Supply Chain and Shipping Management: A Key Factor for Logistic Innovation

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ABSTRACT—The important key to success in any business is how well the entrepreneur utilize their resources, use them professionally and bring the extreme output and at the same time removing unwanted. Effective management of supply chain is a very essential feature in any business as it is directly related with the cost of the product mass-produced and also business plan and the prominence of logistics. Supply chain and shipping management is a concept that is valuable for shipping companies operations and success. By reconnoitering present studies it recognized several factors which are of great importance for effective execution of logistics service and shipping management. These factors include present and potential competitiveness, previous investments, industry policies, overall business performance, freight rate and price volatility, internationalization, factor productivity growth and the increase of energy efficiency. This paper suggests that Innovation of supply chain and shipping is an important way to secure further competitiveness.

Index terms: Shipping management, Logistics, Logistics innovation, Supply Chain

1. INTRODUCTION

In today’s advancing technological circumstances, market imperatives and efficiency, being innovative is of utmost importance in various economic sectors. By the presence of advanced process technology and the participation and support of manufacturing management in strategy formulation, the degree and level of manufacturing flexibility changes role of logistics in organizational success(12). Thus, applied research and developments in logistics and supply chain management are crucial.

Logistics Management is the piece of store network that organizes, realizes, and controls the capable, great forward, and pivots stream and limit of stock, organizations, and related information between the motivation behind initiation and the reason for usage with a particular ultimate objective to meet customer's necessities (13,4). An expert working in the field of logistics administration is known as a logistician (14).

Although, over time, the concept of logistics is constantly evolving, logistics and shipping is remaining as a vital segment of supply chain management and trade and it plays a crucial role in company’s overall economic performance. Logistics and shipping being a fraction of supply chain management include the process of integrating the movement and maintenance of goods while logistics and shipping have an objective more prone to customer satisfaction rather than having an emphasis on competitive advantage. Thus, supply chain management is a broader term which refers to the connection, right from the suppliers to the ultimate consumer.

Supply chain management is the control and sorted out stream of material, data, and funds as they move in a procedure from provider to maker to distributer to retailer to the end client. A definitive objective of successful production network framework is to diminish the stock and waste. With the assistance of complex programming frameworks, for example, ERP, it’s less demanding to track stream of the considerable number of exercises in supply chain management. Supply chain management flows can be divided into three main flows:

a) the product flow
b) the information flow
c) the finances flow

Innovation and logistics management are intertwined. Innovation is key to develop new concepts and products required to improve overall economic performance in the logistics sector. Logistics innovation can be considered as any type of associated service from the most basic one to a more complex and challenging one as long as it is viewed as an innovative and important tool to a particular audience (5,6). The audience can be internal where innovations advance and develop operational effectiveness or external where innovations better assist and are better suited for specific customers.

Past research has confirmed that logistics influences a manufacturer's ability to satisfy customers and impacts overall performance (7). As one of the most internationalized industries, shipping and logistics can't just be seen from a thin viewpoint but instead from a wide perspective of world improvement, particularly in the universal exchange segment (8). The investigation of shipping and logistics management requires encourage exhaustive information of the world economy. The study concentrates on how PCSs affect the BPO procedure and distinguishes various key empowering influences of applying PCSs in the BPO process (11). The examinations have been directed on the impact of these three practices among Malaysian assembling firms. Subsequently, the target of this examination is to break down the impact of TQM, CE and KM on designing execution in a Malaysian semiconductor producing firm (12).
II. KEY ISSUES IN SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT

The tended to issues are in supply chain management in substantially more subtle elements. These issues traverse a substantial range of a company's exercises, from the vital through the strategic to the operational level:

The strategic level manager’s choices have significant impact on the firm. It concludes the choices with respect to item outline, what to make inside and what need to be outsourced, supplier selection, and addition to the number of suppliers, area and limit of distribution centers and assembling plants and the stream of material through the logistics system. The strategic level incorporates choices that are ordinarily upgraded every three to four months consistently. These include purchasing and production decisions, inventory policies, and logistics strategies, incorporating the recurrence with which clients are visited. The operational level dealing with by managers or group pioneers alludes to everyday choices, for example, planning, lead time citations, steering, and truck stacking. A powerlessness to characterize potential hazard and make lightening strategies for those perils that have a high probability of happening could chance business congruity and advantage. Then again, organizations that handle hazard as a best need slanted to confront main problems related to flexibility and responsiveness to erratic intrigue. In this way, little and medium size associations need to influence an overwhelming peril balance to organize that tends to irrefutably the most fundamental and essential stock system related risks including provider quality and execution, product esteem unsteadiness, more obfuscated thing and organization mix, nonattendance of saw capacity to outsourced tasks and associations, lacking physical allotment bases, and eccentric transportation cost.

III. LOGISTIC MANAGEMENT

Logistics management is the part of supply chain management that plans, implements, and controls the efficient, effective forward and reverses flow and storage of goods, services, and related information between the point of origin and the point of consumption in order to meet customers’ requirements. Logistics exists to fulfill customer demands by encouraging relevant manufacturing and marketing operations. The principle obligation of logistic is the geographical positioning of raw materials, work in progress and finished inventories at the lowest conceivable expense.

Creating logistics value is costly. Logistics represent one of the highest costs of doing business. The expenditure normally goes from 5% to 35% of sales depending on the type of business. In this manner thus logistics even though very important part for any business success remains one of the most expensive part. Logistics management includes the design and administration of systems to control the flow of materials work in progress and finished inventory to support business unit strategy.

IV. PREFERENCE OF CONTAINERS

There are several options to choose for import and export goods using containers. The most commonly used are LCL and FCL.

Full container load (FCL)

FCL refers to a single container transported by a shipper exclusively. This service is used by business that has enough cargo to fill up the whole container making it cost effective. FCL is cheaper than LCL per unit of freight. The reason is because freight agents prefer a full container rather than filling the container with different product by different clients. It turns out to be the best option for many businesses if the product or raw material is in big quantity. On the other hand it keeps the inventory high. Another advantage of full container load is the departure time is flexible and can be more carefully synchronized with the production timetable.

Less than a container load (LCL)

LCL refers to cargos filled by different clients in a single container, having benefit of shipping the cargo without paying the full freight of full container. It is cost effective for smaller cargos which cannot utilize full container. The abbreviation LCL formerly applied to “less than (railway) car load” for shipping material to multiple locations. With LCL shipment there is always a risk of damaging goods, as you have no control over the cargo loaded in the same container with your products for example loading heavy material, risk of damaging the product by other liquid products, smelly objects etc. in addition to that, the multiple destination of the cargo increase the complexity and risk late delivery, misplaced or lost.

An application of logistics to Harbor-related innovation

The concept of logistics innovation which focuses on the inter-organizational connections between port actors within the service supply chain is explored. Current analysis structure, together with the determining limits and detailed analysis of the logistic innovation is performed. Today, innovation is the most important driver of firm competitiveness in advanced world economies. In today's computing environment, firms need to complement technological innovation with non-technological innovation concerning services, people, and organization in order to persevere and prosper. Showed that international shipping transports which constitute 90% of global commerce and are of major importance for the global economy. It was discovered that sea transport generally is considered a private investment issue with public or donor investment restricted exclusively to shore infrastructure (primarily ports), policy and regulation. The privatization of ports has resulted to a mixture of governance structures in various countries. The change from public to private financing in ports is not strictly ideological on assumptions of effectiveness and overall performance of private firms correlated to public ones. In the growth and development of
terminal operating firms, there has been an enhancement in ports, expertise level, capital, and an increase in distinguished recognition of essential provision of value added services. The results emphasis on port customers’ demands so that performance attributes’ gaps can be recognized for further and comprehensive improvement. The birth of logistics can be traced back to ancient war times of Greek and roman empires when military officers titled as ‘logisticians’ were assigned the duties of providing services related to supply and distribution and resources [13].

Logistics innovation can be communicated by collection of customer’s values, interpreted and shared via the different companies. As a result of vast logistics services, inter organizational learning processes can be extended at the chain supply level. He adds that, with comparison to learning methods and developed technologies, innovation relies on consistent and supportive inter organizational structures which can be viewed as an extent of logistics innovation. Logistics innovation is expected to develop and arise from processes directed at collecting extensive insights about various logistic values of customers using communication with customers, with the interpretation of those insights through information sharing method and distribution, and across the company. Due to the variety of logistics services, inter-organizational learning processes have to happen at the extended supply chain level. The potential for innovation compared to developed technologies and learning methods relies on sufficient and supportive inter-organizational structures, which can be perceived as expediting elements in logistics innovation.

However, there are various conditions of implementation on innovation which are environmental, institutional, interaction condition and various capabilities. Environmental conditions include roads, ports, and ships, institutional conditions encompass various law regulations, social and economic values and interaction conditions including weak and strong network problems.

V. INTERNET REVELATION

The association between web revelation, benefit and money related structure in the transportation segment are additionally vital. As indicated, shipping firms are excited about making increasing monetary data available by means of the web and have huge approach suggestions for administrators, as it infers that more prominent web revelation is certainly not an only an impact of dependable and sound money related execution, yet in addition, a necessity for it. As indicated by the applied system model of the investigation directed by the previously mentioned creator, it was proposed that learning administration empowering agents, for example, authoritative structure and learning administration culture have fundamentally beneficial outcomes on the hierarchical execution highlights of imaginativeness, money related execution, and client benefit, though, then again, data innovation bolster is a constructive outcome on the hierarchical execution part of inventiveness.

VI. HARBOR ENACTMENT MEASUREMENT & THEORETICAL RESULT

In spite of the fact that there is broad acknowledgment of the capability of ports as logistics focuses, generally avowed execution estimations for such focuses are yet to be created. The quintessence of logistics and supply chain management is an integrative way to deal with the cooperation of various procedures and capacities inside a firm stretched out to a system of associations with the end goal of cost decrease and consumer loyalty. The logistics approach frequently accepts a cost exchange off examination between capacities, forms, and even supply chains. This approach could be gainful to port productivity and execution by coordinating port methodology towards important esteem included logistics exercises. The noteworthy auxiliary changes in worldwide logistics incorporate inter-modalism, vertical joining, outsourcing, logistics examples of oceanic help, operational efficiency and operational administration are altogether shown in the proposed key execution pointer display. This paper tries to demonstrate that through conceptualizing ports from a logistics and supply chain management execution, it is sensible to propose a significant system of port execution.

Implications for future research

It is trusted that the examination discoveries can help in clarifying client evaluation of administration arrangement in a more extensive assortment of ventures than just holder shipping. Also, future investigations of view of liner shipping administrations ought to consider the examples of administration worked via transporters and how they may vary starting with one bearer then onto the next. As logistics benefit capacity positively affected the execution of compartment shipping administration firms. Then again, asset and development ability were not found to have significantly beneficial outcomes on firms’ execution.

One of the elements and highlights for advance examination can be the unfavorable effects on the earth caused via freight development in universal exchange, analyzing the natural mindfulness and the ecological measures taken in the transportation business. As per Lai et al. (2011), institutional powers positively affect the inclination of transportation firms to embrace GSPs, which thusly enhances their ecological execution. At the end of the day, shipping firms standing up to administrative necessities, mechanical standards, and client weights are inclined to receiving GSPs more serious.

One of the subjects for future research can be investigating the difficulties of directors in the transportation business to actualize vitality proficient measures in dispatch activities and their parts of overseeing the two individuals and innovation under the fulfilment of their corporate social obligations.
VII. CONCLUSION

The significance and impact of shipping and supply chain are broadly discussed. Various previous studies point out that ineffective supply chains acutely hamper the capabilities of firms in developing countries to participate in world markets and become integrated into universal value chains. International shipping and logistic companies play an increasing role for emerging and developing countries, not only by providing advanced substructure and executing services by organizing and conducting worldwide supply chains. In conclusion, the shipping business is crucial for the development of economic activities, such as international trade, because it is required for the transport of cargo from production to consumption. Thus, to obtain successful shipping and logistics management, it is crucial to determine the demand for shipping and the overall shipping system.

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