Human Capital Training Management

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Abstract — Human resources development is an important in the corporation. Employee training is a form of lifelong education effort undertaken by a company to continuously update its employees’ knowledge and skills. This article describes the management of employee training conducted by the PT Kereta Api Indonesia, using qualitative methods. The training program was systematically arranged from the planning phase, the implementation phase, and the evaluation phase. Training is essentially a united system where each component is equally important as each has its own function. Human capital training is done according to the need of participants and the institution, so it can be meaningful training in the end. An effective training management will bring about the improvement in the employees’ knowledge and skills.

Keywords — Training and development, human capital, training management

I. INTRODUCTION

Human resource becomes one of the key factors in determining the successful operation of a corporation. Human resources include staffs and employees. Employees’ performance determines the sustainability of the corporation. Thus, companies are always encouraged to develop the quality of their human resources. Training is the effort chosen by many corporations and other organizations in Indonesia, not to mention PT. Kereta Api Indonesia, to develop their human resources.

Training and development is a form of lifelong learning held by PT. Kereta Api Indonesia to maintain and improve the quality of its employees. The broader the knowledge, the greater the job performance. Dragomiroiu, Hurloiu, & Mihai highlight, “if the knowledge that employees possess is good for the organization, the logical solution seems to be: to give the employees the opportunity to gain as much knowledge” [1].

However, training cannot necessarily improve employees’ performance. Training managerial plays the biggest role. How the training is developed should be started from identifying the problem, setting the goals and objectives, developing the materials, selecting the trainers, choosing the venue of the training, implementing it and also evaluating the training and should be arranged into a united model of training.

There are some studies related to the development of human resources. Babes-Bolyai University developed training for managers with failure authority stories [2]. In 2015, Department of Management Studies, Indiana Institute of Technology Roorkee reviewed the integrated model which was developed by highlighting the relationship between the perception of accessibility to training, support for training perception, the perception of the benefits of training, and the implications of training on the quality of mediation services through organizational commitment [3].

Some universities in Italy conducted a study on training and concluded that training is essential for human resources in promoting and expanding lifelong learning [4]. Hawaiian university developed a cross cultural education and training program [5]. The other related studies in references [6] to [9] also elaborated the same issue regarding human resources development training. Overall, training as a crucial program for human resources development needs a proper management. In its implementation, the administrative should consider the training principles [9]. Thus, this article shows how the human capital training management that has been done at PT KAI to improve the employee performance.

II. METHOD

This study took place at the Managerial Training Center PT. KAI Indonesia. This study aimed to observe the training management at the Managerial Training Center. The researcher employed qualitative method to collect the data. The study focused on the training management which influence the employees’ performance at PT KAI Indonesia, in this case, the managerial employees.

Fundamentally, this research tried to disclose how the training management model was carried out by PT. Kereta Api Indonesia. The data was gathered through an interview, engaging the training managerial at the Managerial Training Center PT. KAI. The data was analyzed by comparing the results of empirical study with that of theoretical study. This
The Managerial Training Center PT. KAI applied deductive approach during the needs analysis stage since this approach allowed the administrative to identify the training needs in general involving a broader scope. When establishing the training needs to the trainees who have the same characteristics, these trainees would be offered some aspects to be considered together. It was assumed that the results of the identification applied to all trainees who owned similar characteristics.

In the aspect of training design, the respondents stated that the general purpose of the implementation of this training was to improve their knowledge and abilities in the administrative skills. The decision of training material was prepared in such a way that the results of the training can be applied when the employees return to their workplace. Based on the respondents’ statements, the training was held for 3 weeks or 16 weekdays and consisted of theories and practices. Besides, experts from management field were also invited to give insight to the trainees so that they could join the training effectively as the trainers or experts disseminate the materials from the syllabus using the principles inherent with the andragogical approach for adult learners.

The selection of the methods and techniques was based on the consideration that this training was intended to encourage, foster interest in learning, create a conducive learning climate, promote creativity, encourage reflective learning, as well as encourage the trainees to overcome their lacks in learning [16]. In line with this notion, the selection of the suitable training method was very crucial in helping the training achieve the goals. From the description of the research findings, it was revealed that the methods and techniques in the Human Capital training were in the form of discussions, lectures, discussion, and case studies. According to the respondents’ statements, the training strategies implemented in the teaching and learning process during the training were classical strategies such as teacher centered-approach and student centered-approach, human resource business processes, recruitment, pension mutation, text layout, disciplinary punishment, pay role, organization, reward and punishment and assessment.

According to the statement of the managerial of the training as well as the trainees, the recruitment
The process of the trainees was held in line with the recruitment procedure conducted by the users in which the candidates of the trainees were invited by the HRD Division and they had to follow the administrative procedures determined by the training executives. Recruitment of training participants can be the key that could determine the success of the next phases of the training. In this recruitment process, the administrative set several requirements that must be fulfilled by the participants, particularly related to the characteristics of participants who had possibility to attend such training [17].

Kamil (2010: 19) points out, “evaluation of a training program is an activity to assess the entire training from the beginning to the end, and the result becomes the input for the development of further training”.

From the description of the research findings regarding the evaluation of the training, respondents noted that the aspects of evaluation were the trainees’ understanding of the training materials, the implementation of the training, and the evaluation of the alumni who were rated by the users. The evaluated components were the trainees (attendance, attitudes, knowledge and behaviours) who were assessed through a pre-test and a post-test, the implementation of the training (process and results), facilities (services, facilities, and readiness) and impact evaluation (conducted by the users to assess the alumni’s performance). The evaluation instrument used in the evaluation process of this training was an instrument distributed by the committee, which assessed each component from the beginning of the training until the last day of training implementation.

It was observed that the stages of the evaluation process conducted by the Managerial Training Center PT. KAI were in line with the theory of “The Four Level Techniques Evaluation Training” stated by Kirkpatrick. The evaluation describes the four stages in the evaluation process, namely reaction, learning, behaviour and result.

Reaction. It is defined as a reaction or response of the trainees in a training program. How well the trainees liked the training program measures the participants’ level of satisfaction. Assessment at this level is also determined by several indicators, including the instructor during training implementation, training facilities, training schedules, instructional media, training materials, beverages and meals, assignments, case studies, handouts in the learning process.

Learning. At this second level, the evaluation process aims to measure the trainees’ level of understanding of training materials. The evaluation instruments are pre-test and post-test. At this level trainer is the key factor in the evaluation process, why is that? This is because the trainer is the source of information during the transformation process of knowledge and skills to the trainees.

Behaviour. At this third level of evaluation, the assessment covers how significant the changes of the trainees’ attitudes when they return to their workplace after completing the training program.

Result. This fourth level in the evaluation process assesses the impact of the training program to the organization or corporation. At this level, the assessment is conducted covering the improvement in the quality and the quantity of work.

The general model of training management at the Managerial Training Center PT. Kereta Api Indonesia can be seen in Figure 1.

IV. CONCLUSION

The training management at the Managerial Training Center PT. KAI was designed in such a way by the managerial in order to develop its employees’ performance.

The training was developed based on the results of needs analysis of the employees and the corporation so that the training would give significant benefits to both the employees and the corporation. The training program was began with needs analysis, setting the goals and objectives, selecting the training participants, deciding the media, trainers, methods, learning facilities and learning materials, and developing the evaluation instruments.

The training management at the Managerial Training Center PT. KAI was categorized ‘good’. It could be seen from the gradual improvement on the quality of the training management which did not only please the employees but also increase their motivation to reach the optimal performance.

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