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Investigation on Psychological Status and Job Burnout of Managers in Petroleum Enterprises

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1. Introduction

In recent years, some petroleum enterprises have experienced a lot of loss of management personnel and low work efficiency, the main reason is that the income of managers is very uncertain and there are more and more opportunities for excellent managers to flow [1, 2]. Previous studies have shown that there are many high risk factors of job burnout and more and more serious psychological health problems among managers of petroleum enterprises [3]. Under high pressure, managers in petroleum enterprises are prone to psychological problems, if not adjusted in time, it is easy to cause fatigue, emotional alienation, poor nursing quality, and other job burnout [4]. Especially under the background of the system reform of petroleum enterprises, the job burnout of managers personnel in petroleum enterprises is more common, and its severity is worrying [5, 6]. The job burnout state of managers in petroleum enterprises will affect their own health and development, which may increase the risk of sleep disorders, hypertension, myocardial infarction, and even suicide; it will also cause serious negative social impacts such as the loss of management personnel of petroleum companies and resignation [7]. The current situation of occupational burnout and mental health of managers in petroleum enterprises, the influence of factors, and the relationship between them are all worth exploring and researching [8]. However, there are few studies on the job burnout and psychological health of this
population, and limited studies have shown that the job burnout and psychological health problems of managers in petroleum enterprises are more serious \[9, 10\]. This study focuses on how to reduce the occurrence of burnout of managers in petroleum enterprises as a foothold to carry out related research.

In this paper, we have thoroughly investigated the psychological status and job burnout of managers in petroleum enterprises. For this purpose, we have assumed managers in petroleum enterprises as the research objects, whereas the overall sampling method was adopted from January 2019 to June 2020. A total of 240 questionnaires were sent out and 236 valid questionnaires were received with a recovery rate of 98.33%. The research objects’ general information, psychological health status, and job burnout level were investigated. Among the 236 management personnel in petroleum enterprises, 212 (89.83%) were male and 24 (10.17%) were female. The average age was \((40.28 \pm 7.07)\) years old, and the number of people aged 40–49 was the largest, accounting for 52.12%; 84.32% were in marriage; Regular college or above accounted for 81.78%; no smoking or occasional smoking in the last year was 34.75%; and 60.17% of managers in petroleum enterprises never or occasionally exercise. 121 (51.27%) suffered from high burnout due to reduced sense of emotional exhaustion, 125 (52.97%) suffered from high burnout due to emotional alienation, 139 (58.90%) suffered from high burnout due to reduced sense of achievement. The scores of somatization, obsessive symptoms, depression, anxiety, and terror of the respondents were significantly higher than the normal level of domestic adults. The differences were statistically significant \((P < 0.05)\); there was no statistical significance in the scores of the other four factors compared with the national norm \((P > 0.05)\). The remaining sections or portions of this paper are organized as follows.

In subsequent section, the proposed methods implementation plan is described in detail along with definition of the various supportive parameters. Experimental and simulation results, both on the generated and benchmark data, were performed and presented a comparative study. A detailed discussion section is provided which is followed by the summary of the whole manuscript in the form of conclusion. Finally, references which are cited in the paper are presented.

2. Proposed Mechanism: Materials and Methods

2.1. General Information. With managers in petroleum enterprises as the research objects, the research was carried out with the approval of the ethics committee of our unit. Inclusion criteria:

1. Petroleum enterprise management
2. Signed informed consent

Exclusion criteria:

1. Unwilling to participate in the survey
2. The working time was less than 1 year

2.2. Methodology: Implementation Plan. From January 2019 to June 2020, the overall sampling method was adopted. A total of 240 questionnaires were distributed and 236 valid questionnaires were returned, with a recovery rate of 98.33%.

2.3. Observational Index. The research objects’ general information, psychological health status, and job burnout level were investigated.

1. General information: self-made individual characteristics questionnaire was used to collect the general information of the subjects, including gender, age, marital status, educational background, smoking status, alcohol consumption status, and exercise status.
2. Job burnout level: using the Maslach Job Burnout Scale \[11\]. The scale includes three dimensions: emotional alienation, emotional exhaustion, and reduced sense of achievement. There were 22 items, each of which was scored on a seven-point scale. Low burnout included emotional exhaustion score less than 19 points, emotional alienation score less than 6 points, and reduced sense of achievement score more than 34 points; moderate burnout included emotional exhaustion scores ranging from 19 to 26, emotional alienation scores ranging from 6 to 9, and a reduced sense of accomplishment of 26 to 34; high burnout included emotional exhaustion scores greater than 26, emotional alienation scores greater than 9, and reduced sense of accomplishment scores less than 26.
3. Psychological health status: SCL-90 Self-Rating Scale \[12\] included somatization (12 items), interpersonal sensitivity (9 items), depression (13 items), obsessive symptoms (10 items), anxiety (10 items), hostility (6 items), paranoia (6 items), terror (7 items), and psychosis (10 items); the other seven items reflect participants’ sleep and diet. Each item was scored on a 5-point scale, with a total score of over 160 points, a single factor score \(>2\) indicated that the tester had symptoms related to the factor, and the number of items with a score \(>2\) indicated the number of positive items with symptoms.

2.4. Statistical Method. The analysis was performed using SPSS 19.0 software package. Measurement data were expressed as \((x \pm s)\), and \(P < 0.05\) indicated statistically significant difference.

3. Results and Evaluations

3.1. Result of General Information. Among the 236 management personnel in petroleum enterprises, 212 (89.83%) were male and 24 (10.17%) were female. The average age was...
(40.28 ± 7.07) years old, and the number of people aged 40–49 was the largest, accounting for 52.12%; 84.32% were in marriage; regular college or above accounted for 81.78%; no smoking or occasional smoking in the last one year was 52.97%; not drinking in the last year was 34.75%; and 60.17% of managers in petroleum enterprises never or occasionally exercise. Result of general information is shown in Table 1.

### Table 1: Result of general information.

| Projects                   | Number | Rate (%) |
|----------------------------|--------|----------|
| Gender                     |        |          |
| Male                       | 212    | 89.83    |
| Female                     | 24     | 10.17    |
| Age                        |        |          |
| <30                        | 20     | 8.47     |
| 30–39                      | 62     | 26.27    |
| 40–49                      | 123    | 52.12    |
| ≥50                        | 31     | 13.14    |
| Marital status             |        |          |
| In the marriage            | 199    | 84.32    |
| Not in marriage            | 37     | 15.68    |
| Educational background     |        |          |
| Senior high school and below | 3     | 1.27     |
| Junior college             | 40     | 16.95    |
| Regular college course     | 152    | 64.41    |
| Master degree or above     | 41     | 17.37    |
| Smoking status             |        |          |
| No smoking or occasional smoking in the last one year | 125 | 52.97 |
| Smoking frequently in the past year | 111 | 47.03 |
| Alcohol consumption status |        |          |
| Not drinking in the last year | 82  | 34.75 |
| Drinking frequently in the past year | 154 | 62.25 |
| Exercise status            |        |          |
| Never exercise or exercise occasionally | 142 | 60.17 |
| Exercise regularly         | 94     | 39.83    |

3.2. Result of Job Burnout Level. 121 (51.27%) suffered from high burnout due to emotional exhaustion, 125 (52.97%) suffered from high burnout due to emotional alienation, and 139 (58.90%) suffered from high burnout due to reduced sense of achievement. Result of job burnout is shown in Table 2.

3.3. Result of Psychological Health Status. The scores of somatization, obsessive symptoms, depression, anxiety, and terror of the respondents were significantly higher than the normal levels of domestic adults. The differences were statistically significant ($P < 0.05$). There was no statistical significance in the scores of the other four factors compared with the national norm ($P > 0.05$). Result of psychological health status is shown in Table 3.

4. Discussion

The concept of job burnout was first put forward by the famous American psychologists Jackson and Maslach in 1984 [13]. In 2001, Maslach summarized that “job burnout” refers to a kind of comprehensive syndrome characterized by excessive physical and mental consumption and energy exhaustion under long-term work pressure [14]. Studies have shown that there is a high proportion of job burnout and energy exhaustion among managers of petroleum enterprises, which has a negative impact on ensuring the management quality of petroleum enterprises and the personal career development of managers to varying degrees [15, 16]. The level of emotional exhaustion, emotional alienation, and reduced sense of accomplishment of managers in petroleum enterprises is poor, indicating that managers in petroleum enterprises consume a lot of physical and psychological functions in corporate management work, aggravating their own sense of exhaustion, and reducing their sense of accomplishment causes oil company managers to show symptoms such as indifference, hostility, and lack of compassion [17]. Emotional exhaustion and high burnout suggest that the managers of petroleum enterprises have a deep sense of identity for the excessive consumption of their emotional and physiological functions; emotional alienation and high burnout indicate the objective response of managers of petroleum enterprises in enterprise management [18]; the reduced sense of achievement and high burnout indicate that the managers of petroleum enterprises no longer have enthusiasm for their work, their self-perception ability decreases, and they are more inclined to take care of their own negative critics [19, 20]. Existing research results reflect the current situation of psychological health and job burnout of managers in petroleum enterprises to a certain extent, revealing that job burnout is significantly positively correlated with mental health status, and mental health level can be used to predict the occurrence of job burnout [21]. Therefore, it is necessary to pay more attention to the managers in petroleum enterprises, enhance their career sense of achievement, and balance the relationship between life and work of the managers in petroleum enterprises, pay attention to the physical and mental health of managers in petroleum enterprises, create a harmonious working atmosphere between managers and ordinary employees in petroleum enterprises, and reduce the job burnout of managers in petroleum enterprises [22, 23]. The job burnout of the managers in petroleum enterprises will also bring a lot of negative effects to the society [24].
This study showed that

(1) Among the 236 management personnel in petroleum enterprises, 212 (89.83%) were male and 24 (10.17%) were female. The average age was (40.28 ± 7.07) years old, and the number of people aged 40–49 was the largest, accounting for 52.12%; 84.32% were in marriage; regular college or above accounted for 81.78%; no smoking or occasional smoking in the last year was 52.97%; not drinking in the last year was 34.75%; and 60.17% of managers in petroleum enterprises never or occasionally exercise.

(2) 121 (51.27%) suffered from high burnout due to emotional exhaustion, 125 (52.97%) suffered from high burnout due to emotional alienation, and 139 (58.90%) suffered from high burnout due to reduced sense of achievement.

(3) The scores of somatization, obsessive symptoms, depression, anxiety, and terror of the respondents were significantly higher than the normal levels of domestic adults. The differences were statistically significant ($P < 0.05$); there was no statistical significance in the scores of the other four factors compared with the national norm ($P > 0.05$).

5. Conclusion

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Table 2: Result of job burnout.

| Project         | Number | Emotional alienation | Emotional exhaustion | Reduced sense of achievement |
|-----------------|--------|----------------------|----------------------|------------------------------|
| Low burnout     | 236    | 36(15.25)            | 37(15.68)            | 32(13.56)                    |
| Moderate burnout| 236    | 75(31.78)            | 78(33.05)            | 65(27.54)                    |
| High burnout    | 236    | 125(52.97)           | 121(51.27)           | 139(58.90)                   |

Table 3: Result of psychological health status.

| Factors            | Respondents | National norm | t     | P    |
|--------------------|-------------|---------------|-------|------|
| Somatization       | 1.37 ± 0.48 | 1.26 ± 0.35   | 2.314 | <0.05|
| Interpersonal sensitivity | 1.56 ± 0.49 | 1.54 ± 0.52   | 0.326 | >0.05|
| Depression         | 1.54 ± 0.59 | 1.45 ± 0.48   | 2.526 | <0.05|
| Obsessive symptoms | 1.67 ± 0.57 | 1.53 ± 0.49   | 2.781 | <0.05|
| Anxiety            | 1.38 ± 0.51 | 1.24 ± 0.35   | 2.284 | <0.05|
| Hostility          | 1.43 ± 0.36 | 1.18 ± 0.31   | 1.446 | >0.05|
| Paranoia           | 1.34 ± 0.52 | 1.32 ± 0.46   | 0.346 | >0.05|
| Terror             | 1.21 ± 0.45 | 1.12 ± 0.32   | 2.072 | <0.05|
| Psychosis          | 1.24 ± 0.33 | 1.18 ± 0.31   | 1.467 | >0.05|

Data Availability

The data used to support the findings of this study are included within the article.

Conflicts of Interest

The authors declare that they have no conflicts of interest.

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