

## Social Media On E-Commerce On Online Consumer Behavior

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<b>Keywords:</b>  Online, Consumer, Behavior, E-Commerce, Social Media Marketing, etc.	<b>ABSTRACT</b>  <b>Introduction:</b> Over the last decade, media has undergone a significant transition, customers are gradually accessing social networking sites to hunt for information about different goods and services, instead of depending on conventional channels such as television, radio, and magazines etc. Every seventh person in the globe currently holds a Facebook page and almost four in five Internet users are affiliated with at least one social networking site.  <b>Aim of the study:</b> The Main Aim of The Study Is to social media On E-Commerce on Online Consumer Behavior  <b>Material and method:</b> All Indian customers who couldn't be counted were included in this study's population. Purposive random sampling was used in this investigation, and a total of 100 participants were included in the sample. Purposive sampling is a sampling approach in which the researcher chooses a sample based on a set of predetermined criteria.  <b>Conclusion:</b> In this study, it can be stated that this research model enhances the notion of customer behaviour in marketing, particularly via online media. The findings of this research show that consumers' behaviour in social media, particularly online media, has unique features.
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## 1. INTRODUCTION

### 1.1 OVERVIEW

For consumers, it's been a few years since they've looked at the online environment from a purely commercial perspective. Users have become consumers as a result of the advancement of technology and the growth of online businesses. It is also important to recognise that social media has had a significant influence on how individuals interact with one another and with companies. Informational society variables, such as social media, have an impact on decision-making and product evaluations. Customers may acquire knowledge about products and services from their peers by using social media, and they can also use their reviews to influence other people's purchases by sharing them. A variety of psychosocial factors, including income, purchasing motivation and corporate presentation (including social media presence), demographic variables (age, gender, disposable income, and so on), workplace payment methods (including online and physical stores), and other factors, influence consumers. The purpose of this study is to investigate how online customers' purchase choices are influenced by social media networks.

Business owners from all sizes of enterprises – micro, small, and medium-sized – are urged by the government to increase their online marketing activities and get access to the global market. In today's commercial competition, small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs) may use social media to expand their market and brand via the development of information and communications technology (ICT) (Information and Communication Technology). It is the first step in building an effective communication plan to identify clients who are active on social media platforms. This is important due

to the fact that customer behaviour in a virtual environment differs from that seen in a physical context. Consumer behaviour has evolved into an important component of marketing." Marketers are unable to identify the precise wants and wishes of their consumers because they do not understand their clients, which eventually results in a consumer base that is dissatisfied with their products or services. A rise in the gap may result in an increase in the number of product acquisitions that fail. The following are three truths about today's consumers that marketers should be aware of at the very least. In order to get started, they must first determine what the clients are searching for. Their understanding of what people enjoy and dislike on social media has to expand, particularly in the case of Facebook and Twitter. The next stage is to figure out how people make choices about internet purchases.

## 1.2 CONSUMERS

The term "consumer" refers to someone who buys something for personal use and not for resale or manufacture. People who purchase products at the shop are known as consumers, whereas those who are persuaded by advertising and marketing are known as influencers. They are the customers at the end of the supply chain. Those who purchase a product or service are known as buyers. The consumer is the individual who finally makes use of the goods or service. The end user is the person for whom a service or product is primarily meant to be used.

### 1.2.1 Consumer Decision Process

Individuals who purchase or consume goods and services that are made available to them are referred to as consumers. ' Consumers' behaviour might be baffling and difficult at times, which is understandable. Furthermore, it is critical to identify the barriers and fictions that prevent prospective consumers from becoming purchasers or that lead existing customers to be apprehensive about repurchasing as a result of the openness and straightforwardness of data collection. Consequently, the decision-making process of individual customers shows significant characteristics of consumer behaviour. Consumer behaviour may be broken down into five stage –



**Figure 1 showing 5 stages of Consumer Decision process**

### 1.2.2 Consumer behavior in social commerce

Social networking sites, as well as many other forms of social media, have become more popular for commercial reasons, and the concept of social commerce started to take shape in 2005. The world of electronic commerce will never be the same after this (ecommerce). When compared to traditional e-commerce, social commerce involves online communities that encourage user-generated content, interactions between consumers and online shopping sites, and interactions between customers and merchants. According to a recent survey, 5 billion dollars have already been sold in the United States, with 9 billion projected in 2014 and 15 billion expected in 2015. Because of the significance of social commerce, it has been the subject of a number of studies. As an example, previous research have shown that customer evaluations posted on social media websites are a vital source of information for consumers throughout their decision-making process. As Liang and colleagues have discovered, online friendships provide important social support for those who are considering becoming involved with social commerce. ' Consumers' attention should be captured before they make a purchase, rather than interacting with them after they make a purchase, according to the suggestions made by Edelman & Associates (post-purchase stage). The potential of social commerce can only be realised if the manner

and individuality of consumer behaviour in this context are thoroughly investigated. While we are seeing an increase in the amount of literature being published on this expanding issue, the present research is fragmented, making it difficult to make important and obvious conclusions. The study's ultimate objective is to conduct a complete literature review on consumer behaviour in social commerce in order to accomplish this. Beginning with the research settings, concepts, and procedures that are important to this issue, we will go on to the next step. We provide an integrated paradigm for better understanding consumer behaviour in the context of social commerce, based on the stimulus–organism–reaction model and the five-stage decision-making process. We feel that this technique may be useful as a starting point for additional social commerce research in the near future.

### 1.2.3 Social commerce

The term "e-commerce" is often used to refer to a subset of the term "social commerce," however this is not necessarily true. Previous studies have identified social media and commercial activity as the two most significant components of a marketing strategy. When the concept of social commerce is explored thoroughly in the literature, it is shown to be associated with a host of inconsistencies. By way of illustration, the authors of Social Commerce characterised it as a kind of Internet-based social media that enables users to engage in the selling and marketing of things and services via social networks, similar to how Toubia and Toubia described it. Corporations are specifically excluded from the definition of a seller under this definition. According to IBM, Dennison et al. characterised it as the convergence of e-commerce and electronic word-of-mouth into a single entity (eWOM). According to Marsden and Chaney, social commerce is defined as the selling of products or services using social media platforms that allow for the creation of user-generated content and the participation of others.

## 1.3 ELECTRONIC WORD-OF-MOUTH (E-WOM) AND VIRTUAL COMMUNITIES

In the realm of ordinary business, there is no such thing as a "surprise subscription." The novelty of an object does not necessarily reflect a desire to explore territory that has not before been explored. Many clients look for information on social media and from other customers who have talked about their delivery on their blog or YouTube channel before committing to a subscription service to determine whether or not they are happy with their purchases. More credit may be given to expert consumers, who may be well-known to the target demographic, than to any other kind of marketing. This has been realised by the announcers. According to study, online word-of-mouth (eWOM) has a significant influence on customer behaviour, notably on brand loyalty and purchase decisions, as well as on product quality. That is why they originally shipped boxes to internet influencers who volunteered to promote the product in exchange for nothing.

When it comes to subscription-based e-commerce, it is important to consider the notion of a social experience to fill out the purchasing process. This helps to spread positive word of mouth about the business on social media sites like Facebook and Twitter. Indeed, as compared to traditional WOM, the pace and reach of eWOM (whether positive or negative) is unequal. People's capacity to interact with one another is considerably enhanced by Web 2.0 technologies such as online forums, newsletters, information groups, social networks, and blogs. In addition, online suggestions are more accessible to clients, more consistent over time, and more measurable than typical word-of-mouth that occurs in the real world, according to the study. Customer interaction via product video reviews is the focus of our investigation as a means for consumers to engage with one another. When a video is taken as a package is being opened, the word "unboxing" or "unpacking" is used to describe the process. This method was first used by a technologically savvy audience, but it has since been embraced by the beauty business in order to illustrate and laud the benefits of the cosmetics goods that are being promoted. For other consumers, these videos serve as a form of product sheet, which may be more or less extensive and subjective depending on the customer's preferences, but which is considered honest. Businesses that sell boxes rapidly realised the necessity of creating a sense of community around their product. They want to develop a personal connection with their clients and to communicate their essential ideas with them as a result of their efforts. Finally, the objective is to establish a "real" brand rather than just providing a service that functions as a mediator between businesses and customers in the market.

## 1.4 SOCIAL MEDIA

Using social media as an umbrella word for a set of Internet-based applications that are built on the conceptual and technological foundations of social networks, you'll be on the correct road in your thinking. Social media may be readily accessible and utilised if communication strategies that are scalable are used. Consumer behaviour is evolving as a result of social media, which links people and enables the exchange of information. Because of social media, consumers may now watch an interesting YouTube commercial while simultaneously posting their opinions on Twitter and sharing it with their friends on Facebook. Social media, as opposed to traditional print media (such as magazines and newspapers) and conventional electronic media (such as radio and television), offers a plethora of benefits over traditional media.

### 1.4.1 Types of social media

Four main sorts of social media channels are examined in this examination of several social media categories:

- 1) Social networking sites
- 2) Social news Website
- 3) Media sharing Sites
- 4) Blogs

They all have their own distinct advantages and disadvantages.

## 2. LITERATURE REVIEW

**Tavares, Cristiana & Nogueira (2021)** Because of the advent of social media, businesses and organisations must understand how to effectively adapt their marketing strategies to take advantage of this new phenomena. This phenomenon will be better understood by examining and analysing the key motivations of client connection that have been facilitated by social media. In order to solve the study question, a review of the literature was conducted that focused on customer involvement, its metrics, and the elements that impact them. Following a netnographic technique, posts from the 11 most well-known firms in terms of marketing activity were collected. For this research, we looked at 458 Facebook and Instagram posts to examine how they varied in terms of the kind of content, the time of the post, the amount of interaction, and the overall attractiveness of the post. A set of six multiple linear regression models were used to investigate the level of customer interaction. We discovered that brand postings with emotional appeals received more likes, comments, and shares on social media than those with logical explanations, according to our research findings. Photos in branded postings seem to generate more comments and shares on Facebook, while videos are more likely to be shared on social media platforms. According to the findings of the study, the day of the week on which posts are published, as well as the existence of interactive components in them, had no influence on consumer engagement on social media platforms.

**Srivastava, Manish & Tiwari (2021)** Having access to better information and computer technology has made it more necessary for us to stay in touch with one another around the clock. The advent of numerous social media platforms has had a significant impact on the way people interact with one other. The writers of this research have attempted to investigate the many prominent social media platforms and the methods in which customers are using them. For their part, they've looked at how social media influences customer behaviour. The research reveals that social media has become a vital part of consumers' lives and has also had a significant impact on their behaviour.

**Tobon, Sandra & Garcia-Madariaga, Jesus (2021)** Opinion leaders and eWOM are quickly becoming two of the most popular strategies for launching a business on social media when it comes to creating viral marketing campaigns for a product or service. Is the influence of an opinion leader (OL eWOM) on a customer's buying decision significant? An experimental online store design was used to test whether or not online word-of-mouth (OL eWOM), as well as valence and product type, had a factor in the decision to purchase or not to purchase. In a 22-experiment pattern, 300 undergraduate students were assigned to one of five scenarios at random. The results were published in the journal Science. Consumers' online purchases of experience-type products are increased as a result of OL eWOM, and the eWOM's positive valence is demonstrated to be statistically significant. When OL eWOM is compared to a control group, however, it does not seem to have a significant influence. According to the empirical data reported in this research, online learning has just a little influence on e-commerce purchasing behaviour.

**Javed, Muhammad & Wu (2020)** Due to the fact that e-commerce environments are sometimes seen as sterile, people are hesitant of making purchases online. In such cases, post-sale services (such as product returns, exchanges, and maintenance) may be explored in order to lessen customers' suspicion. Due to this, the goal of this study is to investigate how post-sale services (such as product return, exchange, and maintenance) impact the behavioural and attitudinal features of consumers who shop online (developing customers repurchase intentions). Consumers who participated in a survey on the JD.com website contributed the data for this research, which was carried out using structural equation modelling to analyse the results (after missing data were removed). Customers' pleasure with product return, exchange, and maintenance services, according to studies, is significantly related to their overall contentment online. Customer pleasure and trust serve as mediators between the utilisation of product return, exchange, and maintenance services and the desire of online consumers to repurchase as measures of the quality of the relationship. The availability of product return, exchange, and maintenance services from online retailers was also found to differ between male and female customers. The post-sale services provided by online merchants have never been studied in this manner previously, and this study is the first to analyse the perceptions and choices of both male and female customers when making an online purchase. In this research, theoretical and managerial conclusions are drawn from a conceptual framework and actual data.

**Mahapatra, Satyanarayan & Mahapatra (2020)** The frequency of purchases from the most popular online shopping platform was assessed by 521 people in this survey. Customer feedback and consumer engagement are examined in relation to the review perception and other online connections between customer and brand, such as social media. Customers are asked to list the most important aspects/features of online buying. Customers place the ease of returning a product at the top of their list of six priorities. Responding to questions and complaints more quickly is considered as the sixth most important factor by most people. Many people who have had a terrible or unpleasant experience with a company will write about it on the company's website and other social media platforms. This demonstrates a wonderful possibility for strong engagement bonding that leads to increased customer lifetime value.

### 3. OBJECTIVES OF THE STUDY

- To analysis the social media On E-Commerce on Online Consumer Behavior
- To study indicate that consumers in their behavior in social media, especially online media

### 4. RESEARCH METHODOLOGY

It was unable to identify or track down any of the study's participants by name or number. It was determined that 100 individuals were appropriate for this inquiry by using a technique known as purposeful random sampling. Purposive sampling is a technique in which the researcher picks a sample based on a set of criteria that have been previously established. The following conditions must be



satisfied in order to be considered for this study: a high school diploma or equivalent, a recent three-month period of research, and at least two social media accounts. It took place between April 1st and April 30th of this year.

Respondents were asked to rate their degree of agreement or disagreement with a series of stimulus items using a Likert scale, which is a commonly used rating measure for emotional responses. According to the Likert scale, the number one represents extreme disagreement while the number five represents strong agreement. The Partial Least Square (PLS) technique was used to analyse the data collected. PLS is used as an equation model in Structure Equation Modelling (SEM), which is based on components or variations. In order to confirm the hypothesis and construct a realistic model, this work makes use of SEM using a fluctuation-based or segment-based approach, among other techniques (PLS). As long as both the recursive model and the latent variable contain normative indicators, the structural model may be utilised to explain their results. PLS is the most effective technique for dealing with usage, regardless of whether it is reflective or mixed.

## 5. RESULT

### 5.1 Instrument Reliability

When the same item is examined with the same procedure and same measurement device, the findings will be consistent, even if the time is different. This is known as a test reliability test, or TRT. Cronbach's coefficient of alpha is used to determine the degree to which the study's variables are positively associated with one another. Reliability is measured by comparing the cronbach's alpha value to a cutoff value of less than 0.60. Table 1 below shows the test's outcomes:

**Table 1: Reliability Test Results**

No	Variable	Cronbach Alpha	Results
1	Share (Y)	0.897	Reliabel
2	Attention(X1)	0.894	Reliabel
3	Interest(X2)	0.894	Reliabel
4	Search(X3)	0.939	Reliabel
5	Action(X4)	0.932	Reliabel

When evaluating the outer model, the criteria of focused legitimacy, discriminant legitimacy, and composite unshakeable quality are applied. The significance of estimate models relying on external stacking is determined by the presence of both a stacking incentive of at least 0.50, as well as a t-measurable incentive of at least 1.96, all of which indicate that the model has common validity. The results of the attention, interest, search, action, and sharing studies all have an outside loading value larger than 0.5, indicating that they are more likely to occur. Using the ambiguity indicator of role, the action variable has the maximum outer loading value of 0.936, making it the most powerful measure of the ambiguity indicator. Three indicators have an outer loading value larger than 0.5, indicating that they are reliable indicators for determining the variable proportion of the population.

For the purpose of determining whether or not the notion has good discriminant validity, a cross loading-based assessment of the estimate model is carried out. Because of the presence of cross loading, every sign in the relevant variable has the maximum value when compared to different cross loading latent components, which is why discriminant legitimacy is regarded legitimate. The results of cross-loading the three components are shown in Table 3.

**Table 3: Value of Cross Loading Research Model**

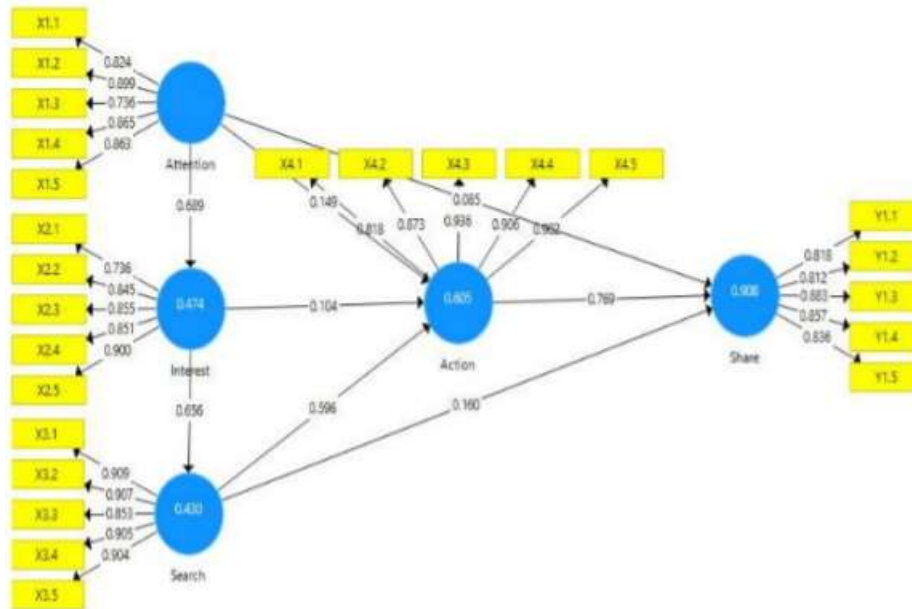
	Action	Attention	Interest	Search	Share
X1.1	0.559	0.824	0.450	0.535	0.600
X1.2	0.480	0.899	0.621	0.512	0.514
X1.3	0.519	0.736	0.622	0.566	0.547
X1.4	0.474	0.865	0.674	0.555	0.523
X1.5	0.492	0.863	0.504	0.513	0.544
X2.1	0.586	0.542	0.736	0.595	0.632
X2.2	0.452	0.532	0.845	0.515	0.469
X2.3	0.512	0.641	0.855	0.586	0.555
X2.4	0.413	0.500	0.851	0.449	0.443
X2.5	0.514	0.645	0.900	0.576	0.557
X3.1	0.729	0.619	0.615	0.909	0.762
X3.2	0.627	0.574	0.580	0.907	0.662
X3.3	0.679	0.561	0.596	0.853	0.718
X3.4	0.677	0.536	0.574	0.905	0.726
X3.5	0.686	0.582	0.570	0.904	0.705
X4.1	0.818	0.465	0.518	0.622	0.812
X4.2	0.873	0.576	0.526	0.680	0.883
X4.3	0.936	0.573	0.549	0.699	0.824
X4.4	0.906	0.477	0.452	0.668	0.848
X4.5	0.902	0.581	0.607	0.700	0.809
Y1.1	0.676	0.639	0.628	0.721	0.818
Y1.2	0.818	0.465	0.518	0.622	0.812
Y1.3	0.873	0.576	0.526	0.680	0.883
Y1.4	0.778	0.552	0.526	0.631	0.857
Y1.5	0.805	0.521	0.513	0.715	0.836

Table 3 above shows that each latent variable has a larger cross loading than the other latent variables, which means that the latent variable has met the criteria for discriminant validity. The Cronbach's alpha value may be used to measure the estimating model's construct reliability when using reflected indicators. Cronbach's alpha and reliability quality composite are excellent if they have an estimate of  $\geq 0.70$ . Table 4's instrument reliability concentrations are shown in the following results.

**Table 4: Composite Reliability Research Model**

No	Variables	Composite Reliability	Cronbachs Alpha	Results
1	Action(X4)	0.949	0.932	Reliable
2	Attention(X1)	0.922	0.894	Reliable
3	Interest(X2)	0.922	0.894	Reliable
4	Search(X3)	0.953	0.939	Reliable
5	Share(Y)	0.924	0.897	Reliable

According to Table 4 above, the Cronbach's alpha value and the composite reliability value for all constructions have an estimate of more than 0.7. As a result, each exploration construct in the examination model has a high degree of dependability. The purpose of examining the structural model's latent constructs, significant values, and R-square is to examine how they relate to the research model that has been established. Figure 1 shows the results of evaluating the inner model based on the research model that was developed and evaluated using SEM-PLS analysis.



**Figure 1: The result of structural model analysis**

It was decided to apply the R-square to assess the constructs of both independent and dependent variables, and it was found that both the t test and the significance values for each of these parameters were very significant. Structural path parameters are evaluated using this method.

**Table 5: R-square**

Variables	R-square
Action	0.605
Interest	0.474
Search	0.430
Share	0.908

If the action variable has an R-squared value of 0.605, Table 5 will be seen. This means that factors like attention, interest, search, and sharing account for 60.5% of the action construct's variability, whereas variables outside the model account for 39.5%. The R-squared of interest variables The attention, action, search, and share factors account for 47.4 percent of the variance, whereas the interest variables account for 52.6 percent of the variance. 43 percent of the variability in the search variable is explained by attention, action, interest and sharing whereas 57 percent of the search variables are explained by other factors. Attention, action, interest, and search were all described by the variable R-square share of 90.8 percent of its variability, while just 9.2 percent was explained by other factors.

## 6. CONCLUSION

In this study, it can be stated that this research model enhances the notion of customer behaviour in marketing, particularly via online media.. The findings of this research show that consumers' behaviour in social media, particularly online media, has unique features. There is no need for customers to go



through the phases of behaviour that are typically performed sequentially; instead, they may jump right into the ones that are required. Customers in the AISAS model are organised in a manner that ensures that they are aware of a product's existence (Attention), and from this knowledge, they develop an interest in the product. Consumers will become more curious once they first get interested, and this curiosity may be satiated by searching for information online. A purchasing choice (Action) may be made in the form of either a positive action (buying the product) or a negative action (not buying the product). Share information and/or your own experiences with other people throughout the process, from the beginning to the conclusion.

Consumer behaviour was shown to be quite adaptable in this research. In this research, the attention, interest, and action variables all had a positive influence on each other, but the significance of these interactions could not be determined; nevertheless, other Search for Share correlations in this study were shown to be both positive and significant. The findings of this research are intended to serve as a reference for the creation of online product marketing strategies that explicitly target social media as a method of promoting and developing consumer behaviour, especially among online consumers of the items supplied.

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