



Managing Accounting Necessitates A Keen Focus On Budgeting And Cost Control

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Abstract: This article provides recommendations for structuring expense budgeting in economic entities and evaluating the efficiency of resource utilization in expense control. It delves into the benefits of well-organized management accounting within economic entities, offering detailed insights into effective budgeting and expense control methods.

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Introduction

Amidst the backdrop of economic globalization, intensified competition among economic entities, and the expansion of business horizons both nationally and internationally, the implementation of cost budgeting systems emerges as a crucial contemporary management tool. In an environment marked by escalating competition, only enterprises yielding the highest economic outcomes can sustain their operations effectively. Enhancing the economic resilience of economic entities and streamlining the production process while effectively managing cost budgeting within management accounting becomes paramount.

In this context, the necessity to optimize administrative procedures and digitize management processes within public institutions through the "digital office" project was emphasized by the head of our country, Sh.Mirziyoev 1(Decree, 2023). Presently, economic entities are compelled to judiciously allocate costs, not only in response to external and internal factors but also with an eye toward flexibility in budgeting. This stems from the fact that budgeting serves as an evaluation tool for economic entities in terms of achieving target indicators, necessitating the reallocation of financial resources. Consequently, the issue of budgeting and managing the budget process assumes heightened relevance in today's context.

Over the past few years, the primary objective of local government bodies in our country has been the effective implementation of the budget process. This entails ensuring and bolstering the financial stability of the budget, fortifying the income base, enhancing tax potential, and optimizing budget expenditures. Within management accounting, the engagement of highly qualified specialists is imperative for proficient budgeting.

As a consequence of the reforms undertaken in our country, significant overhauls have been initiated in the realm of accounting, particularly in management accounting. This has involved reinforcing the regulatory framework of accounting, including the enactment of a revised version of the "Law on Accounting" and other pertinent documents (Law, 2016).

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According to Volkova (2016), management accounting, being a subset of accounting, encompasses methods, approaches, and fundamental principles essential for effective enterprise management and other socio-economic activities.

Despite the widespread utilization of budgeting in contemporary business practices, Ivanova (year) notes that a minority of companies view budgeting as a genuine instrument for enhancing business efficiency and accomplishing strategic objectives.

Kibanov (2013) defines employee cost budgeting, or HR budgeting, as the process of planning and overseeing employee expenses using indicators that gauge the contribution of human resources and personnel management services toward achieving organizational goals.

Chertok (2012) delineates budgeting as a process that establishes the planned level of variable and fixed costs, encompassing the budgeting process itself.

Abdusalomova (2016) underscores the significance of planning, or budgeting, in the market relations system, particularly in ensuring the rational utilization of assets to foster the harmonious development of business.

Nurmamatovna's methodology (2022) for executing budgets, viewed as a management accounting tool, facilitates the comparison and prediction of enterprise income and cost outcomes, enabling the establishment of target indicators.

Makhsudov (2017) emphasizes how budgeting empowers economic entities to optimize resource utilization through premeditated planning of economic processes, material and financial resources, alongside monitoring their execution.

Pardaev and colleagues assert that management accounting serves as a component of an economic entity's information system, with the efficiency of production management heavily reliant on the timely operational information received regarding the activities of structural systems, departments, and divisions within the entity (Pardaev et al.).

The research methodology employed in this study encompassed various techniques including observation, grouping, generalization, comparison, induction, deduction, and systematic analysis. Logical, gross, and systematic approaches were applied, alongside specialized methods such as analysis and assessment of economic phenomena, based on the results obtained from a systematic analysis of literature on expense budgeting.

Structural, property, and legal changes within various sectors of the economy in recent years have underscored the necessity of integrating budgeting into the planning processes of economic entities, thus prompting a more consistent focus on research in this field. Within management accounting, particular emphasis has been placed on enhancing its utility in facilitating managerial decision-making, maintaining accurate expense accounting, and reducing costs, especially in light of the significant impact of innovation technologies on cost structures and production scale.

In instances where substantial changes are made by business entities, such as the introduction of new product lines requiring additional investments, new technologies, and equipment, budgets spanning periods of five years or longer are drafted. Although the adoption of budgeting practices is still in its nascent stages, there is a noticeable upward trend in the number of economic entities utilizing budgets as primary tools for long-term planning.

Scientific research aimed at refining budgeting practices and rectifying errors within the management accounting systems of various countries worldwide has led to the emergence of strategic budgeting methodologies, leveraging modern calculation techniques to address budgeting and cost control within economic entities.

The continuous improvement of theoretical and methodological foundations, as well as practical aspects, of budgeting within management accounting, underscores its relevance to contemporary issues. The integration of management accounting functions, as a component of accounting, is crucial for accurately allocating costs, income, and results, thereby furnishing economic entities with reliable and comprehensive information essential for decision-making and operational management.

Every enterprise endeavors to achieve substantial profits, yet attaining these objectives is a

formidable task. To succeed in this endeavor, the following actions are advisable:

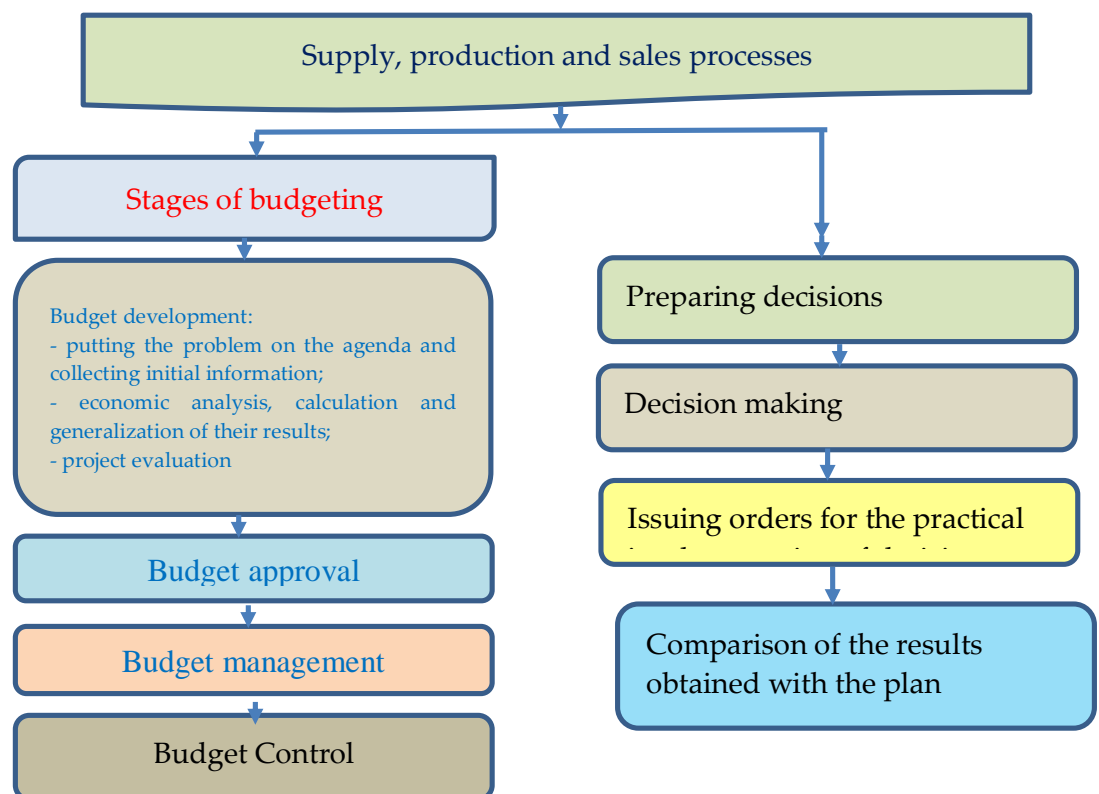
1. Organizing and refining management accounting systems tailored to the unique characteristics of each enterprise's activities.
2. Defining the primary objectives of management accounting and delineating the responsibilities of accounting specialists in maintaining accurate records.
3. Establishing a system for continuous monitoring and oversight of expenditure in production activities.
4. Implementing budgeting practices within enterprises and maintaining ongoing vigilance to ensure its effective execution.
5. Formulating scientific and practical recommendations for continuously assessing budget implementation, enhancing control over cost planning, and refining these processes.

The consistent execution of these tasks is pivotal for enterprises. One of the primary reasons why enterprises fail to achieve projected incomes is often attributed to inadequate organization or operation of management accounting systems. Moreover, improper accounting for both production and non-production costs can lead to financial instability.

Accounting policies play a crucial role in budgeting expenses within economic entities, as financial budgets are contingent upon the adopted accounting policies. However, the lack of seasoned specialists in developing accounting policies poses a significant challenge in this regard. Often, managers prioritize other issues over accounting policies, leading to a deficient understanding of fundamental accounting principles. Consequently, managers may misinterpret financial reports and budgetary data concerning income and expenditures.

The general budget holds significant importance for enterprise leaders as it enables them to precisely define the goals and objectives for the planned reporting period. Additionally, it facilitates continuous monitoring of various aspects such as the implementation of production programs, the formation of income and expenses, as well as the state of accounting and payments. This comprehensive oversight afforded by the general budget empowers leaders to make informed decisions and steer the enterprise towards its strategic objectives effectively.

Figure 1. Stages budgeting and implementation



The creation of a general budget is equally imperative for enterprise owners, as it ensures the effective utilization of invested funds. Budgeting offers distinct advantages by facilitating long-term, short-term, and medium-term planning of material, labor, and financial resources within the enterprise, while also considering factors such as competitor behavior and market demands for manufactured products. A key focus of budgeting lies in estimating the income (profit) derived from the sale of products, services, and work.

The positive aspects of budgeting are multifaceted:

- It outlines processes aimed at fulfilling the primary objectives of the enterprise.
- It coordinates the activities of various units within the enterprise.
- It encourages divisional leaders to effectively execute their tasks.
- It ensures adherence to internal procedures by employees of the enterprise.

Fundamentally, budgeting relies on the assessment conducted by unit heads within the enterprise to gauge the level of plan implementation. Taken together, the interconnected processes of budgeting, expense processing, and recalibration, tailored to the specific research object, serve to uphold the financial stability of the economic entity.

In conclusion, it is essential to acknowledge that drawing a one-sided conclusion based solely on current demand would not yield optimal results. The effectiveness of any conclusion lies in its precision and comprehensiveness. In auditing, both the internal control system and management accounting play vital roles. For instance, auditors conducting inspections at specific enterprises often collaborate with management accountants to ensure accurate determination of expenses incurred on products.

Uniformity in budgeting is crucial, enabling the seamless transition of long-term budgets into medium- and short-term ones. Additionally, budgeting should involve cost comparisons between planned and actual data across all activities of the economic entity, regardless of the planning period. The variance in methodological techniques used for long-term and short-term forecasts may stem from differences in the database utilized and its level of detail.

Budgeting of expenses allows economic entities to identify and eliminate unnecessary expenditures, thereby enhancing strategic and tactical planning and facilitating effective monitoring of organizational activities. It serves as the foundation for achieving favorable outcomes in economic entity operations.

By implementing the suggestions and recommendations provided, economic entities can further refine and regulate budgeting and expense control processes within management accounting. This, in turn, contributes to the continued advancement of economic reforms and the sustainable development of enterprises.

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