

COURSE TITLE	CONSUMER BEHAVIOUR
COURSE CODE	04BB1509
COURSE CREDITS	4

Objective:

1 N/A

Course Outcomes: After completion of this course, student will be able to:

- 1 Identify the dynamics of human behaviour and the basic factors that influence the consumers decision process
- 2 Demonstrate how concepts may be applied to marketing strategy.
- 3 Analyse the psychological, personal, social, and cultural factors that impact consumer purchasing decisions and evaluate their implications for marketers.
- 4 Evaluate consumer behaviour models and theories to determine their relevance to contemporary marketing practices.
- 5 Apply consumer insight tools and techniques to develop effective marketing strategies and enhance customer value.

Pre-requisite of course: Understanding of basic concepts of marketing management.

Teaching and Examination Scheme

Theory Hours	Tutorial Hours	Practical Hours	ESE	IA	CSE	Viva	Term Work
4	0	0	50	30	20	0	0

Contents : Unit	Topics	Contact Hours	
1	Consumer Behavior and Technology	11	
	Meaning—nature and scope of consumer behavior: the marketing		
	concept;, Market Segmentation, Targeting, and Positioning;Lower		
	Prices, More Information, and Customized Products;, More Precise		
	Targeting; Interactive Communications; Customer Value,		
	Satisfaction, and Retention; Technology and Customer		
	Relationships; Emotional Bonds versus Transaction-Based		
	Relationships;, Satisfaction and Customer Loyalty; Customer		
	Loyalty and Profitability; Customer Retention, Market		
	Segmentation; Demographics–Age – Gender – Households - Social		
	Standing, Ethnicity, Lifestyles, Demographics and Geography;		
	Product Benefits; Media Exposure; Product Usage; Selecting Target		
	Markets;, The Targeted Segment Must Be Identifiable – Profitable –		
	Reachable; Mobile Targeting		



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2	Consumer Perception and Positioning Sensory Information – Sight – Scent – Touch - Sound – Taste - Sensory Input and Culture – The Absolute and Differential Thresholds, Subliminal Perception – Perceptual Selection – Perceptual Organization –, Interpretation: Cues – Integral Indicators – External Indicators – Stereotyping – Physical Appearance – Descriptive Terms – First Impressions – Halo Effect, Consumer Imagery – Perceived Value – Perceived Quality – Price - Quality Relationship, Brand Image – Package Perceptions/Image – Service Quality – Retail Store Perceptions/Image – Company Image –, Risk Perception – The Components of Perceived Risk – Reducing Perceived Risk – Information – Brand Loyalty – Store Image – Price—Quality Relationship, Positioning and Repositioning – Umbrella Positioning – Premier Position – Positioning against Competition., Elements of perception and application in marketing – Consumer Decision – Making and Diffusion of Innovations and New Product Adoption				
3	Consumer Learning The Elements of Consumer Learning; Motives – Cues – Responses – Reinforcement; Classical Conditioning; Associative Learning; Repetition Forms Association;, Stimulus Generalization and Brands' Extensions; Stimulus Discrimination and Brand Differentiation; Instrumental Conditioning – Reinforcement – Extinction and Forgetting – Customer Satisfaction and Retention;, Shaping – Massed versus Distributed Learning – Observational Learning; Information Processing; Storing Data – Encoding Data – Retrieving and Retaining Data;, Cognitive Learning – Consumer Involvement and Hemispheric Lateralization; Consumer Involvement; Measurements of Consumer Involvement; Strategic Applications of Consumer Involvement; Involvement and Context;, Hemispheric Lateralization; Passive Learning; Outcomes and Measures of Consumer Learning; Recognition and Recall Measures	11			



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4	Consumer Attitude Formation and Change Attitude Formation – Learning Attitudes – Personal Sources and Experiences – Personality Factors – Consistency with Behavior – Situational Factors, The Tri-Component Attitude Model – The Cognitive Component – The Affective Component – The Conative Component – Changing Consumers' Attitudes – , Changing Beliefs about Products – Changing Brand Image – Changing Beliefs about Competing Brands – Attitude-Behavior Gap – Multi-attribute Models –, Attitude-toward-Object Model – Adding an Attribute – Changing the Perceived Importance of Attributes – Developing New Products – Attitude-toward-Behavior Model – Theory of Reasoned Action – Theory of Trying to Consume, Attitude-toward- the-Ad Model – Strategies to change attitude – The Utilitarian Function – The Ego-Defensive Function – The Value-Expressive Function – The Knowledge Function, Opinion Leaders and Word- of-Mouth; Characteristics of Opinion Leaders; Measuring Opinion Leadership; Questioning – Social Interactions, Identifying Experts – Online Influence; Word-of-Mouth's Strategic Applications; Online Reference Groups; Stimulating Word-of-Mouth; Going Viral	12		
5	The Family and Its Social Standing Family and Consumer Socialization; Parental Styles and Consumer Socialization; The Stages of Consumer Socialization; Adult and Intergenerational Consumer Socialization;, The Family's Supportive Roles; Economic Well-Being; Emotional Support; Suitable Lifestyles; Families, Media, and Technology;, Family Decision- Making and Members' Roles; Husband—Wife Decision-Making; Cultural Differences in Husband—Wife Decision-Making; Children's Influence on Family Decision-Making; Children Are Three Markets; Adult Children Caring for Aging Parents; Measuring Family Decision-Making; Family Members' Roles; The Family Life Cycle – Non-traditional Families and Households, Culture's Role and Dynamics; Culture's Evolution; Cultural Beliefs Reflect Consumers' Needs; Learning Cultural Values; Forms of Learning; Enculturation and Acculturation; Marketing Influences on Cultural Learning; Symbols and Rituals., Subcultures in Indian Context – Generational Subcultures – Generation Z – Millennials – Generation X – Baby Boomers – Older Consumers; Describing "Age"; Segmentation and Targeting; Technology in the Generations; Gender Subcultures; Products and Gender Roles; Women in Advertisements; Working Women, An International Perspective – Global Brands – Analyzing Global Markets – Buying Styles – Measures of Cross-Cultural Aspects – Foods and Beverages –, Colors and Artifacts Acculturation – Localization versus Standardization – Product Customization – Advertising and Branding – Promotional Appeals – Legal Barriers – Global Marketing Prospects – Growth Potential – Spending Power and Consumption	14		
	Total Hours	60		



Textbook:

1 Schiffman, L. G., Wisenblit, J., & Kumar, S. R. (2019). Consumer behaviour (12th ed.). Pearson., Schiffman, L. G., Wisenblit, J., & Kumar, S. R., Pearson., 2019

References:

- 1 Consumer behavior: Insight from Indian market (1st ed.)., Consumer behavior: Insight from Indian market (1st ed.)., Majumdar, R., & Ramanuj., PHI Learning., 2010
- 2 Consumer behaviour: The Indian context (Concepts and cases), Consumer behaviour: The Indian context (Concepts and cases), Kumar, S. R., Pearson., 2017

Suggested Theory Distribution:

The suggested theory distribution as per Bloom's taxonomy is as follows. This distribution serves as guidelines for teachers and students to achieve effective teaching-learning process

Distribution of Theory for course delivery and evaluation						
Remember / Knowledge	Understand	Apply	Analyze	Evaluate	Higher order Thinking / Creative	
0.00	0.00	35.00	35.00	30.00	0.00	

Instructional Method:

1 Theory