:-

→ Globalization:

Integrating the world into one single market. This integration calls for removal of Trade & Traffic barriers. Even, political & Geographical barriers are irrelevant.

Global company: operating in more than one country

Eg: MNC, TNC, etc.,

Characteristics of Global company:-

- * conglomerate of multiple units but all linked through a common ownership.
- * units share common pool of resources.
- * units will respond to some common strategies

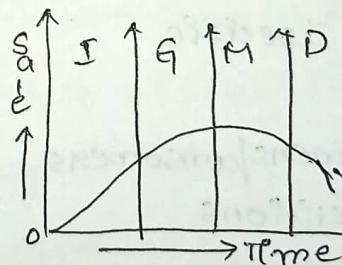
Product Life cycle (PLC):

Introduction:

- At this stage sales are at lower end, due to lack of consumer awareness
- prices are relatively high
- competition is almost negligible and
- Availability of the product will be in limited markets.

Growth:

- At this stage sales have increased due to consumer awareness.
- prices have decreased
- competition starts
- Markets will expand.



Maturity:

- Due to intense competition profit margins will come down & company prefers to main stability strategy for its products.

Decline:

- At this stage there is sharp fall of sales due to introduction of new products in the markets. Hence company prefers to maintain retrenchment & diversification strategies.

Value chain Analysis :

SCM (Supply chain Management) :-

→ Point of origin to point of consumption.

VCA :

→ One of the key aspect of VCA is recognising that organizations are much more than random collection of resources. There is no use of these resources unless these are arranged into systems & routines.

→ It also describes about activities that occur within & around of an organization.

Primary Activities

- Inbound Logistics
 - It includes collecting, storing & distributing the inputs
- Operations
 - Involves conversion of inputs into outputs.
- Outbound Logistics
 - Collecting, storing & distribution of output.
- Marketing & sales
 - It is a means of creating awareness about products & services.
- Services
 - It includes all post sale services [Installations, spares, warranty, etc]

Support Activities

- Procurement
 - It is a process of acquiring resources for primary activities.
- Technological Development
 - All primary activities are connected to technology know how.
- Human Resource Management
 - It involves recruiting, training & managing employees in the organization.
- Firm Infrastructure.
 - It includes planning, finance, quality control & information management.

Experience curve :-

- It is based on common experience that avg cost per unit declines as the firm increase volume of production
- It is similar to learning curve which explains efficiency gained by workers through repetitive productive work.

Competative landscape :

- In depth investigation of competitors
- It is a business analysis to study direct & indirect competitors.

→ It requires an application called competitive intelligence.

Steps:-

1) Identifying the competitors

Who are the competitors?

2) Understanding the competitors

What are their product & services?

3) Determine their strengths

→ What are their financial position?

→ What gives them cost & price advantage?

→ What are they likely to do next?

→ How strong is their distribution network?

→ What are the human resources strength?

4) Determine their weakness

Where are they lacking

5) Putting all information together.

Types of Mergers: (It need to be after conglomerate diversification)

→ Horizontal Merger: Same Industry → Direct or competitor
eg: Idea & Vodafone

→ Vertical Merger: Same Industry → operating at different stages of production & distribution system
eg:-

→ Co generic merger → Different industry → connected to one & another in any way
eg:- washing machine & Detergent.

→ Conglomerate merger → Different industry → No connection
eg:- Tata sky