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ABSTRACT

This study conducts a comparative analysis of the marketing strategies employed by two leading players in the online food delivery industry: Swiggy and Zomato. As these platforms navigate a competitive and rapidly evolving landscape, understanding their distinct approaches to customer engagement, brand building, and market expansion becomes imperative. The abstract provides a concise overview of the research, emphasizing the examination of user experience, loyalty programs, partnerships, and advertising campaigns as key focal points. The study also aims to uncover how Swiggy and Zomato adapt to regional variations and cultural nuances, shedding light on the dynamic nature of their operations in diverse markets. Ultimately, this research contributes to a deeper understanding of the strategies these platforms employ to capture and retain a burgeoning customer base in the fast-paced realm of online food delivery.

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CHAPTER 1

INTRODUCTION

1.1. INTRODUCTION

In the dynamic landscape of the food delivery industry, two prominent players have emerged as frontrunners, each employing distinct marketing strategies to gain a competitive edge. This comparative study delves into the marketing strategies of Swiggy and Zomato, shedding light on their approaches to customer acquisition, brand positioning, and overall market penetration.

As the demand for online food delivery services continues to surge, understanding how these platforms differentiate themselves in the minds of consumers becomes pivotal. Swiggy and Zomato, both born out of the digital revolution, have navigated the complex web of customer preferences, technological innovations, and market trends to carve out their niches.

This comparative analysis aims to explore the nuances of their marketing strategies, emphasizing key aspects such as user experience, loyalty programs, partnerships, and advertising campaigns. By examining the tactics employed by Swiggy and Zomato, we can discern the unique paths they have chosen to captivate and retain their customer base.

Additionally, the study will scrutinize how these platforms adapt to regional variations and cultural nuances, considering the diverse markets they operate in. As Swiggy and Zomato vie for supremacy, understanding the intricacies of their marketing strategies provides valuable insights into the evolving dynamics of the food delivery industry.

In essence, this comparative study serves as a comprehensive exploration of Swiggy and Zomato's marketing endeavors, offering a nuanced understanding of how these industry giants position themselves, compete, and innovate in the ever-evolving realm of online food delivery.

1.2. INDUSTRY PROFILE

Swiggy and Zomato operate in the dynamic and rapidly growing industry of online food delivery, a sector that has witnessed significant transformation in recent years due to technological advancements and changing consumer behaviors. Here's an industry profile for Swiggy and Zomato:

1. Industry Overview:

- The online food delivery industry has experienced substantial growth driven by increased internet penetration, smartphone usage, and a shift in consumer preferences towards convenience.
- The industry connects users with a wide range of restaurants, allowing them to order food online and have it delivered to their doorstep.

2. Market Size and Growth:

- The market size of the global online food delivery industry has expanded rapidly, fueled by urbanization, busy lifestyles, and a growing desire for diverse culinary experiences.
- Emerging economies with rising disposable incomes and a burgeoning middle class contribute significantly to the industry's growth.

3. Competitive Landscape:

- The online food delivery space is fiercely competitive, with numerous players vying for market share. Swiggy and Zomato are two major players, each with its unique strengths and market presence.
- Competition often involves innovations in technology, logistics, and marketing strategies to attract and retain customers.

4. Technological Integration:

- Technology plays a crucial role in the industry, enabling seamless ordering experiences through user-friendly apps and websites.

- Innovations such as real-time tracking, AI-powered recommendations, and efficient logistics contribute to enhancing the overall customer experience.

5. Business Models:

- Online food delivery platforms typically operate on a commission-based model, charging restaurants a percentage of the order value for using their platform.
- Some platforms also generate revenue through subscription services, delivery fees, and partnerships.

6. Regulatory Challenges:

- The industry faces regulatory challenges related to licensing, food safety, and labor practices. Adherence to local regulations is crucial for sustained operations.

7. Consumer Behavior and Trends:

- Changing consumer preferences, including a demand for healthier options, sustainable practices, and contactless delivery, influences the strategies of online food delivery platforms.
- Loyalty programs, discounts, and exclusive partnerships are common strategies to attract and retain customers.

8. Global Expansion:

- Many online food delivery platforms, including Swiggy and Zomato, are expanding globally, entering new markets to capitalize on untapped opportunities and diversify their user base.

In summary, the online food delivery industry is marked by intense competition, technological innovation, and a focus on meeting evolving consumer demands. Swiggy and Zomato navigate this dynamic landscape, continually adapting their strategies to stay ahead in the highly competitive market.

1.3. COMPANY PROFILE

Zomato

Zomato is a food delivery and restaurant aggregator start-up founded in 2008. Based in India, the company operates in 24 countries around the world, including Australia and the United States. Apart from providing users with restaurant information, menus, and reviews, Zomato also offers various services like online ordering, table reservation, and more. The company collects all necessary information from each restaurant and makes sure that their data is always up to date. Additionally, Zomato has a community of food lovers and bloggers who share their own reviews and photos, providing customers with all the necessary information to make informed choices. Zomato's main objective is to increase their business by targeting hungry customers, and they do this by providing a user-friendly application that makes ordering easy. They also offer many promotions and deals to attract customers. Zomato's large customer base is an added advantage for them. As a platform for restaurant search and discovery, online food ordering, and restaurant table reservations, Zomato is a leading company in this industry. Zomato was established by Deepinder Goyal and Pankaj Chadha, and its headquarters are in Gurgaon (previously known as Gurugram). The company has become a pioneer in food ordering and restaurant discovery in India, benefiting both consumers and restaurants alike. Zomato boasts a strong review system, which enables food enthusiasts to discover the finest restaurants and eateries in their area. Notably, Zomato has joined the ranks of companies that have expanded globally after initially launching in India. Today, Zomato's platform comprises over 1 million restaurants worldwide.

SWIGGY

Swiggy was founded in 2014 by Sriharsha Majety, Nandan Reddy, and Rahul Jaimini in Bengaluru, India. They identified the need for a more efficient and reliable food delivery service in the market. Swiggy has since become a leading player in the food ordering and delivery industry in India. Using their proprietary technology platform, Swiggy connects customers with local restaurants and provides a seamless ordering and delivery experience. The company also offers a subscription-based loyalty program, Swiggy Super, which provides free deliveries and other benefits to customers. Swiggy has expanded rapidly, and currently operates in over 500 cities in India. Swiggy's delivery fleet is a significant part of its business model. The company has built its own delivery network, including delivery executives, to ensure fast and efficient delivery of food. This allows Swiggy to provide a reliable delivery service and maintain control over the entire delivery process, from food preparation to delivery. Swiggy also uses technology to optimize its delivery operations, such as real-time tracking of delivery personnel and dynamic routing to ensure timely delivery. This has helped Swiggy establish a strong brand presence and gain a loyal customer base in India. Swiggy is known for its fast delivery and has even introduced innovative technologies like Swiggy Go and Swiggy Genie to ensure even faster deliveries of a wide range of products. Swiggy Go is a service that enables customers to pick up and drop off items like laundry, documents, parcels, and even forgotten items at restaurants or homes. Swiggy Genie is a hyperlocal delivery service that allows customers to send and receive packages across their city within minutes. These services have helped Swiggy expand its offerings beyond food delivery and attract more customers.

1.4. STATEMENT OF THE PROBLEM

This study aims to address the following questions:

- How do Swiggy and Zomato differentiate themselves in terms of marketing tactics?
- What are the key factors that contribute to their success in attracting and retaining customers?

1.5. OBJECTIVES OF THE STUDY

- To compare the success of their marketing strategies.
- To identify which channel has provided them more customer base.
- To determine what kind of perception is created in the mind of the customer by their marketing strategies.
- To know the different marketing strategies adopted by them.

1.6. NEED OF THE STUDY

The food delivery industry in India has seen a significant growth in recent years, with Swiggy and Zomato being the major players. As these companies continue to expand their operations and compete with each other it becomes important to understand their marketing strategies and how they impact their success. This study aims to provide a comparative analysis of Swiggy and Zomato's marketing strategies and their effectiveness in attracting and retaining customers.

1.7. SCOPE OF THE STUDY

This study aims to compare the marketing strategies of Swiggy and Zomato, two leading food delivery platforms in India. The study will focus on their online and offline marketing campaigns, social media presence, customer engagement tactics, and brand positioning. Additionally, the study will analyze the impact of these strategies on the user acquisition and retention rates of both platforms. The data for the study will be collected through surveys, interviews, and secondary research. The study will provide insights into the competitive landscape of the online food delivery industry and help businesses in formulating effective marketing strategies.

CHAPTER 2

REVIEW OF LITERATURE

2.1 REVIEW OF LITERATURE

Aditya Jain (2022)

Zomato and Swiggy consists of over 95% of the total market share in the food delivery sector. The aspects that have the greatest influence on Indian clients' decisions when they select a certain online meal delivery service to meet their demands. Perceived Service Quality, Proper Flow of Communication by the Delivery Person, Wide Range of Options, On Time Delivery, Fresh, Well Cooked & Well Packaged Food, Price and Discounts Offered, Real Time Tracking of Delivery, Online Promotions & Advertisements were the eight factors tested in this study. In addition, the study sought to determine whether variations in the classification of a city—Tier 1, Tier 2, or Tier 3—affect the weight that consumers accord a certain factor.

Prof. (Dr.) Sagar H. Mohite, Dr. Ambar Beharay (2020)

While social media presence can certainly have an impact on a company's revenue, it is just one of many factors that contribute to a company's success. Swiggy and Zomato are both major players in the online food delivery market in India, and both companies have their own unique strengths and weaknesses. While Zomato may have a strong social media presence, Swiggy may have other advantages such as faster delivery times or a wider selection of restaurants in certain areas. Ultimately, it will be a combination of factors that will determine which company emerges as the market leader in the long term.

Anubhav Kumar Pathak, Muskaan Saraf (2020)

The cost of online food delivery services can be a barrier to adoption for some people, and the need to increase prices to cover costs or turn a profit can exacerbate the problem. However, offering discounts and deals is also a common marketing strategy to attract new customers and retain existing ones. It's a delicate balance that online food delivery services must strike to remain competitive while also remaining profitable. Additionally,

expanding the availability of service to areas that currently do not have it is crucial to growing the market and reaching new customers.

Mrs. A. Mohanapriya, Mrs. P. Geetha & Mr. A. Prasathkumar(2020)

The consumer behaviour has become an emerging area of research within the business discipline here various factors has an influence on consumer behaviour. The research investigates the consumer's preference on dining in a restaurant and ordering food online. Even online food delivery service is an emerging market in India the consumer prefers the traditional way of dining in the restaurant. Restaurants is the place where people can sit and relax and spend their time with their family by having their favourite food. Most of the people prefers the restaurant with good ambience and provide hygiene food. Most of the consumers have online food delivery apps in their mobiles but they place orders only once in a while. From this research paper we had identified that the main problem for the consumers not preferring online food delivery service is lack of trust. Consumers afraid of the quality of the packed food, so the online food aggregators should gain the trust of the consumers to improve their business.

Dr. Mayuri Chaturvedi, Tatikonda Karthik (2019)

It's important to note that while some people may face connectivity issues with company executives, many food delivery companies have implemented various customer support channels such as chatbots, email support, and call centers to improve their customer service. Regarding the discounts offered by food delivery companies, it is a common strategy used to attract and retain customers, but it can also lead to losses for the companies.

Jacob, Sreedharan, and K. (2019)

made it abundantly clear that demographics are crucial to online food delivery services. Additionally, because some online applications are difficult to use, people over the age of 45 tend to cook their own meals or prefer eating out. The study also made it clear that people between the ages of 14 and 45 are more likely to use online services than those under this age bracket. The demographics are an important factor that online services

should consider because there are still some locations where these services are not available, such as a specific area in a city or town or it is not as functional in small cities, and the service is only available during specific hours, which leaves a negative impression of the online service. **Dr. Mitali Gupta (2019)**

declares in his research the impact of food delivering Apps on restaurants. The study outlines on the benefits as well as positive and negative effects of electronic food delivery and various online food delivering applications. The researcher has also focused on strategies of food delivering applications with special reference to Zomato and Swiggy. **S. Manju (2019)**

in her study on Customer Preference and Impact of Online Food Service Apps talks about the impact of various food ordering apps in our day-to-day life and what factors have contributed to this great deal of food service app usage. **Dang and Tran (2018)** stated that mobile internet plays an important role to create and increase the awareness of online applications for food ordering and delivery. It also helped the customers to search restaurants, menu items, and comparing their prizes with the competitors.

J Das (2018)

A study has been conducted to analyze and compare the top food delivery apps. Zomato seems to be the top choice among consumers for its better discounts and selection of restaurants. It is also ranked the highest for timely delivery and good customer service. On the other hand, Uber EATS seems to be the least preferred among customers in both scenarios.

Jyotishman Das (2018)

reveals in his study the various factors that influence the consumers to choose online food delivery services. He has analysed about the most preferred online food delivery service portal by consumers. He has also shown the factors that hinder consumers to use online food delivery services. It is found that each food ordering apps have their own specializations, Zomato for better discounts and Swiggy for on time delivery. **Mrs I.Karthika, Miss. A.Manojanaranjani (2018)** in their article “A Study on the various food

ordering apps based on consumer preference” The objective of the study is rank ordering food apps based on consumer preference. The study was based on primary and secondary data. Primary data through interview schedule 234 samples were selected from purposive buyer and 234 samples from impulsive buyer as sample size. The tools used for the analysis is ranking according to preferences of consumer. The finding of the study shows the first preference given by the consumer is swiggy.

Suryadev Singh Rathore, Mahik Chaudhary (2018)

“Consumer's Perception on Online Food Ordering.” (2018): The study found out that recent development of the Internet has augmented the ecommerce industries in a country like India. E-commerce development has made online food ordering services seamless for people who want to get food delivered at their doorstep. In this study, our focus was to analyse the perception of consumer towards online food ordering services. In this research paper, two objectives were set for study. The first one was to identify the factors which influence the consumer to order food online and the other one was to know the consumer preferences on online food ordering services provider. In food ordering and delivery services cloud services are playing very vital role in food ordering and delivery services such as customer service, relationship management, supply chain management, etc. Due to technological moment food ordering and delivery services wants to ensure that ordered food must deliver at right place at right time and to right person. **G. See-Kwong (2017)** said that technology augmented the rate of the online food ordering and delivery in India.

The food ordering method also got changed from 'ordering over phone call' to 'online food orders' and made home delivery also possible to customers, with the changes in the need of the customers.

Priyadarshini (2017)

states that India has more individuals between the ages of 10 and 24, making it the world's biggest youth populace. With increasingly youngsters entering the workforce every day, development in the economy, a rising female work power, and expanded portability among

shoppers, the customarily troublesome Indian market has changed and is needing for a progressively assorted menu.

Seema Gopichand, Hariramani (August 2017)

Conducted a study on the topic “Consumer Perception about online shopping in India.” Her major findings were that maximum number of internet users are aged below 25 and have income of 15000- 25000. And the Consumer Perception towards Swiggy Digital Food Application Service: A Analytical Study with Special Reference to Ernakulam City
Aparna Anib, Gayathri.A., Shabu K.R. Consumer Perception towards Swiggy Digital Food Application Service: A Analytical Study with special reference to Ernakulam City 792
Published By: Blue Eyes Intelligence Engineering Retrieval Number: F60960486S19\19©BEIESP & Sciences Publication factor for shopping online is the quality, ease of accessibility, customer care, website policy. The study also reveals that convenience, time savings and reasonable price also tends the consumers to buy through online.

Kashyap, Radha (April 2017)

has Conducted a study on the topic “Consumer Perception towards online shopping for apparel through various websites.” Their findings were the shopping behaviour varies with respect to the age, gender, occupation, income, marital status. It also indicates that lack of information such as description of Product, return policy are major drawback for online shopping websites.

ÇanakkaleOnsekiz Mart Üniversitesi and GökçeadaMeslekYüksekokulu (2017)

In Turkey, I discovered that fast food consumption is restricted to areas near university campuses and major metro areas. There have also been several problems with customer recognition when ordering via food delivery service websites, which has resulted in false orders being placed. Some fast-food behemoths have hygiene problems, and due to the large number of orders delivered, the food is neither fresh nor nutritious. The study was only conducted in Turkey. Some countries have different food industry laws, and customer perceptions can vary. **Kumaran .M. (November 2017)** has conducted a study on

“Perception towards online shopping an Empirical study with respect to Indian buyers.” This research deals with E-marketing researches concerning the factors which affects consumer perception towards online purchasing experiences, this research dealt with the perceived risks, web site role, domain specific innovativeness, subjective norms, Attitude, perceived 13 usefulness, perceived ease of use, attitude, online shopping intention and online shopping behaviour. There are many reasons for people preferring online shopping but the major reason for a consumer backing out from online shopping is the security issues but the industry has given little concern to this issue. The ambience associated with the website is the most important factor that makes a consumer satisfied or dissatisfied.

S.Kamakshi (September 2016)

Conducted a Study on the topic “Consumer Perception and behaviour towards fast food a study with reference to Chennai city.” The major findings were that consumer of fast food are health conscious and they do not have emotional attachment for fast food products. And the consumers consume fast food not only because of the taste, price, offers, and discounts rather they consider the Quality, health and hygiene factors of the fast food.

Ansar Z & Jain S (2016)

specified the growth in the ecommerce industry as prime factor for the success of online food ordering and delivery services. Research has mentioned that more than 400 food delivery apps are nurturing in India with a funding of about \$120 million from venture capital firms and other such investors. Considering the fact that a minimum 3 meals are consumed by each individual in a day the food industry is called as a repetitive business industry which attracts the interest of investors and entrepreneurs towards this growing business segment.

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Leong Wai Hong (2016)

In his studies has published the online food ordering and delivery services as an efficient system to improve productivity and profitability of restaurants through online marketing and business strategies. **Zulkarnainkedah (2015)**

the main purpose of the research is to find the 'key success factors' of online food ordering services; if it depends upon the website quality (design) or service quality or website trust which leads to loyalty in an online ordering environment. Service quality and loyalty reflect that efficient delivery, reliable customer service and food characteristics (e.g., freshness, presentation, healthy) are also essentials for operating successful food ordering services.

Varsha Chavan et al. (2015)

In their studies aimed to gauge the impact smart device based interface on business management and service delivery have concluded them as a supporting factor for restaurants in taking orders and delivering foods with more convenience. Authors have stated online services as more convenient, user friendly and most effective tools for food businesses.

Murugupandian.R. (2015)

has conducted a study on "Consumer satisfaction towards coke soft drinks in Nagapattinam district Tamil Nadu." Its findings are that the royalty of brand is based on the demographic background of consumers. The royalty of Consumer purpose is high and so that their strength and expectation will be the maximum. **Shilpa Goyal (August 2014)**

has conducted a study on “Comparative study on consumer behaviour of working women and homemakers for the ready to eat food products in Salem city.” It is found out from the study that consumer preferring for a particular food product is obviously influenced by the product and the surrounding in which it is being manufactured and also the lifestyle of the consumers. When the consumer prefer for ready to eat food products they are expecting the best quality and this is also the main consideration for the manufacturers and marketers. The marketer has to fulfil all the needs and wants of the consumers so in order to achieve this he would be conducting a detailed market research in order to bring some innovation in the product such that it catches the eyes of the consumer and thereby they can increase the demand for the product. **Kalaiselvi.T. (October 2014)**

has conducted a study on the topic “Buying behaviour of consumer towards selected white goods.” The major findings of her are the manufacturing to be successful, they have to concentrate more on Product, its attributes, quality, their design, and the technology. They have to make sure that they are providing a good showroom ambience with courteous of employees and varieties of brands. And they also have to make sure that manufacturers and dealers work in a team for a successful brand in market.

Kamran Ahsan et al. (2013)

Sethu & bhavya saini

It is true that word of mouth and online forums can play a significant role in the success of online food ordering services, as people often trust the opinions and experiences of others before making a purchase decision. This highlights the importance of providing good customer service and ensuring a positive customer experience, which can lead to positive word of mouth and online reviews, ultimately helping to attract new customers and retain existing ones

Serhat Murat Alagoz & Haluk Hekimoglu (2012)

Determined a noticeable growth in e-commerce with a substantial speed worldwide, similarly food industry has been noticed to grow by the time. Researchers have used Technology Acceptance Model (TAM) model to study the online food ordering system.

Ease and usefulness of the online ordering and delivery services has been emphasized as a major factor towards the acceptance and growth of these services.

(Lara Sowinski., 2012)

When restaurants work together well, food delivery services are available. Around the same time, the customer's location plays an important role in food distribution because if the customer's location is far away from the restaurant, the food delivery service provider is put under more strain.

Kimes & Laque (2011)

Online food Ordering service is a vital part of restaurant business. Some food supply chain restaurants like Pizza Hut, Dominos, Mc Donald's have created mobile apps so that customer can place order through mobile apps. Online food ordering service owns most of the restaurant data on their websites, while telephone is restricted to the particular hotel or restaurant. Using mobile app will provide more convenience to consumer. In food ordering and delivery services cloud services are playing very vital role in food ordering and delivery services such as customer service, relationship management, supply chain management, etc. **Chris (2011)** some businesses assume that if a restaurant is promoted quickly, customers can book tables immediately. However, in today's market, some restaurants are unable to attract customers due to high penetration, especially in urban areas where customers are more cautious and people do not have enough time to visit restaurants. Restaurant owners form partnerships with food ordering and delivery systems to provide food to customers in this situation. Restaurants profit from increased exposure as a result of food delivery services. **M.Manikanteswara Reddy and M.Sree Rama Raju (2010)**

has done a study on "Consumer perception towards online shopping" and the findings are: - E-Commerce is a growing industry and has a bright future where online shopping has become the life blood of the consumers in order to meet their daily needs. ECommerce is creating a new trend in conducting business for vendors and a new place for sellers and buyers to meet called online shopping. By just clicking with their hands the item is available to the person at their doorstep. Online shopping is playing a major part

in the life of today's youngsters, thereby reducing the time that they have to spent at shops. The main reason for adopting online shopping is affordable price and time saving. **Dholakia and Zhao (2010)** timing is crucial for online services because it is directly tied to consumer happiness, which is why these online food On - time delivery is very important to delivery services, and the major companies like Zomato - Ubereats and Swiggy have introduced a new service where they guarantee the food will be delivered within the indicated time or the order will be free. People are more significantly impacted by this type of action by the major stakeholders. When a consumer places an online food order, they can even use GPS to track the delivery person's whereabouts. The consumer can use GPS to track the delivery person's location after placing an online meal order. On the other hand, this tagging mechanism offered by the meal delivery. This is also very helpful to restaurant owners because they can keep an eye on the deliverer's location and improve the delivery process so that customers get their food on time and can enjoy it since it is hot, good quality, fresh, and healthy. There is even a rating option in the online food delivery service where we may grade the deliverer based on their work.

Farah Ayuni Shafie and Denise Rennie (November 2009)

has done a study on "Consumer perception towards organic food" and the findings are: - Organic consumers can be defined with determinants such as age, income and education. High price of organic food is one reason why the consumers hesitate to buy it. Domestic supply of organic food should be promoted so that the farmers would be able to produce it at a lower rate and would be available to the consumers at a much lower rate there by reducing the price and increasing the demand for organic foods. **Anita Goyal and N.P.Singh (2007)** has done a study on "Consumer perception about fast food in India: an exploratory study." And the findings are: - The study shows that Indian youth are attracted towards fast food for fun and for a change in the daily routine of having homely food. The youngsters prefer for nutritious food followed by ambience and hygiene at the fast food outlets. They personally feel that nutritional value and hygiene conditions inside cooking area should be disclosed to them.

Polke, Tripathi and Chandra

Had done research on the impact of Covid - 19 and their demand - supply relation on the food delivery apps. They concluded that due to the pandemic, the food delivery industry in India had entirely stopped. Due to the nationwide lockdown, the food delivery riders come to a complete stop. For a very long period, almost all platforms for door - to - door delivery were unable to penetrate the market. For bike riders of delivery platforms who used to work daily jobs to support their families, Covid - 19 was a really difficult issue. The outbreak led food delivery services like Swiggy and Zomato lockdown to fire thousands of employees.

Sachin and Rushab

Has studied where with the coming of these food delivery apps they have distorted or ended the culture of dine in, along with the swiping small eateries business in the area. They said that the culture of restaurants has been fundamentally altered by a highly developed online meal ordering system, which has also elevated customers from all over the world to a new degree of comfort. The two well - known aggregators Swiggy and Zomato presently control the market for online food ordering in India, but restaurant owners have been looking for ways to break the monopoly for a variety of reasons. Dotpe, Petpooja, Limetray, and Dunzo are examples of recent immigrants who are now being provided opportunities. This study's major goal is to determine why restaurant owners choose not to use Swiggy and Zomato, as well as how new start - ups and competitors are utilising this opportunity.

NeerajaPramilla and Abhi Patel

Had done the four groupings of the brand's primary objectives. The first goal was to list the different requirements for flavour, price, and delivery. The success of an online food delivery service depends on three factors. The food's flavour, preparation, and delivery are the most important factors. 50% of people said that when it comes to making online food orders, taste was the most important factor. The calibre of the cuisine and the promptness of delivery both met with our approval. This demonstrated that the flavour of the food should come first, not its appearance. Even the cost of the food had to meet the

requirements. Examining rival services like Swiggy and Zomato to learn more about them was also on the agenda. In that order, Swiggy and Zomato were the most used applications. Customers had a choice between four options for food delivery services. Swiggy, Zomato, and other meal delivery firms were all participating. Swiggy and Zomato came in second and third when all the data was analysed, and "others" won. Despite the prevalence of well - known and reliable brands, people continue to be dissatisfied and look for a distinctive experience. To make sure that the strong brand could best serve its clients, every brand is carefully examined. The third goal was to make sure that customers were satisfied and to establish a reputable brand. It was crucial to understand what users wanted from online food delivery services in order to accomplish this goal. **McKinsey & Company**

titled “Food Retail in India during the Covid - 19 pandemic”, they have researched more than 5000 respondents across seven countries of Asia - Australia, China, India, Indonesia, Japan, South Korea and Thailand, during the time period from March 21 - 23, 2020. The coronavirus epidemic has made clear the crucial role that grocery stores play in society as it spreads throughout the globe and endangers lives and livelihoods. Groceries continue to be crucial merchants in a volatile environment that is changing daily because consumers expect these companies to keep them nourished and healthy. The food industry's immediate priorities are obvious.

According to Sumathy

The online food adjure app system can be useful for hotels and restaurants to expand the scope of their business by allowing people to place orders online. The purpose of this research was to determine the consumer's level of awareness and satisfaction, as well as the factors that impact consumers' decision to purchase food from a food adjure through the internet. The majority of respondents disagree that internet websites charge exorbitant delivery fees. Almost every user feels secure when making a payment online. The success of the food adjure app is largely due to the service it provides.

(Frederick and Bhat) his paper “Review on Customer Perception Towards Online Food Delivery Services” have explained that the factors which influences the consumer

perception towards online food delivery service are price, time delivery, prior experience, convenience, food quality, and e-service quality. This study tells that the consumers intention is not only buy through online for their convenience, but also because of the wide range of options such as great access to information and lower costs.

(Saranya and Sreerekha)

her study “Preference and Comparative Analysis Towards Online Food Delivery Applications” have stated that the Swiggy is the most preferred app among the selected food delivery applications, with faster delivery and discounts being the most influencing factor. The online food ordering system maintains a database to enhance the customer experience, and users after place orders on a monthly and weekend basis. It also highlights that youngsters are most inclined to online food delivery system. In this study they used the survey-based research methodology to analyse the preference and Comparative analysis towards online food delivery applications. They used percentage analysis and chi-square test for this study. 96% of the respondents who participated in the survey are ordering food through online.

(Jadhav) his paper “Food Ordering Mobile Applications-A new wave in Food Entrepreneurship” ensures that in the most recent years, the online meal delivery market experienced a 150% growth rate. The two characteristics of the growth factors are the increasing use of smartphones and the penetration of the internet. The survey found that customers expect a wide selection of restaurants, ease of ordering, the convenience of having food delivered to their doorsteps, and lower costs from online meal delivery apps. In order to conduct primary research for this work, two questionnaires: one completed by restaurants and the other random customers who order a takeaway or neat out were used.

(Thakur)

his paper “Customers Attitude and Preference towards Digital Food Apps Services” have claimed that our nation’s use of online food ordering services is rapidly expanding. Convenience is the reason that drives customers to order food through online food

delivery services since they prefer to do so from the comfort of their homes. They found that 80% of consumers preferred to shop at Swiggy due to their deals, prompt delivery, affordable rates, and other factors. Cash on delivery is the most popular form of payment, and young people are more likely to use OFD apps.

(Kumar et al.) his title “Online Food Delivery App Foodie” had improved the primary objectives of comprehending consumer attitudes and behaviour regarding online food services. The use of mobile applications, the internet of things, and cloud computing for many purposes, including food delivery, was covered in the literature reviews for this research. Future work recommendations included the usage of chatbots for customer care, the integration of augmented reality for a better user experience, and the inclusion of blockchain technology to assure secure transactions.

(Ariffin et al.)

her study “Continuous Intention to Use Technology of Online Food Delivery Services Among Young Adults” has discussed the variables that continue to affect a young persons’ intentions to use meal delivery apps in Malaysia. The adoption of online meal delivery as a practical tool to enhance quality of life is based on the modified technology acceptance model (TAM). The survey was done using a simple random sampling procedure, with a sample size of 384 respondents, according to the questionnaire-based methodology described in this research. The study’s conclusion was that social influence had the greatest impact on users’ intentions to continue using meal delivery applications.

(Ravindran et al.) his article “Consumer Attitude towards ‘Online Food Ordering’: An Empirical Study” this paper discussed about how the Chennai residents people feels about the online food delivery apps and their delivery service. The main goal is to analysed and investigate the users of various OFD apps like Zomato, Swiggy, Domino’s, KFC, and Pizza Hut, etc. Methodology: This research paper is descriptive in nature and the sample size is 118 respondents. To test the factors MCDM ARAS methodology was used in this study. They concluded that Zomato is ranked first, followed by Swiggy and Domino’s is ranked the bottom line. Finally, the Zomato is bulkily preferred by male and female users of online food delivery apps.

MARKETING STRATEGIES ADOPTED BY ZOMATO

Zomato's marketing strategy is centered on innovation, agility, and efficient communication. The company stands out by using a nonsensical, humorous, and sometimes counter-intuitive tone of voice. The main objective is to engage with their audience through interactions. Their some of marketing strategies are as follows: -

Zomato's Twitter Game

Zomato's marketing strategy is built around innovation, adaptability, and effective communication, which sets them apart from competitors. They prioritize engaging with their audience and use a unique tone of voice that is sometimes nonsensical, witty, and counter-intuitive. To illustrate, they launched a Twitter campaign asking people to share the most creative restaurant they have come across, which generated a lot of engagement. In another tweet, they urged their followers to order less and eat homecooked food, which is contrary to what one would expect from a food delivery platform. However, they used reverse psychology to their advantage, and the tweet was a hit with customers. Overall, Zomato's success on social media stems from their ability to connect with their community and differentiate themselves in a crowded market.

Networking Strategy

In response to the financial struggles faced by daily wage earners during the pandemic, the company initiated a fund called "Feed the Daily Wager" aimed at providing support to these families. The fund has a target of 50 crores, out of which over 28.13 crores have already been collected. The funds are utilized to distribute meal kits to families that can support up to 5 people for a week. Additionally, the company has formed partnerships with various NGOs and organizations to ensure that the food is distributed to the intended recipients.

SEO Strategy

Zomato's success in generating online traffic is largely attributed to its strong SEO strategy, which accounts for approximately 66% of its website traffic. Through the use of target keywords, URL linking, website pages, internal linking, and social media tactics,

the company has been able to rank high in search results for approximately 900,000 keywords. Additionally, Zomato allows registered restaurants to create and manage their pages on its website, resulting in over 54 million pages. The company has also obtained highquality backlinks from 12,274,172 domains, including .gov and .edu domains, further increasing its domain authority. Overall, Zomato's SEO strategy is a major factor in its dominant position in the market.

Google adds

Zomato utilizes Google Ads to connect with its target audience through the use of branded and non-branded keywords. As Google search results display both organic results and paid ads, Zomato utilizes this platform to attract potential customers. Their Google Ads strategy drives about 0.56% of the company's overall traffic.

Zomato's Email Marketing Strategy

Zomato takes advantage of all marketing channels and effectively utilizes email marketing as well. Zomato's email marketing strategy is just as engaging and clever as its tweets. The company ensures brand loyalty by using attention-grabbing subject lines and compelling calls to action in their emails.

Push Notifications

Zomato's push notification strategy is another effective way to engage and retain its users. The company uses personalized and witty messages to tempt users to order food, making them feel like they're missing out if they don't. By doing so, Zomato establishes a stronger connection with its users and encourages them to complete their orders.

MARKETING STRATEGY ADOPTED BY SWIGGY

SEO Strategy

Swiggy has put in significant efforts to optimize its website for search engines, specifically in terms of meta tags, backlinks, and website structure. The Swiggy homepage has a well-crafted meta title that includes relevant keywords such as "food", "online", "food delivery",

"order", and "restaurants near you." Additionally, the meta description includes popular cities of operation and top restaurant partners. The H1 tag on the homepage helps search engines identify the main topic of the page. Furthermore, Swiggy has a good backlink score with a mix of inbound and outbound links. They also ensure that there are no broken links on their website and redirect traffic from non-preferred domains to their preferred domains. The advanced sitemap they have in place assists search engines in understanding the website's structure. Overall, Swiggy has put in significant efforts to ensure their website is optimized for search engines.

Social Media Marketing

Swiggy has a strong social media campaign strategy, and in the past, they have created successful campaigns such as #eatyourveggies, #earnyourcheatmeal, and #superswiggy. These campaigns use witty wordplay and phrases to introduce healthy eating in a humorous way. When not running campaigns, Swiggy uses Instagram to create visually appealing images of food that make people crave good food and prompt them to order from Swiggy. They also use Instagram's grid feature creatively to increase engagement. Swiggy creates short videos that are less than 30 seconds long and posts them on YouTube. The videos focus on how Swiggy can be useful to users in various scenarios. All of these social media strategies help increase user engagement, reduce unsubscribe rates, and connect people to Swiggy's page.

Email Marketing

Swiggy's email marketing strategy is effective as it focuses on personalization and providing value to the users through discounts and promotions. The use of clicky subject lines and attractive visuals also helps to increase open rates and engagement. By leveraging current affairs and events, Swiggy makes its emails more relatable and relevant to its audience, which further boosts engagement and conversions. Overall, Swiggy's email marketing strategy is a great example of how to effectively use this channel to drive sales and build customer loyalty. Paid Advertising Swiggy runs Google Ads to target people looking for food, but we cannot confirm that without access to their marketing strategy. However, it is common for companies to use Google Ads as part of

their marketing strategy to target potential customers through both text ads and display ads. These ads can be targeted to specific audiences based on location, demographics, interests, and search history, among other factors. This allows companies to reach people who are already interested in their products or services, increasing the chances of conversion.

CHAPTER 3

RESEARCH METHODOLOGY

3.1. METHODOLOGY:

The research methodology for this study will involve a comparative analysis of Swiggy and Zomato, with a focus on their marketing strategies. The study will also examine the impact of influencer marketing on Swiggy's customer base and explore the potential of social media campaigns for Zomato. The study of the overall questions explains with the help of graphs and charts, collecting data from customers and analysing these with logical and scientific tools.

3.2. RESEARCH DESIGN:

Descriptive Research Design

Descriptive research is a study designed to depict the participants in an accurate way. More simply put, descriptive research is all about describing people who take part in the study.

3.3. SAMPLING TECHNIQUE:

Convenience sampling method

A convenience sample is one of the main types of non-probability sampling methods. A convenience sample is made up of people who are easy to reach.

3.4. SOURCES OF DATA:

There are two major sources of data: - Primary Data and Secondary Data.

- **Primary Data** It is a source of collecting data by first-hand information through observation, direct communication or personal interviews of 37 respondent's customers. In this, the questionnaire is used for conducting personal interviews and for collecting the data.

- Secondary Data It is collected from standard books, internal sources, magazines and newspapers and also collecting data from external and internal sources from the company annual reports, company additional profile and company internal website.

3.5. STRUCTURE OF QUESTIONNAIRE:

The questionnaire was divided into two sections. The first part was designed to know the general information about customers and the second part contained the respondent 's opinions.

- Demographic information of the respondents.
- Research related Questions ➤ Perception Questions.
- Factors influencing choice of food delivery app.
- Satisfaction levels with Swiggy and Zomato's services and features.

3.6. SAMPLE SIZE

The sample size for this research project is 150

SAMPLE DESIGN

It is a particular definite plan formulation before collecting the data from population. The research should select a particular sample. In sampling, there are 2 types - probability sampling and non-probability sampling. In this research, only non-probability sampling is used.

- **Sampling**
 - Sampling design: Non-probability sampling.
 - Sampling technique: convenient sampling.
 - Sample unit: Customers.
 - Sample size: 150 respondents.

3.7. PERIOD OF STUDY

The period of the study is to determine that research process is carried out for 3 months.

3.8. AREA OF THE STUDY:

The targeted people are the customers in Thrissur district.

3.9. HYPOTHESIS:

HYPOTHESIS - 1

- **H0:** There is no significant difference in the criteria for ordering food by the respondents.
- **H1:** There is significant difference in the criteria for ordering food by the respondents.

HYPOTHESIS - 2

- **H0:** There is no significant difference in getting discounts between 'Online food Distribution Apps' and 'Traditional Restaurant'.
- **H1:** There is significant difference in getting discounts between 'Online food Distribution Apps' and 'Traditional Restaurant'.

3.10. TOOLS FOR ANALYSIS:

Questionnaire was created in order to receive the necessary response required from the sample to achieve the research objective. The tools used for this are

3.10.1. PERCENTAGE ANALYSIS

Research questions are always answered with a descriptive statistic: generally, either percentage or mean. Percentage is appropriate when it is important to know how many of the participants gave a particular answer. Generally, percentage is reported when the responses have discrete categories.

3.10.2. ANALYTICAL TOOLS(SPSS)

Tool for testing the Hypothesis (SPSS)

➤ Chi-square Test

CHI-SQUARE TEST

A **chi-squared test** (symbolically represented as χ^2) is basically a data analysis on the basis of observations of a random set of variables. Usually, it is a comparison of two statistical data sets. This test was introduced by Karl Pearson in 1900 for categorical data analysis and distribution. So it was mentioned as Pearson's chi-squared test.

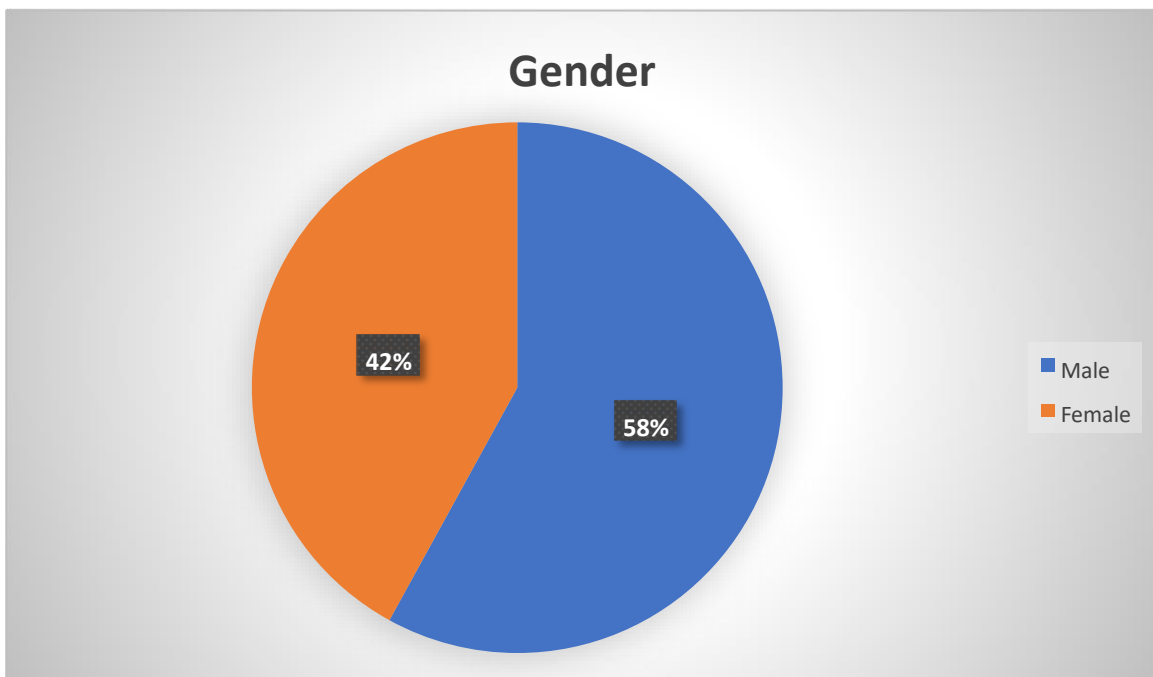
CHAPTER 4

DATA ANALYSIS AND INTERPRETATION

4.1. PERCENTAGE ANALYSIS

4.1.1 Table indicating the gender of respondents

S.NO	Gender	No of Respondents	Percentage Analysis
1	Male	87	58%
2	Female	43	42%
Total		150	100%



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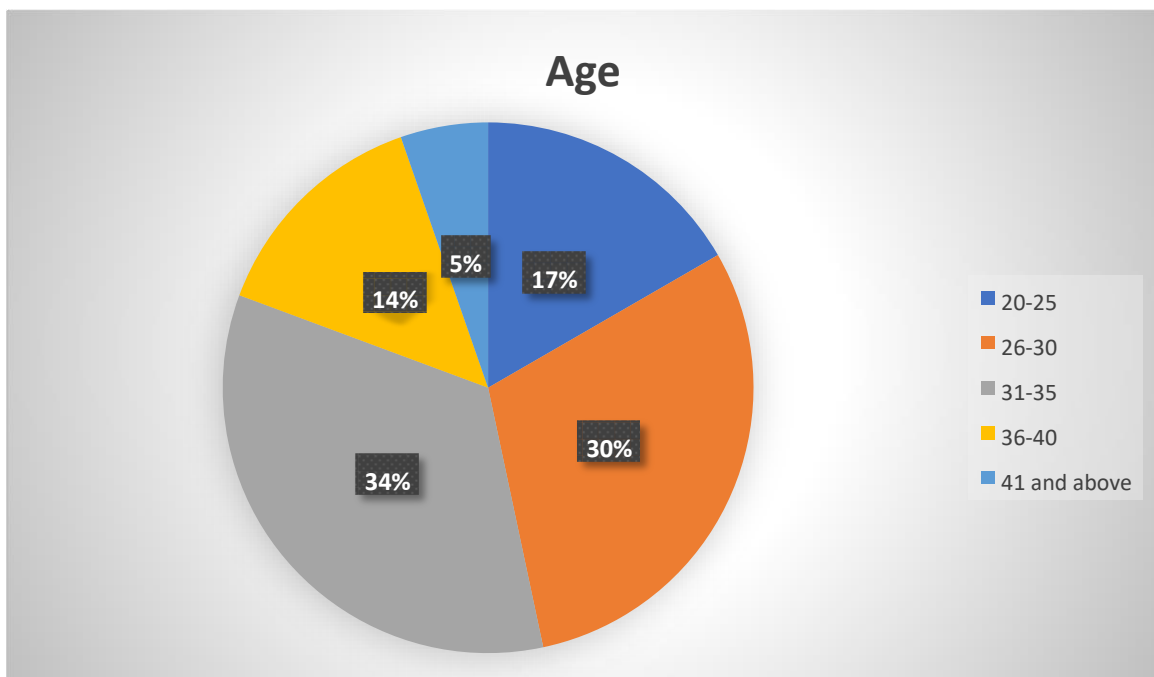
From the above table it is interpreted that the gender of the respondents is male 58% and number of respondents in female are 42%

INFERENCE

- Majority 58% of the respondents are male.

4.1.2 Table indicating the age of respondents

S.NO	Age	Number of respondents	Percentage Analysis
1	20-25	25	17%
2	26-30	45	30%
3	31-35	51	34%
4	36-40	21	14%
175	41 and above	8	5%
TOTAL		150	100%



INTERPRETATION

From the above table it is interpreted that the number of respondents 20-25 ages of respondents are 17%, between 26-30 age of respondents are 30%, between 31- 35 age of respondents 34%, between 36-40 age of respondents are 14%, and above 41 ages of respondents are 5%.

INFERENCE

- Majority 34 % of the respondents belong to the age group of 31-35 category.

4.1.3 Table indicating ordering food online

S.NO	Ordering food online	No of Respondents	Percentage Analysis
1	Yes	144	96%
2	No	6	4%
Total		150	100%



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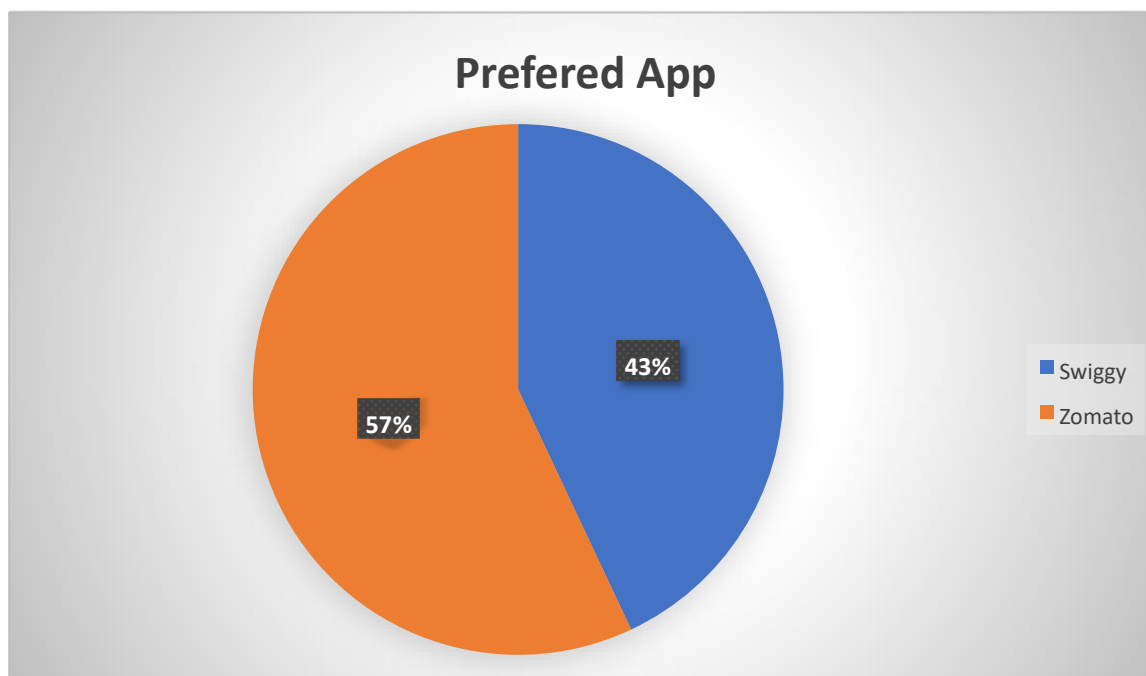
From the above table it is interpreted that 96% of the respondent's order food from online while the rest 4% of the respondents doesn't order food from online

INFERENCE

➤ Majority 96% of the respondent's order food from online.

4.1.4 Table indicating the most preferred food app

S.NO	Most preferred app	No of respondents	Percentage Analysis
1	Swiggy	64	43%
2	Zomato	86	57%
Total			100%



INTERPRETATION

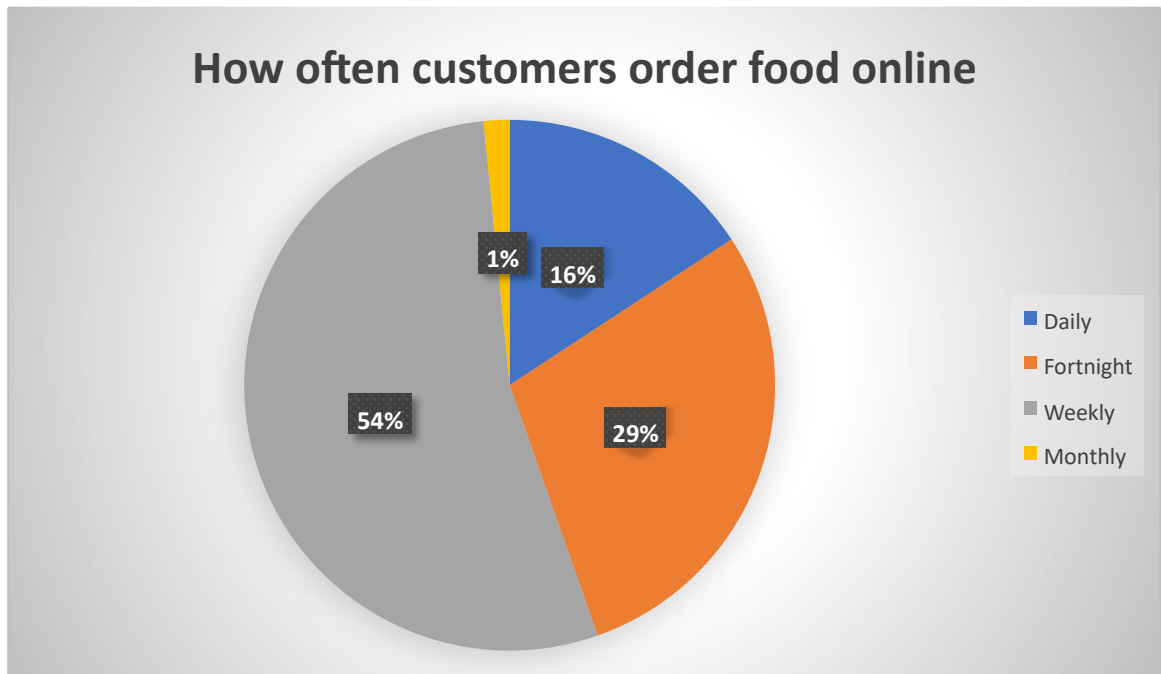
From the above table it is interpreted that 57% of the respondents prefer Zomato than Swiggy and the rest 43% of the respondents prefer Swiggy than Zomato.

INFERENCE

➤ Majority 57% of the respondents prefer zomato.

4.1.5 Table indicating how often do customers order food from online

S.NO	How often customers order food online	No of Respondents	Percentage of the Respondents
1	Daily	12	16%
2	Fortnight	22	29%
3	Weekly	41	54%
4	Monthly	75	1%
Total		150	100%



INTERPRETATION

From the above table it is indicated that 16% of the respondents order food from online daily and 29% of the respondents order food at fortnight while 54% of the respondents order weekly and the rest 1% of the respondents order food monthly.

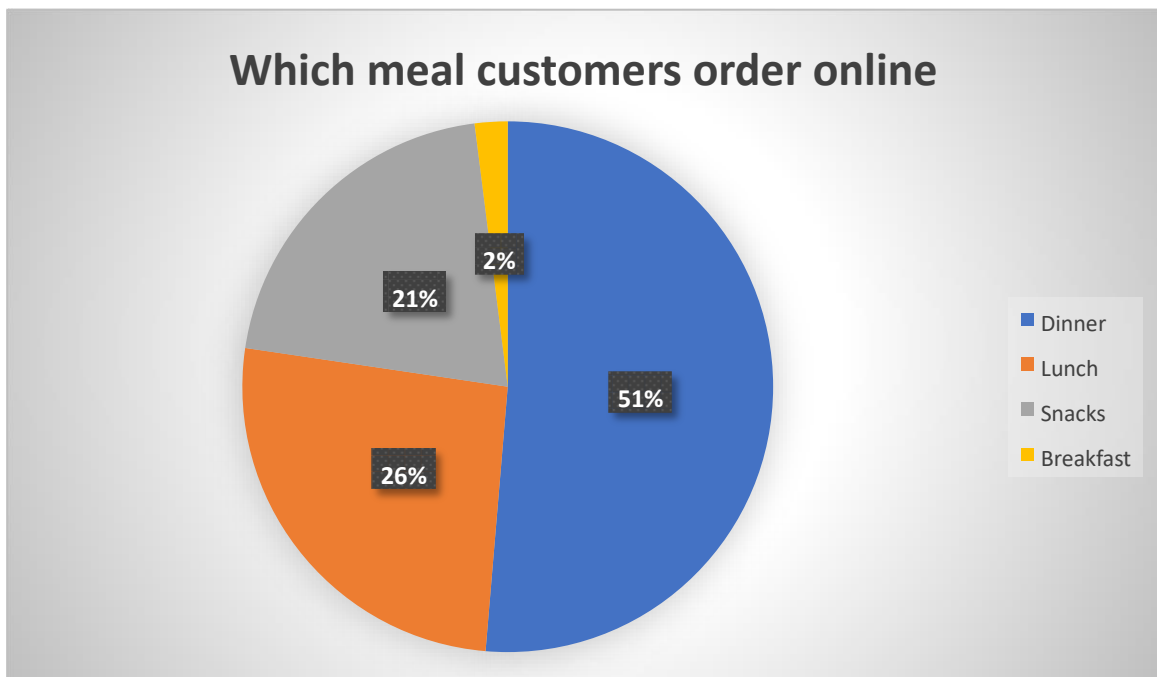
INFERENCE

- Majority 54% of the respondents order food from online weekly.

4.1.6 Table indicating which meal do customers order online

S.NO	Which meal do customers order online	No of Respondents	Percentage Analysis
1	Dinner	77	51%

2	Lunch	39	26%
3	Snacks	31	21%
4	Breakfast	3	2%
Total		150	100%



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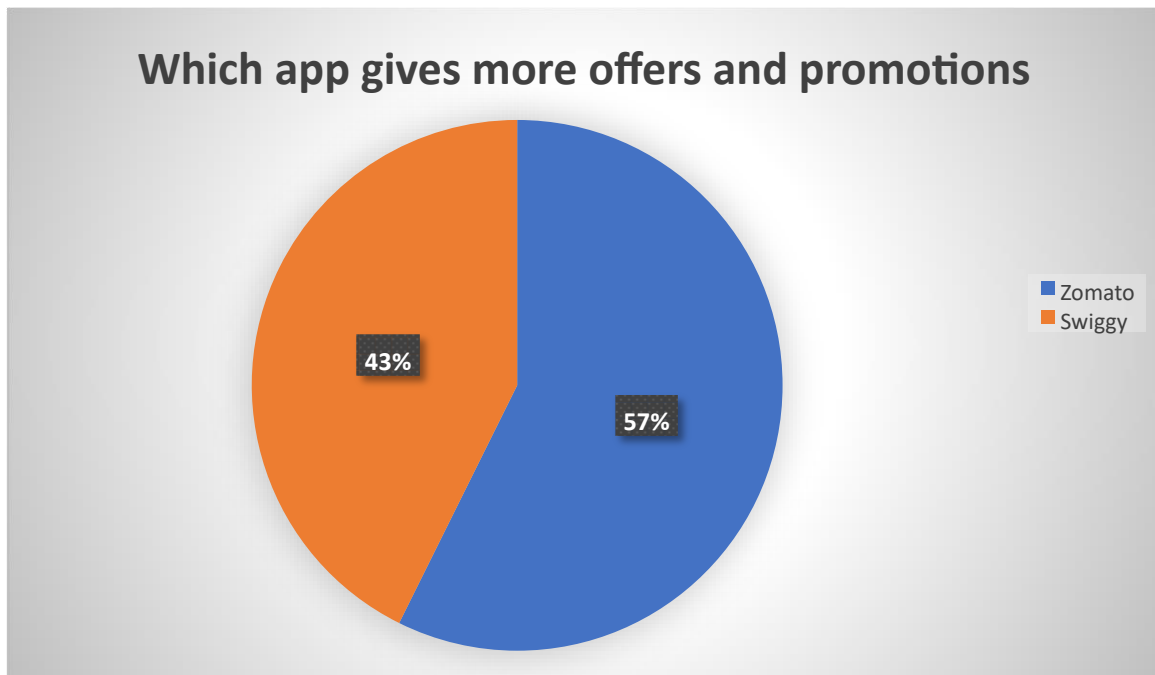
From the above table it is indicated that 2% of the respondents order breakfast and 21% of the respondents order snacks while 26% of the respondents order lunch and the rest 51% order dinner.

INFERENCE

- Majority 51% respondents order dinner.

4.1.7 Table indicating which app provide more offers and promotions.

S.NO	Which app provide more offers and promotions	No of Respondents	Percentage Analysis
1	Zomato	86	57%
2	Swiggy	64	43%
Total		150	100%



INTERPRETATION

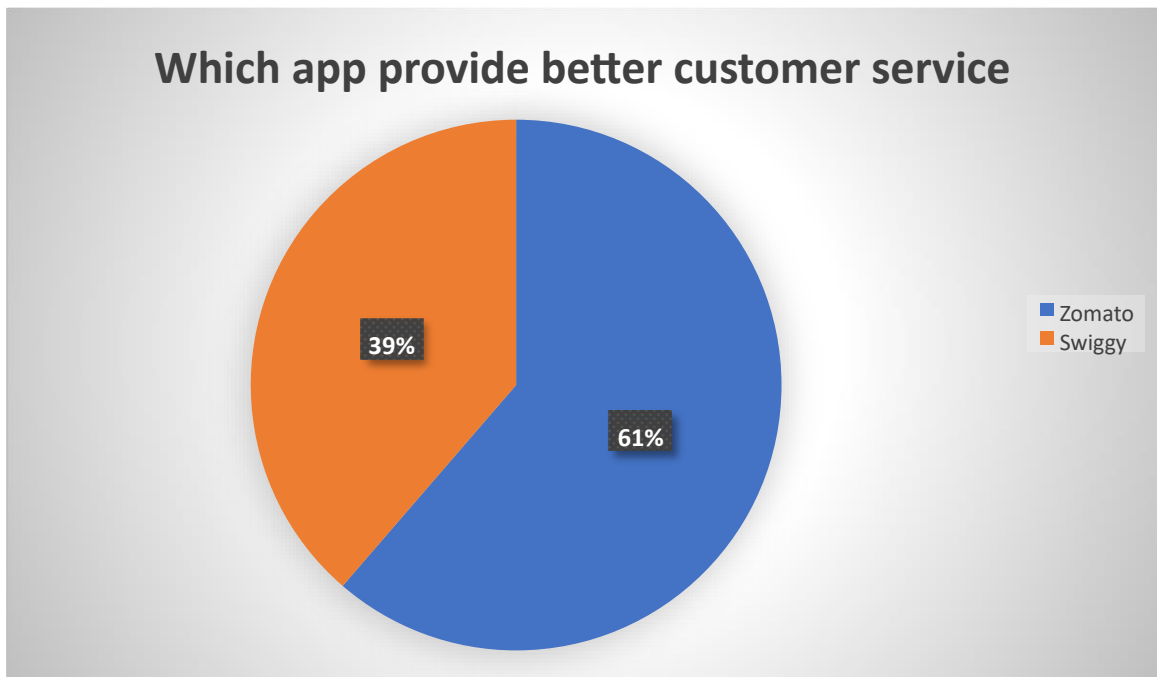
From the above table it is indicated that 57% of the respondents states that Zomato gives more offers and promotions than Swiggy while the rest 43% respondents states that swiggy gives more offers and promotions.

INFERENCE

- Majority 57% of the respondents state that Zomato gives more offers and promotions.

4.1.8 Table indicating which app provide better customer service.

S.NO	Which app provide btter customer service	No of Respondents	Percentage Analysis
1	Zomato	92	61%
2	Swiggy	58	39%
Total		150	100%



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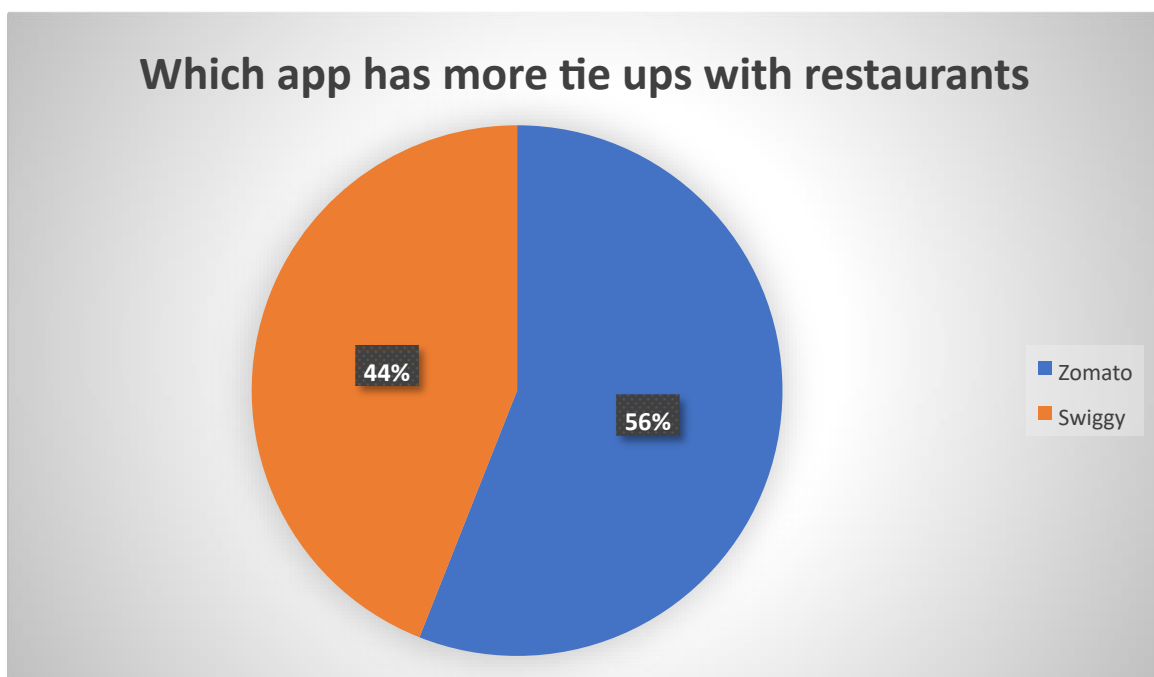
From the above table it is indicated that 61% of the respondents states that Zomato provide better customer service than Swiggy and the rest 39% of the respondents states that Swiggy provide better customer service than Zomato.

INFERENCE

- Majority 61% of the respondents states that Zomato provide better customer service than Swiggy.

4.1.9 Table indicating which app has more tie ups with restaurants.

S.NO	Which app has more tie ups with restaurants	No of Respondents	Percentage Analysis
1	Zomato	84	56%
2	Swiggy	66	44%
Total		150	100%



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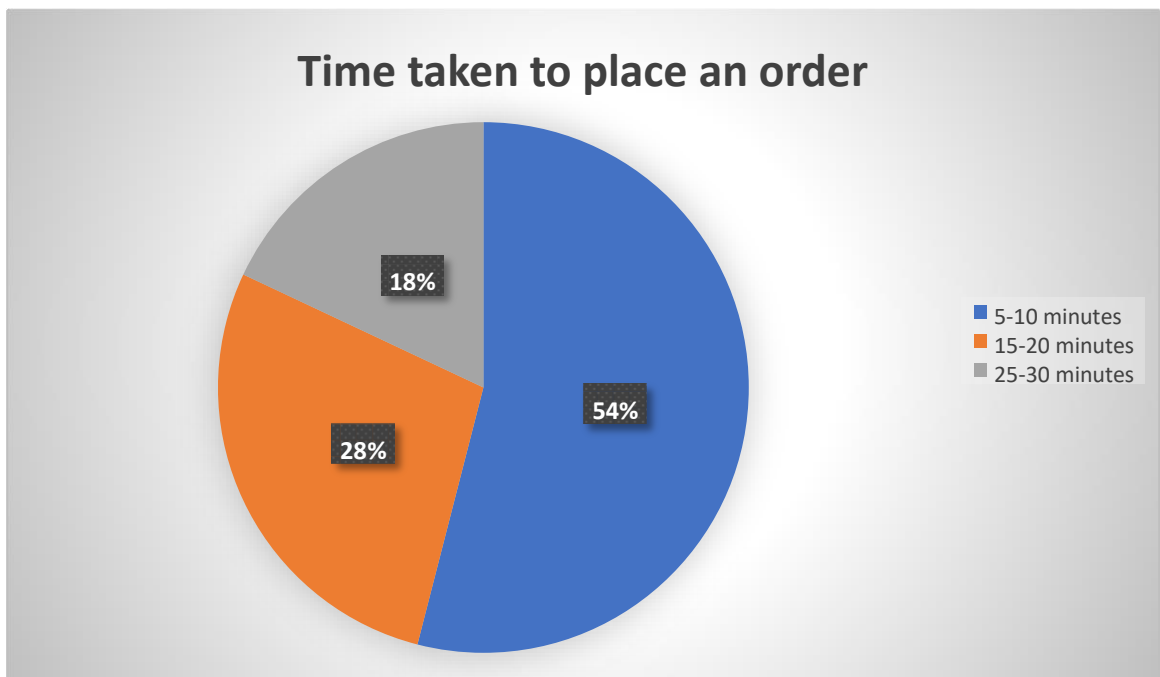
From the above table it is indicated that 56% of the respondents states that Zomato has more tie ups with restaurants than Swiggy and the rest 44% of the respondents states that Swiggy has more tie ups with restaurants than Zomato.

INFERENCE

- Majority 56% of the respondents states that Zomata has more tie ups with restaurants than Swiggy.

4.1.10 Table indicating time taken to place an order

S.NO	Time taken to place an order	No of respondents	Percentage Analysis
1	5-10 minutes	81	54%
2	15-20 minutes	42	28%
3	25-30 minutes	27	18%
Total		150	100%



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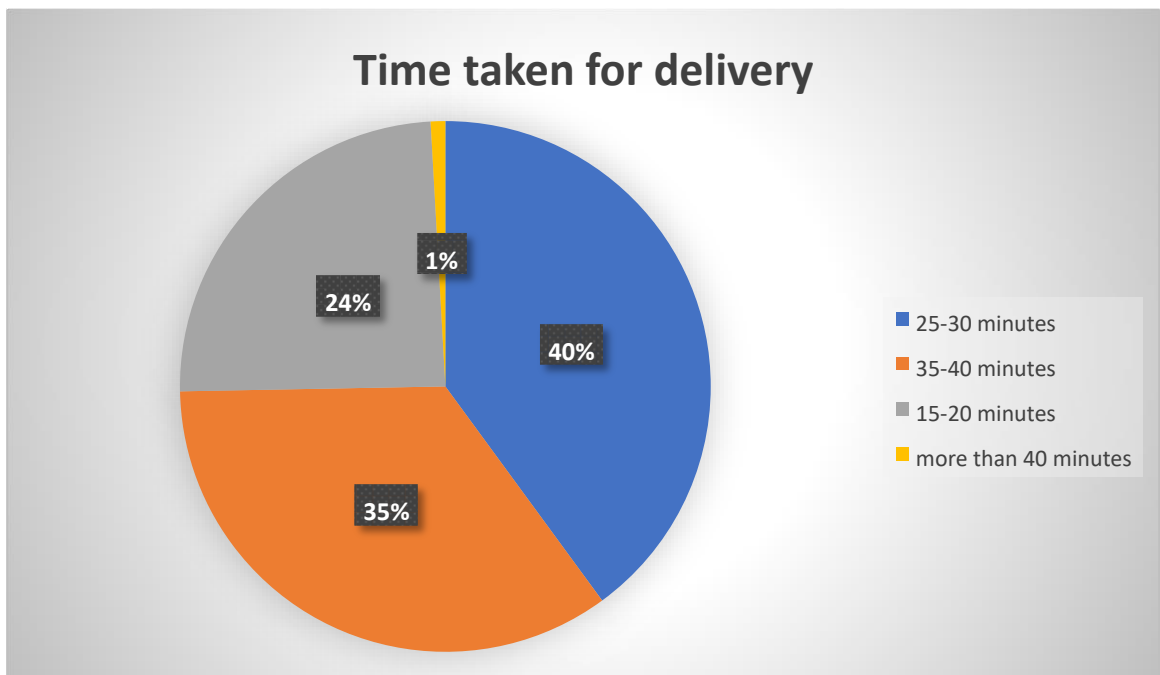
From the above table it is indicated that 54% of the respondents responded that it takes 5-10 minutes to place an order 28% of the respondents responded that it takes 15-20 minutes to place an order and the rest 18% of the respondents responded that it takes 25-30 minutes to place an order.

INFERENCE

- Majority 54% of the respondents responded that it takes 5-10 minutes to place an order.

4.1.11 Table indicating delivery time.

S.NO	Time taken for delivery	No of Respondents	Percentage Analysis
1	25-30 minutes	54	40%
2	35-40 minutes	47	35%
3	15-20 minutes	33	24%
4	More than 40 minutes	16	1%
Total		150	100%



INTERPREATION

From the above table it is indicated that 40% of the respondents has responded that it takes 25-30 minutes to receive their order and 35% of the respondents has responded that it takes 35-40 minutes to receive their order

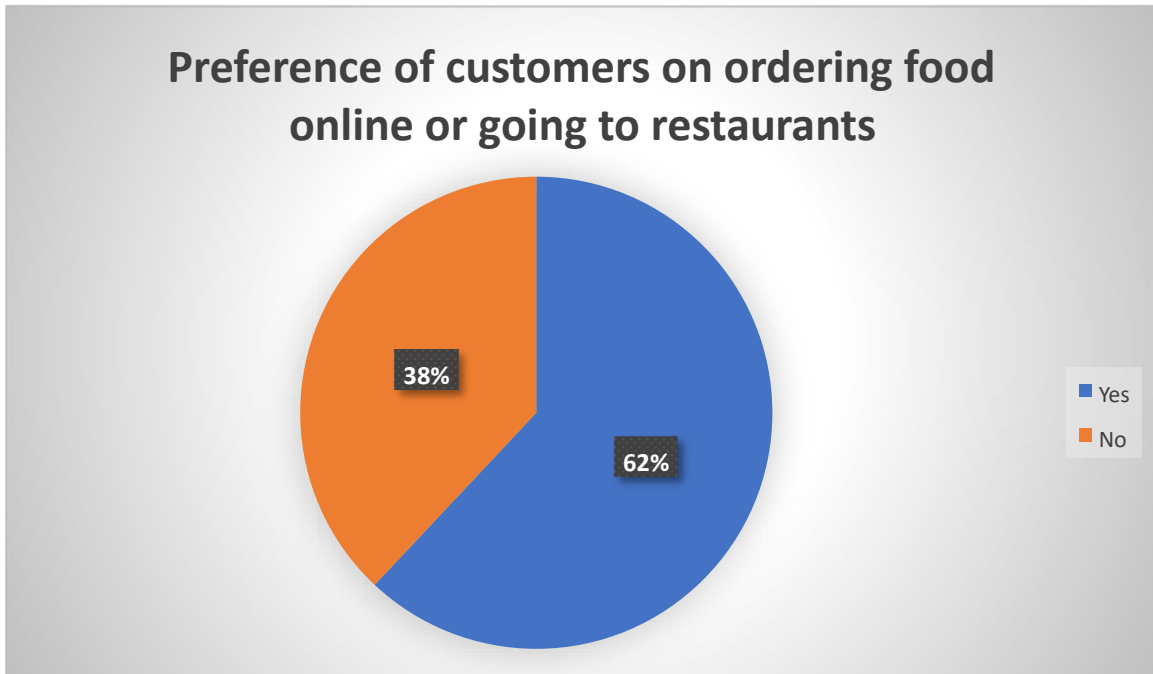
and 24% of the respondents responded that it takes 15-20 minutes to receive their order and the rest 1% of the respondents responded that it takes more than 40 minutes to receive their order.

INFERENCE

- Majority 40% of the respondents responded that it takes 25-30 minutes to receive their order.

4.1.12 Table indicating preference of customers on ordering food online or going to restaurants.

S.NO	Preference of customers on ordering food online or going to restaurants	No of Respondents	Percentage Analysis
1	Yes	93	62%
2	No	57	38%
Total		150	100%



INTERPRETATION

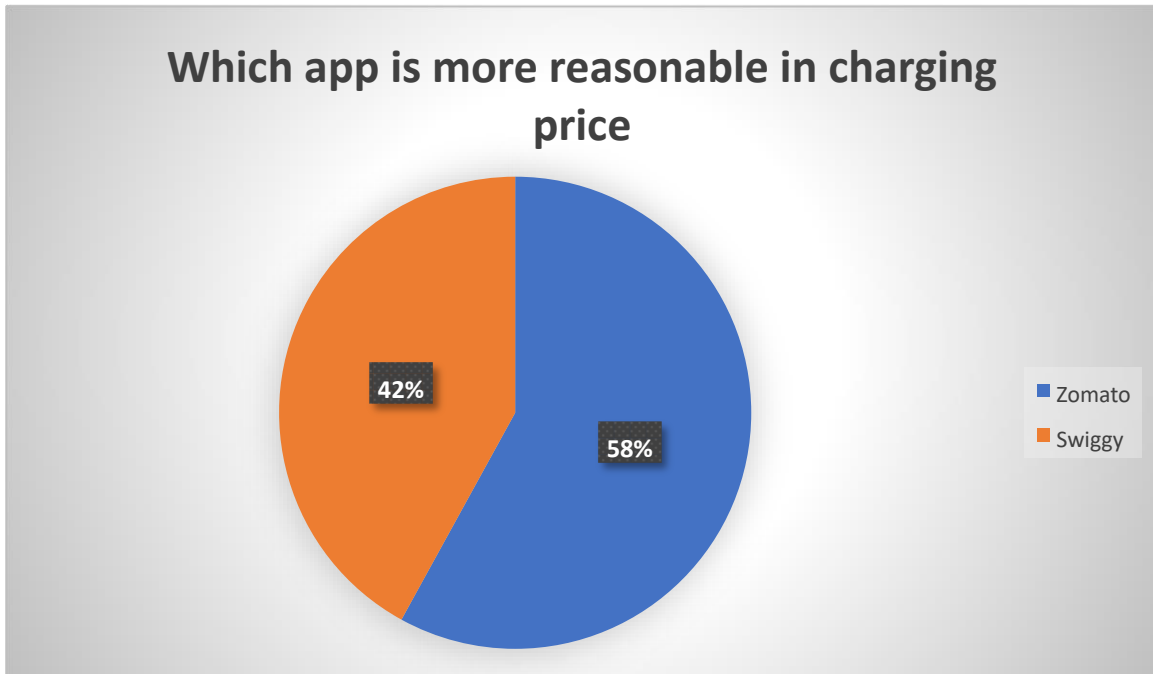
From the above table it is indicated that 62% of the respondents has responded that they prefer to order food from online than to go to restaurants while the rest 38% of the respondents has responded that they prefer going to restaurants than ordering food from online.

INFERENCE

- Majority 62% of the respondents has responded that they prefer ordering food from online than going to the restaurant.

4.1.13 Table indicating which app is more reasonable in price charging.

S.NO	Which app is more reasonable in price charging	No of Respondents	Percentage Analysis
1	Zomato	87	58%
2	Swiggy	63	42%
Total		150	100%



INTERPRETATION

From the above table it is indicated that 58% of the respondents has responded that Zomato is more reasonable in charging price and the rest 42% of the respondents responded that Swiggy is more reasonable in charging.

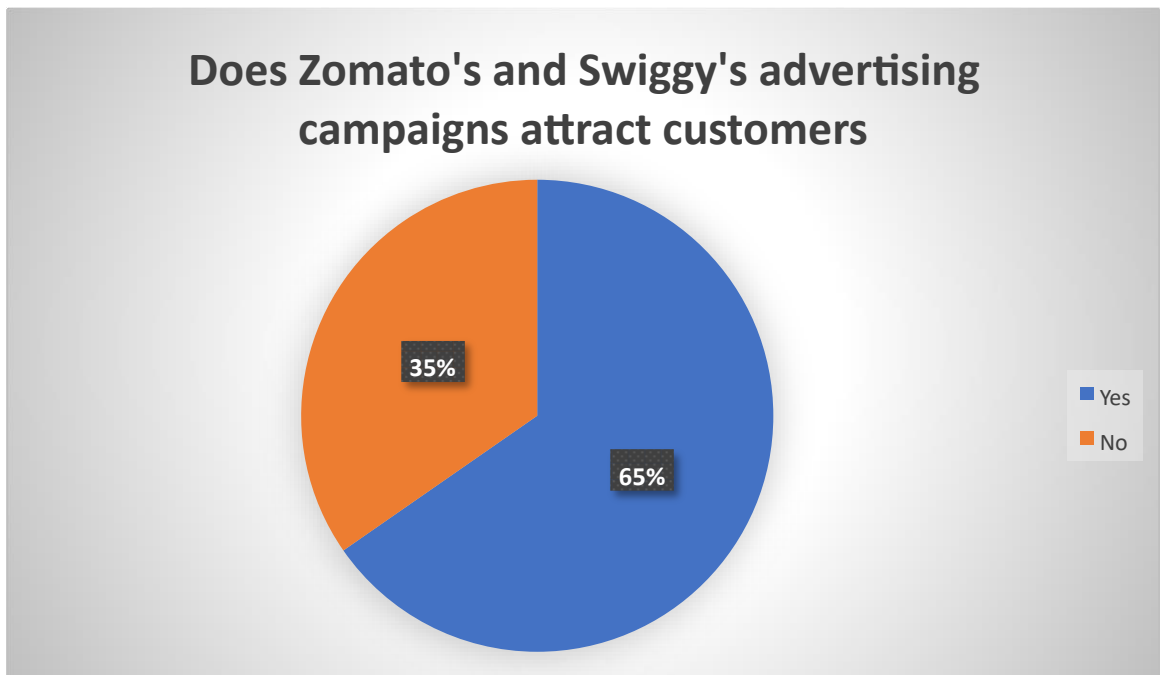
INFERENCE

- Majority 58% of the respondents responded that Zomato is more reasonable in charging price.

4.1.14 Table indicating does Zomato's and Swiggy's advertising campaigns catch customers attention.

S.NO	Does Zomato's and Swiggy's advertising campaigns attract customers	No of Respondents	Percentage Analysis
1	Yes	98	65%

2	No	52	35%
Total		150	100%



INTERPRETATION

From the above table it is indicated that 65% of the respondents responded that both Zomato's and Swiggy's advertising campaigns attract customers while the rest 35% of the respondents responded that Zomato's and Swiggy's advertising campaigns does not attract the customers.

INFERENCE

- Majority 65% of the respondents are attracted towards Zpmato's and Swiggy's advertising campaigns.

4.1.15 Table indicating have customers received any offers from Swiggy and Zomato based on their previous orders.

S.NO	Have customers received any offers based on their previous orders	No of Respondents	Percentage Analysis
1	Yes	94	63%
2	NO	56	37%
Total		150	100%



INTERPRETATION

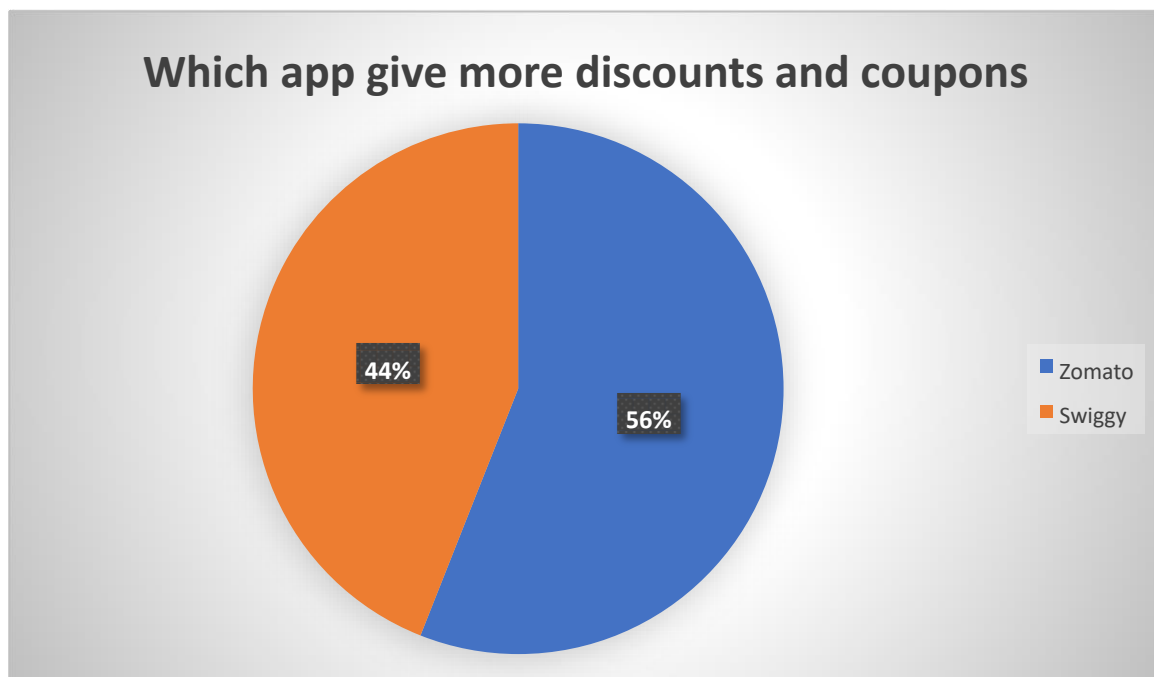
From the above table it is indicated that 63% of the respondents has responded that they received offers from Zomato and Swiggy based on their previous order while the rest 37% of the respondents responded that they have not received from Zomato or Swiggy any offers based on their previous order.

INFERENCE

- Majority 63% of the respondents responded that they have received offers from Zomato and Swiggy based on their previous order.

4.1.16 Table indicating which app gives more discounts and coupons.

S.NO	Which app gives more discounts and coupons	No of Respondents	Percentage Analysis
1	Zomato	84	56%
2	Swiggy	66	44%
Total		150	100%



INTERPRETATION

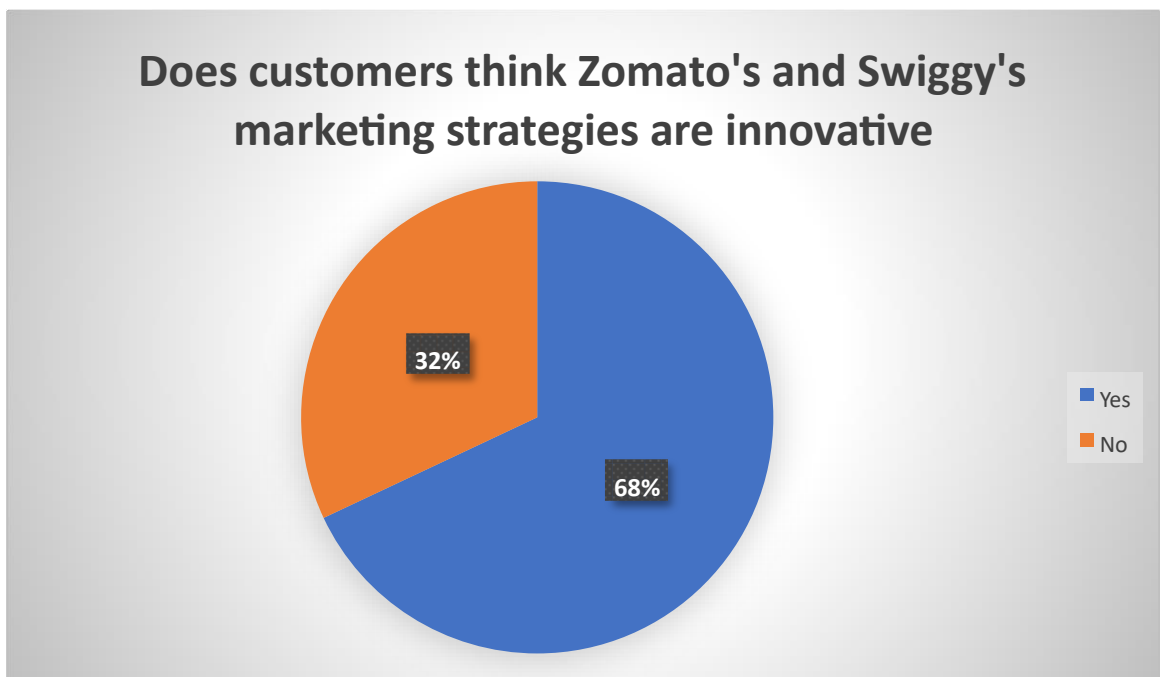
From the above table it is indicated that 56% of the respondents have responded that Zomato gives more discounts and coupons while the rest 44% of the respondents have responded that Swiggy gives more discounts and coupons.

INFERENCE

- Majority 56% of the respondents have responded that Zomato gives more discounts and coupons.

4.1.17 Table indicating does customers think Zomato's and Swigg's marketing strategies are innovative.

S.NO	Does customers think Zomato's and Swigg's marketing strategies are innovative	No of Respondents	Percentage Analysis
1	Yes	102	68%
2	No	48	32%
Total		150	100%



INTERPRETATION

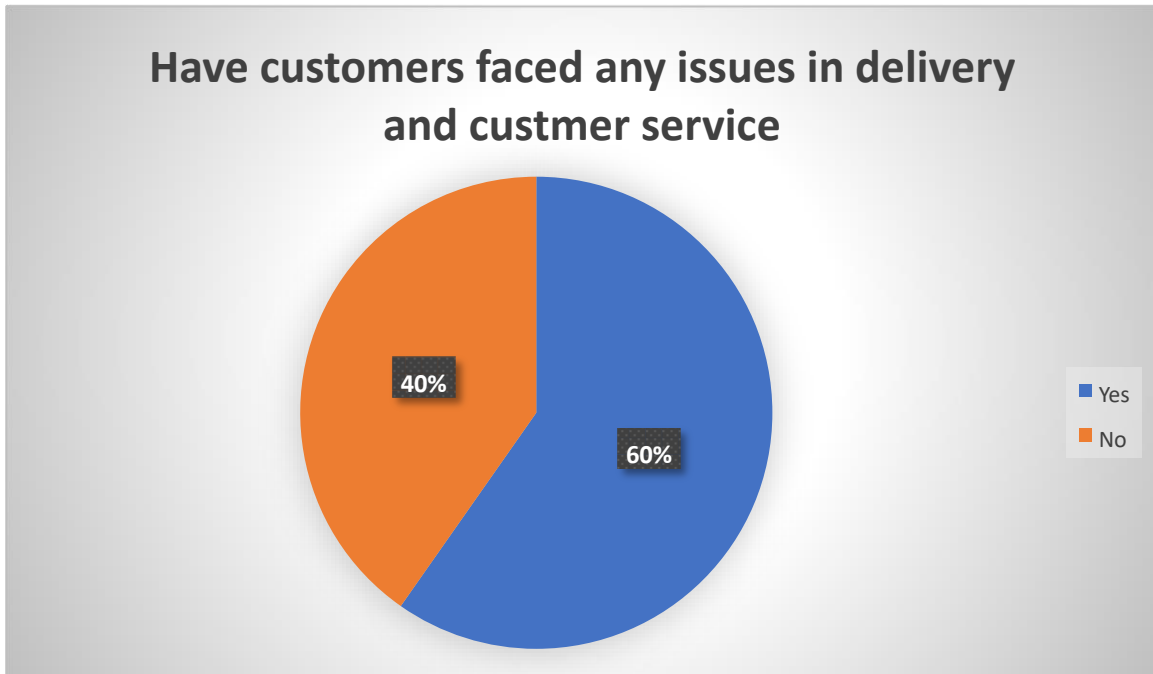
From the above table it is indicated that 68% of the respondents has responded that Zomato's and Swiggy's marketing strategies are innovative while the rest 32% of the respondents responded that Zomato's and Swiggy's marketing strategies are not innovative.

INFERENCE

- Majority 68% of the respondents have responded that Zomato's and Swiggy's marketing strategies are innovative.

4.1.18 Table indicating have customers faced any issues in delivery or customer service.

S.NO	Have customers faced any issues in delivery or customer service	No of Respondents	Percentage Analysis
1	Yes	89	
2	No	60	
Total		150	100%



INTERPRETATION

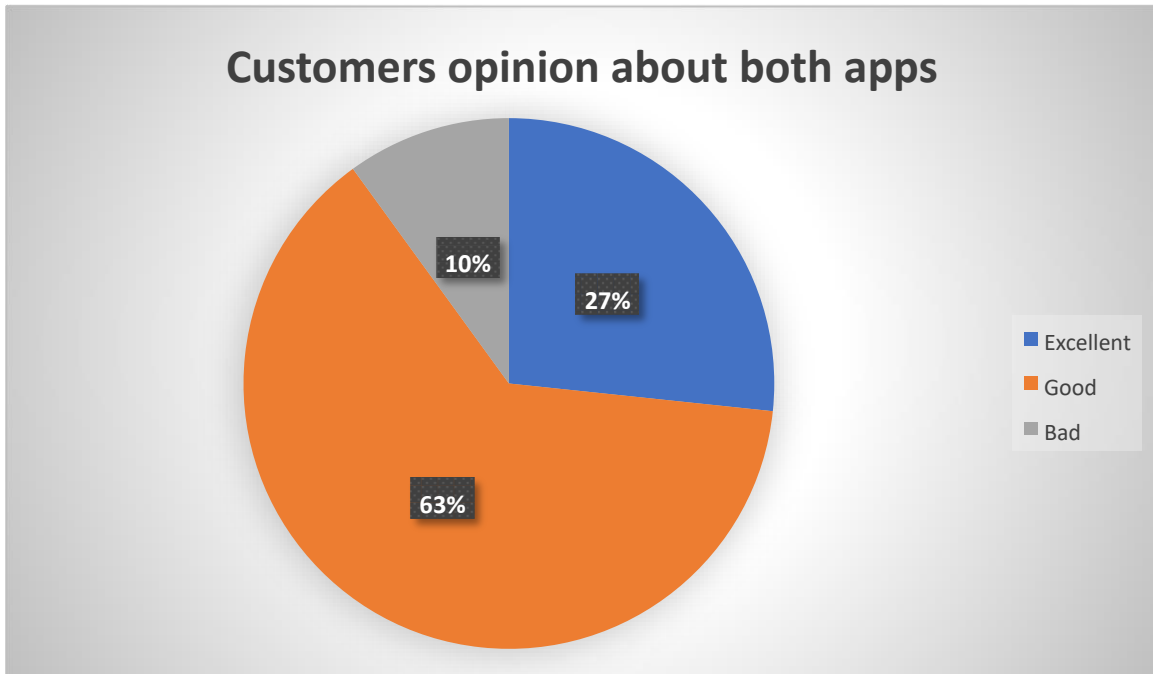
From the above table it is indicated that 60% of the respondents have responded that they have not faced issues in delivery and customer service while the rest 40% of the respondents have responded that they have faced issues in delivery and customer service.

INFERENCE

- Majority 60% of the respondents have responded that they have not faced any issues in delivery and customer service.

4.1.19 Table indicating customers opinion about both apps.

S.NO	Customers opinion about both apps	No of Respondents	Percentage Analysis
1	Excellent	40	27%
2	Good	95	63%
3	Bad	15	10%
Total		150	100%



INTERPRETATION

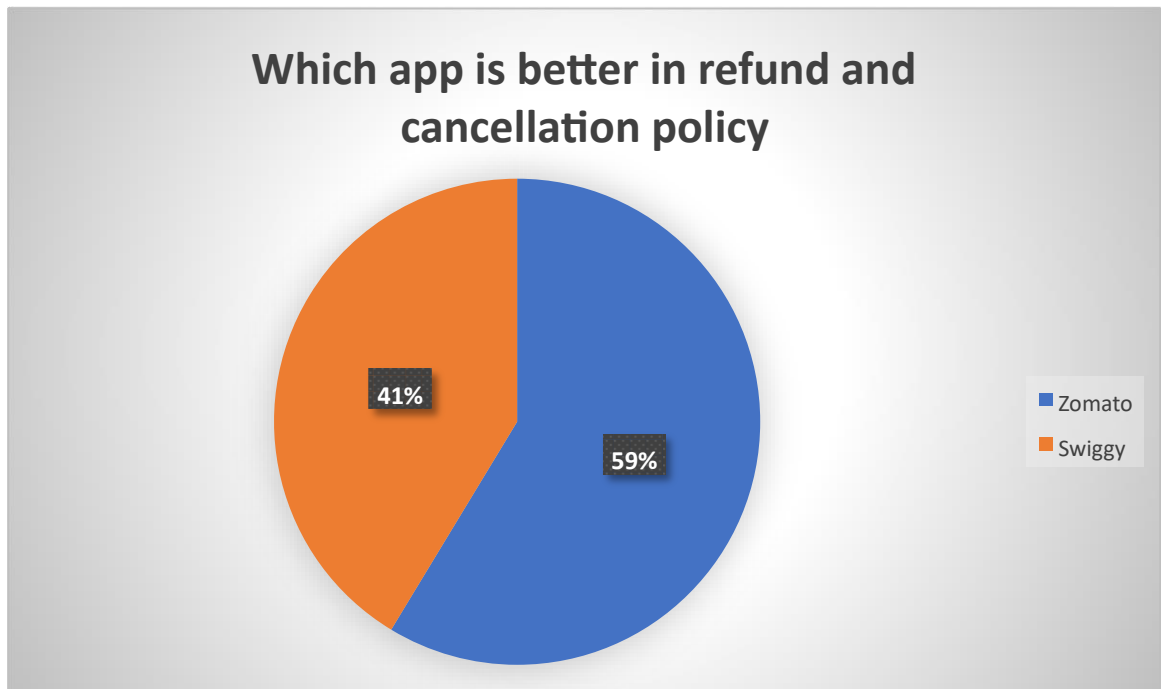
From the above table it is indicated that 63% of the respondents have good opinion for both the apps and 27% of the respondents have excellent opinion about both the apps while the rest 10% of the respondents have bad opinion about both the apps.

INFERENCE

- Majority 63% of the respondents have good opinion about both apps.

4.1.20 Table indicating which app is better in refund and cancellation policy.

S.NO	Which app is better in refund and cancellation policy	No of Respondents	Percentage Analysis
1	Zomato	88	59%
2	Swiggy	62	41%
Total		150	100%



INTERPRETATION

From the above table it is indicated that 59% of the respondents have responded that Zomato is better in refund and cancellation policy while the rest 41% of the respondents have responded that Swiggy is better in refund and cancellation policy.

INFERENCE

- Majority 59% of the respondents have responded that Zomato is better in refund and cancellation policy.

Hypothesis Testing:

Hypothesis 1

- **H0:** There is no significant difference in the criteria for ordering food by the respondents.
- **H1:** There is significant difference in the criteria for ordering food by the respondents.

To test the above null hypothesis Chi-square test is applied. The results are as follows.

Test Statistics

	<u>How do you order food ?</u>
<u>Chi-Square</u>	<u>16.95</u>
<u>df</u>	<u>2</u>
<u>P-value</u>	<u>.000</u>

INTERPRETATION

Above results indicate that the calculated p-value less than 0.05. Therefore, Chi-square test is rejected. Hence, null hypothesis is rejected and the alternate hypothesis is accepted.

FINDINGS

To understand the findings of the hypothesis observed and expected frequencies are obtained and presented in the following table:

How do you order food?

	Observed N	Expected N	Residual
Call Restaurant	26	66.66	-40.66
Use online food delivery app like Swiggy ,Zomato,etc	103		36.34

Visit Restaurant		66.66	4.33
	71	66.67	
Total	200		

INFERENCE

There is a significant difference in the criteria for ordering food by the respondents.

Hypothesis 2

- **H0:** There is no significant difference in getting discounts between 'Online food Distribution Apps' and 'Traditional Restaurant'.
- **H1:** There is significant difference in getting discounts between 'Online food Distribution Apps' and 'Traditional Restaurant'.

To test the above null hypothesis Chi-square test is applied. The results are as follows.

Test Statistics

	Where you get more discount and offers?
Chi-Square	10.89
df	1
P-value	.000

INTERPRETATION

Above results indicate that the calculated p-value less than 0.05. Therefore, Chi-square test is rejected. Hence null hypothesis is rejected and the alternate hypothesis is accepted.

FINDINGS

To understand the findings of the hypothesis observed and expected frequencies are obtained and presented in the following table:

Q6 Where you get more discount and offers?

	Observed N	Expected N	Residual
Online food Distribution Apps	133	100	33
Traditional Restaurant	67	100	-33
Total	200		

INFERENCE

There is a difference in getting discounts between 'Online food Distribution Apps' and 'Traditional Restaurant'.

CHAPTER 5

FINDINGS, SUGGESTIONS AND CONCLUSIONS

5.1. FINDINGS

- Majority 58% of the respondents are male.
- Majority 34% of the respondents belong to the age group of 31-35 category.
- Majority 96% of the respondent's order food from online.
- Majority 57% of the respondents prefer Zomato than Swiggy.
- Majority 54% of the respondent's order food from online weekly.
- Majority 51% of the respondent's order dinner.
- Majority 57% of the respondent's state that Zomato gives more offers and promotions.
- Majority 61% of the respondent's states that Zomato provide better customer service than Swiggy.
- Majority 56% of the respondent's states that Zomato has more tie ups with restaurants than Swiggy.
- Majority 54% of the respondents have responded that it takes 5-10 minutes to place an order.
- Majority 40% of the respondents responded that it takes 25-30 minutes to receive an order.
- Majority 62% of the respondents has responded that they prefer ordering food from online than going to the restaurants.
- Majority 58% of the respondents have responded that zomato is more reasonable in charging price.
- Majority 65% of the respondents are attracted towards zomatos and Swiggy's advertising campaigns.
- Majority 63% of the respondents responded that they have received offers from Zomato and Swiggy based on their previous order.

- Majority 56% of the respondents have responded that Zomato gives more discounts and coupons.
- Majority 68% of the respondents have responded that Zomato's and Swiggy's marketing strategies are innovative.
- Majority 60% of the respondents have responded that they have not faced any issues in delivery and customer service.
- Majority 63% of the respondents have good opinion about both apps.
- Majority 59% of the respondents have responded that Zomato is better in refund and cancellation policy.

5.2 SUGGESTIONS

1. They should do more research on consumer behavior and try to get a deep understanding of consumer behavior, which can help them improve their marketing strategy.
2. They should increase their marketing spend budget to give more discounts and to attract the customers.
3. They need to identify why people prefer Zomato over Swiggy and make the necessary changes.
4. Swiggy can post different creations on Facebook and Twitter. Publishing the same creation on different platforms can also be ineffective. Each platform is independent and targets different people. They should have their own strategies and creativity for different platforms.
5. Zomato can spend more money on Research and development to find out the other potential market and reasons why other people are not preferring their app in existing locations.
6. Swiggy can focus on expanding their delivery network to reach more customers in remote areas.
7. Zomato can introduce more personalized recommendations based on user preferences and order history to increase customer loyalty.

5.3. CONCLUSION

While there may be differences in the effectiveness of certain marketing strategies between Zomato and Swiggy, it's important to note that both companies have been successful in building their brands and acquiring a large user base in the highly competitive online food delivery market in India. Both companies have utilized a variety of marketing channels such as social media, email, SEO, SEM, and push notifications to engage with their users and drive sales. In terms of specific areas of strength, Zomato

has been particularly successful in leveraging social media to connect with its users through witty and engaging content, while Swiggy has focused on optimizing its SEO to drive organic traffic to its website. Additionally, both companies have invested in email marketing and Google Ads to reach their users and incentivize them to order food through their platforms. Overall, while there may be room for improvement in certain areas, it's clear that both Zomato and Swiggy have developed effective marketing strategies that have helped them build their brands and drive growth in the highly competitive online food delivery market.

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ANNEXURE – QUESTIONNAIRE A COMPARATIVE STUDY OF ZOMATO AND SWIGGY WITH SPECIAL REFERENCE TO THEIR MARKETING STRATEGIES

1. Name

2. Age

3. Do you order food online?

a. Yes b. No

4. If yes, from which app do you prefer?

a. Zomato b. Swiggy

5. How often do you order food from online?

a. Daily b. Weekly c. Fortnight d. Monthly

6. Which meal do you typically order online?

a. Breakfast b. Lunch c. Snacks d. Dinner

7. According to you which service provider give more offers and promotions

a. Zomato b. Swiggy

8. Which among these provide better customer service?

a. Zomato b. Swiggy

9. According to you which service provider has more tie ups with restaurants?

a. Zomato b. Swiggy

10. How long it takes to place an order successfully?

a. 5-10 minutes b. 15-20 minutes c. 25-30 minutes

11. How long it usually takes for the order to be delivered?

a. 15-20 minutes b. 25-30 minutes c. 35-40 minutes d. more than 40 minutes

12. Do you prefer online ordering of food than going to the restaurants
a. Yes b. No
13. Which food app is more reasonable in case of price charging according to your experience?
a. Zomato b. Swiggy
14. Which app gives more discounts and coupons?
a. Zomato b. Swiggy
15. Does Swiggy and Zomato's advertising campaigns catch your attention?
a. Yes b. No
16. Have you received any personalized offers or recommendations from Zomato and Swiggy based on your previous experience? a. Yes b. No
17. Do you think Zomato and Swiggy's marketing strategies innovative and appealing?
a. Yes b. No
18. Have you ever faced any issues with Zomato's and Swiggy's delivery or customer service? a. Yes b. No
19. What is your opinion about the experiences of both companies ?
a. Excellent b. Good c. Bad
20. Which app is better in refund and cancellation policy?
a. Zomato b. Swiggy

A COMPARATIVE STUDY ON ZOMATO AND SWIGGY WITH SPECIAL REFERENCE TO THEIR MARKETING STRATEGIES

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ABSTRACT

This study conducts a comparative analysis of the marketing strategies employed by two leading players in the online food delivery industry: Swiggy and Zomato. As these platforms navigate a competitive and rapidly evolving landscape, understanding their distinct approaches to customer engagement, brand building, and market expansion becomes imperative. The abstract provides a concise overview of the research, emphasizing the examination of user experience, loyalty programs, partnerships, and advertising campaigns as key focal points. The study also aims to uncover how Swiggy and Zomato adapt to regional variations and cultural nuances, shedding light on the dynamic nature of their operations in diverse markets. Ultimately, this research contributes to a deeper understanding of the strategies these platforms employ to capture and retain a burgeoning customer base in the fast-paced realm of online food delivery.

KEYWORDS:

Marketing strategies, customer satisfaction.

INTRODUCTION

In the dynamic landscape of the food delivery industry, two prominent players have emerged as frontrunners, each employing distinct marketing strategies to gain a competitive edge. This comparative study delves into the marketing strategies of Swiggy and Zomato, shedding light on their approaches to customer acquisition, brand positioning, and overall market penetration. As the demand for online food delivery services continues to surge, understanding how these platforms differentiate themselves in the minds of consumers becomes pivotal. Swiggy and Zomato, both born out of the digital revolution, have navigated the complex web of customer preferences, technological innovations, and market trends to carve out their niches. This comparative analysis aims to explore the nuances of their marketing strategies, emphasizing key aspects such as user experience, loyalty programs, partnerships, and advertising campaigns. By examining the tactics employed by Swiggy and Zomato, we can discern the

unique paths they have chosen to captivate and retain their customer base. Additionally, the study will scrutinize how these platforms adapt to regional variations and cultural nuances, considering the diverse markets they operate in. As Swiggy and Zomato vie for supremacy, understanding the intricacies of their marketing strategies provides valuable insights into the evolving dynamics of the food delivery industry. In essence, this comparative study serves as a comprehensive exploration of Swiggy and Zomato's marketing endeavors, offering a nuanced understanding of how these industry giants position themselves, compete, and innovate in the ever-evolving realm of online food delivery.

OBJECTIVES OF THE STUDY

- To compare the success of their marketing strategies.
- To identify which channel has provided them more customer base.
- To determine what kind of perception is created in the mind of the customer by their marketing strategies.
- To know the different marketing strategies adopted by them.

SCOPE OF THE STUDY

This study aims to compare the marketing strategies of Swiggy and Zomato, two leading food delivery platforms in India. The study will focus on their online and offline marketing campaigns, social media presence, customer engagement tactics, and brand positioning. Additionally, the study will analyze the impact of these strategies on the user acquisition and retention rates of both platforms. The data for the study will be collected through surveys, interviews, and secondary research. The study will provide insights into the competitive landscape of the online food delivery industry and help businesses in formulating effective marketing strategies.

NEED OF THE STUDY

The food delivery industry in India has seen a significant growth in recent years, with Swiggy and Zomato being the major players. As these companies continue to expand their operations and compete with each other it becomes important to understand their marketing strategies and how they impact their success. This study aims to provide a comparative analysis of Swiggy and Zomato's marketing strategies and their effectiveness in attracting and retaining customers.

REVIEW OF LITERATURE

Aditya Jain (2022) Zomato and Swiggy consists of over 95% of the total market share in the food delivery sector. The aspects that have the greatest influence on Indian clients' decisions when they select a certain online meal delivery service to meet their demands. Perceived Service Quality, Proper Flow of Communication by the Delivery Person, Wide Range of Options, On Time Delivery, Fresh, Well Cooked & Well Packaged Food, Price and Discounts Offered, Real Time Tracking of Delivery, Online Promotions & Advertisements were the eight factors tested in this study. In addition, the study sought to determine whether variations in the classification of a city—Tier 1, Tier 2, or Tier 3—affect the weight that consumers accord a certain factor.

Prof. (Dr.) Sagar H. Mohite, Dr. Ambar Beharay (2020) While social media presence can certainly have an impact on a company's revenue, it is just one of many factors that contribute to a company's success. Swiggy and Zomato are both major players in the online food delivery market in India, and both companies have their own unique strengths and weaknesses. While Zomato may have a strong social media presence, Swiggy may have other advantages such as faster delivery times or a wider selection of restaurants in certain areas. Ultimately, it will be a combination of factors that will determine which company emerges as the market leader in the long term.

Anubhav Kumar Pathak, Muskaan Saraf (2020) The cost of online food delivery services can be a barrier to adoption for some people, and the need to increase prices to cover costs or turn a profit can exacerbate the problem. However, offering discounts and deals is also a common marketing strategy to attract new customers and retain existing ones. It's a delicate balance that online food delivery services must strike to remain competitive while also remaining profitable. Additionally, expanding the availability of service to areas that currently do not have it is crucial to growing the market and reaching new customers.

Mrs. A. Mohanapriya, Mrs. P. Geetha & Mr. A. Prasathkumar(2020) The consumer behaviour has become an emerging area of research within the business discipline here various factors has an influence on consumer behaviour. The research investigates the consumer's preference on dining in a restaurant and ordering food online. Even online food delivery service is an emerging market in India the consumer prefers the traditional way of dining in the restaurant. Restaurants is the place where people can sit and relax and spend their time with their family by having their favourite food. Most of the people prefers the restaurant with good ambience and provide hygiene food. Most of the consumers have online food delivery apps in their mobiles but they place orders only once in a while. From this research paper we had identified that the main problem for the consumers not preferring online food delivery service is lack of trust. Consumers afraid of the quality of the packed food, so the online food aggregators should gain the trust of the consumers to improve their business.

Dr. Mayuri Chaturvedi, Tatikonda Karthik (2019) It's important to note that while some people may face connectivity issues with company executives, many food delivery companies have implemented various customer support channels such as chatbots, email support, and call centers to improve their customer

service. Regarding the discounts offered by food delivery companies, it is a common strategy used to attract and retain customers, but it can also lead to losses for the companies.

Jacob, Sreedharan, and K. (2019) made it abundantly clear that demographics are crucial to online food delivery services. Additionally, because some online applications are difficult to use, people over the age of 45 tend to cook their own meals or prefer eating out. The study also made it clear that people between the ages of 14 and 45 are more likely to use online services than those under this age bracket. The demographics are an important factor that online services should consider because there are still some locations where these services are not available, such as a specific area in a city or town or it is not as functional in small cities, and the service is only available during specific hours, which leaves a negative impression of the online service.

Dr. Mitali Gupta (2019) declares in his research the impact of food delivering Apps on restaurants. The study outlines on the benefits as well as positive and negative effects of electronic food delivery and various online food delivering applications. The researcher has also focused on strategies of food delivering applications with special reference to Zomato and Swiggy.

RESEARCH DESIGN

The study is descriptive in nature. This research is basically fact finding with adequate interpretation using simple analysis of data and by developing thinking and elaborating of patterns and obtaining tentative generalizations as hypothesis.

SOURCES OF DATA:

- Primary Data – Questionnaire given to 150 respondents.
- Secondary Data - Websites and, Published reports & Review of literature from published articles.

HYPOTHESIS

HYPOTHESIS - 1

- **H0:** There is no significant difference in the criteria for ordering food by the respondents.
- **H1:** There is significant difference in the criteria for ordering food by the respondents.

HYPOTHESIS - 2

- **H0:** There is no significant difference in getting discounts between 'Online food Distribution Apps' and 'Traditional Restaurant'.
- **H1:** There is significant difference in getting discounts between 'Online food Distribution Apps' and 'Traditional Restaurant'.

PERCENTAGE ANALYSIS

Research questions are always answered with a descriptive statistic generally either percentage or mean. Percentage is appropriate when it is important to know how many of the participants

gave a particular answer. Generally, percentage is reported when the responses have discrete categories.

CHI-SQUARE TEST

Test Statistics

	<u>Q5 How do you order food ?</u>
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<u>df</u>	<u>2</u>
<u>P-value</u>	<u>.000</u>

INTERPRETATION

Above results indicate that the calculated p-value less than 0.05. Therefore, Chi-square test is rejected. Hence, null hypothesis is rejected and the alternate hypothesis is accepted.

FINDINGS

To understand the findings of the hypothesis observed and expected frequencies are obtained and presented in the following table:

How do you order food?

	Observed N	Expected N	Residual
Call Restaurant	26	66.66	-40.66
Use online food delivery app like Swiggy ,Zomato,etc	103	66.66	36.34
Visit Restaurant	71	66.67	4.33
Total	200		

INFERENCE

There is a significant difference in the criteria for ordering food by the respondents.

FINDINGS

- Majority 58% of the respondents are male.
- Majority 34% of the respondents belong to the age group of 31-35 category.
- Majority 96% of the respondent's order food from online.
- Majority 57% of the respondents prefer Zomato than Swiggy.
- Majority 54% of the respondent's order food from online weekly.
- Majority 51% of the respondent's order dinner.
- Majority 57% of the respondent's state that Zomato gives more offers and promotions.
- Majority 61% of the respondent's states that Zomato provide better customer service than Swiggy.
- Majority 56% of the respondent's states that Zomato has more tie ups with restaurants than Swiggy.
- Majority 54% of the respondents have responded that it takes 5-10 minutes to place an order.
- Majority 40% of the respondents responded that it takes 25-30 minutes to receive an order.
- Majority 62% of the respondents has responded that they prefer ordering food from online than going to the restaurants.
- Majority 58% of the respondents have responded that zomato is more reasonable in charging price.
- Majority 65% of the respondents are attracted towards zomatos and Swiggy's advertising campaigns.
- Majority 63% of the respondents responded that they have received offers from Zomato and Swiggy based on their previous order.
- Majority 56% of the respondents have responded that Zomato gives more discounts and coupons.
- Majority 68% of the respondents have responded that Zomato's and Swiggy's marketing strategies are innovative.
- Majority 60% of the respondents have responded that they have not faced any issues in delivery and customer service.
- Majority 63% of the respondents have good opinion about both apps.
- Majority 59% of the respondents have responded that Zomato is better in refund and cancellation policy.

SUGGESTIONS

1. They should do more research on consumer behavior and try to get a deep understanding of consumer behavior, which can help them improve their marketing strategy.

2. They should increase their marketing spend budget to give more discounts and to attract the customers.
3. They need to identify why people prefer Zomato over Swiggy and make the necessary changes.
4. Swiggy can post different creations on Facebook and Twitter. Publishing the same creation on different platforms can also be ineffective. Each platform is independent and targets different people. They should have their own strategies and creativity for different platforms.
5. Zomato can spend more money on Research and development to find out the other potential market and reasons why other people are not preferring their app in existing locations.
6. Swiggy can focus on expanding their delivery network to reach more customers in remote areas.
7. Zomato can introduce more personalized recommendations based on user preferences and order history to increase customer loyalty.

LIMITATION OF THE STUDY

- The study only focuses on two companies, Swiggy and Zomato, and may not be generalizable to other food delivery platforms.
- The study is limited to the marketing strategies of the two companies and does not explore other aspects such as customer service or delivery times.

CONCLUSION

While there may be differences in the effectiveness of certain marketing strategies between Zomato and Swiggy, it's important to note that both companies have been successful in building their brands and acquiring a large user base in the highly competitive online food delivery market in India. Both companies have utilized a variety of marketing channels such as social media, email, SEO, SEM, and push notifications to engage with their users and drive sales. In terms of specific areas of strength, Zomato has been particularly successful in leveraging social media to connect with its users through witty and engaging content, while Swiggy has focused on optimizing its SEO to drive organic traffic to its website. Additionally, both companies have invested in email marketing and Google Ads to reach their users and incentivize them to order food through their platforms. Overall, while there may be room for improvement in certain areas, it's clear that both Zomato and Swiggy have developed effective marketing strategies that have helped them build their brands and drive growth in the highly competitive online food delivery market.

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