

## COMPETENCY BASED PAY SYSTEM DESIGN AT KURSUS INDONESIA

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### ***Abstract***

*In today globalization era, competition among business is getting tighter, and it is not only about attracting customers but also attracting and retaining human capital. Kursus Indonesia have a difficulty in attract and retain their employee, and founded that their current compensation not yet satisfying their employees. This study aims to find the root cause of Kursus Indonesia's compensation problem, design a strategic compensation system and compare the new compensation proposed salary with benchmark salary. This study used qualitative research method and the data used are primary data (interview and observation) and secondary data (literature study). To process the data gained, this study used descriptive analysis with business situation analysis and current reality tree root cause analysis, job analysis and point method job evaluation. This study found that (1) The root cause of Kursus Indonesia's compensation problem is no alignment between the current compensation strategy with company's business strategy; (2) Design a Competency Based Pay system is a suitable approach to solve Kursus Indonesia's compensation problem; (3) This solution propose some improvent in Kursus Indonesia's employee salary by using Lead Pay Policy that pay above benchmark salary.*

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### **1. INTRODUCTION**

The era of globalization today becomes a reality that must be faced by every country, not least Indonesia. This era affects the increasingly tight competition among business and the bluring of boundaries to enter industry. For that each business should have strong competitive advantage to gain strategic competitiveness. Human has a very important role to face competition today, as Robert J. Eaton, once said, the only way we can beat the competition is with people (Moeljono, 2003:68). The major challanges today is to meet the increasing demand of qualified and unique human resources. Company have to be able to attract and retain its qualified employees, and compensation has a big influence to that.

Kursus Indonesia as a company engaged in bimbel or tutoring industry, was not strongly competitive yet compared to it's competitors. Table 1 shows that Kursus Indonesia does not appear on the list of five Top Brand Bimbel for teen in Indonesia from year 2015 until 2017.

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Table 1 Top Brand Bimbel for Teen Year 2015-2017

2015			2016			2017		
Brand	TBI	TOP	Brand	TBI	TOP	Brand	TBI	TOP
Ganesha Operation	31.2%	TOP	Ganesha Operation	29.3%	TOP	Ganesha Operation	32.0%	TOP
Primagama	14.1%	TOP	Primagama	24.3%	TOP	Primagama	17.2%	TOP
Kumon	11.7%	TOP	Nurul Fikri	10.5%	TOP	Nurul Fikri	12.9%	TOP
Nurul Fikri	6.8%		Kumon	6.1%		Kumon	10.6%	
Medica	4.0%		Medica	5.0%		SSC	4.2%	

Source: [www.topbrand-award.com](http://www.topbrand-award.com)

This competitiveness problem could caused by several factors within all management fields in the company. In terms of finance and marketing, the achievement of revenue target and students target has not been optimal yet, with the average target student and target revenue achievement was only about 70% in 2017. In terms of operation, Kursus Indonesia does not have a structured performance management system to help manage corporate performance. In other area, Kursus Indonesia also does not have strong technological and research and development resource that important in adapting tecnological and industry changes. In terms of human resources, Kursus Indonesia has not been able to attract and retain its employees optimally. Based on the company's internal data, in 2017 the new employee recruitment target achievement is not optimal. The average achievement of new employee target from January to September 2017 is only about 54.44%. This problem indicates that company have difficulty in attracting new employee to join Kursus Indonesia.

In addition to being less than optimal in attracting potential employees, Kursus Indonesia also has a severe disadvantage in terms of retaining their employees. for the period of 2016, Kursus Indonesia employee turnover was very high, rated 70.7%, and in the period of 2017 the rate decreasing but still very high, rated 48.7%. Kursus Indonesia has not yet capabale in making their employees stay and keep engage with the company.

Based on an employee satisfaction survey conducted by internal Kursus Indonesia, eight factors was measured to know the employees satisfaction and also measured the level of those factors importance in affecting employee productivity and performance improvement. An Importance Performance Matrix was made to analyzed the survey result as seen in Figure 1, employee preferences of the factors presented as Importance in the Y axis and employee satisfaction of the factors presented as Performance in the X axis.



Figure 1 Importance Performance Matrix  
(Source: Kursus Indonesia Indonesia (Processed))

One factor that comes in quadrant 1 is Compensation and Benefit, where it has a high importance but the result of performance or employee satisfaction against it is low, indicates that compensation and benefit factor needs to be concentrated for deeper improvement. Compensation and benefit factors obtained the lowest satisfaction score results, with above 50% dissatisfaction. This condition could make employees' motivation weakened then lead them to produce performance that is less satisfactory. So this study aims to find the root cause of Kursus Indonesia's current compensation problem, design a strategic compensation system and compare the new compensation system's proposed worth salary with benchmark salary.

## 2. LITERATURE STUDY

This study using two conceptual framework from macro level view and messo level view. The macro level framework describes the variables and factors affecting the issue, and related concepts to solve the issue in broad view as illustrated in Figure 2. In order to face the tight competition known from competitor analysis and five forces analysis, Kursus Indonesia should have a sustainable competitive advantage. As explained in the book Strategic Management: Competitiveness and Globalisation, a sustainable competitive advantage is source for a firm to achieve strategic competitiveness and earn above-average returns (Hitt, Ireland, & Hoskisson, 2002). With internal analysis and SWOT analysis could be known the current Kursus Indonesia competitive advantage condition.

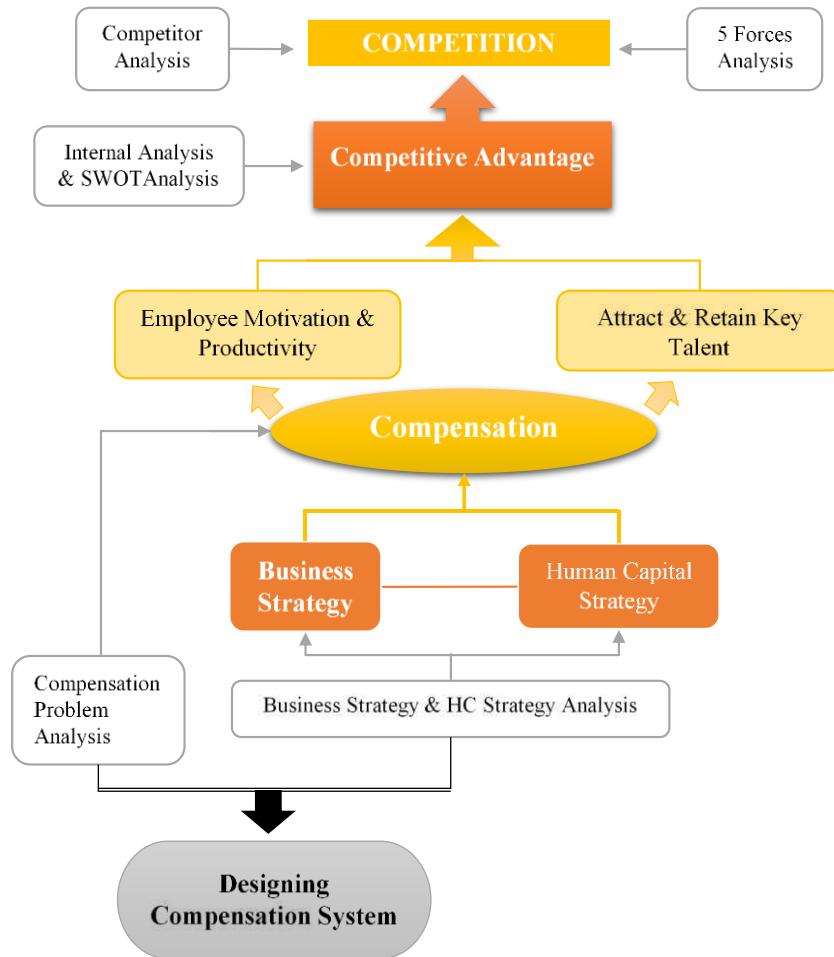


Figure 2 Conceptual Framework (Macro Level)

In terms of human resources (HR), one emphasized way to gain and sustain competitive advantage is to attract and retain key employee. Because attract and retain key talent is one of human resource matter in achieve competitive advantage. But, Alex Denni (2011) explained in his dissertation, that human resource management system which is developed in industrial era, has been transformed towards a human capital approach in the era of global and information recently. Humans who used to be called as resources before, are defined as the most valuable assets for the company nowadays. Human capital is an appropriate approach in value-creating strategy, as Kearns (2006) revealed that human capital management focuses on adding and creating value for human development (Baron, 2007).

Compensation is one of important factor in creating value of attract and retain key talent and boost employee motivation and productivity. Compensation management motivates the employees and improving organizational effectiveness (Naukrihub, 2015). Singh (2007) also stated that compensation helps to retain competent employees in the organization. With analyzing the current Kursus Indonesia's compensation system problem could be known the weakness and area of improvement to the compensation system. Therefore, the determination of compensation system used for improvement must be considered comprehensively in order to strengthen company's competitive advantage.

A currently popular theory found in almost every book and consultant's report tells manager to tailor their pay systems to align with the organization's business strategy (Milkovich, Newman & Gerhart, 2014). A compensation strategy that supports the business strategy implies alignment between compensation and overall human capital strategy. So the analysis of current Kursus Indonesia's business strategy and human capital strategy is needed to make an alignment between those strategies and compensation strategy. Milkovich, Newman and Gerhart (2014) also said that the strategic perspective focuses on those compensation choices help the organization gain a sustainable competitive advantage.

This study will solve the Kursus Indonesia's current compensation problem by designing a new compensation system in terms of base salary, not to the overall total compensation. Meso level conceptual framework shows the corresponding variables, steps, and their interrelationships in designing compensation system as seen in Figure 3.

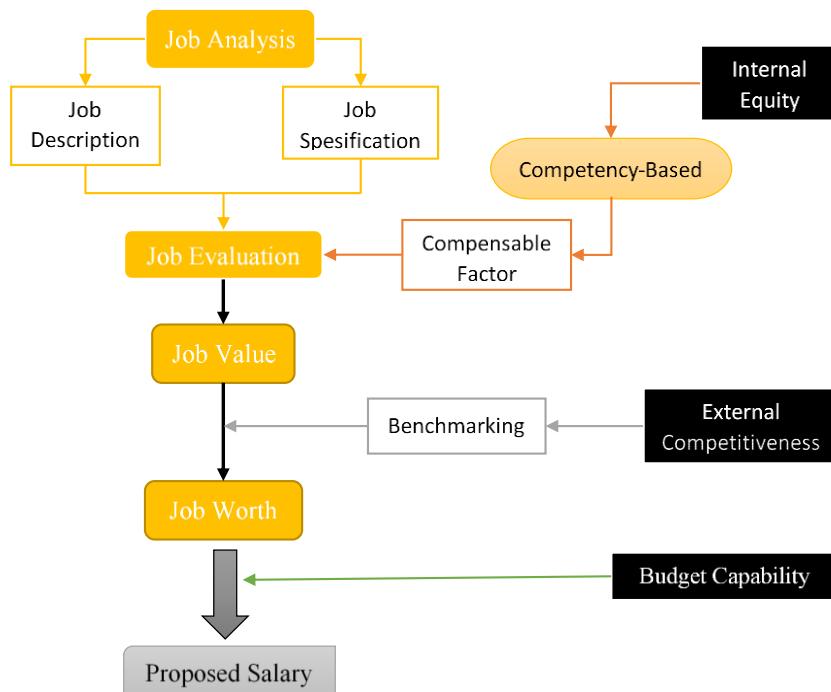


Figure 3 Conceptual Framework (Meso Level)

### 3. RESEARCH METHODOLOGY

This study used qualitative research method that emphasize the value-laden nature of inquiry and seek answers of questions that stress how social experience is created and given meaning. In the handbook of qualitative research Denzin and Lincoln describe qualitative research as involving an interpretive naturalistic approach to the world. This means that qualitative research study things in their natural settings, attempting to make sense of or interpret phenomena in terms of the meanings people bring to them (2005: 3).

Data collected in this study are primary data and secondary data. The primary data used in this research were obtained by discussion with company's executives, interview employees, and direct field observation. The primary data were about employees' view of current compensation system, job description

and job specification, current company and employees' performance, current compensation system, and other internal information. In this study, the secondary data was obtained by gathering some data from other source outside the company. Those data are benchmark salary, industry top brand data, industry situation, competitors' data and other complementary data.

To process the data gained, this study used descriptive analysis with business situation analysis that consists of environmental scanning, current business strategy and human capital strategy analysis, current compensation problem analysis and leads to the current reality tree root cause analysis. From the root cause founded, the solution is to make a strategic compensation system and it could be done by doing job analysis and point method job evaluation. Job analysis consisted by job description analysis and job specification analysis. The point method job evaluation evaluates jobs by comparing compensable factors. According to Martocchio (2013), Job evaluation committeees follow seven steps to complete the point method:

1. Select Benchmark Jobs
2. Choose Compensable Factors
3. Define Factor Degrees
4. Determine the Weight of Each Factor
5. Determine Point Values for Each Compensable Factor
6. Verify Factor Degrees and Point Values
7. Evaluate All Jobs

## **4. RESULTS**

### **4.1 Environmental Scanning**

To view Kursus Indonesia's broader business conditions of the current situation of industry competition and their current competitive advantage, the environmental scanning with internal analysis and external analysis was conducted. This study used the Porter's Five Forces analysis and Competitor Analysis in the external analysis to see the competition faced in tutoring industry.

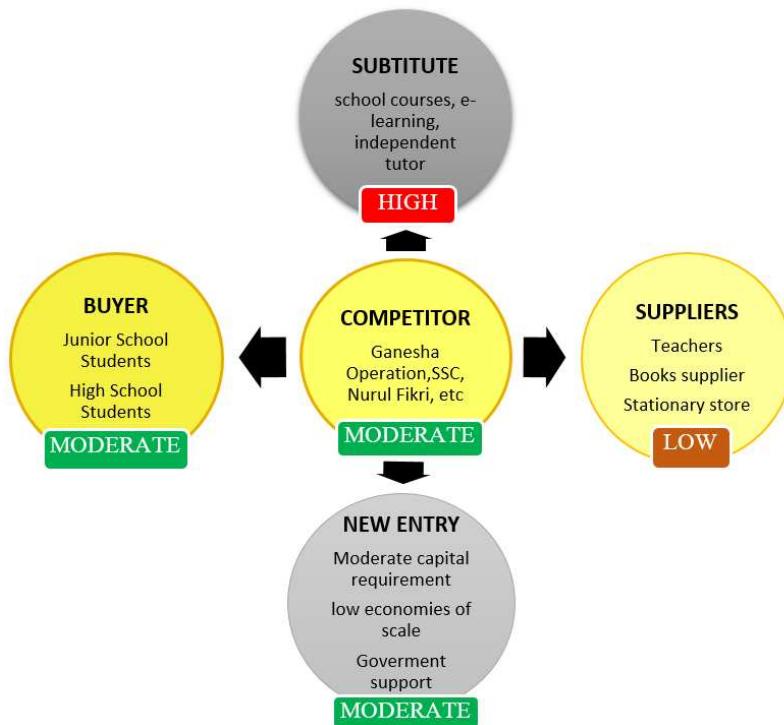


Figure 4 Five Forces Analysis Summary

Figure 4 is a summary of the five forces analysis conducted that shows the tutoring industry attractiveness and competition. In general, the stronger competitive forces are, the lower the profit potential for an industry. Based on above porter 5 forces analysis, tutoring industry is moderately competitive or attractive.

This study did a competitor analysis to Ganesha Operation, Sony Sugema College, and Nurul Fikri because of the similarity of the product, facilities, and quality with Kursus Indonesia, they also has a good brand position in the market. This study analyzed several strengths and weaknesses of those competitors.

The internal analysis process considers the firm's resources, capabilities, and core competencies as the foundation of competitive advantage. The analysis of Kursus Indonesia's resources, capabilities and core competencies was obtain from the research conducted by Zulkifli Said (2017) resulted that Kursus Indonesia does not have a sustainable competitive advantage. There is only one temporary competitive advantage, that was human resources' trust.

The data obtained from external and internal analysis are summarized in SWOT analysis. According to Jogiyanto (2005: 46), SWOT is used to assess the strengths and weaknesses of the company's resources and external opportunities and the challenges it faces. The SWOT analysis is shown in Table 2.

Table 2 SWOT Analysis of Kursus Indonesia

Strengths	Weaknesses
Homy and small class	Unstable management system
High qualified teacher from reputable university	High employee turnover rate
Talents mapping & finger reading	Employees unsatisfaction of the compensation
Student's graduation rate always above 80%	Weak in data processing and data storage management
Majority employees are young people in a productive age	Lack of performance management system
Academic and psychological approach	Difficulty in recruiting qualified employees
	Lack of strategic planning
	Lack of training program
	Lack of employee work facilities
	Unclear and unfair some company rules
Opportunities	Threats
Government regulation about UN	The products are easy to imitate
Incresing people's income per year	Government policy of school hours addition
Increasing public awareness about the importance of education	Existence of some free online tutoring
High market share opportunity for education industry	High threats of substitute products
Globalization and free market	Competitor's fast adaptation to technological change

#### 4.2 Current Business Strategy and Human Capital Strategy

As described in the conceptual framework, to obtain the right compensation strategy in a company, it is necessary to link or adjust the compensation strategy to the company's business strategy. According to Hitt, Ireland, & Hoskisson (2002), in the book *Strategic Management: Competitiveness and Globalisation*,

Business-level strategies are concerned with a firm's industry position relative to those of competitors. Firm choose from among four generic business-level strategies to establish and exploit a competitive advantage within a particular competitive scope: *Cost Leadership, Differentiation, Focused Cost Leadership* and *Focused Differentiation*.

Business strategy promoted by Kursus Indonesia is *Focus Differentiation Strategy*. Because Kursus Indonesia is different from other tutoring institution, they positioned their company as an education consultant. But Kursus Indonesia segment is more focus on Highschool students, unlike other competitors that mostly cover a wider segment. The product offered by Kursus Indonesia is also distinguished with its competitors.

Michael E. Porter (1998) described some example of value creating activities associated with the differentiation strategy, in terms of human resources management, compensation programs intended to encourage worker creativity and productivity. Indeed, Kursus Indonesia does not have a certain human capital strategy for their company. Kursus Indonesia might unaware or

underestimate the importance of their human capital in order to achieve company strategic competitiveness.

### 4.3 Current Compensation Problem

In the practice, employee dissatisfaction of Kursus Indonesia's current compensation happened because of several problems in the current compensation system. Based on the interview with three Kursus Indonesia's employees from different job and levels of position, there are some problems exists in the current Kursus Indonesia's compensation system:

1. Not all salaries match the regional minimum wage. And some are only equivalent to the regional minimum wage. (Compliance problem)
2. The majority of employees feel the salary is not fair. They said, there are some employees with different tenure but the salary remains the same. There are also jobs with the same tasks and workload but the salary is different. There is no basic clarity in the determination of salary at each position in the career path. Then the workload is not worth the salary earned because they work with much times and energy sacrificed, but gained an unworthy payment. (Fairness Problem)
3. The majority of employees also feel that the salary earned has not been able to motivate employees to give their best performance. Besides being a modest salary as well as the lack of bonus and reward system. (Efficiency Problem)
4. There is no clarity of overtime pay and payment. Payment for overtime session and wage for official traveling tend to be more often not paid (Compliance Problem)

Further more, above problems shows that Kursus Indonesia current compensation system can't fulfill the objectives of pay model defined by Milkovich, Newman and Gerhart (2011) there are *efficiency*, *fairness*, and *compliance* with laws and regulations.

From the slight overview of the current Kursus Indonesia's compensation system that present some of the forms and amount of salary for some positions, founded some strange and uncertainty in the base salary determination. The same job positions from various directorate at the same level was assessed with different salary payments. In addition, there are two employees with different working periods of about one month, but oddly the base salary of employees with a shorter working period is even greater than employees with longer tenure. There are also three OJT staff with different working period, two of them have the same working period, but gain the different salary amount. Those problem shows that the current Kursus Indonesia compensation system does not have a clear *bases for pay*.

### 4.4 Root Cause Analysis

This research use the *Current Reality Tree* (CRT) as the tool for finding the root cause of current Kursus Indonesia's business issue. The Current Reality Tree (CRT) is a logic tree designed specifically to find hidden system-level problems in complex situations (Dettmer, 2007). Steve Tendon (2012) explained that CRT relate the *Undesirable Effect* (UDE)s via a logical chain of cause and effect to *Root Causes* (RC). Figure 5 shows the root cause analysis of Kursus Indonesia's business issue.

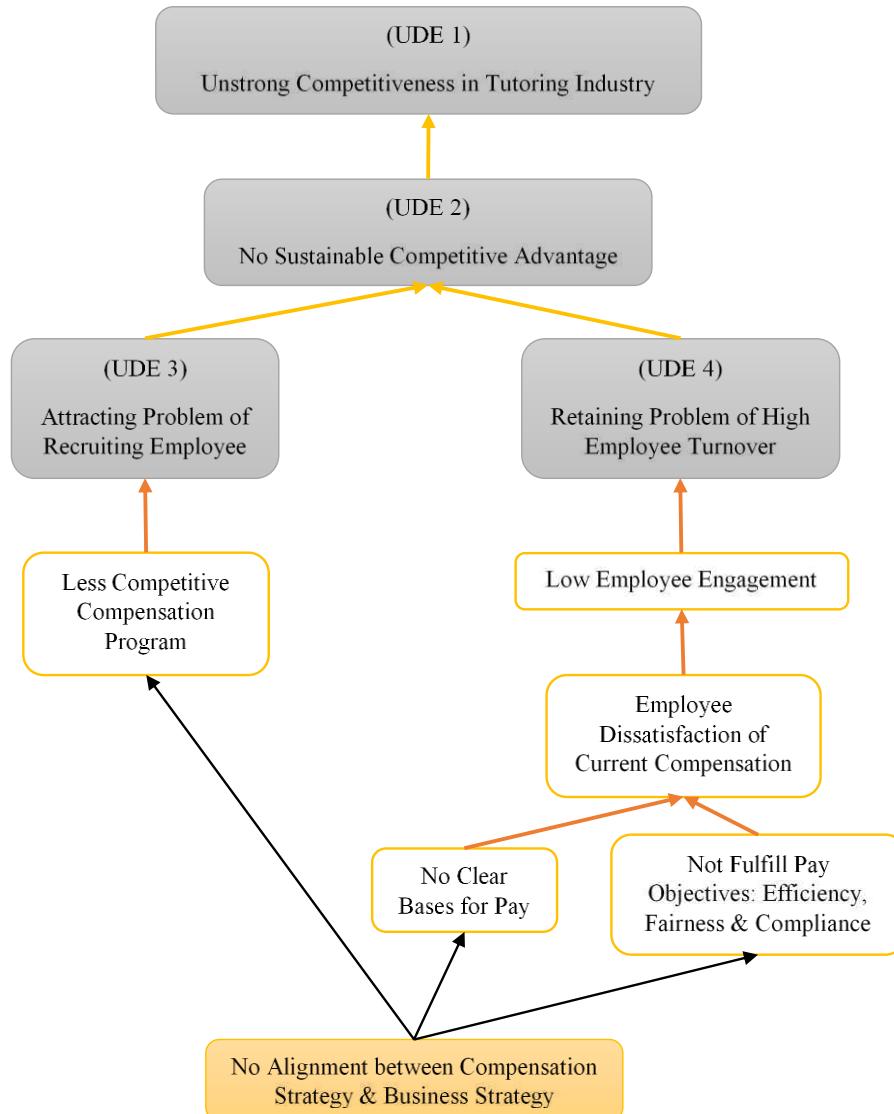


Figure 5 Root Cause Analysis

## 5. DISCUSSION

### 5.1. Alternative Business Solution

Problems with the current Kursus Indonesia's compensation system need to be addressed immediately by developing a new strategic compensation system that should aligned with company's business strategy. The compensation system itself by Berger & Berger (2000) is grouped into four major components, namely *Base Pay* (salary), *Benefit* (benefits), *Short Term Incentive* and *Long Term Incentive*. In this study, the base salary compensation system emphasized because the base salary is the main component of Kursus Indonesia's compensation system and other forms of pay has not really implemented yet in Kursus Indonesia and not have any crucial problem.

#### *Bases for Pay*

Kursus Indonesia's current compensation system does not have a clear bases for pay, then, before develop a new system, it is necessary to determine which bases for pay that suitable and needed to solve the current compensation problem. There are several bases for pay proposed by Martocchio (2013),

namely *Traditional Bases for Pay*, *Incentive Pay*, and *Person-Focused Pay*. *Person-Focused Pay* is the the bases for pay that most suitable to solve the current compensation problem. Advocates of person-focused pay programs offer two key reasons that firms seeking competitive advantage should adopt this form of compensation: technological innovation and increased global competition (Martocchio, 2013).

According to Martocchio (2013), Person-focused pay divided into competency-based, pay-for-knowledge, and skill-based pay. *Competency Based Pay* could fulfill the Kursus Indonesia's need for a pay structure that supports business strategy because it is suitable with service industry to improve employee motivation and play a central role for sustainable competitive advantage. As Ulrich and Smallwood (2004) explained that today, the integration of human resources management policies and systems with the explicit objective of creating fit and alignment between individual competencies and organizational capabilities, plays a central role for sustainable competitive advantage.

### **Pay Structures**

The pay structure used in this research is *Job Based Structure*, that relate the salary with each job value. This pay structure could hep sustain company's competitive advantage and drives the ideal behaviors to each individual in their job. As Milkovich, Newman, and Gerhart (2011) explained that job based structures is one of design pay structures that will influence employee behavior and help organization sustain its competitive advantage.

### **Job Evaluation Method**

In building an internally consistent compensation system, job evaluation is needed to be done. According to Milkovich, Newman & Gerhart (2014), there are three types of job evaluation methods commonly used by company; *Ranking Method*, *Classification Method*, and *Point Method*. Before start designing a new system, it is necessary to determine what type of job evaluation to use. After discussion with Kursus Indonesia's General Manager Human Capital (GM HC), determined that *Point Method* job evaluation is a proper job evaluation method. As mentioned in Milkovich, Newman & Gerhart (2014), the advantage of point method among other methods are; compensable factors call out basis for comparison, then compensable factors communicate what is valued.

## **5.2. Analysis of Business Solution**

### **Proposed Competency Based Pay System**

From several approaches and methods of compensation system, determined that the *Competency Based Pay* system is the pay structure that best suits the business strategy, drives employee behavior and could help attract and retain the qualified talents. To design the competency based compensation system, stage that need to be done are *Job Analysis* and *Job Evaluation*.

### **Job Analysis**

At this stage job analysis was done by collecting information about each position's job description and job specification. The job analysis was done for the benchmark jobs by interviewing human capital executive and some position's holders about the jobs's description and specification. The content of job description are task, performance indicator, authorities and work

relationship. In the job specification, the competencies determined adjusted to the level of competency that inherent with each position.

### ***Job Evaluation***

The point method evaluates jobs by comparing compensable factors. According to Martocchio (2013), Job evaluation committees follow seven steps to complete the point method.

#### ***Step 1: Select Benchmark Jobs***

The salary data was compared from three trusted Indonesia's Job Sites, which are *Jobstreet.co.id*, *Job-like.com*, and *Qerja.com*. Those sites are included in the 20 most trusted and best job sites in Indonesia that can be used as a reference based on research done by maxmanroe.com (2017). The companies choosed as benchmark are *Ganesha Operation*, *Sony Sugema College* and *Nurul Fikri*. After comparing various data of competitors salary, ten jobs chosen to be used as the benchmark jobs. There are General Manager, Senior Manager, Branch Manager, Supervisor, Educator, Academic Staff, Administration Staff, Customer Service, Freelance Tutor, and Operational. Those jobs chosen because those jobs common accross some different employers, and represent the entire range of jobs.

#### ***Step 2: Choose Compensable Factors***

There are five competencies used as compensable factors, which are *Core Competency*, *Managerial Competency*, *Functional Competency*, *Technical Competency*, and *Working Condition*. Most of those factors was refferred by *Spencer and Spencer Competency Dictionary*.

Factors defined and leveled based on Spencer and Spencer are ACH A, ACH C, CSO, FLX, AT and DEV for Core Competency, OA, IMP, INT, DIR, TL for Managerial Competency and INFO, SCF, EXP, TW, CO for Functional competency. Working Condition and Technical Competency factors was arranged by discussion with Kursus Indonesia's GM HC, the subfactors and the levels determined based on job- and business-related. The subfactors for Technical Competency are *Education* and *Experience*. The Working Condition are consist of *Comfort Level* and *Risk Accident*.

#### ***Step 3: Define Factor Degrees***

The determination of level of every competency for each bencmark jobs was done by focus discussion with Human Capital General Manager (GM HC) and some position's holder.

#### ***Step 4: Determine the Weight of each Factor***

In this study, the compensable factors weighted by using *Expert Choice* software. Expert choice software is a multi-objective decision support tool based on the Analytic Hierarchy Process (AHP). In this step, GM HC is the person who has the authority in making the desicion of factor's importance comparation and the result shows in Table 3.

Table 3 Compensable Factors and Subfactors Weight

FACTOR	Factor Weight	Sub Factor	Sub Factor Weight	Total Weight
Core Competency	38,30%	CSO	26,20%	10,03%
		FLX	9,30%	3,56%
		ACH A	14,30%	5,48%
		ACH C	15,50%	5,94%
		AT	14,70%	5,63%
		DEV	20,00%	7,66%
Managerial Competency	22,60%	OA	6,40%	1,45%
		IMP	15,30%	3,46%
		INT	19,80%	4,47%
		DIR	30,70%	6,94%
		TL	27,80%	6,28%
Functional Competency	26,00%	INFO	11,40%	2,96%
		SCF	8,70%	2,26%
		EXP	36,00%	9,36%
		TW	23,90%	6,21%
		CO	20,00%	5,20%
Working Condition	5,00%	CL	25,00%	1,25%
		RA	75,00%	3,75%
Technical Competency	8,10%	Education	50,00%	4,05%
		Experience	50,00%	4,05%

Source: Expert Choice and Calculation

*Step 5: Determine Point Values for each Compensable Factor*

The maximum point value for salary calculation gained by multiplied total weight of each subfactors with 100.000. As the maximum value determined to be the highest level of each subfactors, the lowest level of each subfactors is obtained by dividing the maximum value with 10. Scale is to be made to determine the interval value between each scale by subtracting maximum value with minimum value and to divide it by total scale minus 1.

*Step 6: Verify Factor Degrees and Point Values*

Table 4 shows the determination of factor degrees and the point values for each compensable factor.

**Table 4 Factor Degrees and Point Values**

<b>Value of Core Competency</b>										
<b>Sub Factor</b>	<b>Scale</b>									
	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
CSO	0	1003,5	2132,4	3261,2	4390,1	5519,0	6647,9	7776,8	8905,7	10034,6
FLX	0	356,2	997,3	1638,5	2279,6	2920,8	3561,9			
AT	0	563,0	1576,4	2589,8	3603,3	4616,7	5630,1			
DEV	0	766,0	1627,8	2489,5	3351,3	4213,0	5074,8	5936,5	6798,3	7660,0
ACH A	0	547,7	1251,9	1956,0	2660,2	3364,4	4068,6	4772,7	5476,9	
ACH C	0	593,7	2374,6	4155,6	5936,5					
<b>Value of Managerial Competency</b>										
<b>Sub Factor</b>	<b>Scale</b>									
	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
OA	0	144,6	405,0	665,3	925,7	1186,0	1446,4			
IMP	0	345,8	790,4	1234,9	1679,5	2124,1	2568,7	3013,2	3457,8	
INT	0	447,5	950,9	1454,3	1957,7	2461,1	2964,6	3468,0	3971,4	4474,8
DIR	0	693,8	1474,4	2254,9	3035,5	3816,0	4596,6	5377,1	6157,7	6938,2
TL	0	628,3	1570,7	2513,1	3455,5	4398,0	5340,4	6282,8		
<b>Value of Functional Competency</b>										
<b>Sub Factor</b>	<b>Scale</b>									
	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
INFO	0	296,4	741,0	1185,6	1630,2	2074,8	2519,4	2964,0		
SCF	0	226,2	735,2	1244,1	1753,1	2262,0				
EXP	0	936,0	2139,4	3342,9	4546,3	5749,7	6953,1	8156,6	9360,0	
TW	0	621,4	1553,5	2485,6	3417,7	4349,8	5281,9	6214,0		
CO	0	520,0	1300,0	2080,0	2860,0	3640,0	4420,0	5200,0		
<b>Value of Working Condition</b>										
<b>Sub Factor</b>	<b>Scale</b>									
	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
CL	0	125	500	875	1250					
RA	0	375	2062,5	3750						
<b>Value of Technical Competency</b>										
<b>Sub Factor</b>	<b>Scale</b>									
	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Education	0	405	2227,5	4050						
Experience	0	405	2227,5	4050						

Source: excel data processing

**Step 7: Evaluate All Jobs**

Those value then associated to each benchmark job's competency specification that has been determined before. All points are totaled for each job, and all jobs are ranked according to their point values.

**Job Worth and Base Salary**

To gain an externally competitive compensation system, survey for benchmark salary is needed. From several salary data, choose Ganesha Operation's salary as the benchmark salary used. Ganesha Operation is the

leader in tutoring industry as they could gained top brand award five years in a row. Assumed that GO salary is the most competitive salary that acceptable to their employee and lead to employees productivity and the corporate performance. So, in order to make the proposed competitive pay structure and boost company's competitive advantage the GO salary was chosen as benchmark salary.

The benchmark salaries then devide with each position's job value and used as the reference point or converter to calculate job salary of each position. Before calculating the salary of the jobs, the appropriate Pay Policy have to be considered. To make a solutive and strategic compensation system due to the business issue, considered that *Lead Pay Policy* is the suitable pay policy. With the policy of paying above-market rates it could maximizes the ability to attract and retain quality employees and minimizes employee dissatisfaction with pay.

So that, decided to use the highest converter value as the basis for calculate job salary. The chosen converter value is 113, then it is multiplied with every job value, resulting each job's worth salary. Table 5 shows the calculation result of worth job salary.

Table 5 Job Salary

Position	Salary Benchmark	Job Value	Benchmark/Job Value	Job Salary
General Manager	Rp10.000.000	88397,1	113	Rp10.000.000
Senior Manager	Rp6.000.000	68289,9	88	Rp7.725.362
Branch Manager	Rp4.610.000	64812,1	71	Rp7.331.933
Supervisor	Rp4.140.000	56079,0	74	Rp6.343.983
Academic Staff	Rp2.300.000	31657,6	73	Rp3.581.291
Educator	Rp2.830.000	34649,1	82	Rp3.919.715
HR Staff	Rp2.000.000	30568,8	65	Rp3.458.122
Customer Service	Rp2.360.000	28014,0	84	Rp3.169.112
Operational	Rp1.200.000	13999,3	86	Rp1.583.685
Freelance Tutor	Rp1.710.000	15357,7	111	Rp1.737.354

Those salary then compared with benchmark salaries' trendline, processed with linear regression using *Microsoft Excel*, resulted that those salary policy line was above the market pay line as seen in Figure 6

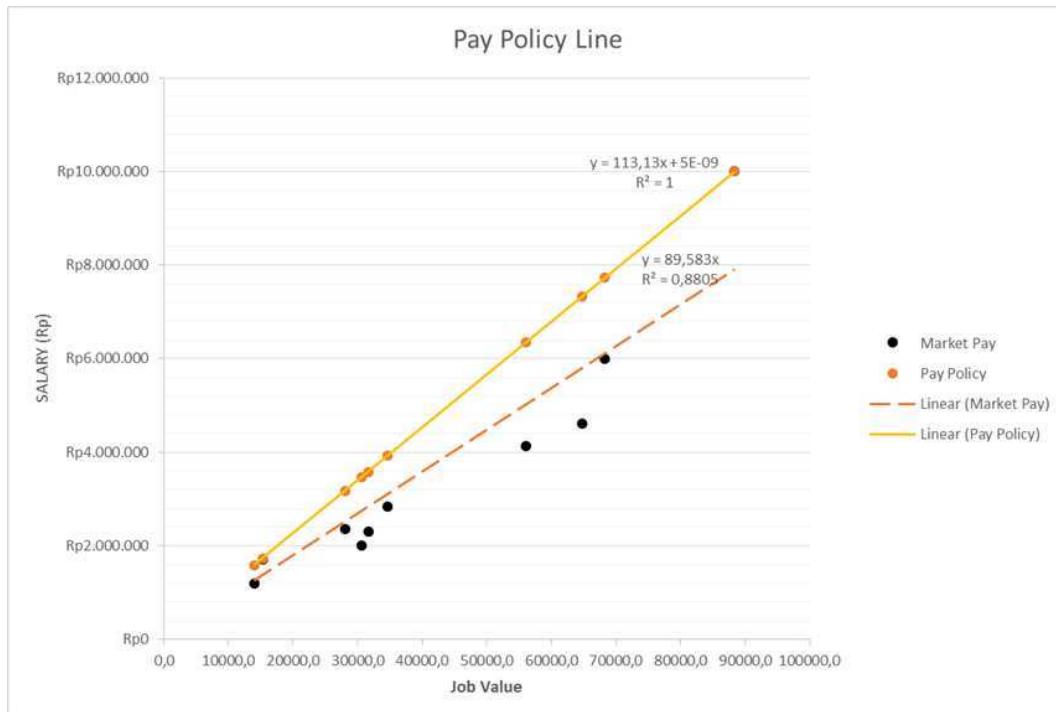


Figure 6 Pay Policy Line

Nevertheless, the application of salary calculation results to the company should have to pay attention to company's budget capability. Therefore, the scenario of pay was made thus Kursus Indonesia could adjust their pay decision with their financial condition. Table 6 shows some scenario of pay proposed with some percentage of pay compared to the worth salary and the budget needed to implement the pay scenario salaries.

Table 6 Proposed Scenario of Pay

Position	100%	95%	90%
General Manager	Rp10.000.000	Rp9.500.000	Rp9.000.000
Senior Manager	Rp7.725.362	Rp7.339.094	Rp6.952.826
Branch Manager	Rp7.331.933	Rp6.965.336	Rp6.598.740
Supervisor	Rp6.343.983	Rp6.026.784	Rp5.709.585
Academic Staff	Rp3.581.291	Rp3.402.227	Rp3.223.162
Educator	Rp3.919.715	Rp3.723.729	Rp3.527.743
HR Staff	Rp3.458.122	Rp3.285.216	Rp3.112.310
Customer Service	Rp3.169.112	Rp3.010.656	Rp2.852.201
Operational	Rp1.583.685	Rp1.504.501	Rp1.425.317
Freelance Tutor	Rp1.737.354	Rp1.650.487	Rp1.563.619
<b>Budget Needed</b>	<b>Rp1.118.415.14</b>	<b>Rp1.062.494.38</b>	<b>Rp1.006.573.62</b>
	2	5	8

In addition, due to some limitations to make job evaluation of all position in company, the pay grades was made by discussion with Kursus Indonesia's GM HC. Determined eight grades of jobs in accordance to Kursus Indonesia's career level. The pay range was made by executive consideration adjusted with company's career path and promotion policy. As shown in Figure 7 the pay range between every jobs stated from the minimum range to maximum range above and below the midpoint of pay policy line. This simulation will help the

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company or compensation officer to determine salary point for employee promotion.

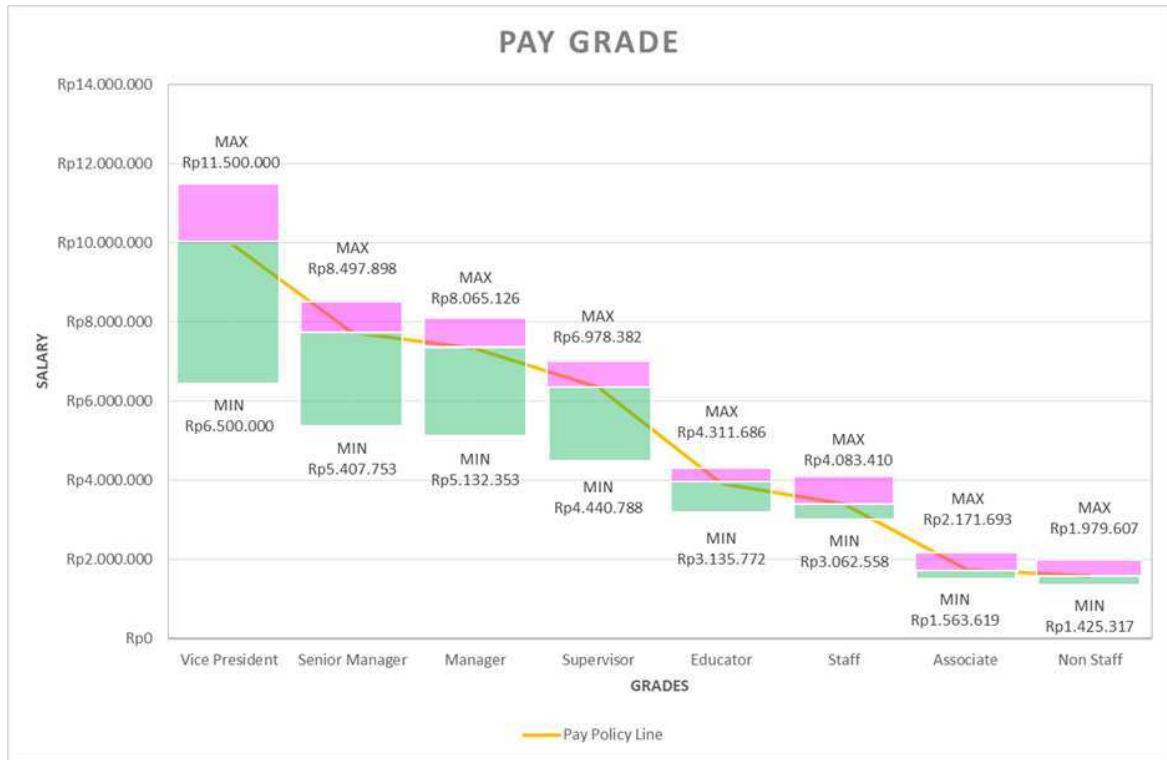


Figure 7 Pay Grade

There is still salary that below the Regional Minimum Wage for Non Staff and Associate. This grades acceptable with payment below the regional minimum wage because this positions considered as non staff in the company with no career ladder.

## 6. CONCLUSIONS

Based on the objectives of this study and the analysis, there are some outcome of this research that could be concluded:

1. From the root cause analysis, founded that the unalignment between compensation strategy and business strategy is the root cause of current Kursus Indonesia's compensation problem. This is made the current compensation system failed to bring internally fair and externally competitive compensation to the employees.
2. The proposed solution to solve Kursus Indonesia's compensation problem is by designing a *Competency Based Pay* system. This is the most appropriate approach because this system is suits to service industry to increase employee motivation and boost competitive advantage by generate competencies that support employee's needed behavior to support focus differentiation business strategy.
3. The salary recommendation result based on competency based pay system compared to the benchmark salary is more competitive, because it used a Lead Pay Policy that could maximizes the ability to attract and retain quality employees and minimizes employee dissatisfaction with pay as seen in Table 7.

Table 7 Proposed Worth Salary Compared with Benchmark Salary

Position	Salary Benchmark	Proposed Job Salary
General Manager	Rp10.000.000	Rp10.000.000
Senior Manager	Rp6.000.000	Rp7.725.362
Branch Manager	Rp4.610.000	Rp7.331.933
Supervisor	Rp4.140.000	Rp6.343.983
Academic Staff	Rp2.300.000	Rp3.581.291
Educator	Rp2.830.000	Rp3.919.715
HR Staff	Rp2.000.000	Rp3.458.122
Customer Service	Rp2.360.000	Rp3.169.112
Operational	Rp1.200.000	Rp1.583.685
Freelance Tutor	Rp 1.710.000	Rp1.737.354

To implement the new compensation system, company should have a salary budget about 1 billion Rupiah. The implementation of the new compensation system could be executed by Kursus Indonesia's General Manager of Human Capital working together with human capital directorate's team by review the system, determine salary policies, obtain top's approval, communicate, execute, and monitor the new system.

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