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A Study On The Factors Influencing Purchase Decision Of Consumers Of FMCGS With Particular Reference To Source Of Information And Factor Motivating Purchase Of FMCGS.

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ABSTRACT

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Keywords: Shopper conduct; Demographics; Rural buyer; FMCG Products; SED; Attitude

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I. INTRODUCTION

India is dichotomous with both provincial and urban market structure. The urban markets have achieved immersion in showcase entrance and high rivalry between advertisers of HH products win. (Smart Packaging Technologies for Fast Moving Consumer Goods) The urban markets are today a desert spring for the advertisers to bring benefits in perspective of the high mindfulness and refined tastes of the customers also. Conversely, the provincial markets are greener fields for any advertiser in perspective of the high development and undiscovered potential. Rustic market populace has higher wage and contends with their urban partners today which prompt higher request. The proficiency level and openings for work particularly in the I.T division is on the expansion through innovation parks and information parks situated in rustic villages of Kerala. The higher foundation advancement by method for new streets and extensions, seepage, drinking water and wellbeing projects of the legislature has enhanced the coordinations in the rustic zones. Today the pattern in Kerala is invert movement from the urban regions to the country territories for serene living because of substantial scale improvements accomplished in the correspondence, autos, marked products inclination and expanded moderateness for the purchasers. (Park) The developing advancements in rail and street driving for the travelers has added versatility to country shoppers of different locale of Ernakulam also to live in provincial/rural territories and travel to/from working environments. These shoppers having lived/worked or driven to urban zones of Ernakulam have created more elevated amount of mindfulness and with more prominent desire to coordinate with the urbanites in utilization. The advertisers have enhanced their conveyance

and administration coordinations with franchisees and merchant outlets, as likewise enhanced their item entrance levels among the country masses through the broad communications particularly the Internet and CTV. In spite of the fact that the spatial dispersion is bigger with bring down thickness of populace, the market blend procedures of driving FMCG brands are sensitive to the particular sociocultural needs and inclinations like the prominent section and premium fragment in item portfolio administration. This CB consider clarifies the traits and important viewpoints.

Sources information of FMCG:

Organizations that work in the assembling and supply of quick moving consumer products (FMCG) have a novel angle for their data necessities as they have to: (Embaye)

Ensure the 'retailer' satisfies their side of the arrangement (giving characterized space to product offerings, running advancements when organized, (Stafford)offering item inside the concurred value section, showing signage and promoting materials, and at times effectively 'upselling' their item run), Screen the exercises of field operators, merchandisers and administration professionals against key execution pointers (KPIs), particularly on the off chance that they have outsourced these administrations to contractual workers, (Cooper)

Sometimes, review the presence of organization resources out in the commercial center and the state of this gear, to guarantee it is being utilized suitably and meets organization operational benchmarks.(Pacquit et al.) Equipped with the correct market insight can be the characterizing component in deals arrangements and contract audits with retailers and specialist co-ops and the execution administration of individual staff individuals or groups. (Steger et al.)

A few organizations have valued include a Mystery Shop program in their supply concurrences with retailers either at their own particular cost or as a joint wander. This has turned out to be compensating to the two gatherings as they both approach a free survey of their 'market reality'. (Cooper)

The aim of the study is to analysis the factors influencing purchase decision of consumers of FMCGs with particulars factors such as sources of informations and motivating factors. (Pacquit et al.; Forbes)

II. LITERATURE REVIEW:

India is dichotomous with both rural and urban market structures.consumer motive relates to a wide of wants and needs(N. Farmer)

The study was based on the impact of these variables on the perception of consumer and Indian retail store managers.

FMCGs are known as low involvement products as consumers spends less time and energy in these goods Fast moving consumer goods are popularly named as consumer packaged goods(Embleni)

To know and understand the scope of marketing FMCGs products in India

The present study targets of Coimbatore city consumer, understanding their behaviour helps to identify the preferences influence of brand in their purchase decision etc on the purchase of particular FMCG products (Coles)

FMCGs also known as consumer goods, is products that have a quick turnover, and relatively cost

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The Indian FMCGs industry represent nearly 2.5% of the country's gdp

Motivation strengthens the ambition, increase initiative and given direction, courage, energy and the persistence to follow one's goals.

While some needs are temporary and changing ,other needs are more deeply seated in our nature

Indian industry is a fast developing industry.fmcg are more in demand and frequently purchased by consumer.(Neil Farmer)

The study was based on the impact of these variables on the perception of consumers.

Perception converge to promote brand equity in respect of FMCG in retail chain stores at

Consumer behaviour can be defined as the decision-making process and physical activity involved in acquiring, evaluating using and disposing of goods and services . (Abdullahi)

FMCGs are the goods frequently purchase by the consumer for example: soaps ,food grains and etc

The Indian FMCG sector is the fourth largest sector in the Indian economy.the advertisement through tv was the major promotional activity carried out by the companies .(Evans et al.)

Opportunities abound in India's FMCG markets given the high annual growth rates and low levels, across categories. ((Butler; Hogan and Kerry; Rijk; Esse and Saari; Guenzi and Geiger)

FMCGs are products that move off the shelves of retail shop quickly, which therefore requires constant replenishing .(Evans et al.; Cowburn)

Certain FMCGs products by nature have very short shelf life, such as certain foods and dairy products. (Butler; Hogan and Kerry; Rijk; Esse and Saari; Guenzi and Geiger)

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III. MATERIALS AND METHODS

S.No	. Particular	Description
1.	Types of research	Empirical sampling
2.	Tools used to collect data	Questionnaire
3.	Type of sampling	Convenient sampling
4.	Sample size	1874
5.	Statistical tools 1.Descriptive statistics 2.Inferential statistics	Percentage analysis, average , standard deviation Correlation, and chi square analysis

The research study of consumers while purchasing FMCGs for this purposes survey is conducted and 1874 samples has been collected. The data collected are analysed by using percentage, average, analysis, standard deviation, mean, correlation and chi square analysis.

Hypothesis:

There is no significant difference between profile of customer and source of information of FMCGs There is no significant association between profile of customer and factor motivating purchase of FMCGs There is no significant between source of information of FMCGs and profile of customer and factor motivating purchase of FMCGs

DATA ANALYSIS AND INTERPRETATION SOCIO-ECONOMIC PROFILE OF CUSTOMERS

The socio-Economic profile of customers of FMCGs are examined and the results are given as below

SOCIO ECONOMIC PROFILE	CATEGORY	FREQUENCY	PERCENT
	Male	908	48.5
Gender	Female	966	51.5
	Total	1874	100.0
	Below 20	356	19.0
A co crown	20-40	980	52.3
Age group	Above 30	538	28.7
	Total	1874	100.0
	Student	301	16.1
	Business	384	20.5
	Farmer	342	18.2
	Employees	415	22.1
Occupation	Workers	185	9.9
	Professionals	139	7.4
	Retired Person	51	2.7
	Homemaker	57	3.0
	Total	1874	100.0
	Married	390	20.8
	Unmarried	803	42.8
Marital status	Widowed	334	17.8
Maritai Status	Separated	291	15.5
	Divorced	56	3.0
	Total	1874	100.0

	Illiterate	71	3.8
	Literate	271	14.5
	SSLC	422	22.5
E1	Plus2	456	24.3
Educational qualification	Degree	459	24.5
	Diploma	107	5.7
	Post Graduate And Above	88	4.7
	Total	1874	100.0
	up to 10000	408	21.8
	10001-20000	498	26.6
	20001-30000	436	23.3
	30001-40000	252	13.4
Monthly income	40001-50000	159	8.5
	above 50000	121	6.5
	Total	1874	100.0
	Hindu	582	31.1
	Christian	567	30.3
Religion	Muslim	516	27.5
	Others	209	11.2
	Total	1874	100.0
	Forward Community	331	17.7
	Backward Community	635	33.9
Social class	Most Backward Community	632	33.7
	Schedule Caste and Tribe	276	14.7
	Total	1874	100.0
	Nuclear family	895	47.8
Family type	Joint Family	979	52.2
	Total	1874	100.0
	First Time Consumer	395	21.1
	Regular Consumer	673	35.9
Type of consumer	Occasional Consumer	515	27.5
	Specific Consumer	291	15.5
	Total	1874	100.0

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MEAN AND STANDARD DEVIATION

The factors motivating purchase of FMCGs was examined and the results are shown

Sl. No.	FACTOR MOTIVATING PURCHASE OF FMCGS	Mean	Standard Deviation
1.	Products are available at reasonable price	3.26	1.040
2.	Products are available at discounted price	3.24	1.003
3.	Preservable quality of product	3.22	.983
4.	Make the product available in required size	3.27	1.060
5.	Goods are available in re-sealable containers	3.22	1.072
6.	Attractive advertisement for online purchases	3.26	1.072

The consumers **agree** that the factors motivating purchase of FMCGs are Products are available at reasonable price, Products are available at discounted price, Preservable quality of product, Make the product available in required size, Goods are available in re-sealable containers and Attractive advertisement for online purchase. The sources of information about FMCGs was examined and the results are shown

Sl. No.	SOURCES OF INFORMATION ABOUT FMCGS	Mean	Standard Deviation
1.	Own idea	3.56	0.994
2.	Through friends and relatives	3.42	1.013
3.	Through Television advertisement	2.73	1.051
4.	Through internet	3.29	1.020
5.	Window display of products	3.16	1.036
6.	Family members	3.28	1.071
7.	Through kids	3.40	1.060

The consumers **strongly agree** that their main source of information about FMCGs is their own idea. They **agree** that their main sources of information about FMCGs are own idea, through their friends and relatives. Through internet, window display of products, family members and through kids. They are **neutral** when the sources of information about FMGCs are through television advertisement.

CORRELATION

The relationship between source of information and factor motivating purchase of FMCGs is studied by correlation analysis and the result are shown in below

particulars	source of information	factor motivating purchase of FMCGs
source of information	1	0.440
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The correlation coefficient between source of information and factor motivating purchase of FMCGs 0.440, which is moderately and positively correlated each other at one percent level of significant

SOCIO ECONOMIC PROFILE OF CUSTOMERS AND FACTOR MOTIVATING PURCHASE OF FMCGS

To study the association between socio economic profile of consumers and Sources of information about FMCGs, the Chi- square test is done and the result is there under.

SI.No	Socio economic profile of customers and Sources of information about FMCGs	Chi –Square- Value	Sig	Cramer's V	Sig
1.	Gender and Sources of information about FMCGs	78.199 ^a	.000	.204	.000
2.	Age and Sources of information about FMCGs	206.546ª	.000	.235	.000
3.	Occupation and Sources of information about FMCGs	682.177 ^a	.000	.228	.000
4.	Marital status and Sources of information about FMCGs	496.116ª	.000	.257	.000

5.	Educational qualification and Sources of information about FMCGs	466.524ª	.000	.204	.000
6.	Monthly income and Sources of information about FMCGs	402.138ª	.000	.207	.000
7.	Religion and Sources of information about FMCGs	459.919 ^a	.000	.286	.000
8.	Social class and Sources of information about FMCGs	313.418 ^a	.000	.236	.000
9.	Family type and Sources of information about FMCGs	145.794 ^a	.000	.279	.000
10.	Type of house and Sources of information about FMCGs	299.880ª	.000	.283	.000
11.	Type of consumer and Sources of information about FMCGs	487.125ª	.000	.294	.000

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6.	Monthly income and Factor motivating purchase of FMCGs	388.998 ^a	.000	.204	.000
7.	Religion and Factor motivating purchase of FMCGs	288.427 ^a	.000	.227	.000
8.	Social class and Factor motivating purchase of FMCGs	327.373 ^a	.000	.241	.000
9.	Family type and Factor motivating purchase of FMCGs	70.453 ^a	.000	.194	.000
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V. CONCLUSION:

Several leading brands of bathing soaps and detergents are prevailing in the market at Ernakulam and promoted by leading manufacturers like HUL, P&G, Godrej, Ujala Laboratories etc. This study focused on gaining insight into the influence of various factors on the purchase behavior of rural/semi urban consumers. The factors included were related to the personal care brands on bathing soaps and detergents. From the study it is evident that quality of personal care brands were given more emphasis and the difference in educational level of respondents is significant in case of certain factors namely quality, pricing and the retailer. With increased education the rational thinking of rural consumers improved, impulse buying can be reduced. FMCG products are low involvement products characterized by brand switching behavior from consumers. Also the consumer visiting the shop for the purchase of soap/detergent is the final decision maker of the brand. This implies that the retailer would be a rich source of information about the consumer and the likely response to sales promotion activities. Developing a system to tap such responses from time to time both at retailer and consumer level would be helpful for planning future sales promotion activities. In order to build trust and commitment companies should tap preferences, perceptions of retailers as well as consumers through relationship marketing, and herald online shopping from home.

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