CONSUMER BEHAVIOUR ENGAGEMENT WITH MEESHO: AWARENESS AND SATISFACTION IN RANGA REDDY DISTRICT

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ABSTRACT:

The study's primary goal is to assess consumer satisfaction and awareness of the Meeshoapplication. Meesho is one of India's biggest e-commerce marketplace platforms. Consumersatisfaction has become an increasingly crucial component for firms seeking to compete in acompetitive market. The goals of this research are to investigate the elements that influence consumer preference, happiness, and awareness levels with the Meeshoapplication and to provide knowledge that can help the compan ytoimproveitsservicesandcustomerexperience. This study employs both quantitative and qualitative methodo logies. First, quantitative datawas gathered via online survey question naires issued to Meesho application users. The survey evaluated differentaspects of customer satisfaction and awareness, such as product quality, delivery time, user-friendliness, customer assistance, and overall satisfaction witht heapplication. Second, qualitative data was gathered via in-depth interviews with a subset of survey respondents, allowing for comprehensive insight into a customer perceptions experiences. The study found that consumers are aware of the products that are offered on the Meeshoap plication **Keywords:** Meesho Application, Consumer, Online Marketing, E-tailing

INTRODUCTION:

At the beginning of 2023, India had 692.0 million internet users, with internet penetrationstanding at 48.7 percent. India was home to 467 million social media users in January 2023, equating to 32.8 percent of the total population and atotal of 1.10 billion cellular mobile connections w ereactive in Indiainearly 2023, with these figures equivalent to 77.0 percent of the total population, usage of student's Smartphone also increased. In the digital era of globalization, not only nations in the world and thereby their communities have come closer to one another butalso most of the sectorshave undergone significant changes. Purchasing products or services overthe internet, online shopping has attained huge popularity in recent days mainly because peoplefind it convenient and easy to shop from the comfort of their home or office and also eased from the trouble of moving from shop to shop in search of goods choice. Retail is a process of sellinggoodsandservicestocustomersthroughmultiplechannelsofdistribution. Meesho is an Indianorigin social commerce platform launched in December 2015 by IITDelhi alumni ViditAatrey and SanjeevBarnwal. It enables small businesses and individuals tolaunch online storefronts through social media platforms such as WhatsApp, Facebook, andInstagram. In March 2023, there were visitors according million to Meesho usertraffic2023. Meeshoisprimarilyusedtolinkmanufacturersandresellers. Manufacturersputtheirprod uctsontheMeeshoshoppingapp,whichallowsretailerstochooseanyofthemandsellthemto via social media platforms like as Facebook, Instagram, and WhatsApp. Clothing, accessory, kitchenware, and cosmetics manufacturers are among the vendors who furniture. offertheirproductsonMeesho.

STATEMENT OF PROBLEM:

Ecommerceapplicationshavegrowninpopularityinthecurrentdigitalmarketingenvironment, butnoteve ryapplicationiswell-knowntothegeneralpublic, and publicknowledge of new applications is extremely unusual. This is one of the most significant issues for businessowners who are presenting a new application through online marketing. The study focuses onconsumer awareness and satisfaction with the Meesho app. According to a Redseer Strategyconsultant analysis, the e-tailing market in India would reach \$ 60 billion in gross mercha ndiseval ue(GMV) in FY2023, representing a 22% continuous increase. Everyday, an ewe-tailerente rs India, hop ingtocap turemarkets hare and potential clients by offering more incentives. This study investigates consumer satisfaction and awareness levels towards on line Meeshoshopping applications.

OBJECTIVES OF THE STUDY:

- 1. TounderstandthefactorsthatinfluencecustomersatisfactionwiththeMeeshoapplication,suchasproductquality,user-friendly,productquality,deliverytime,customersupport,andpricing
- 2. TostudythelevelofsatisfactionwiththeMeeshoapplication
- 3. Toidentifythecustomer'spreferencetowardstheMeeshoapplication
- 4. ToexaminethelevelsofawarenesstowardstheMeehoapplication

SCOPE OF THE STUDY:

The present study attempted to understand customer satisfaction with Meesho's onlineshopping application. Online shopping is an emerging concept in the study area. This study focuses to understand customer satisfaction and awareness towards online shopping and provides insight into Meesho online shopping

REVIEWOFLITERATURE:

It is very important for a researcher to do a review of the related literature for his study tohave comprehensive knowledge about the research. It helps the researcher to take the initial stepof fixing the problem on which the study is to be done. The review of the literature gives theresearcher a broader outlook on the background and situation under which the study has been conducted.

Ms. Anuradha Duvvuri (2024) explored the various factors that influence consumer satisfaction with the Meesho app. The study found that Meesho app users are highly satisfied with the factors like user interface, product quality, on-time delivery, customer assistance, and pricing. The study also discovered that the most essential factor attracting people to buy products from Meesho is service quality.

Dr.T Haripriya (2023) conducted a study on the Meesho app on consumer perception and preference for purchasing branded clothing. The study discovered that customers are dissatisfied with their purchases of branded clothing. The study suggests that the company has to pay

timedeliveryofproducts, provided is countcoupons and company should improve the product quality. **Dr. Naveen Prasadula (2022)** provided a brief overview of online purchasing in India O

Dr.Naveen Prasadula (2022) provided a brief overview of online purchasing in India. Online shopping isincreasingly popular among young Indians. Teenagers and bachelors are increasingly turning tothe Internet for their buying requirements. The majority of them are completely aware of theadvantages and disadvantages of internet purchasing. Technology has improved greatly in recentyears to improve the online shopping experience for consumers, and it will continue to do so inthe future. People have projected that with the rapid rise of products and brands, online

buyingwilleventuallyoutnumberin-storepurchases.

M. Bala murali (2022) Research scholar department of business management osmania university conduc teda studytoin vestigatethei mpactofonli neshopping oncustomer prefe renceandsati sfactioninIndore. The study discov eredthat traveltickets are the most popular online buy. Among the payment options, cash payment on delivery is the most secure, followed by credit card payment, while online banktrans ferpaym entsare the least preferred. Online buyers see kaccurate product and service information, as well as time savings, convenience, security, and on-time delivery. The punch line is that tappeal ingoffe rings do not attract internet users.

RESEARCH METHODOLOGY:

Sampletechnique: Convenience samplingtechniques were applied to select the sampleres pondent.

Sample size: The study was conducted on customer satisfaction with the Meeshoap plication. The size of the responses is 150

Collection of data: The primary data was collected from 150 Google Forms questionnaires thatweredistributed to customers who have using the Meeshoap plication throughout the Ranga

Reddydistrict. Atotalof 110 replies were received and analyzing the primary data

Primary data: The primary data has been collected from the customers who have using the Meeshoap plication in the form of a question naire

Secondary data: Secondary data hasbeen collected from published materials like articles, journals, books, and we besites

Toolsforanalysis:ForthestudyofcustomersatisfactiontowardstheMeeshoapplicationthetoolsusedfora nalysisispercentageanalysis.

ANALYSIS AND INTERPRETATION OF DATA:

Table:1Age of respondents

S.No	Age	No.ofRespondents	Percentage
1	Below18Years	3	2.7%
2	18–30	86	78.2%
3	31–45	20	18.2%
4	Above45Years	1	0.9%
	Total	110	100%

The above table shows that 78.2 % of respondents are between 18-30 years, 18.2 % oftherespondent are between 31-45 years, 2.7 % of the respondents are below 18 years, and 0.9 % oftherespondents are above 45 years.

Table:2Genderofrespondents

S.No	Gender	No.ofRespondents	Percentage
1	Male	49	44.5%
2	Female	61	55.5%
	Total	110	100%

The above table shows that 61% of respondents belong to a female category and 49% of respondents belong to a male category

Table3Maritalstatusofrespondents

S.No	MaritalStatus	No.ofRespondents	Percentage
1	Married	24	21.8%
2	Unmarried	86	78.2%
	Total	110	100%

Theabovetableshowsthat 78.2% of respondents are unmarried, and 21.8% of respondents are married ed

Table4Typesofthefamilyofrespondents

S.No	TypeofFamily	No. ofRespondents	Percentage
1	Joint	41	37.3%
2	Nuclear	69	62.7%
	Total	110	100%

The above table shows that 62.7% of the respondents are an uclear family, and 37.3% of respondents are ajoint family.

Table:5No.offamilymembersofrespondents

S.No	No.ofFamily Members	No.ofRespondents	Percentage
1	1	0	0%
2	2	1	0.9%
3	3	17	15.5%
4	Morethan 3	92	83.6%
	Total	110	100%

Theabovetableshowsthat83.6% of respondents are having more than 3 family members, 15.5% of respondents are having 3 members in a family, 0.9% of respondents are having 2 members in a family, and 0% of respondents are having 1 memberina family.

Table:6ResidentialAreaofrespondents

S.No	ResidentialArea	No.ofRespondents	Percentage
1	Urban	64	58.2%
2	Semi-Urban	19	17.3%
3	Rural	27	24.5%
	Total	110	100%

The above table shows that 58.2 % of respondents are living in urban areas, 24.5 % of respondents are from rural areas and 17.3% of the respondents are from semi-urban areas.

Table:7FamilyIncomeofrespondents

S.No	FamilyIncome	No.ofRespondents	Percentage
1	Lessthan20,000	40	36.4%
2	20,001-40,000	38	34.5%
3	40,001–60,000	14	12.7%
1	Above60,000	18	16.4%
	Total	110	100%

The above table shows that 36.4 % of respondents are having family income less

than 20,000, 34.5 % of respondents are having family income between 20,001 - 40,000, 16.4 % of respondents are having family income above 60,000,12.7% of respondents have a family income between 40,001–60,000.

Table:8Occupationofrespondents

S.No	Occupation	No.ofRespondents	Percentage
1	Employee	12	10.9%
2	Student	78	70.9%
3	Businessperson	10	9.1%
4	Professionals	10	9.1%
	Total	110	100%

The above table shows that 70.9 % of respondents are students, 10.9% of respondents are employees, 9.1% of respondents are business persons, and 9.1 % of respondents are workingprofessionals.

Table:9EducationQualificationsofRespondents

S.No	EducationQualification	No.ofRespondents	Percentage
1	School	18	16.4%
2	UG	75	68.2%
3	PG	16	14.5%
4	DiplomainIT	1	0.9%
5	Others	0	0%
	Total	110	100%

The above table shows that 68.2% of the respondent are possessing UG, 16.4 % of therespondents are possessing school, 14.5 % of respondents are possessing PG and 0.9 of therespondentsarepossessingadiplomainIT,

Table:10HowtherespondentsknowtheMeeshoapplication

S.No	Particulars	No.ofRespondents	Percentage
1	Friends	27	24.5%
2	Television	17	15.5%
3	SocialMedia	66	60%
4	Magazine	0	0%
	Total	110	100%

The above table shows that 60% of respondents are familiar with the Meesho applications through social media, 24.5% are familiar with their friends, 15.5% are familiar with the levision, and 0% are familiar with magazines.

Table:11whythecustomerbuystheproductintheMeeshoapplication

S.No	Particulars	No.ofRespondents	Percentage
1	Lowprice	49	44.5%
2	Goodquality	38	35.5%
3	Timedelivery	11	10%
4	Betterconsumerservices	8	7.3%

5	Other	3	2.7%
	Total	110	100%

Theabovetableshows44.4%ofthecustomerprefertobuytheproductatalowprice,

35.5% of customers prefer good quality, 10% of customers prefer time delivery, 7.3% of customers prefer be tter customers ervices, and 2.7% of the customers prefer the other factors

Table:12whatistheproductpurchasedbyusinginMeeshoshoppingapplication

S.No	Particulars	No.ofRespondents	Percentage
1	Clothes	83	75.4%
2	Electronic	10	9.1%
3	Homeappliances	7	6.4%
4	Cosmetics	7	6.4%
5	Other	3	2.7%
	Total	110	100%

The above table shows that 75.4 % of the customer purchase clothes items, 9.1 % of the customerpurchase electronicitems, 6.4% of the customer's cosmetic sitems and home appliances, 2.7% of the customer othersitems

Table:13therespondentspreferonlineshoppingapplication

S.No	Particulars	No.ofRespondents	Percentage
1	Meesho	40	36.4%
2	Amazon	32	29.1%
3	Flip kart	21	19.1%
4	Myntra	13	11.8%
5	Other	4	3.6%
	Total	110	100%

The above table shows that 36.4 % of respondents prefer to buy their products from theMeesho application, 29.1 % of respondents prefer to buy their products fromAmazon, 19.1% of respondents prefer to buy their products from Flip kart, 11.8% of respondents prefer to buy their products from Myntra, 3.6 % of respondents prefer to buy their products fromothers onlineshoppingapplication.

Table: 14 Respondent's satisfaction levels with the product of fered by the Meeshosh opping application

S.No	Particulars	No.ofRespondents	Percentage
1	HighlySatisfied	9	8.2%
2	Satisfied	69	62.7%
3	Neutral	30	27.3%
4	Dissatisfied	2	1.8%
	Total	110	100%

The above table shows that 62.7% of respondents are satisfied while buying products from Meesho, 27.3% of the respondents are neutral, 8.2% of the respondent are highly satisfied, and

1.8 %oftherespondentaredissatisfied

Table:15Respondents'intentiontorecommendtheMeeshoshoppingapplicationtoothers

S.No	Particulars	No.ofRespondents	Percentage
1	Yes	60	54.5%
2	No	7	3.4%
3	Maybe	43	39.1%
	Total	110	100%

The above table shows that 54.5 % of respondents are recommended to others, 39.1 % of respondentsmay be recommended to others, and 3.4 % of the respondent did not recommend toothers.

Table 16 Respondent's most attractive features in the Meeshoapplication

S.No	Particulars	No.ofRespondents	Percentage
1	SearchandFilter	20	18.2%
2	ProductCategory	32	29.1%
3	DiscountandOffer	51	46.4%
4	PaymentOption	7	6.3%
	Total	110	100%

The above table shows that 46.4 % of the respondents are more attracted to discounts andoffers, 29.1 % of the respondents areattracted to product categories, 18.2 % of the respondentsareattracted tosearch and filterand 6.3% of there spond entsar eattrac tedtora repaym entoptions.

Table: 17 Respondent sprefer the payment option

S.No	Particulars	No.ofRespondents	Percentage
1	Cashon Delivery	85	77.3%
2	OnlinePayment	13	11.8%
3	DebitcardandCreditCard	1	0.9%
4	UPI	11	10%
	Total	110	100%

The above table shows that 77.3% of the respondents are preferring cash on delivery, 11.8

% of the respondent 's are preferring on line payments, 10% of the respondent prefer UPI, and 0.9% of the respondent sprefer debit cards and credit cards.

Table 18 Satisfaction levels of customers ervice provided by the Meeshoshopping application

S.No	Particulars	No.ofRespondents	Percentage
1	HighlySatisfied	7	6.4%
2	Satisfied	70	63.6%
3	Neutral	29	26.4%
4	Dissatisfied	4	3.6%
	Total	110	100%

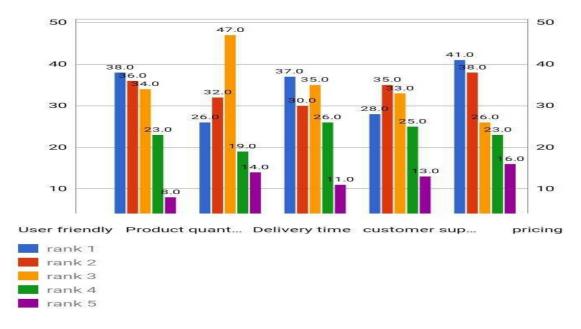
The above table shows that 63.6 % of respondents are satisfied with the customer serviceprovided by the Meesho application, 26.4 % of respondents are neutral, 6.4 % of the respondentsarehighlysatisfied, and 3.6% of respondents are dissatisfied

Table:19OverallcustomersatisfactionlevelsofusingtheMeeshoshoppingapplication

S.No	Particulars	No.ofRespondents	Percentage
1	Yes	87	79.1%
2	No	23	21.9%
	Total	110	100%

The above table shows that 79.1% of the respondents are over all satisfaction of purchasing their products through the Meeshoap plication and 21.9% of respondents are not over all satisfaction purchasing their product sthrough the Meeshoap plication.

Diagram: 1 the following important factor influencing customer satisfaction towards meeshoapplication(Rank1to5)ineachcategory



Inference: the above diagrams how sthemost of the respondents had given preference first rank meesho application from pricing, followed by user friendly, delivery time, customersupport, product quality in the respective manner. The most of the respondents had given secondrank from pricing, followed by user friendly, customer support, product quality, delivery time in the following giventhird manner. The most of the respondents had rank fromproduct qualityfollowedbydeliverytime,userfriendly,customersupport,pricing,themostoftherespondenthadgi venfourth rank form delivery time, followed by customer support, pricing and user friendly, then product quality. The most of the respondents had given fifth rank from pricing, followed byproductquality, customer supports, delivery time, and user friendly.

FINDINGS AND SUGGESTIONS:

- > Themajority (78.2%) of the respondents are belongs to the age group 18-30 years.
- Themajority(61%)oftherespondentisfemale.
- Themajority (78.2%) of the respondents are unmarried.
- > Themajority (62.7%) of the respondents are belongs to the nuclear family.
- Themajority (83.6%) of the respondents have more than 3 members in the family.
- Themajority(58.2%)oftherespondentsarebelongstourbanareas.

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- Themajority(36.4%) of the respondents of a family income is less than Rs. 20,000.
- ➤ Themajority(70.9%)oftherespondentsarestudents.
- Themajority(68.2%)oftherespondentsareaneducation qualification in UG.
- > Themajority(60%)oftherespondentscometoknowabouttheMeeshoapplicationthroughsocial media
- Themajority(44%)oftherespondentsbuytheproductbecauseofthelowprice.
- ➤ Themajority(75.4%)oftherespondentspurchaseclothesthroughtheMeeshoapplication
- Themajority(36.4%) of the respondents preferred to purchase through the Meeshoap plication.
- Themajority(62.7%)oftherespondentsaresatisfied with the quality of the product.
- Themajority (54.5%) of the respondent recommended the Meesho application to others.
- ➤ Themajority(46.4%)oftherespondentismoreattracted to the discount of fered by the Meeshoappli cation.
- ➤ Themajority(77.3%)oftherespondentpreferredcash-on-delivery.
- ➤ Themajority(63.6%)oftherespondentissatisfied with the customer support provided by the Meesh oapplication.
- Themajority(79.1%)oftherespondentareoverallsatisfied with using the Meeshoap plication

SUGGESTIONS:

- > Provision for replacing the damaged goods should be provided.
- > ThestudysuggeststotheMeeshoapplicationshouldimprovecustomerservice.
- > Thestudysuggeststoimprovethepayment option.
- ThestudysuggestedthatMeeshoshouldprovidemoreoffersanddiscounts.
- The Meeshoap plication should concentrate on somehome appliances, cosmetics, electronic items .etc.
- ➤ ThestudysuggeststhatMeeshoshouldimproveitsdeliveryservice.
- ThestudysuggeststhatMeeshoshouldimprovetheirfilteroption,andproductcategories.

CONCLUSION:

Thestudyconcludesthatthemajorityoftherespondentpreferredonlineshopping.Becauseonlineshoppin gismoreconvenientandcomfortableforcustomers.Customerscanpurchasealmostanykindofproductonline.Theycanpurchase24*7anytime,fromanywherewithmakeonlineshopping.Duetothisreason,thenum berofonlinecustomersisincreasingsignificantly.Thereforemanycompaniesareenteringintoonlinebusiness,afterunderstandingthescope of E-tailing. The number of such online businesses is increasing day by day.

Therefore Meesho is facing cut throat competition to survive in this field. It is found that Meesho is apopular a pplication as the majority of the mareal ready aware of it. Many of them make frequent purchases from Meesh odue to the attractive discount and offers given by Meesho and because of the

implementation of successful market strategies. The factor which attracts most customers is thequality of the product and the reasonable price from Meesho. It is clear that customers trust theMeesho application because of the quality of the services provided to customers, it is one of thereasons customers are ready to make a repurchase from Meesho. That means Meesho has loyalcustomers. Soitisclearthat Meesho build agood "brandimage" insociety through years of work and implementation of critical marketing and advertising strategies

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