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### Summary

The present investigation was carried out in the production area of the NANTU TAMIA microenterprise, this microenterprise is dedicated to the preparation of dresses and blouses. In the aforementioned research, greater emphasis was placed on the search for strategies to increase production. To do this, it begins with the compilation of pertinent and necessary information related to work study, which allows to generate solid guidelines for the practical elaboration of the research.

Once the bibliographic research is concluded, it is of vital importance to make a diagnosis that allows to determine the initial situation of the microenterprise, for that reason begins the diagnosis helped by flow diagrams processes, method and time studies, together with the balance of the Valuable information for subsequent analysis.

After performing the data analysis the results obtained showed the current production, the activities performed by the operators with their respective standard time and the costs involved in the production of dresses. Finally the idea of a technological innovation is proposed, which implies a change of the work method, distribution of activities and as a final result to increase production.

### Keywords

Study of methods and times, Standard time, Productivity, line balance.

#### 1. Introduction

The micro-enterprise "Nantu Tamia" is dedicated to the preparation of dresses and blouses in cotton cloth, has a trajectory of more than 7 years, time in which it has realized its activities of handmade way. The significant drawback is that it does not have standardized processes. The processes and activities by the staff are done in a traditional way, as it is the way the workshop has worked the last 7 years responding to the demand of the national and international market.

In the absence of a standardized process, it can not give a precise response to the time it will take to finalize the order of its clients. Therefore, the workshop uses the expertise on the part of the owner, based on previously completed orders, which sometimes it works, while at other times additional time is required to fulfill outstanding orders, causing discomfort and dissatisfaction to customers.

In addition, it has been observed that since there are no defined activities at each job, the staff loses time in preparing material, in correcting sewing errors, and as, the following sub process depends

on the previous unproductive times are notorious in the dressmaking process .

The experience of the staff working in the workshop dates from about 5 to 7 years where the training has been sporadic and do not fit in the activities that each worker performs in certain sub processes that mark the difference of quality against the competition, The embroidery appliques are only made by one person, this generates a bottleneck, inventories in process increase drastically, and the time of delivery of the order to the client is prolonged.

## 2. Materials and Methods

### 2.1 Procedure for the study of methods and times.

#### Lifting Processes

Flow diagrams were used to describe the production process.

#### Breakdown of Tasks in Operations

The breakdown of the productive process helps determine the tasks, activities and operations with their respective initial and final milestones.

#### Making times

All operations were timed giving a standard time of 19.35 minutes, time necessary for the making of a girl dress size 8.

#### Problem Determination

To determine the root cause of the problems facing the production process, the 5 Why? Technique is used to find possible solutions.

#### Calculation of productivity

The calculation of the monofactorial and multifactorial productivity is carried out in order to determine the initial situation.

#### Improvement proposal

After analyzing the problems and their possible solutions, we opt for technological innovation, since it is the option that best results to the microenterprise.

## 3. Diagnosis

The diagnosis begins with the division of the productive process into activities and these in turn in operations, identified the initial and final milestones of each operation, proceed to perform the calculation of observations necessary to perform the time study. The activities are listed below:

- Bass Cutting
- Body cut
- Edge stitching
- Bottom seam
- Body sewing
- End stitching
- Encarrujado
- Shoulder seam
- Assembly of parts
- Review of dresses

#### Calculation of observations

Make 10 preliminary observations and with the help of the MUNDEL table the necessary observations are calculated with the following equation:

$$(A-B) / (A + B)$$

A being the upper value and B the lower value and the factor obtained indicates the number of total observations that will be timed. In the fabric lay operation A = 12 and B = 9 then the factor obtained is  $(12-9) / (12 + 9) = 0.14$ .

**Table 1** Number of observations to be made with the Table of Mundel

TABLA DE MUNDEL					
(A-B)/(A+B)	Serie inicial de		(A-B)/(A+B)	Serie inicial de	
	5 mediciones	10 mediciones		5 mediciones	10 mediciones
0,05	3	1	0,28	93	53
0,06	4	2	0,29	100	57
0,07	6	3	0,30	107	61
0,08	8	4	0,31	114	65
0,09	10	5	0,32	121	69
0,10	12	7	0,33	129	74
0,11	14	8	0,34	137	78
0,12	17	10	0,35	145	83
0,13	20	11	0,36	154	88
0,14	23	13	0,37	162	93
0,15	27	15	0,38	171	98
0,16	30	17	0,39	180	103
0,17	34	20	0,40	190	108
0,18	38	22	0,41	200	114
0,19	43	24	0,42	210	120
0,20	47	27	0,43	220	126
0,21	52	30	0,44	230	132
0,22	57	33	0,45	240	138
0,23	63	36	0,46	250	144
0,24	68	39	0,47	262	150
0,25	74	42	0,48	273	156
0,26	80	46	0,49	285	163
0,27	86	49	0,50	296	170



The average value is:

$$\bar{x} = \frac{8,80 + 9}{2} = 8,9$$

To find the normal time of operation and for this the following formula is used:

$$T_n = \frac{\text{Observed time} \times \text{Observed activity}}{\text{Normal activity}}$$

$$T_n = \frac{8,9 \times 75}{100} = 6,6733 \text{ (seg)}$$

Equation 5: Normal time (Cruelles, 2013)

It is concluded that the normal time for fabric fabrication is 6.67 seconds.

### SUPPLEMENTS

The worker can not be at all times operating in person due to his or her human condition, it is necessary that he take some breaks that allow him to recover from the fatigue produced by the tasks he performs, as well as to fulfill his personal needs.

$$(1 + s) = \text{Supplement}$$

Equation 6: Supplements (García Criollo)

Cruelles proposes three supplements assignable to a study of times and these are:

- a) Supplements for personal delays
- b) Supplements for delays due to fatigue (rest)
- c) Supplements for special delays, including:
  - Delays due to unusual contingent items
  - Delays in worker activity caused by supervision
  - Delays caused by unavoidable foreign elements, concession that can be temporary or definitive.

The figures for one or the other supplement vary according to the working conditions and the sex of the operator. For this we use the figure 1 of supplements proposed by the ILO. (García Criollo, 2005, page 224)

Fv = Valuation factor  
(1 + S) = Supplements

We perform the same calculation for all operations.

Table 5 Standard time of activity 1

1. SUPLEMENTOS CONSTANTES					
		Hombre	Mujer		
Suplementos por necesidades personales		5	7		
Suplemento base por fatiga		4	4		
2. SUPLEMENTOS VARIABLES					
		Hombre	Mujer	Hombre	Mujer
<b>A Suplementos por trabajo de pie</b>		2	4	<b>F Concentración intensa</b>	
<b>B Suplementos por postura</b>				Trabajos de cierta precisión	
Ligeramente incómoda		0	1	Trabajos precisos y fatigosos	
Incómoda (Inclinado)		2	3	Trabajos de gran precisión o muy fatigosos	
Muy incómoda (echado, estrado)		7	7		
<b>C Uso de energía muscular (Levantar, tirar, empujar)</b>				<b>G Ruido</b>	
Peso levantado [kg]				Continuo	
2,5		0	1	Intermitente y fuerte	
5		1	2	Intermitente y muy fuerte	
10		3	4	Estridente y muy fuerte	
25		13	20 (max)	<b>H Tensión mental</b>	
35,5		22		Proceso bastante complejo	
<b>D Mala iluminación</b>				Proceso atención dividida entre muchos ob	
Ligeramente por debajo de la potencia calculada		0	0	Muy complejo	
Bastante por debajo		2	2	<b>I Monotonía</b>	
Absolutamente insuficiente		5	5	Trabajo algo monótono	
<b>E Condiciones atmosféricas (calor humedad)</b>				Trabajo bastante monótono	
kata (milicallorias/cm2/segundo)				Trabajo muy monótono	
16		0	1	<b>J Tedio</b>	
8		10		Trabajo algo aburrido	
4		45		Trabajo aburrido	
2		100		Trabajo muy aburrido	

FIGURE 1: Rest Supplement System  
Source: (García Criollo, 2005, page 228)

The supplements for our case study are the following values.

1. SUPLEMENTOS CONSTANTES		
	Hombre	Mujer
Suplementos por necesidades personales	5	7
Suplemento base por fatiga	4	4
<b>B Suplementos por postura</b>		
Ligeramente incómoda	0	1
<b>C Uso de energía muscular (Levantar, tirar, empujar)</b>		
Peso levantado [kg]		
5	1	2
<b>D Mala iluminación</b>		
Bastante por debajo	2	2
<b>F Concentración intensa</b>		
Trabajos precisos y fatigosos	2	2
<b>H Tensión mental</b>		
Proceso bastante complejo	1	1
<b>Total suplementos</b>		<b>19</b>
<b>suplemento= (1+suplemento)</b>		<b>1,19</b>

FIGURE 2: Resting supplements in the fabric operation

### STANDARD TIME

The standard time is the measurement of the time required to finish a unit of work, it helps to establish precise standards; In addition, to indicate what can occur in a normal day of work, helps to improve the quality standards. (García Criollo)

$$T_s = T_o * F_v * (1 + s)$$

Equation 7: Standard Time (García Criollo)

Where:

Ts = Standard Time  
To = Observed Time

The standard time for fabric fabrication operation is:

$$T_s = 8,9 * 75 * 1,19 = 7,9 \text{ Seconds}$$

TIEMPO ESTANDAR							
ESTUDIO N°	TIEMPO ESTANDAR	MÉTODO	ACTUAL	PROPUESTO			
		SECCIÓN:	ÁREA DE PRODUCCIÓN:				
		ELABORADO POR:	ROLANDO JIMBO S.				
ELEMENTOS	Tiempo estándar (segundos)					Tiempo estándar (seg)	
	Intervalo modal (seg)	Factor de valoración	Tiempo normal(seg)	Suplementos			
1	Corte de Bajera	Tender tela en la mesa	8,9	75	6,68	1,19	7,9
		Medir tela para bajera	17,1	85	14,52	1,19	17,3
		Corte de tela para bajera	17,2	85	14,59	1,19	17,4
		Doblado de tela para bajera	17,3	90	15,59	1,19	18,6

#### 4. Results obtained

After analyzing the problems and possible solutions for the microenterprise, it is determined that the most appropriate option is technological innovation since productivity increases by 24%.

**Table 6** Summary table of the improvement proposal.

Cuadro de resumen de la tarea				
Descripción	Actual	Propuesta	Mejora	%
Tiempo estandar (min/unid)	19,35	17,8	2	8%
Total horas trabajadas (día)	24,1	22,24	1,9	8%
Unidades /hora	6,84	8,99	2,2	31%
Unidades /Turno	54,7	71,9	17,2	31%
Unidades /mes	1094,4	1438,4	344,0	31%
Total desplazamientos (m)	13	13	0,0	0%
Descripción	Actual	Propuesta	Mejora	%
Precio de venta unitario (\$/unid)	\$ 8,79		\$ -	0%
Coste de hora (\$/hora)	\$ 2,925	\$ 2,925	\$ -	0%
Coste por unidad (\$/unid)	\$ 3,89	\$ 2,96	\$ 0,93	24%
Cantidad x Precio de venta unitario (\$/mes)	\$ 9.619,78	\$ 12.643,54	\$ 3.023,76	31%
costo por unidad(\$/mes)	\$ 5.595,38	\$ 4.257,66	\$ 1.337,71	24%
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In short, the cycle time decreases from 19.35 to 17.8 minutes, units per shift increase from 54 to 71 units achieving an increase in production from 1094 to 1438 units per month, and finally reduces the cost per unit from \$ 3.89 to \$ 2.96, which means a monthly savings of \$ 1337.71.

#### 5. Conclusions

To know the real scenario of the production process, the diagnosis was made in the production area and the results show that the standard time for the making of a dress is 19.35 minutes, making 54.7 units per shift, and 1094.4 Monthly units, cost per unit is \$ 3.89, line balance percentage is 76%, and productivity is 6.84 units per hour of work.

The proposal for the organization of the work allows to increase the production in the productive process since the standard time for the preparation of clothes decreases to 17.8 minutes, making 71.9 units per shift, giving a total of 1438.4 monthly units, The cost per unit reduced to \$ 2.96, the line balance percentage increased to 92%, productivity increased to 8.99 units per hour of work, achieving a saving of \$ 1337.71 per month and \$ 16052, 54 per year.

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