

# A Study of Usage of Artificial Intelligence in Human Resource Management: Possibilities & Challenges

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Abstract: This study explores the possibilities and challenges of utilizing artificial intelligence (AI) in human resource management (HRM). The purpose of the study is to understand how AI can assist HRM in various aspects, such as recruitment, selection, performance management, training and development, and employee engagement. The research investigates the benefits that AI can offer, including increased efficiency, accuracy, and cost-effectiveness in HR processes. The study also examines the challenges that may arise when implementing AI in HRM, such as ethical concerns, potential bias in decision-making, lack of employee trust, and the need for specialized skills and knowledge. Furthermore, the research explores the impact of AI on the role of HR professionals and the potential implications for job security. The methodology used in this study is a comprehensive literature review of relevant academic articles, reports, and industry publications. The findings suggest that AI has the potential to transform HRM by enabling data-driven decision-making, automating repetitive tasks, and improving employee experiences. However, to fully realize the benefits of AI in HRM, organizations must carefully consider the ethical and legal implications, invest in employee training and development, and develop effective communication strategies. Overall, this study contributes to the understanding of the potential of AI in HRM and provides valuable insights for organizations considering the adoption of AI in their HR practices.

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#### **Introduction:**

Technology adoption and integration in business is now a need for survival, not a choice. In order to assure business continuity, survival, and growth, firms now match technology with business objectives. The firm has undergone a complete transformation due to technological improvements that have made its processes more efficient and interconnected than ever. Business technology innovations are bringing humans and machines closer

together and investigating methods to use it to increase productivity, simplicity of use, and efficiency. An illustration of this type of business transformation is the application of artificial intelligence (AI) in business.

AI is crucial in the area of human resources because it helps individuals perform to their full potential by employing a variety of tools. Human resources is where people and processes are leveraged to assure a company's growth. AI is currently used in business forecasting to help create future strategies, as well as in the field of human resource management where HRIS, HRP, and HR analytics are growing rapidly. The processes are being made simpler with the aid of artificial intelligence. Artificial intelligence (AI) is a technology that enables machines to reason, comprehend, and carry out tasks that were previously performed by people. Over the past ten years, Artificial intelligence is serving IT companies make better, faster decisions. This applies to the field of human resources as much as anything else. Artificial intelligence software has been applied by HR recruiters to speed up hiring and increase competency across the entire recruitment and selection process. AI technologies offer significant opportunities to advance human resource tasks. The validity and application of artificial intelligence in human resources are further discussed in this research. The idea of using AI in HR is not new. Yet, as technology advances, it is increasingly a standard feature of tools and applications. However, while AI can speed up decision-making and streamline procedures, it also raises some questions. The Recruitment Industry has seen a wide range of possibilities as a result of artificial intelligence. According to last year's report, 56% of HR companies are already using AI for their talent acquisition. It's predicted that by 2023, 77% of HR organisations will be using AI for their recruitment processes. The future of AI in recruitment looks promising as the tools provided by AI make the recruiting process much easier for the recruiters. It saves a ton of time that can be used resourcefully in other criteria.

#### **Role of AI in HR Functions:**

1. Recruitment: In every organisation, making future hiring predictions is crucial. The use of AI-integrated technologies enables the hiring team to evaluate the incoming resumes, compare them to those of current employees in the same job capacity, and then choose the best candidate in light of the findings. Hence, since there is no human involvement, there will be no bias. The recruitment process will go more quickly with the usage of AI-integrated solutions. Because of the costs involved in integration, the majority of firms are currently trailing in integrating AI into their HR-Practices. AI has successfully been incorporated today. AI has been successfully implemented in modern times. The time it used to take recruiters to screen resumes and choose the best one was long gone. Yet, the usage of AI in hiring has radically changed the method for choosing applicants that have the necessary skill set. If we look at the field of AI recruiting now, it may be separated into two categories: the functionality of chat boxes, and machine learning.

The firm benefits from the integration of AI in HR/HCM by moving towards automation and producing better results. AI in HR is therefore the most intriguing development to occur in the upcoming years. The workplace is being fully overrun by AI, and it has recently evolved into a hiring manager. At the moment, AI is mostly associated with the function of recruitment when compared to other HR procedures. A California-based company (A Tech Firm) has developed AI-based software that searches candidates' profiles and matches them to hiring

managers' interests. Hyderabad is another example where the successful integration of AI to HR in recruitment has benefited the companies in hiring the right Farm technologies.

- **2.Training:** AI (Artificial Intelligence) has numerous applications in the field of human resource training and development. Here are some of the ways in which AI can be used:
  - Personalized Learning: AI can be used to provide personalized learning experiences based on an
    employee's learning style, preferences, and skills. It can analyze the employee's performance and
    recommend learning materials that are most suited to their individual needs.
  - **Intelligent Tutoring:** AI can act as an intelligent tutor and provide real-time feedback to employees. It can help them identify areas where they need improvement and suggest ways to overcome any challenges.
  - Predictive Analytics: AI can analyze employee data to identify patterns and trends that can help HR
    professionals predict future training needs. This can be used to develop targeted training programs for
    employees.
  - Virtual Reality: AI can be used to create virtual reality simulations that allow employees to practice real-world scenarios in a safe and controlled environment. This can be especially useful for training employees in high-risk or dangerous situations.
  - Chatbots: AI-powered chatbots can provide employees with quick and easy access to information and resources. This can be used to answer frequently asked questions, provide training materials, and offer support and guidance.
  - Performance Monitoring: AI can be used to monitor employee performance and provide feedback. This can help HR professionals identify areas where an employee is excelling and where they need improvement.

Overall, AI can be a powerful tool in training and developing human resources. It can help organizations provide customized, effective, and efficient training to their employees while also saving time and resources.

- 3.Performance Management: Due to the adoption and use of AI, traditional methods of judging employee performance are becoming less effective. The majority of employees said that most supervisors displayed bias when conducting appraisals and that the inaccuracy rate was also very high. The main question that everyone will now be asking is whether or not integrating AI into a company's performance management systems will actually increase employees' performance. Yet the answer is that effective AI-based apps have been developed by some of the best organisations, including Microsoft, Adobe, Accenture, and Deloitte. AI will eventually be integrated into every part of HR practice through chatbots and AI-based technologies. Currently, AI integration is primarily tied to recruitment processes.
- **4.Talent management**: A company's most valuable resource is its people. Planning undertaken by the business to fulfil the demands of the workforce is known as talent management. So, HR is responsible for tasks like employee management, talent acquisition, succession planning, and more. For instance, greenhouse software makes use of AI tools (they are integrating IBM-AI capabilities through the IBM Watson Candidate Assistant).

By examining abilities, personalities, and other factors, this tool aids in choosing the best applicant for the position. It also gathers information from various sources, including social media.

**5.Decision Making Human Resource Management (HRM):** Human resource management (HRM), like the other functional divisions of a business, is tasked with making choices that will promote the expansion and profitability of the company. An organized strategy, critical thought, and a thorough comprehension of the issue are all necessary for some of the more complex decisions. Artificial intelligence (AI) and knowledge bases can be used to generate complex database models and stimuli that serve as the basis for decision-making.

**6.Learning and Development**: AI-powered tools can be used to personalize employee learning and development programs by identifying knowledge gaps and providing customized learning paths. This can help employees to develop skills and competencies that are aligned with organizational goals.

**7.Compensation and Benefits**: AI-powered tools can be used to analyze market data and internal data to make recommendations on compensation and benefits. This can help organizations to attract and retain top talent.

**8.Employee Retention**: AI-powered tools can be used to analyze employee data to identify attrition risk factors and provide recommendations for improving employee retention. This can help organizations to retain valuable employees and reduce turnover.

#### REVIEW OF LITERATURE

Laszlo Varallyai and Bilal Hmoud (2023) This study's main goals were to ascertain HR managers' general attitudes on AI adoption in HRM and to evaluate the elements that influence AI adoption from an HR managers' point of view. The four constructs of innovative characteristics, trust, technology-organizational-environment (TOE) aspects, and emphasis on HR roles within the organization make up the proposed adoption factors. In particular, Jordan, Kuwait, Saudi Arabia, and Qatar were the Middle Eastern nations where the research was done among HR managers. Data were gathered from a total of 389 respondents via an online survey. The findings indicated that most respondents had favorable opinions about AI applications in HRM. The findings of the study demonstrated that HR managers have a favorable outlook and confidence in the ability of developing AI applications to support the effectiveness, efficiency, and quality of HRM. The findings also revealed a positive assessment of the relative advantages of AI. It is also advised that researchers, decision-makers, and service providers look into the phenomena from two angles: first, the influence of attitudes on actual adoption decisions, and second, the variables affecting this influence.

Yu Jiaping (2022) studied that human resource managers' workloads will be reduced and job efficiency will be increased via research of the human resource management (HRM) process. A salary prediction model (SPM) is created using a backpropagation neural network (BPNN) based on AI digitizing technology, and the model is then optimized using the Nesterov and Adaptive Moment Estimation (Nadam) methods. The model is then validated by using the content data from the resumes to forecast the hiring salary of the candidates. The Nadam optimization algorithm has the best optimization effect and the quickest convergence speed, according to the results, with a final predicted result score of 0.75% and a training time of 186 s. Additionally, the Nadam-optimized BPNN-

based SPM performs well in the learning process and the accuracy rate can reach 79.4%, which verifies the validity of the SPM. The outcomes of this study can provide a reference for HRM systems based on data mining technology.

Worakamol et al. (2022) identified the use of artificial intelligence (AI) into human resources operations would improve enterprises due to the fact that these programs can observe, anticipate, and diagnose to help HR departments make better decisions. Assessing artificial intelligence in human resources management is the goal of this observation. The importance of artificial intelligence in human resources management has been highlighted in (HRM) and this paper, as well as the conceptual artificial intelligence (AI) application model for HRM, the challenges of implementing artificial intelligence, and the benefits of implementing artificial intelligence in HRM (HRM). This information will assist policymakers in understanding the advantages and importance of implementing artificial intelligence in human resources management.

Dabbous et al., (2022) examined the similar revolutionary potential exists for artificial intelligence to expand and possibly relocate human work in the social, industrial, and intellectual spheres. Particularly in industries like banking, human resources, healthcare, manufacturing, retail, supply chain, logistics, and the public sector, artificial intelligence technologies have the potential to have a big influence. As potential for digitization have expanded, so has the need for artificial intelligence. Enterprise processes have become more efficient, a sizable portion of corporate communications now occur through digital media, and part of the organization has transitioned to digital platforms.

Kaushal et al., (2021) found various articles related to artificial intelligence in the Scopus and Emerald databases were examined. The bibliometric analysis was combined with a thorough literature review to create the Artificial Intelligence and Human Resource Management Integration (AIHRMI) framework. Five groups of articles and research papers were found using the cluster analysis method. According to the analysis, the majority of studies in this field focused on HRM procedures, such as hiring, selecting, onboarding, training, and learning, as well as on performance evaluation, talent acquisition, management, and retention.

Niehueser & Boak (2020) evaluated employee attitudes on integrating AI into working practices and considered how AI might affect training and development. Data was acquired through semi-structured interviews the researchers performed with employees who were utilizing and weren't using AI technology (seven were using it and 109 weren't). It has been discovered that the implementation of AI significantly increased the productivity and effectiveness of work processes. Additionally, it was discovered that workers who utilized the AI technology had positive opinions of its results, demonstrating that it was simple to use, reliable, and extremely productive.

Rodney et al., (2019) highlighted the use of AI in the recruitment process, or more specifically, how AI has recently changed and transformed the hiring and hiring process. According to a report, using AI and automation for candidate evaluation and interviewing helped businesses increase their revenue streams by reducing unnecessary costs associated with the hiring process. This increased the businesses' ability to operate on a budget. It is advised to use a variety of strategies when developing abilities connected to artificial intelligence. It has also

been discovered that artificial intelligence that produces important results is connected to emotions. Additionally, the impact of artificial intelligence on the workforce is specifically examined and underlined.

## **Research Methodology:**

The study was descriptive in nature and was primarily based on secondary data. The data has been collected from 15 IT companies of Delhi-NCR. Data was collected from various research papers, magazines, articles, websites, HR blogs, and survey reports published by various research organizations.

## **Objectives of the Study:**

- 1. To study the concept of artificial intelligence.
- 2. To study the role of artificial intelligence in human resource management.
- 3.To study the benefits and limitations of artificial intelligence in human resource management.

# Benefits of Usage of Artificial Intelligence in Human Resource Management

As computers use data to mimic human learning and analysis, they make your job less stressful and more efficient. That happens because you make decisions more quickly when you're confident all the data has been considered. And employees, on their side, have a better experience when you automate and customize processes. Here's a look at some of the areas AI can improve within your HR operations.

## 1. Streamlining hiring and removing biases in recruitment

Hiring new employees is competitive right now. Taking too long to find the right candidate may mean they're off the market before you even reach them. From screening resumes to scheduling interviews to answering potential candidates' questions, AI can cut down on the time you spend shifting through data and doing routine recruitment tasks. It can also eliminate biases to ensure you find the right candidate. Here's how:

- AI-enabled screening can narrow down your applicant lists by sorting out those with the most relevant skill sets.
- If programmed right, screening software considers candidates based entirely on qualifications and eliminates unconscious bias that can sometimes affect the initial screening process.
- AI can perform background checks or other analyses to ensure the candidates you talk to are the most qualified.
- Chatbots can answer potential hires' questions, schedule interviews, and communicate key information with them before and after the interview.

All this saves time and keeps the process fair. And a person can focus their efforts on conducting the interviews and choosing the right candidates.

## 2. Simplifying HR functions

AI tech is available 24/7 and able to eliminate human errors from everyday processes, it can create a better HR experience for employees and managers.

Reducing the time managers and HR spend away from work to coordinate schedules frees them up for more important tasks. And employees aren't left waiting as they try to make plans.

#### 3. Improving onboarding processes

A new employee's onboarding experience has a big impact on their job satisfaction and performance, and subsequently, on retention rates.

AI can simplify things by streamlining and automating a lot of the work involved. For example, it can:

- Automatically verify employment documentation
- Manage employee requests for hardware or account access
- Answer FAQs at key points in the process
- Deliver company policies and procedures
- Inform new hires about the team they're joining or specific tasks they're assigned

## 4. Developing a more useful training strategy

AI in training programs can tailor the learning experience to employee needs. The most obvious benefits of AI in the workplace are related to automating vital functions.

You can also use it to sift through company training metrics to determine which employees need more training. Or, to help identify possible career paths based on training history and needs. With the right AI tools, you can ensure your employees learn faster and focus on the skills they need to keep up in their field.

5. Screening and Interview Process: - Artificial intelligence is helpful in automating the interview process by examining them with word or speech patterns exams. Through Ay software digital interview can take place and AI also helps to improve the candidate experience. Tools like Amy and Clara are used to scheduling interviews, working meetings.

# **Limitations of Artificial Intelligence:**

While the use of AI in human resource management (HRM) offers numerous benefits, it is important to acknowledge its limitations as well.

- Lack of Human Interaction: One of the biggest limitations of AI in HRM is the lack of human interaction. While AI can be used to automate routine tasks, such as resume screening and scheduling interviews, it cannot replace human interaction when it comes to building relationships with employees, providing feedback, and handling sensitive issues.
- **Bias in Algorithms:** AI algorithms can be biased, just like humans. If the data used to train an AI system is biased, then the results generated by the system will also be biased. This can lead to discrimination in recruitment, promotion, and other HR processes.

- **Data Privacy:** AI systems rely on large amounts of data to function properly, which can raise privacy concerns. Employees may be uncomfortable with the collection and use of their personal data, and there is also a risk that the data could be misused or leaked.
- Lack of Understanding: Many HR professionals may not have a deep understanding of AI technology, which can make it difficult for them to evaluate the results generated by AI systems. This can lead to mistrust and reluctance to adopt AI in HRM.
- **High Cost:** The implementation of AI systems in HRM can be costly, especially for small and medium-sized businesses. The cost of training staff, purchasing and maintaining software and hardware, and ensuring data security can be prohibitively expensive for some organizations.

It is important to acknowledge these limitations and address them proactively to ensure that the use of AI in HRM is ethical, effective, and beneficial for both organizations and employees.

**Future Opportunities**: Researchers anticipate that in a few years, artificial intelligence technology will be superior to humans in many tasks and activities. According to experts, AI has a high possibility of exceeding human performance in activities and automating human employment in the coming years. AI will merely serve as a support system and never completely replace people. The future will consist of cooperation between people and machines The importance of the collaborative interaction between machines and humans, in which machines forecast the results and humans make decisions and take appropriate action, is emphasized in another study on AI and deep learning.

Conclusion: In conclusion, studying AI in HRM is becoming increasingly important as organizations seek to leverage technology to improve their HR practices and processes. AI has the potential to revolutionize HR by streamlining recruitment, enhancing employee engagement, improving training and development, and optimizing performance management. However, it is important to recognize the potential challenges and risks associated with AI in HRM, such as privacy concerns, bias and discrimination, and the need for effective communication and collaboration between humans and machines. To harness the potential of AI in HRM, organizations must prioritize responsible AI adoption and invest in developing the necessary skills and expertise to manage this technology effectively.

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