

PRODUCTIVITY- LINKED WAGE SYSTEM (PLWS)



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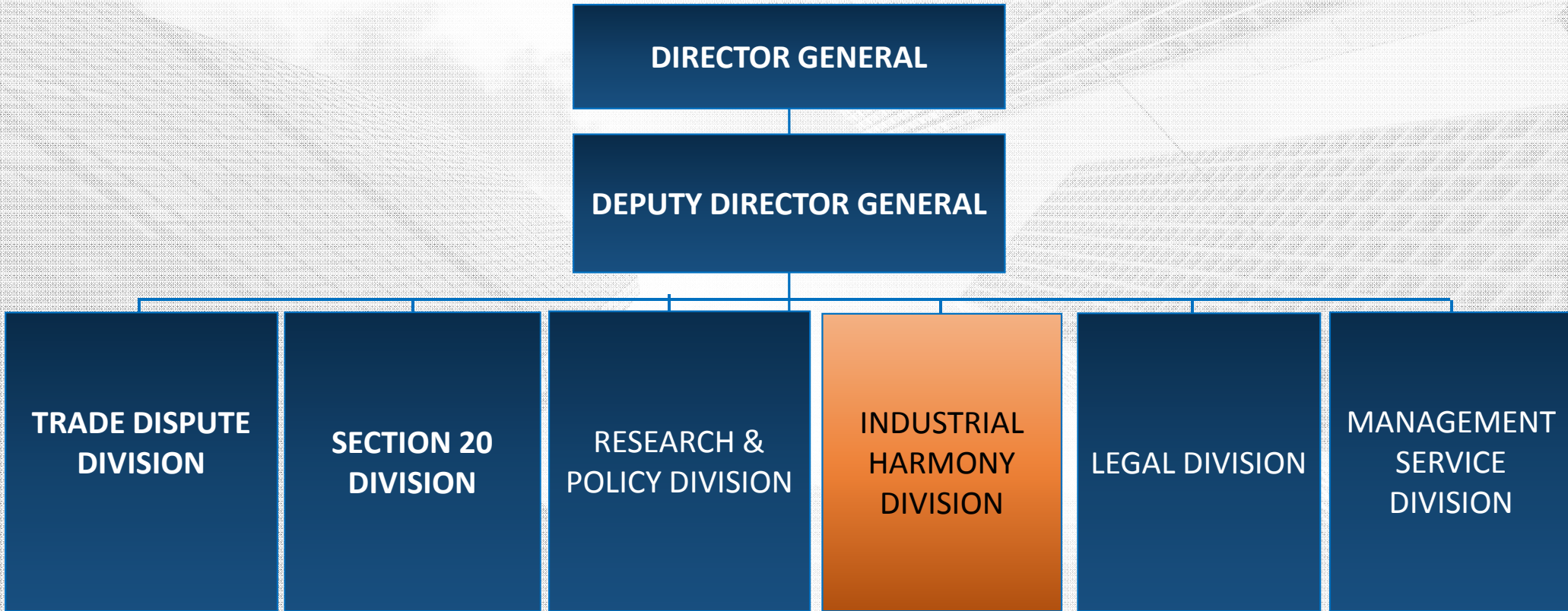
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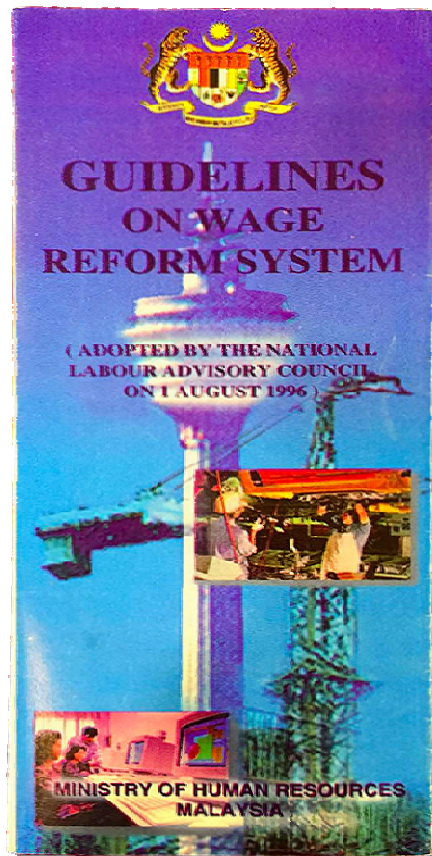
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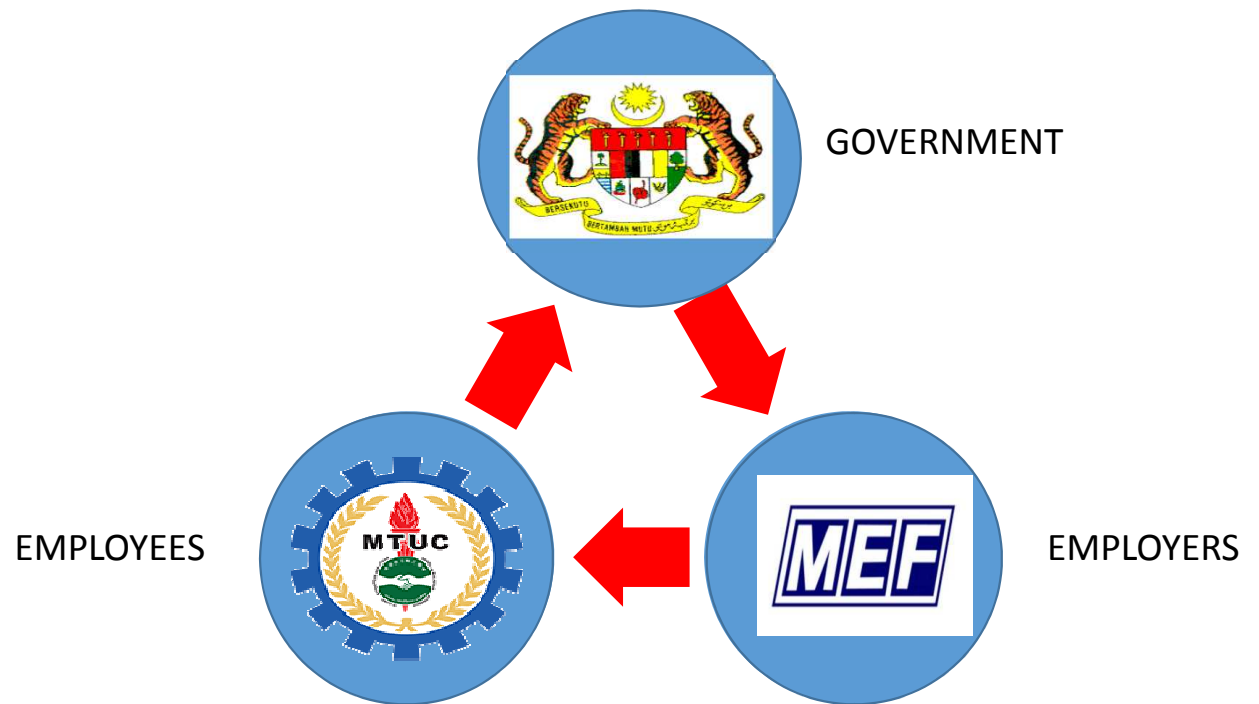
IR DEPARTMENT ORGANIZATION CHART



PLWS OVERVIEW



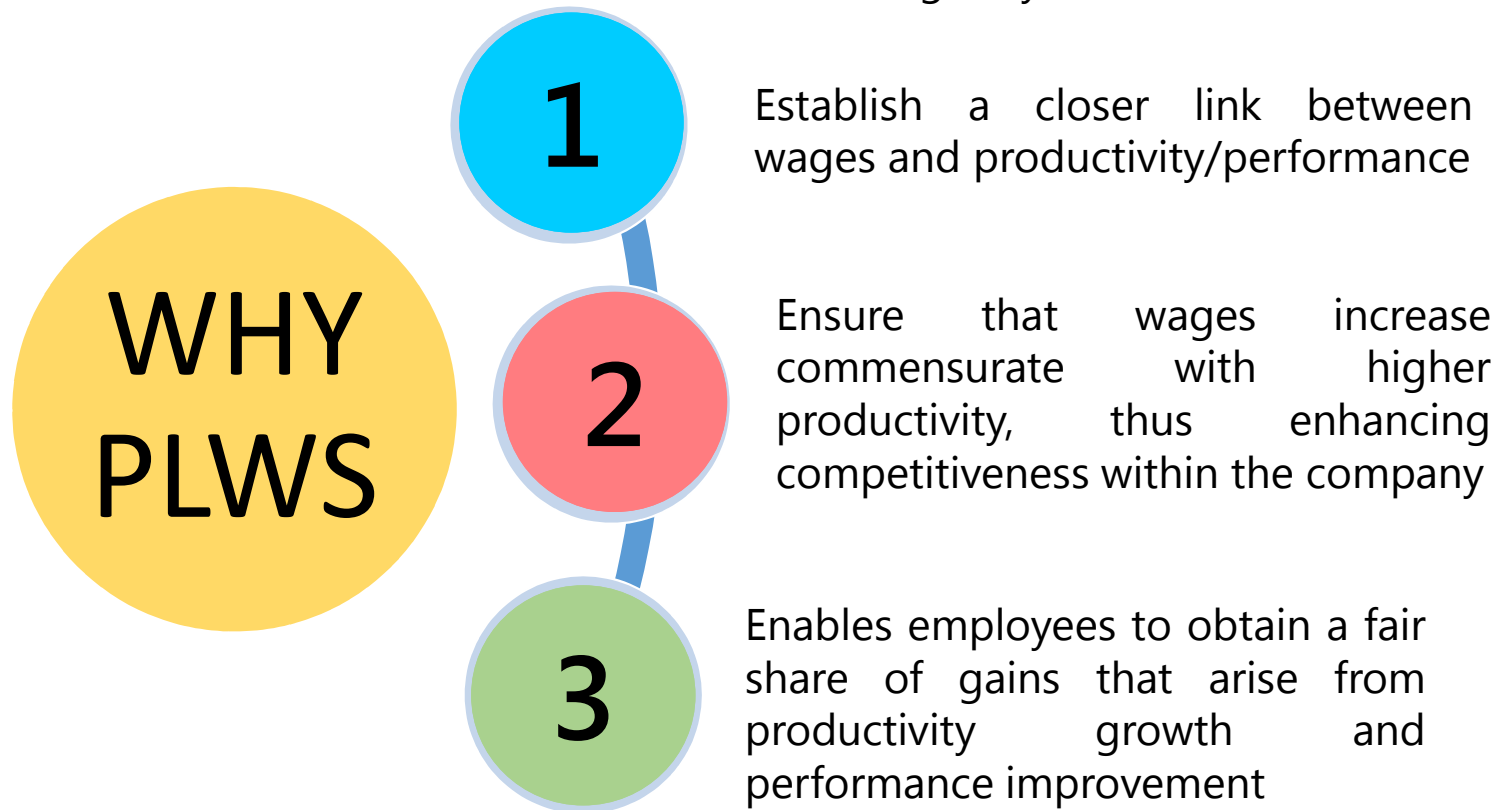
The MOHR has been promoting Productivity Linked Wage System (PLWS) since 1996 when NLAC endorsed the Guidelines On Wage Reform.



Tripartite Partnership in PLWS – Key Factor contributing to Industrial Harmony & Economic Growth

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Flexible Wages System which:-



PROVISION OF LAW RELATED TO PLWS

Section 13(2A) of IRA [Amendment 2008]:

"A proposal for a collective agreement may provide for one or more of the following :-

- a) Provision for training to enhance skills and knowledge of the workmen;
- b) Provision for an annual review of the wage system; and
- c) Provision for a performance based remuneration system.***



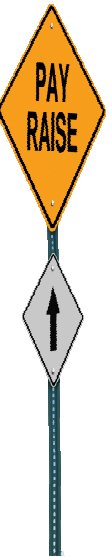
PLWS COMPONENTS

FIXED COMPONENT

- Basic Wages
- Annual Increment

VARIABLE COMPONENT

Must be linked to
productivity/ performance



TYPES OF VARIABLE COMPONENTS

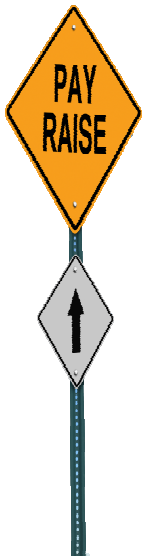
No.	Variable Components	Notes
1	Company or Individual Performance Incentive	• Productivity improvement • Production target • Identified KPI • Non-financial measures; Eg.customer satisfaction
2	Productivity Performance Incentives	• Added value per employee • Sales value per employee • Group or Individual target • Reduction in rejects
3	Profitability Bonus	• Profit Before Tax • Profit After Tax • Return On Equity / Return On Investment • Gross Operating Profits
4	Merit Increment	• Based on job functions • Based on performance appraisal • Achieving key performance targets
5	Team Incentives	• Incentives based on team performance • Medical Leave • Disciplinary

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No.	Variable Components	Notes
6	Commitment Incentives	• Incentives based on team performance • Medical Leave • Disciplinary
7	Skill Incentives / Allowance	• Able to perform more than one type of job function • Able to handle more than one machine • Having qualification in specific area
8	Service Incentives	• Based on department / individual performance • Eg. Housekeeping, front office etc
9	Variable Performance Bonus	• Based on KPIs and Individual performance
10	Debt Incentive Collection	• Incentives based on duration of collection
11	Performance Incentive Allowance	• Incentives for senior employees (achieved maximum salary)
12	Sales Incentives	• Incentives based on sales target achievement
13	Bonus Based On Company and Individual Performance	• Based on business plan and individual performance • Profit and individual performance
14	Increment based on ROI	• Return on Investment and individual performance

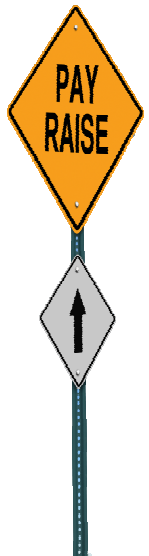
PLWS ELEMENTS

No.	ELEMENTS OF PLWS	EXPLANATION
1	Non Contractual Bonus	Flexible bonus system which determined based on company profits or employee performance
2	Contractual Bonus + Non Contractual Bonus	Combination bonus depending on company profits and / or employee performance
3	Salary increment based on employee performance / company profits	Increment given depending on company profits and / or employee performance
4	Service Charge	Obtained from customer will be divided to workers based on fixed point system. Its normally practice at Hotel industry
5	Piece Rate System	Payment of wages based on quantity of production. Additional incentive are given if the production output achieve the target
6	Individual / Group Achievement	Incentives will be given depending on performance of employees or group by using a timing, quantity and quality of workers in production
7	Attendance Incentives	Incentives are given depending on workers attendance

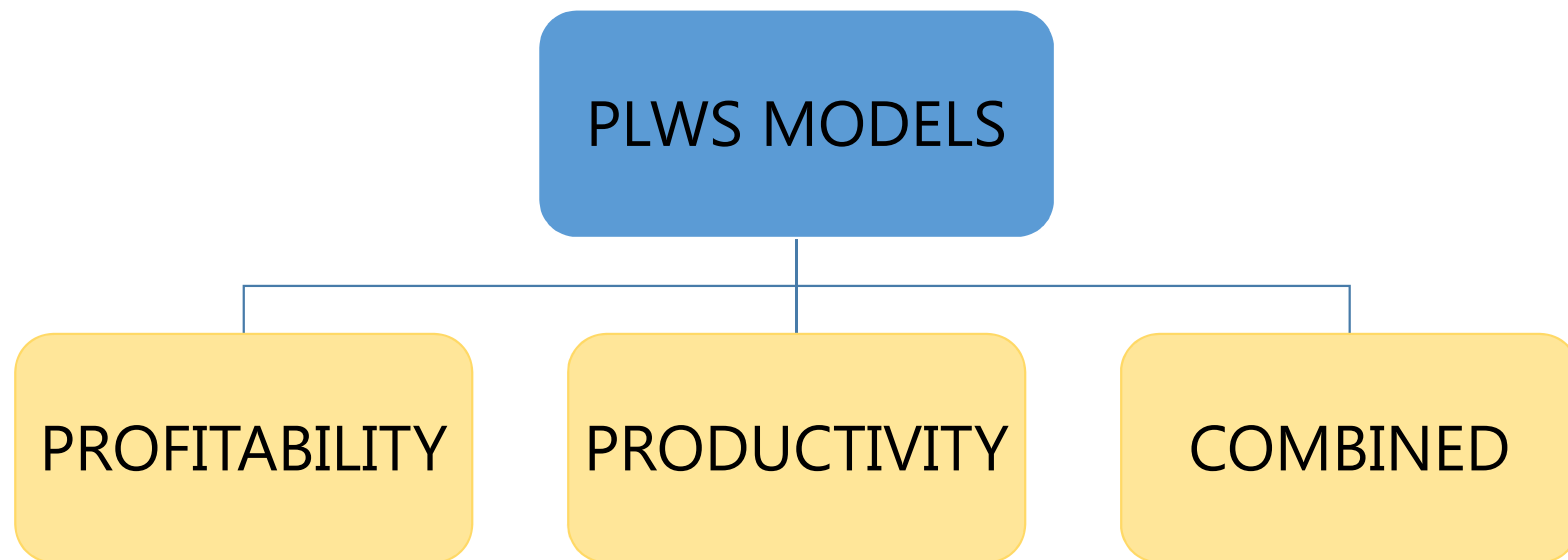


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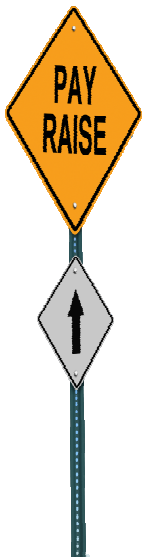
No.	ELEMENTS OF PLWS	EXPLANATION
8	Trip Incentives	Incentives will be paid based on trip usually for drives
9	Sales Incentives	Incentives will be paid based on sales specifically for employees conducting sales or marketing activities
10	Cost and Time Saving Incentives	Incentives given to employee should be able to save in terms of cost and production time
11	Allowance For Multi-Tasking	Allowance given to employee who perform 2 or multi-task in a time like a driver and at the same time performing task a good loaders
12	Skills Allowance	Allowance given to employee that have skills and knowledge implementation duties needed
13	Coaching or Training Allowance	An employee is not appointed as a trainer but subsequently perform as a Trainer shall be paid appropriate allowance which determined by company
14	Driver Allowance	Allowance will be paid to the van or lorry driver who assisting the company to carry



PLWS MODELS



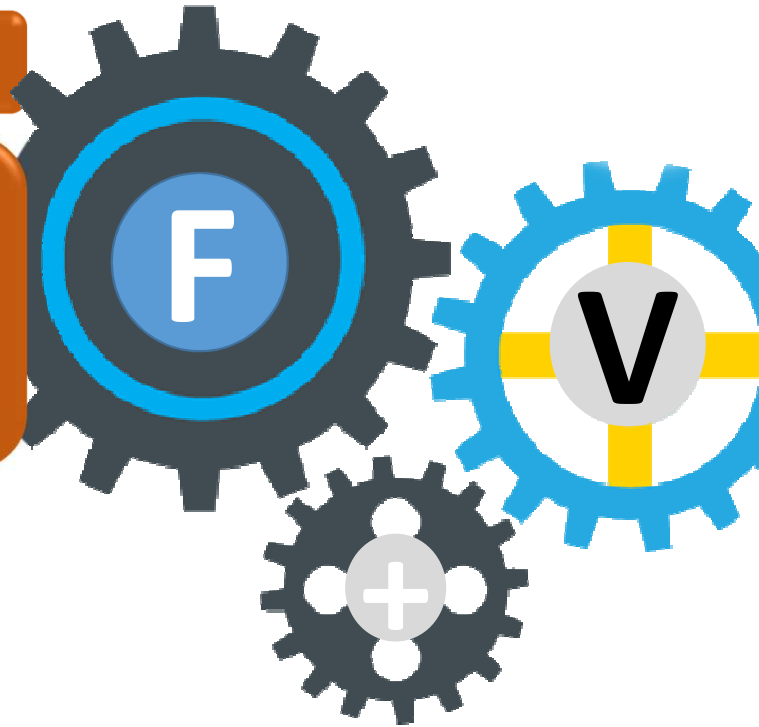
Each Model must contained Fixed Components &
Variable Components



PROFITABILITY MODEL

Fixed Component

- a) Basic wage
- b) An annual increment



Variable Component

A variable component comprises:-

- a) Bonus payment based on the profit of the company.
- b) Wage incentive will be paid when profits exceed a predetermined or threshold level (break-even level).

PRODUCTIVITY MODEL

Fixed Component

- Basic wage
- An annual increment

FORMULA

$$T = A + P$$

Where

T = total wage increase

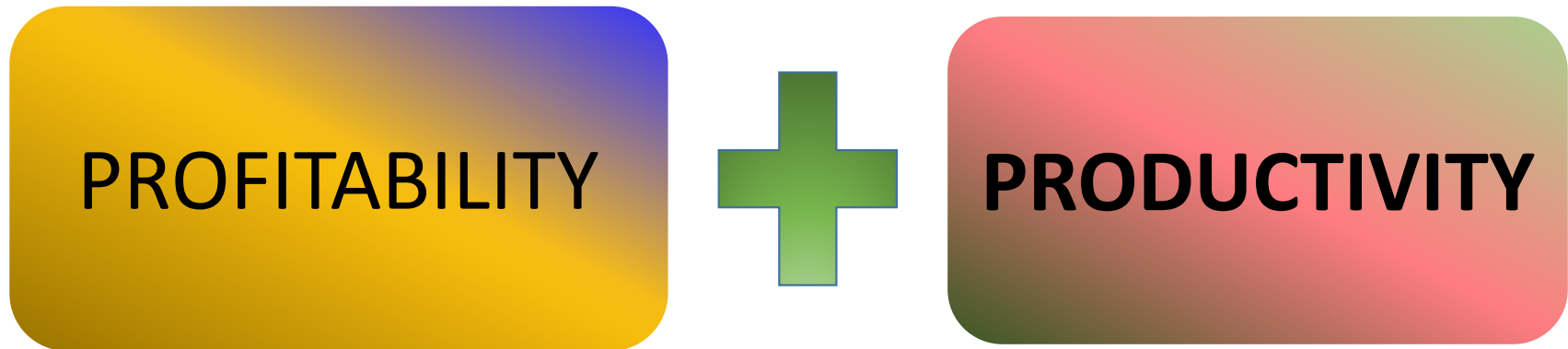
A = annual increment

P = variable productivity payment

Variable Component

A formula for the incentive of the variable productivity payment should be based on employee and company performance

COMBINED MODEL





EXAMPLES OF PLWS MODELS

INDICATOR : PROFITABILITY

EXAMPLE 1

PROFITABILITY-LINKED BONUS

PROFIT AFTER TAX (RM MILLION)	BONUS [MONTH(S) SALARY]
<1.5 (THRESHOLD)	0
1.5 -1.99	0.5
2.0 – 2.49	1.0
2.5 – 2.99	1.5
3.0 AND ABOVE	2.0



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FIXED BONUS

The Company **shall pay an annual guaranteed bonus equivalent to one month of the last drawn basic salary.**

VARIABLE BONUS

Should the company **make a profit of:**

- ✓ **RM2,000,000 to RM2,490,000**, the company shall pay one **(1.0) months** of the last drawn basic salary as bonus;
- ✓ **Profits exceeding RM3,000,000**, bonus payment shall be **two (2) months** of the last drawn basic salary;
- ✓ **Notwithstanding the above, the guaranteed bonus of one month**, based on last drawn basic salary, shall continue to be applicable.

EXAMPLE 2**PROFITABILITY INCENTIVES**

The bonus will be paid when the company makes certain amount of profit that falls within a predetermined range.

Table Profitability Incentives

Profits After Tax (RM Million)	Monthly Payroll Cost (RM Million)	Bonus = $\frac{\text{Profit After Tax}}{\text{Monthly Payroll Cost}}$
Less than 5	5	0
5	5	1 month
6	5	1.2 month
7	5	1.4 month
8	5	1.6 month
9	5	1.8 month
10	5	2.0 month

INDICATOR PRODUCTIVITY

EXAMPLE 1

Team Incentive Pay Out Based On Criteria Achieved

PERFORMANCE CRITERIA		PERFORMANCE STANDARD (PRODUCTION TARGET)
1.	Production targets	above 80%
2.	Quality output	above 90%
3.	Customer complaint	Zero complaint
4.	Maintenance	No machine breakdown
5.	Discipline	No reminder or warning letter



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MONTHLY INCENTIVE

<i>Number of Criteria Achieved</i>	<i>Incentives</i>
<i>5</i>	<i>RM 100</i>
<i>4</i>	<i>RM 80</i>
<i>3</i>	<i>RM 60</i>
<i>2</i>	<i>RM 0</i>
<i>1</i>	<i>RM 0</i>

- If a team of 5 employees are able to achieve all the **five criteria's**, each team member will receive **RM100** as a monthly incentive.
- However, if the team achieves only **2 criterias** then there will be **no pay out**.

EXAMPLE 2

PRODUCTIVITY TARGET

In the case of this example, the service organization gives incentives based on the productivity targets achieved.

Table below shows an example of planned targets against achievable

<i>Planned Target</i>	<i>Actual Achievements</i>	<i>Monthly Incentives (RM)</i>
<i>80%</i>	<i>Above 100%</i>	<i>150</i>
<i>80%</i>	<i>91%-100%</i>	<i>100</i>
<i>80%</i>	<i>80% - 90%</i>	<i>50</i>
<i>80%</i>	<i>Below 80%</i>	<i>0</i>

- Incentives are given to the employees when the actual productivity achievement is higher than the planned target.
- For example, if the planned target is 80% and the actual achievement is 95% then the employees will receive RM100.00 for achieving the productivity targets.

INDICATOR PROFITABILITY + PERFORMANCE/PRODUCTIVITY

EXAMPLE 1

Bonus Based On Company and Individual Performance

Company Performance Based on Business Plan		Below 85%	85% - 100%	101% - 120%	121% - 140%	Above 140%
Individual Performance		Bonus Payout				
Unsatisfactory	below 40%	0	0.1	0.2	0.3	0.4
Average	40% - 54%	0.3	0.4	0.5	0.6	0.7
Good	55% - 69%	0.5	0.7	0.9	1.1	1.3
Very Good	70% - 85%	0.7	1.0	1.3	1.6	1.9
Outstanding	above 85%	1.0	1.3	1.6	1.9	2.2

- If the company's performance rating is 100% and individual performance is 75% which is "very good", then the quantum of bonus that will be granted to the employee will be **1.0 month**. Therefore, this clearly indicates that whenever both parties i.e. employees and firm perform very well, there will be higher quantum of bonus distributed among the employees.

EXAMPLE 2**Matrix Incentives**

Profits (RM million)	Incentives (Months)			
Less 5	0	0.1	0.3	0.5
5- 6.9	0.1	0.3	0.5	0.7
7- 8.9	0.2	0.5	0.7	1.0
9- 10.9	0.3	0.7	1.0	1.3
11- 12.9	0.4	1.0	1.5	2.0
13- 15	0.5	1.5	2.0	3.0
Average Performance (%)	Less 70	70- 79.9	80- 89.9	90- 100

Matrix incentives will be given based on the profitability and average performance of division, department and individual as shown in the table.

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If the company performance are as follows:

❖ Division Performance	= 85%
❖ Department Performance	= 90%
❖ Individual Performance	= 85%

Average Performance of an employee is 86.7%

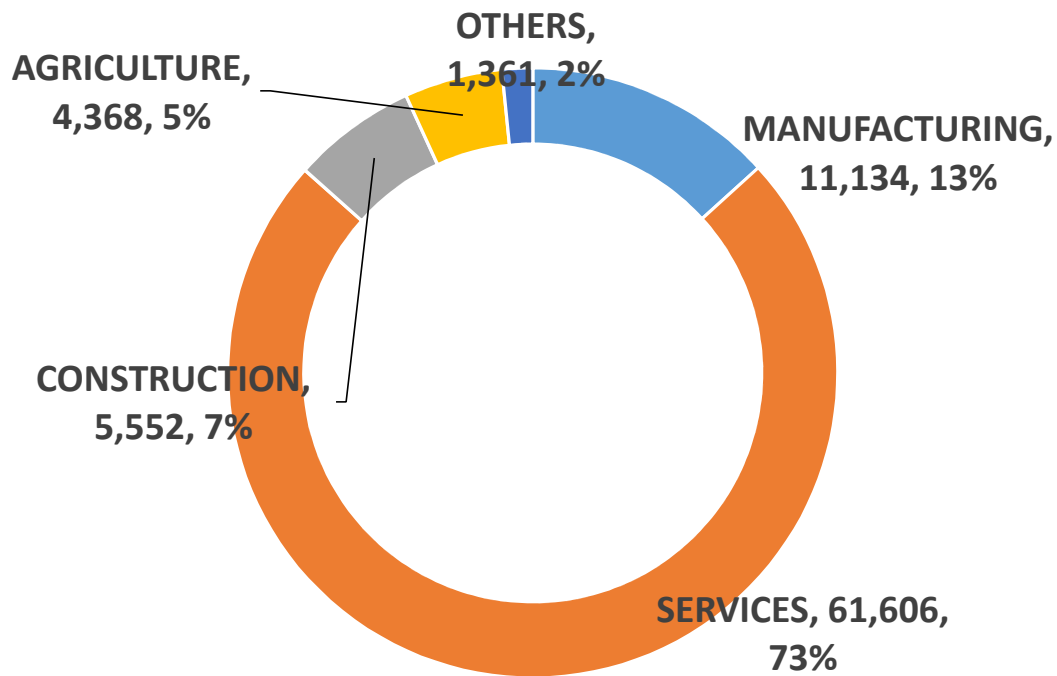


Based on the calculation above:

- **the respective employee will received 2 months bonus if the company makes RM13 million profits.**
- **The incentives taking into consideration the overall employees performance.**
- **In order to received higher quantum of bonus each employees should contribute to the division and department performance as well as their own performance.**

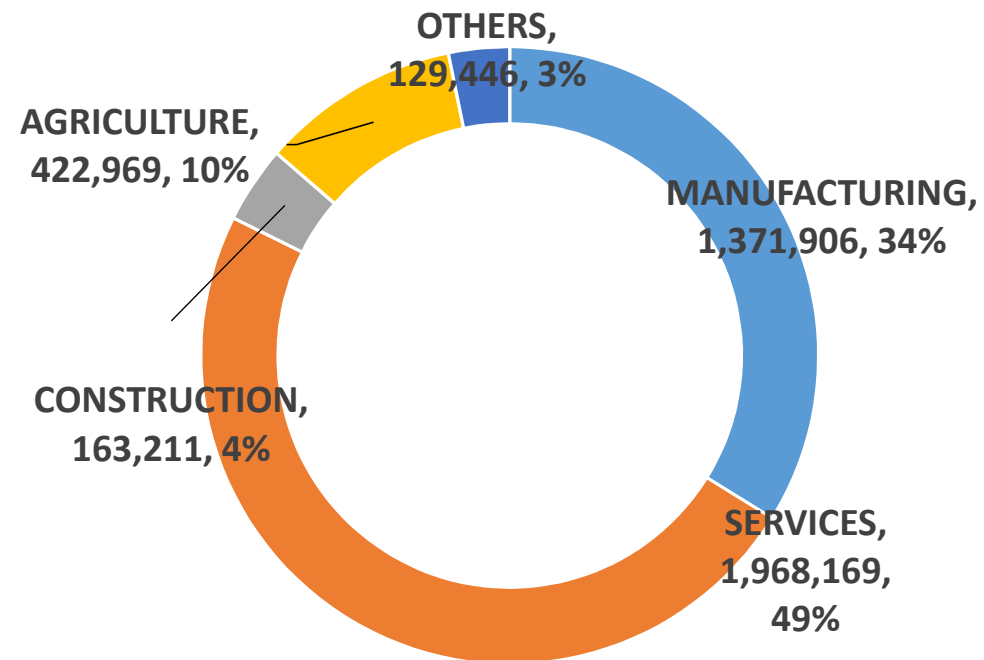
PLWS PARTICIPATION BY SECTOR AS AT 31.07.2018

NUMBER OF EMPLOYERS IMPLEMENTED PLWS



**TOTAL: 84,021
EMPLOYERS**

NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES BENEFITING FROM PLWS IMPLEMENTATION



**TOTAL: 4,055,701
EMPLOYEES**



PLWS PROGRAM AND ACTIVITIES

PROGRAM IMPLEMENTED BY IR DEPARTMENT

Master Trainers on PLWS (MASTOP) & Champion On PLWS - Officer
Hari Anugerah PLWS

National Symposium of Productivity Linked Wage System

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PHASES OF PLWS IMPLEMENTATIONS

PHASE 1
Creating Conducive Environment

PHASE 2
Establishing PLWS System

PHASE 3
Implementing PLWS System

PLWS MODEL

Start

**1. Create awareness on PLWS
among management team**

**2. Measure company's
performance**

3. Develop PLWS Committee

**4. Developing Corporate,
Division & Unit KPI**

**5. Briefing Session with
Company's Workers**

**6. Obtain feedback from
employees and management**

**7. Linking Incentives
with Improvement**

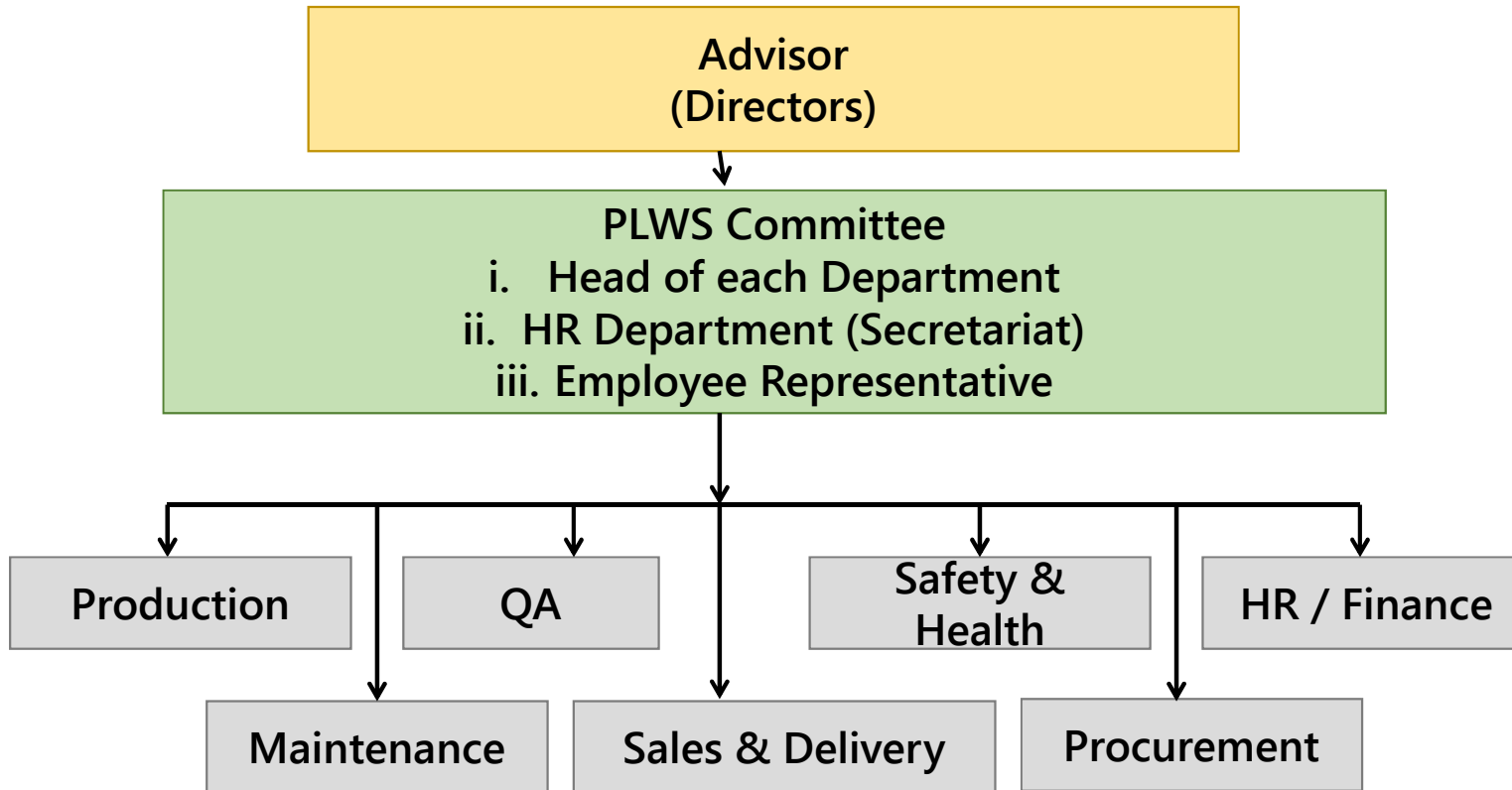
**8. Establishing PLWS
on a trial basis**

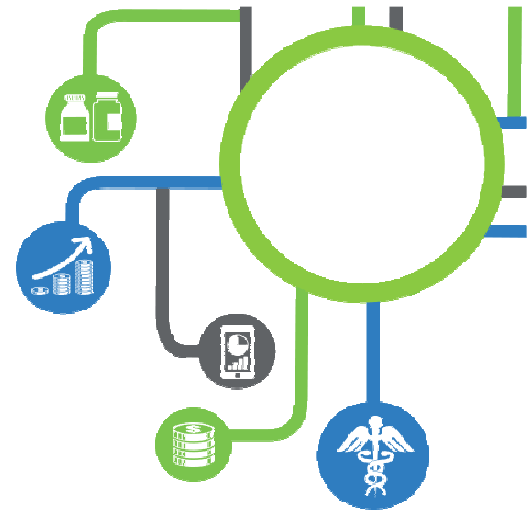
**9. Review and make the
necessary adjustments**

**10. Implement PLWS at the
firm level**

**11. Plan (continuous
Improvement)**

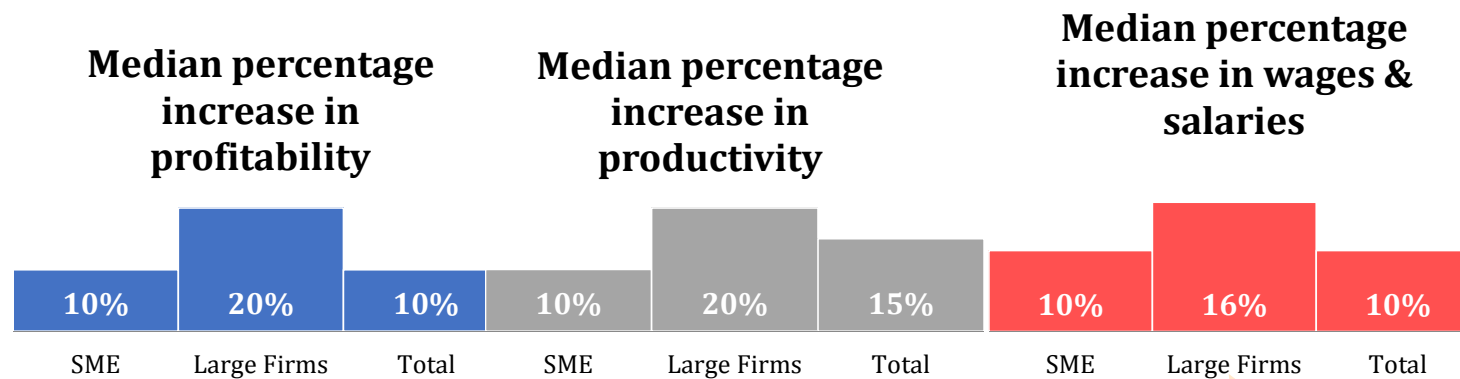
EXAMPLES OF PLWS TASKFORCE





BENEFITS OF PLWS

MONETARY BENEFITS



Firms that have implemented PLWS has shown a median increase of:

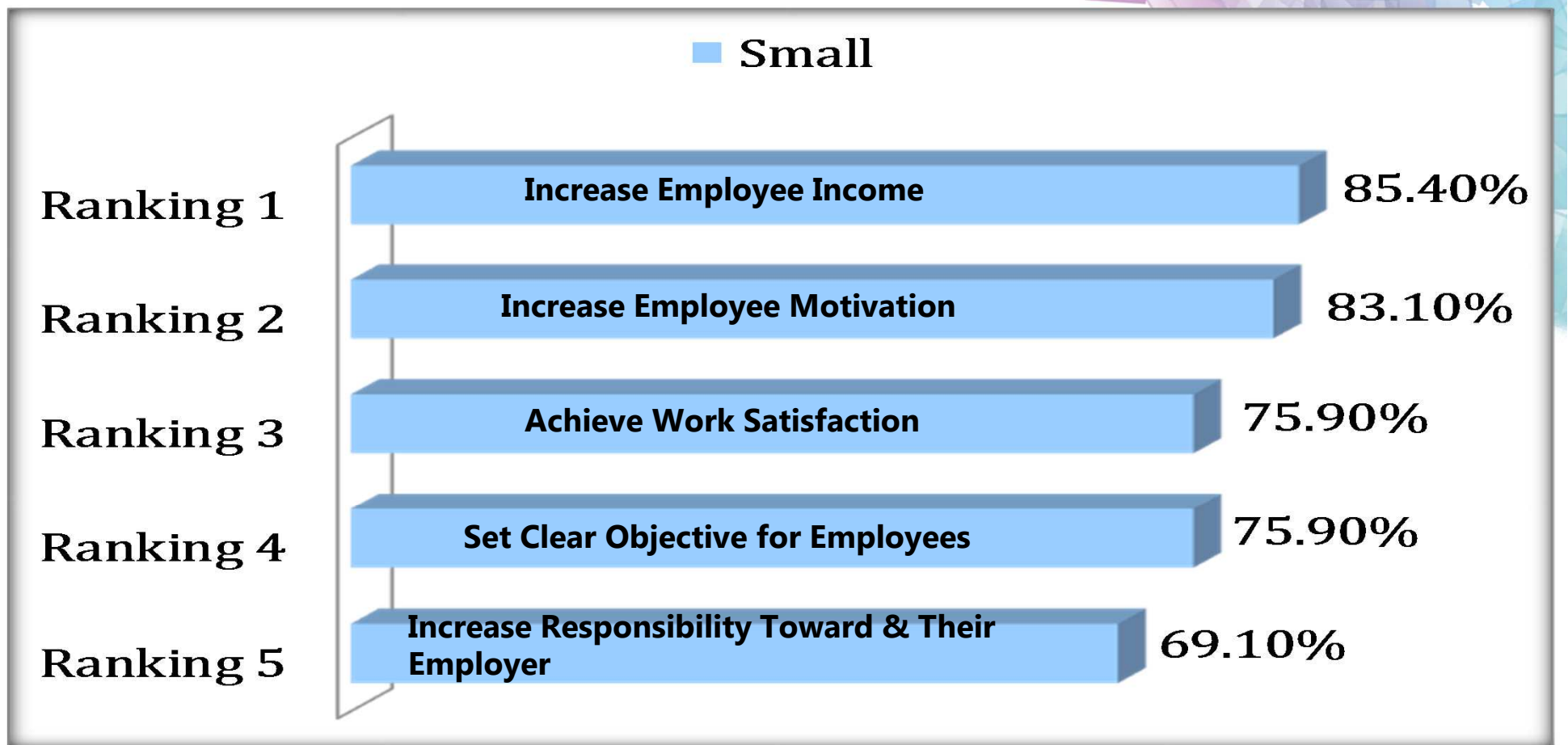
10% in profitability

15% in productivity

10% in wage and salaries

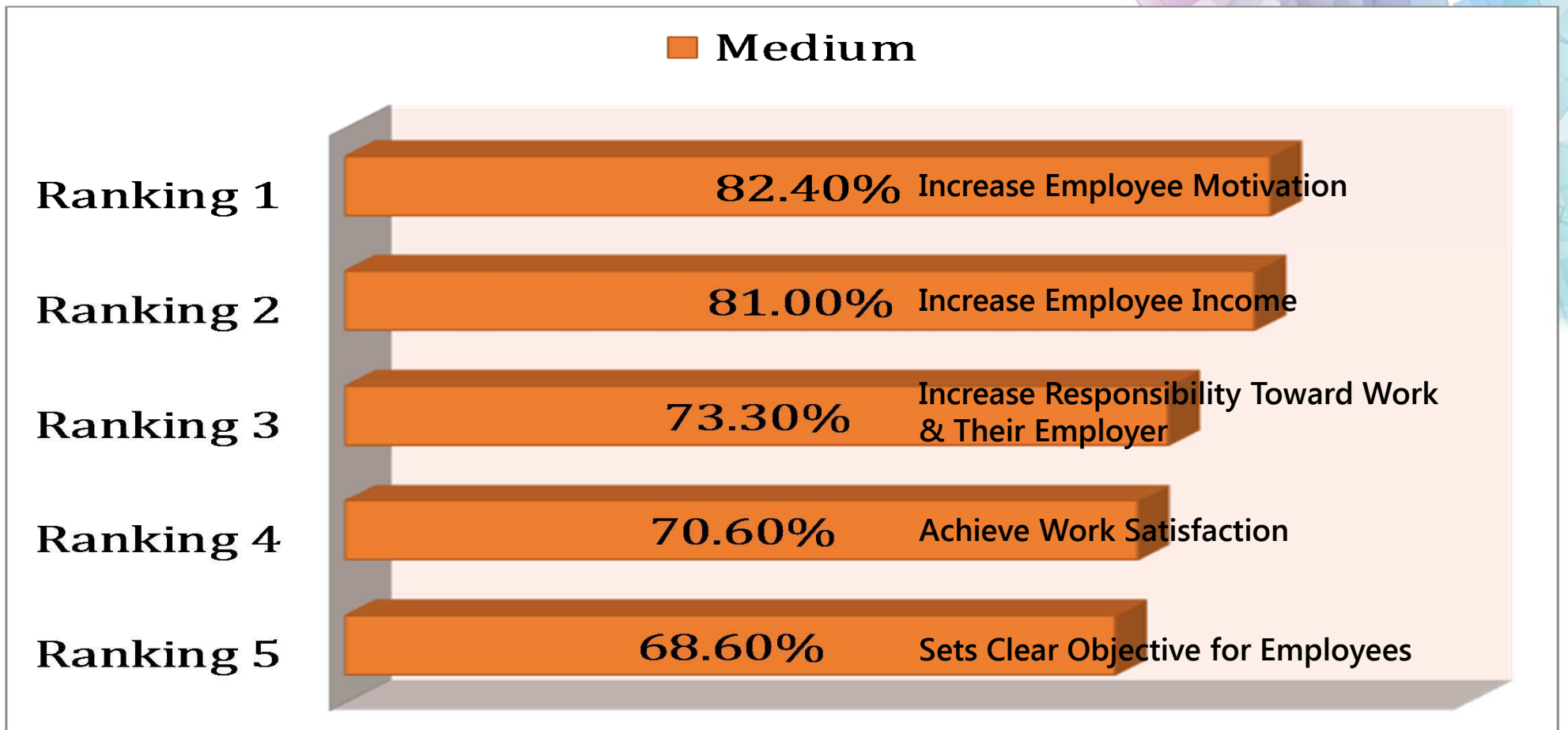
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NON - MONETARY BENEFITS



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Champion on PLWS (CHOP)

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ISSUE AND CHALLENGING

REASONS FOR **NOT** IMPLEMENT PLWS

1

Not aware and clear that PLWS will help improve productivity and performance

2

Company personnel are not knowledgeable to adopt and implement PLWS

3

No need to change present pay system to PLWS

4

Not certain if adopting PLWS will make company more competitive

5

Not certain if PLWS is a fair system for workers and employers

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REASONS FOR **NOT** IMPLEMENT PLWS

6

Cost of Implementing
PLWS Is High

8

Company's Top
Management Does Not
Support the Adoption of
PLWS

7

Company has No Need
For PLWS

9

PLWS Does Not Foster
Employees Trust in their
Employer

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High Income Economy*

CONCLUSION

- ❖ PLWS is a flexible wage system that is objective and transparent.
- ❖ Reflects a win-win situation, as payments will reflect the economic returns of the Company.
- ❖ Reduce/Maintain a healthy staff turnover rate
- ❖ Employees would be rewarded and recognized for their performance and share in productivity growth.
- ❖ Allows the company to have the competitive edge
- ❖ Cost control - Wage (labour cost) will only increase with improvement in performance and productivity increase.



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