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Lecture - 27 Styles of Management - II

In this lecture we will discuss about the types of international organizations. I will differentiate between international corporation, multinational corporation, global corporation, transnational corporation. Let us start with the first definition of international corporation. A domestic firm that builds on its existing capabilities to penetrate overseas market is an international organization or international corporation.

Multinational organizations have operating units that is, subsidiaries located in foreign countries. Global corporations are a type of multinational corporation that maintains control over its worldwide operations through a centralized home office. Transnational corporations provide autonomy to independent country operations, but brings these separate operations together into an integrated whole through network structure.

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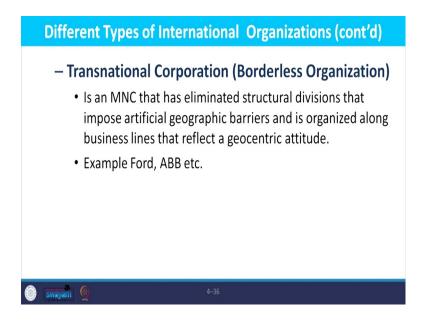


So, multinational companies maintain operations in multiple countries, multi domestic global company. So, first one that is multi domestic in a MNC that decentralizes management and other decisions to the local country or the host country for example, Nestle. Nestle is a multinational company which has its origin in Switzerland, but in each

country, they have decentralized the management and other decisions based on the local countries needs.

Global company is a multinational company that centralizes its management there is a centralized management like Sony. Sony has the parent company in Japan. So, it has centralized the decision making or centralized its management and other decisions in the home country.

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Transnational corporations are borderless organizations. If an MNC has eliminated structural divisions, there is no structural barrier that impose artificial geographical barriers and is organized along business lines that reflect a geocentric attitude. So, for example, Ford or ABB, they have adopted geocentric attitude, adopting the global best practices the global talent.

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Then how does an organization go global? Minimal global investment to significant global investment. So, there is a shift from global sourcing to strategic alliances, joint ventures, foreign subsidiaries sometimes through export, import, licensing and franchising.

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What is going global or going international? Importing and exporting. The least complex method of expansion is through import and export. Exporting firms make products and

sell abroad. What is export? Exporting is when firms make products and sell them abroad. Import is when firms sell products which are made abroad.

Licensing is when firms allow foreign organizations to make and distribute goods for a fee. Helps the home firm since it does not have to set up a complete production and distribution network for example, PEPSI Co, Cola. Franchising: Company sells a foreign organization the rights to use brand name and know-how in return for a payment and profit percentage, for example, Subway, McDonalds.

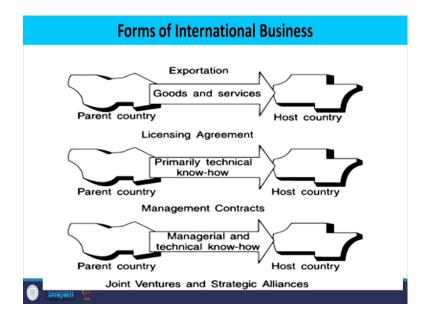
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Then what is strategic alliance? Partnership between an organization and a foreign company in which both share resources and knowledge in developing new products or building new production facilities. For example, BMW in Pakistan, Dewan Motors is a distributor of BMW in Pakistan.

Joint venture: A specific type of strategic alliance in which partners agree to form a separate, independent organization for some business purpose is called a joint venture. Foreign subsidiary: Directly investing in a foreign country by setting up a separate and independent production facility or office for example, multi domestic or global.

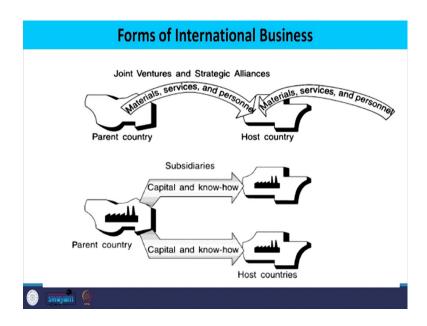
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So, there are different forms of international business: export, licensing agreement, management contracts, managerial and technique technical know-how, sharing with the parent and the host country, primarily technical know-how. So, let us see the difference in exports goods and services are exchange between the parent and the host country.

Licensing agreement primarily technical know-how will be shared between the parent and the host country. Whereas, in management contract managerial and technical know-how is shared.

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In joint ventures and strategic alliances, material, service and personnel are exchange or shared between the parent and host country. Subsidiaries: there is a sharing of capital and know-how between the parent and the host country.

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Managing in a global and specific environment. Forces which are yielding opportunities and threat in a global specific environment, competitors, suppliers, distributors and customers.

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Suppliers & Distributors

- Managers buy products from global suppliers or make items abroad and supply themselves.
 - Key is to keep quality high and costs low.
- Global outsourcing: firms buy inputs from throughout the world.
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There are some global brands like Chrysler, Gillette; when is globalization appropriate?

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Globalization works best when brands can be adopted for visual appeal, avoiding translation problems. When the brands promoted with image campaigns playing to universal needs, values and emotions. High-tech products new to the world not steeped in the cultural heritage of the country of origin.

When the products have a nationalistic flavor; if the country has a favorable reputation in the field, products are appealing to a particular market segment with universally similar tastes, interest need and values. Brands which are promoted with image campaigns like the ad which has been shown in the previous slide, the image advertising of the Chryslers product or the automobile maker Chrysler.

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So, what we discussed is, globalization is appropriate when the product is having a visual appeal or the brands can be adopted for visual appeal. Brands promoted with image campaigns, high tech products, new to the world, when the products have a nationalistic flavor, like most of the products manufactured or marketed by the Japanese companies Sony, Panasonic etcetera they have a nationalistic fervor associated with them.

If the country has a favorable reputation in the field, known for its quality products like Toyota, which is a product associated with quality and which is also which has an origin from Japan.

So, we will discuss in details how the quality management practices can be incorporated or quality management practices can also give a favorable competitive edge to the company in the latter half of the of this discussion. Products appealing to a market segment with universally similar tastes, interest, similar values.

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What are the factors influencing global business? Managing in a global general environment. Earlier we discussed what are the factors influencing the specific environment of the global business, now discussing about the global general environment political and legal systems, social cultural system, economic system factors yielding opportunities and threat.

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Political-Legal Forces in Environment

- The Legal Environment
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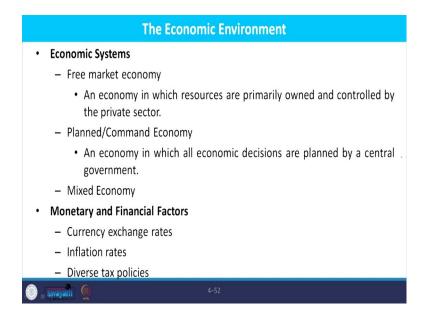
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- Totalitarian regimes: a single political party or person monopolize power in a country.
 - Typically do not recognize or permit opposition.
 - Most safeguards found in a democracy do not exist.
 - Examples include Iran, Iraq, and China.
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The economic environment of the country also influences the global trait, economic system, free market economy and economy in which resources are primarily owned and controlled by the private sector. Planned economy and economy in which the economic decisions are planned by the central government like in France, mixed economy where there is both government as well as the private control. Monetary and financial factors currency exchange rates, inflation, diverse tax policies.

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Economic Systems

- Free market economy: production of goods and services is in private ownership.
 - Production is dictated by supply and demand.
- Command economy: decisions on what to produce, how much, done by the government.
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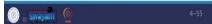
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The Social/Cultural Forces in Environment

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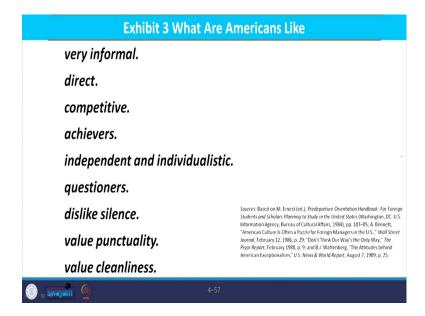
- Values: abstract ideas about what a society believes to be good, desirable and beautiful.
 - Provides attitudes for democracy, truth, appropriate roles for men, and women.
 - Usually not static but very slow to change.
- Norms: social rules prescribing behavior in a given situation.
 - Folkways: routine social conventions including dress codes and manners.
 - Mores: Norms that are central to functioning of society. much more significant that folkways.
 - More examples include theft, adultery, and are often enacted into
- Norms vary from country to country.



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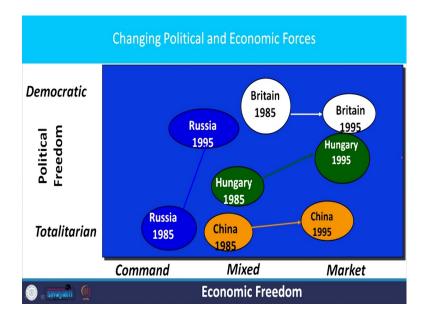
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For example, you describe Americans with their cultural association like the Americans are very informal, direct, they are competitive, they are achievers, independent, and individualistic, they keep questioning, they dislike silence, value punctuality, value cleanliness. So, these are some interpretations about Americans.

Similarly, Indians can be perceived as someone who maintains power distance, who is low in risk taking, who prefer to be more informal, who prefer to maintain relationship, family orientation. So, these are some kinds of cultural connotations associated with a group of individuals.

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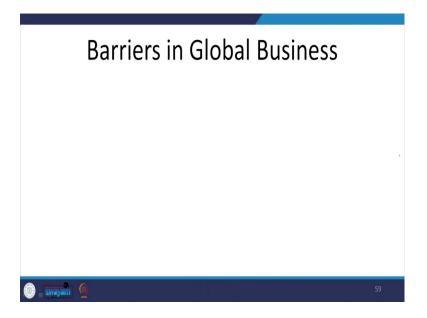


Next, we will discuss about changing political and economic forces like the economic if you plot the difference or if there is economic freedom on one axis and political freedom on the other axis. So, we move from the command to the mixed and market economy and on the other hand totalitarian to democratic approach. So, the countries can be plotted on different quadrants.

Russia in 1985 was more in the totalitarian and command economy. Later half or in later 1990s or 1995 there was a shift from totalitarianism to democratic approach and the market was more mixed. Similarly, Britain in 1985 was democratic and it maintain its democratic approach in the 1995 also.

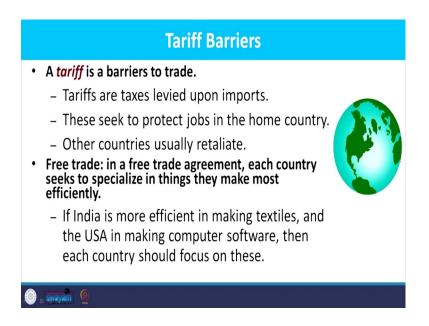
Hungary was having totalitarian approach and it has the mixed economy towards a market-based economy in 1995. So, also China, China also had shifted from the command economy to a market-based economy. So, with this we can see a difference in the difference in the global trade across different countries.

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And what are the barriers in global trade? We will discuss about the trade barriers or tariff barriers. Tariff is a barrier to trade.

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Tariffs and taxes levied upon imports. If a Japanese company intends to sell its product in America and there is a 25 percent of trade barrier or tariff barrier in imposed. So, the there be difficulty in selling the product. *Tariffs are taxes which are levied upon imports these seeks to protect jobs in the home country*.

Other countries usually retaliate. Free trade is a trade agreement each country seeks to specialize in things they make most efficiently. If India is more efficient in making textile and U.S. is good in making computer software, then each country should focus on the free trade.

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Distance & Culture Barriers

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Strategic alliances to overcome barriers in global Business

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Strategic alliance to overcome barriers in global trade: Regional Trading Alliance or trade agreements, European Union: a unified economic and trade entity Belgium, Denmark, France, Greece, Ireland, Italy, Luxembourg, Netherlands, Portugal, Spain, United Kingdoms, Germany, Australian, Finland and Sweden.

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Regional Trading Agreements like US Central American Free Trade Agreement CAFTA, free trade areas of America, a Southern Cone Committee Market Mercosur, Association of Southeast Asian Nations, trading alliance of 10 South Asian nations,

Southeast Asian nations, African Union South Asian Association of Regional Cooperation or SARRC countries.

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So, these are some of the regional trading agreements. Asian member's member countries are Myanmar, Laos, Thailand, Vietnam, Cambodia, Philippines, Brunei, Malaysia, Singapore, Indonesia.

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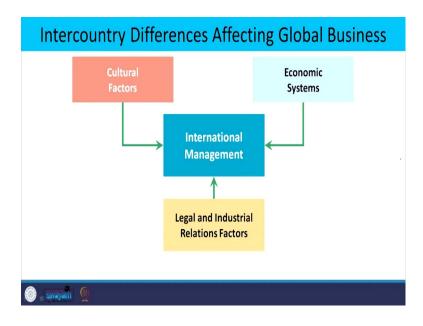
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So, understanding national culture is important for global managers, strategies to set or to design strategies for international organizations.

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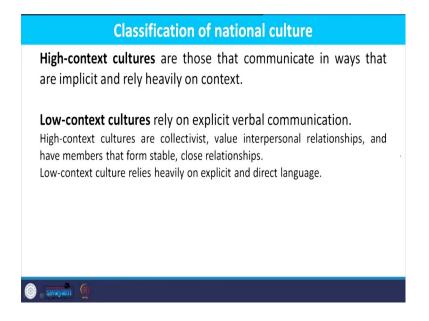
Next we will discuss about **inter country differences which are affecting global business**. Cultural factors, economic system and legal and industrial relations influence international management.

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With a specific emphasis on impact of national culture on managing business: I will lead the discussion about what is national culture. **National culture has a greater impact on employees than does the organizations culture**.

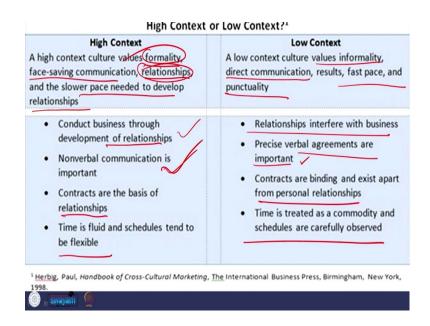
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National selected to the work for foreign companies and maybe a typical for the local or native population. With this we will discuss about the classification of national culture, a high context culture and a low context culture. What is the high context culture? Culture where communication happens in ways that are implicit and relies heavily on the context or background.

Low context culture relies on verbal communication, explicit verbal communication. High-context cultures are collectivists, value interpersonal relationship and have members that form stable, close relationship. In a low-context culture it relies heavily on explicit and direct language.

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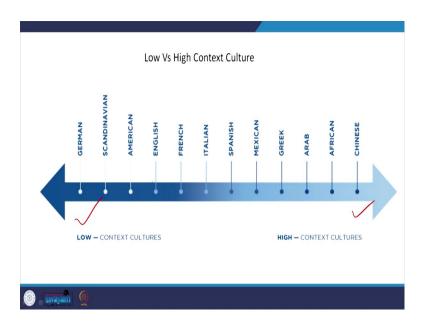
So, let us just discuss about low context and high context culture. A high context culture values formality, face-saving communication, its emphasis on relationship and slower pace needed to develop relationship. So, there is high emphasis on relationship building, formality and face to face communication.

On the other hand, a low context culture values informality, informal discussions, informal interactions, which is not bound by any rules and regulations, direct communication directly interacting with each other fast pace and punctuality. So, what are the attribute of the high context and low context culture? In a high context culture business is conducted through development of relationship whereas, in a low context culture, relationship interfere with the business.

Nonverbal communication is important in high context culture, verbal agreements are important in low context culture. Contracts are on the basis of relationship in a high

context and contracts are binding and exist apart from personal relationship. Time is fluid and schedules tend to be flexible. So, there is more flexibility, relationship orientation, there is rigidity and careful observation, go by the terms and conditions, time is related to commodity and schedules are carefully observed.

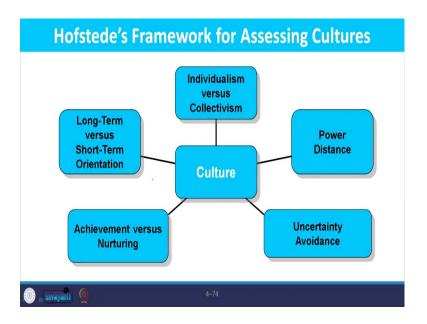
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So, we will see how the countries very across the definition of high and low context culture. Germany has a low context culture whereas, Chinese have a high context culture. Scandinavians they are on the low context culture Americans then.

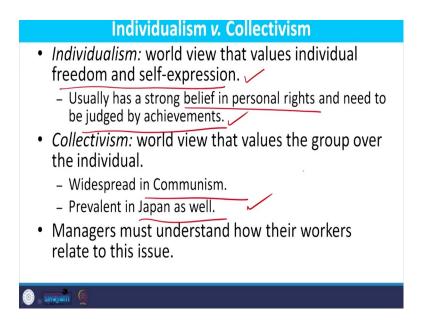
So, in terms of gradation we can see Germany, Canadian, America, English, French, Italian, Spanish, Mexican, Mexican, Greek, Arab, Africa and Chinese. So, Chinese are on a high context culture and Germen, Americans, English they are on the low context culture.

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Hofstede has also defined culture on a five dimension that is individualism verses collectivism, power distance, uncertainty avoidance, achievement versus nurturing, achievement orientation long and short-term orientation.

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So, I will discuss about what are these dimensions in more details. Individualism means where there is freedom for expression, when individual has a freedom for to express self. Usually has a strong belief in personal rights, people have a belief on the personal rights

and need to be judged by their own achievements. Collectivism is a world view that values on group over individual achievement.

So, individualism and collectivism: individualism emphasizes on self-oriented values; collectivism emphasizes on group-oriented values. So, collectivism is widespread in communism prevalent in Japan, China. Managers must understand how workers relate to this issue or dimension of individualism and collectivism.

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Power Distance

- A society's acceptance of differences in the well being of citizens due to differences in heritage, and physical and intellectual capabilities.
 - In high power distance societies, the gap between rich and poor gets very wide.
 - In low power distance societies, any gap between rich and poor is reduced by taxation and welfare programs.
 - Most western cultures (U.S., Germany, United Kingdom) have relatively low power distance and high individualism.
 - Many economically poor countries such as Pakistan, India etc have high power distance and low individualism.



So, based on this difference of individualism and collectivism, we can find that in workplace people from a different cultural background prefer to work independently. In some like Americans, Germans they are more independent; they would not prefer to work in groups whereas, people from China, Japan and India, there is more focus on collectivism, there is more emphasis on group orientation even in the workforce.

So, understanding this cultural difference is a must for the global managers because while deploying manpower in different positions, this must be taken care of. The next point to be highlighted is the power distance. What is power distance? A society's acceptance to the difference of power or to the difference in position or the position power.

A societies acceptance of difference in power or power differential or the gap between the rich and the poor in the distance with gap between the gap between the senior and the junior must be recognized.

And some countries are having a higher power distance, where as some other countries have low power distance. So, this must be acknowledged in the global trade. The U.S., Germany, UK, they have relatively low power distance and high individualism many countries like India, Pakistan they have high power distance and low on individualism.

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Uncertainty Avoidance

Societies and people differ on their willingness to take on risk.

- Low uncertainty avoidance (U.S., Hong Kong), value diversity, and tolerate differences.
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Tolerate a wide range of opinion and belief. Japan and France are more rigid because they do not tolerate people acting differently, high conformity to norms is expected. They abide by the rules and regulations, there is a more preference for certain rules regulations to be followed in the workplace and not being very ambiguous.

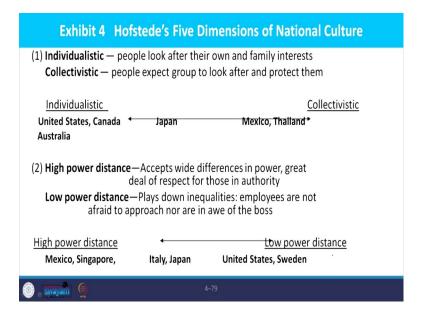
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Long Term Outlook Long-term outlook is based on values of saving, and persistence. Taiwan and Hong Kong are cultures that are long term in outlook. Short-term outlook seeks the maintenance of personal stability or happiness right now. France and the U. S. are examples of this approach.

Long-term and short-term orientation or long term and long-term outlook. Long-term orientation is based on values of saving and persistence. Taiwan and Hong Kong are cultures that are long-term in outlook short term orientation seeks to maintain personal stability or happiness.

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France and U.S. are examples of short-term orientation. Hofstede's dimension of national culture. Individualistic: that is people look after their own and family interest,

collectivistic where people expect group to look after and protect them. Individualistic countries are United States, Canada and Australia.

Collectivistic approach is found in Mexico, Thailand, Japan. High power distance accepts wide difference in power, greater deal of respect for those in authority in position, wide difference between the rich and the poor. Low power distance plays down inequalities, employees are not afraid to approach nor are in awe of the boss. High power distance countries are Mexico and Singapore, low power distance countries are United States and Sweden.

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Then what is high uncertainty avoidance? Threatened with ambiguity and experience, high levels of anxiety. Low uncertainty avoidance is comfortable with risk, tolerant of different behavior and opinion. High uncertainty avoidance countries are Italy, Mexico and France. Low uncertainty avoidance is in United Kingdom's, Canada, United States and Singapore.

Achievement: Achievement value are assertiveness, acquiring money and goods concern for materialistic values, competition and being very competitive. Nurturing values to be more relationship oriented, concern for others prevail, showing concern or to be nurturing oriented.

So, the counties which are high on achievement orientation, United States, Japan and Mexico and countries which are high on nurturing are France, Sweden.

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The last dimension of the five-dimension framework of Hofstede is long term and short-term orientation. Long term is people look for future and value thrift and persistence; short term orientation is people value tradition and the past; they wish to be in the associated with the past. Short-term thinking companies like Germany, Australia, United States and Canada and long-term thinking like China, Taiwan and Japan.

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So, across the globe if you make a comparison, there are some dimensions which we can discuss quickly that is assertiveness. Countries which are low or high on this dimension: Sweden is low on assertiveness whereas, Spain is high on assertiveness and the moderate countries is Egypt. Future orientation countries which are low on future orientation Russia and which are high on or which are moderate on future orientation Slovenia and high on say future orientation is Denmark.

Similarly, gender differences. Countries which emphasize on gender differences like Sweden, which is low on gender difference whereas, country which is high on gender difference are Egypt and Brazil or Italy is low on is moderate on gender difference. Uncertainty avoidance Russia is having a low uncertainty avoidance, high uncertainty avoidance in Mexico. The counties which are low on uncertainty avoidance; that means, they are they do not like ambiguity, they are clearer, they are less on risk taking.

Similarly, collectivism; the companies which are low on in group collectivism Denmark, moderate is Japan and high is Egypt. And performance-oriented culture: Russia is low on performance oriented and United States is high on performance orientation and Sweden is moderate on performance orientation.

So, we are giving a holistic view of how countries are rated on these dimensions of future orientation, gender differences, uncertainty avoidance, power distance, individualistic and collectivistic values, group orientation, performance orientation and human orientation. So, these understandings are important for a global manager or a manager working in a global firm so, that they can identify what type of management practices would be important how to culturally adopt to the management practices in global firm.

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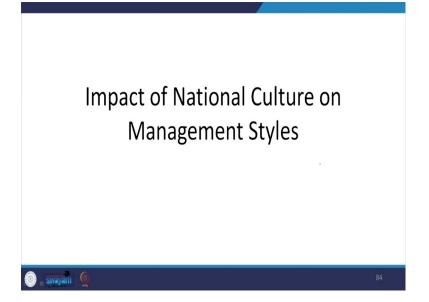
Achievement vs Nurture

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- The U. S. and Japan are achievementoriented while Sweden, Denmark are more nurturing-oriented.



Achievement oriented society's value assertiveness performance, success. The society emphasizes on result orientation, nurturing oriented societies emphasize quality of life, personal relationship, emphasis on service. So, U.S. and Japan are achievement oriented while Sweden, Denmark are more nurturing oriented.

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So, what we have discussed is the impact of national culture on management styles. In this lecture we discussed about national culture, broadly categorized into high context and low context culture, then we discussed about Hofstede's dimension of national culture, those dimensions are long- and short-term orientation, uncertainty avoidance, low and high achievement and nurturing orientation, then individualistic and collectivistic orientation, high power distance and low power distance and with this I would like to conclude the session here.

Thank you.