

Learning by doing - Dr. Ravindra Ojha

Name of the faculty	Dr. Ravindra Ojha
Position	Professor of Operations
Qualification	Ph.D
Experience & Expertise	<p>-29 years of corporate experience</p> <p>- Manufacturing excellence, Lean systems, Project Management</p> <p>-10 years of academic teaching, research, and consultancy experience</p>
Course Name and Year	Learning by doing– Production & Operations Management (PGDM 2022 onwards) and in Operations management (PGPM 2022 onwards)
Area of Difficulty/ Improvement	<p>Understanding of the concept</p> <p>Improvement in understanding a key concept in Operations by video recording a practical case.</p>
Description of the Difficulty/ Need for Improvement	<p>Theoretical understanding is fine but students are not able to see the real practical implications.</p> <p>Creating a practical situation and video recording or capturing a real case to understand the concept ensures the student understands the concept effectively and is ready for implementation.</p>
Innovation Name	Learning by doing
Description of the Innovation	<p>It is a small group assignment. The group identifies an operations-related concept (JIT, Single piece flow, Kanban etc) and looks for creating a situation to apply this concept or looks for a place where this concept is being used. The same is video captured using a mobile which all students have. This practical application of the concept provides huge learning for the students along with fun.</p>
Learning Outcomes	<p>The student group studies and understands the concept in depth.</p> <p>They identify its application or create an application.</p> <p>They work as a team that has students with different skill sets. Together they make a presentation of 5 to 7 minutes to the class.</p> <p>The group cannot forget the learnings as there is group-working and</p>

	practical doing.
Other significant outcomes	<p>Group working.</p> <p>Out of box thinking for application.</p> <p>Lots of fun.</p> <p>No investment in machines is needed. Mobile, open mind, and innovative thinking are enough</p>
Assessment of Innovation a. Is effectiveness tangible b. If YES, Evidence of effectiveness	<p>a. Effectiveness is tangible for sure.</p> <p>b. 'Learning by doing' has been appreciated by students as seen in their feedback reports. They study the concept, understand it, create the situation, or pick a real case and then record using their mobile phones. Simplicity to doing the assignment is a positive. There is lot of fun too. The concept gets embedded in their minds.</p>
Is it Replicable?	YES
Any other Remarks	<p>Simplicity (recording from mobile phones) and fun (group working) are two key drivers of this learning process.</p> <p>It is difficult to forget the concept as the students do it (learning by doing).</p>