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HUMANRESOURCE DISCLOSURE PRACTICE QUALITY OF BANGLADESHI
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AC7665589GEOMATIKAUNIVERSITY COLLEG Table of Contents Abstract 1 Introduction. 1 Problem statement 2 Research Question. 2 Purposes of the study. 2 Discussion. 4 Implications.

4 Conclusion. 4 Reference. 5 Abstract Importance of sustainable approach to entrepreneurship is growing. With this trend importance of sustainability reporting, which includes reporting on human resources also increases. Where human resources are fundamental for any company, newinformation needs exist for the company's shareholders and stakeholders. They demand information on questions related to the creation of value where intangible assets, especially the human element, is of maximum importance, and about social responsibility compliance, where information about the employees is fundamental. In this study I examined the existence and extent of reporting on human resources in annual reports of the garments sector companies registered under the Dhaka Stock Exchange of Bangladesh which belong to selected industrial sectors.

Under this study I investigated the potential determinants of the level of disclosure on human resources practices. Theresults point out that HR disclosure quality level is very low among the sample companies. The ordinary least squares regression (OLS) analysis results indicate that the level of HR disclosure quality is associated with company's employees expenses as a proportion of its total operating expenses", whereas profitability, do not have significant influence on its level of HR disclosure quality. Keywords –

HRDisclosure Quality, Intellectual Capital, Bangladesh, Employees' expenses. IntroductionIn the knowledgeeconomy, with the increasingly important role of knowledge, professional skillsand abilities in product manufacturing and service delivery, effectivemanagement and reporting of human capital is imperative for organizationsseeking for performance enhancement. In this sense, the study on corporatedisclosure of intellectual as well as human capital has received growingresearch attention.

Nevertheless, the extant research of intellectual or humancapital disclosure focuses on the antecedents or influencing factors of engaging the reporting activities and international or industry segmentcomparisons of the reporting practices. The resulting performance implication of human capital disclosure is still not well addressed, theoretically orempirically in developing countries such as Bangladesh.

Human, materials, machines, implies money and strategies are the assets required for anassociation. These assets are comprehensively ordered into two classifications, viz., vivify and lifeless (human and physical) assets. Human, also called theHR, are thought to be energize assets. Others, in particular, materials, machines, cash and strategies are thought to be lifeless or physical assets. Assets areon the whole human, material, genuine and fiscal components that can beattracted and utilized the creation of monetary products to fulfill socialneeds (Dobrota, 1999, p. 159). Because of the new economy, learning basedeconomy it has been presumed that HR turns out to be progressively morecritical in deciding the aggregate estimation of an association.

HR alludes toan arrangement of information and fitness, aptitudes and preparing, advancementand capacities, states of mind and aptitudes, learning capacity and inspiration of the general population who frame the association (lonel et al., 2010). Inspite of the fact that the specialized establishments, hardware or money relatedcapital are imperative, HR, specifically, essential (Armstrong, 2001). The conventional approach is to regard individuals as simple" consumption" or in the bookkeeping approach inclination asnegligible costs attested by (Manolescu, 2003). Joint human asset worldview isinadequate and restricted. It takes your psyche to a consumable asset composeat a cost and thusly the organization as far as limiting expenses. As a matter of fact it is around a basic vital component in the organization's future, it is about HR. HR incorporate the consolidated learning, aptitude, innovativeness, creativity and capacity of every worker of a firm to leadroutine exercises.

It additionally incorporates the organization's esteems, itsway of life and theory (lonel et al., 2010). So the disclosure of humanresource capital is a vital need now a days. Problem statementBangladesh is adeveloping country and it has many natural resources. As a result of that manynew companies in different industrial sectors are evolving in the countryspecially garments as there are lots of demand from the foreign countries. There are being recruited many workers as well as professionals.

As a result it is sensible to trust that Bangladeshi companies demonstrate a bit by bitdeveloping enthusiasm for detailing devices on HRD in their yearly reports as there are less disclosures about human resource capital in the

company's financial statements. After shedding some light on the importance of disclosure the question that needs to be answered is: What is the level of HR disclosed quality in annual reports of the Bangladeshi stock registered garments companies and are the companies' characteristics associated with the level of HR disclosure quality. Research Question Q1. What is the level of HR disclosure quality in annual reports of the Bangladeshi stock registered garments companies? Q2. Are the companies' characteristics associated with the level of HR disclosure quality? Purposes of the study In view of less research has concentrated on the nature of HR disclosure, driven by this contention explored the level of HR disclosure quality in Bangladesh.

The examinationadditionally distinguished the variables that impact the level of HRdisclosure. Subsequently the overall objectives of the present investigationare as per the following: To determine the levelof HR disclosure quality in annual reports of the Bangladeshi stock registeredgarments companies. 2. To determine whethercertain company characteristics associated with the level of HR disclosurequality. H1. There is a positive association betweencompany's profitability and level of HR disclosure quality. ProfitabilityIn earlier studiesreported mixed results of the relationship between HR disclosure and profitability. For example, Williams (2001) noticed a significantly inverse relationshipthrough investigating 40 UK companies.

Sonnier et al. (2007) reach to similarfindings through examining 143 hightech companies in the US. HoweverGarcia-Meca et al. (2005) and Li et at (2008) found a significantly positive relationship in spain and UK respectively.

Ahmed (2009), Hossain (1998), OwusuAnsa' (1998).

Inchausti (1997), Raffournier (1995); Wallace and Nascr (1985)and Wallance(1987) used Profitability in disclosure studies as independent variable. Hossain (1998) identified that profitability is capable of influencing the level of corporate information disclosure. Owusu-Ansah (1998) found that unprofitable companies are also inclined to release more information to defend their poor performance.

Lang and Lundholni (1993) noted that theinfluence of a company's profitability level on disclosure can be positive, neutral or negative, depending on its performance. But the study of Belkaouiand Kahl (1978) found a negative relationship between profitability and levelof reporting. H2.

There is a positive association betweencompany's employee expenses ratio and level of HR disclosure quality. Employee ExpensesJindal et al. (2012) intheir investigation uncover that human capital disclosure Score is decidedlycorresponded with the employee expenses as an extent of their aggregate workingexpenses. This basically implies the organizations in which employee expensesconstitute a greater part of operating expenses are the ones which reveal moreon the HC front. Other investigation of Wright and Snell (2005) demonstratedthat value in knowledge based economy can be made by better training, development and retention of the employees.

This improved estimation of firm, withbetter HR exercises, can't be accounted for on the balance sheet. It must beaccounted for to its financial

users through HC disclosure. Consequently, HCdisclosure should increment with the expanded measure of spending on workers. With the developing information economy the employee expenses of the Indianorganizations have expanded commonly. Subsequently, this investigation guessesthat the organizations with a more noteworthy extent of their working expensesput resources into workers' pay ought to have noteworthy positive effect on thedegree of their HC disclosure quality. Discussion Based on sample annual reports of Bangladeshi companies from garments sectorswhich are listed in Dhaka Stock Exchange, the results support the expectationthat the quality level Human resources accounting disclosure is low.

The resultis supported by other study performed Md Habib-Uz-Zaman Khan in Bangladesh(2010) who examined the CSR disclosure practices of selected public listedcompanies in Bangladesh. The study reveals that the level of CSR is low amongBangladeshi companies. This study also supported by earlier studies performedin emerging economy country contexts (for example, Belal (2001) for Bangladesh, Naser and Baker (1999) for Jordan; Savage (1994) for South Africa). All ofthose studies revealed that the extent of CSRR disclosure is also very low andthis results. The company's characteristics variables are the profitability andratio of employee expenses to total operating expenses. The multivariateregression analysis show that profitability has negatively correlated with HRAdisclosure Scores and employee expenses is positively correlated with HRAdisclosure Scores. This result supported by (Jindal et at.

, 2012). Implications In summary, the objectives of this research were (1) to describe the extent of what is thelevel of HR disclosure quality in annual reports of the Bangladeshi stockregistered garments companies and (2) Are the companies' characteristics associated with the level of HR disclosure quality? As there is few previous study in the field of CSR in Bangladesh before, this study presents an overallpicture of HRA disclosure in Bangladesh and offers recommendations toregulators who are interested in improving, monitoring and enforcing theadequacy of HR disclosure in Bangladesh and also to companies who are willingto enhance the HR practices within their own companies. ConclusionHuman ResourceAccounting Information of an organization is very important factor to decisionmakers in the era of knowledge based economy. As a result, each organizationtakes serious attempt to disclose its HRA information to insiders and outsiderdecision makers. In fact, it is becoming an integral part of management report. This study initiates to reveal the disclosure quality of HR of listed garmentscompanies in Bangladesh. Its results shows that there is a positive association between company's profitability and level of HR disclosure quality and alsothere is a positive association between company's employee expenses ratio andlevel of HR disclosure quality. In addition, the results also find thefinancial companies are disclosing HRA information than nonfinancial companies and company's profitability positively influences companies to report theinformation in their annual report.

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