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Exploring the Dynamics of Customer Satisfaction in E-Banking: A Multidimensional Analysis of User Experience

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Introduction

The Companies Act of India defines Bank as 'A Bank is a financial institution which accepts money from the public for the purpose of lending or investment repayable on demand or otherwise withdrawable by cheques, drafts or order or otherwise.'

Banks offer a secure place to keep additional cash and credits. They provide current, savings, and certificate of deposit accounts. These deposits help banks fund lending. Among these loans include mortgages, vehicle loans, personal loans, company loans, and loans for gold. The banking sector is one of the basic components of an economy; the stronger the banking sector, the better the economy. The processing of cash, loans, and other financial transactions is a function of the banking sector. Studying this industry therefore becomes crucial in this technologically advanced century. By utilizing technology, the banking sector has been enhancing its operations regularly. Banks have established a number of technologies to carry out banking transactions swiftly and easily thanks to the evolution of this technology. It is acceptable for banks and service providers to give excellent services quickly and effectively to fulfil the customer's expectation in a developing nation like India where customers have a variety of wants and wishes.

In the modern era of digital transformation, electronic banking (e-banking) has emerged as a pivotal component of the banking industry, revolutionizing the way financial services are delivered and accessed. E-banking encompasses a wide array of online and digital banking services, including internet banking, mobile banking, and digital payment solutions. This shift towards digital banking has been driven by technological advancements, changing customer preferences, and the need for greater efficiency and convenience in financial transactions. Customer satisfaction is a key determinant of success in the e-banking sector, as satisfied customers are more likely to remain loyal and engage in positive word-of-mouth communication, which can lead to increased market share and profitability. Understanding the dynamics of customer satisfaction in e-banking is therefore crucial for financial institutions seeking to enhance their e- banking offerings and improve overall customer experience.

Trust and security are also paramount in e-banking, as customers need to feel confident that their financial information is safe and secure. Financial institutions can build trust by implementing robust security measures, such as encryption, authentication, and fraud detection systems. Additionally, providing transparent information about security measures and privacy policies can help reassure customers and enhance their trust in e-banking services. User experience plays a crucial role in shaping customer satisfaction in e-banking. A positive user experience can enhance customer satisfaction and loyalty, while a poor user experience can lead to frustration and dissatisfaction. Factors such as website design, ease of use, and the effectiveness of the interface in facilitating financial transactions all contribute to the overall user experience of e-banking services.

In conclusion, customer satisfaction in e-banking is a multifaceted concept that requires a multidimensional analysis of user experience. Factors such as service quality, perceived value, trust, security, and convenience all play a crucial role in shaping customer satisfaction. Understanding these dynamics is essential for financial institutions seeking to enhance their e-banking services and improve customer loyalty and retention.

Objectives of the study.

- To develop a comprehensive and validated measurement model that captures the multidimensional nature of customer satisfaction in ebanking services
- 2. To determine the issues that clients have experienced while using e-banking services.
- To investigate the interplay between various factors influencing customer satisfaction in e-banking, such as service quality, perceived value, trust, security, convenience, and emerging technologies.
- 4. To examine the impact of emerging technologies, including artificial intelligence, chatbots, biometrics, and virtual financial advisors, on customer satisfaction and user experience in e-banking.

Review of literature.

- 1. Bernadette D. Silva et al., (2010), In order for the bank corporation to realize that specific e-banking parameters, including gender, income level, and educational qualification, among others, are influenced by demographic status while opening an internet bank account, this research did an analysis for internet banking. The use of advanced technologies by banks can help them draw in more customers for longer and improve their reputation.
- Gupta, K. K., & Bansal, I. (2011). Effects of perceived risk on intention to adopt online banking: an empirical investigation in India. Indian
 Journal of Marketing, 41(11), 47-57. This research investigates the impact of perceived risk on the intention to adopt online banking among
 Indian customers. It emphasizes the role of trust, security, and privacy concerns in influencing customer satisfaction and adoption of e-banking services.
- 3. The consumers' satisfaction with internet banking across all banks has been elicited and studied by Dr. T. Santhiya Ran and A. Saravanan (2018). This section includes client demographic information, bank transaction information, and the rationale for using internet banking, among other things. It has not been looked at how a customer's decision to use online banking may be influenced by their opinion toward a particular aspect of the present banking service. Gaining information about modern banking through web banking has emerged as the top knowledge issue for all leading and upcoming banks in Asian countries as customers become more sophisticated and informed.
- 4. S. Sahay Selvi and C. S. Shruthi, (2015) Internet technology underpins the modern world. With the ability to search the internet for information on anything they want, anytime they want, e-marketing has transformed the market and the way consumers think. As a result, it is difficult for consumers to envisage their lives without the internet. Businesses today all around the world understand that "the customer is not the king, but they are the soul mate.
- 5. Kundu S & Datta S. K. (2015) Customer happiness, trust, and the quality of e-services are significantly correlated. Trust is greatly impacted by the quality of online banking services. They also discovered that the primary service quality elements that affect trust in online banking are privacy and completion. Additionally, banks need to be more concerned about the confidentiality of each customer's transaction.
- 6. Kaushik, N., & Rahman, Z. (2015). Service quality and customer satisfaction in Indian banking sector: a literature review. IUP Journal of Marketing Management, 14(2), 49-63. This literature review discusses various studies on service quality and customer satisfaction in the Indian banking sector, including the role of e-banking services in shaping customer satisfaction.
- 7. Ameme B., & Wireko.J (2016) Asserted that there is a direct correlation between technology and customer happiness in the banking industry, particularly in the highly competitive world of today. They added that if the bank wants to dominate the market in a cutthroat climate, innovation must be applied to all areas, including products and services. Customer happiness is not just about bringing new things. Also, there is a strong correlation between cost and technological advancement. The cost also rises in parallel with innovation.
- 8. Kavitha.S, 2016, According to the research, the banking sector is the dominant sector, which is regarded as the gateway to savings for the general public and the government, which is a source of GDP. The research is based on secondary data. The study's tools included trend and compound Annual Growth Rate (AGR). According to the analysis, E- Banking is both a strength and weakness and the banking sector will be able to solve all of the obstacles in the coming years.
- 9. Aboobucker & Bao, 2018, Another factor influencing customer satisfaction is the security of personal data. Banking system security is defined as a method of safeguarding customer data and privacy from hackers. The prevention of information being revealed to unauthorized people is referred to as privacy. Integrity and digital signatures ensure the information's integrity. Banks with secure electronic systems can protect their customers'
- 10. Dr. S. Sangeetha (2020) Studies the customer's satisfaction towards E-Banking Services and its impacts on banks. Electronic Banking technology is useful to customers as well as banks and other organizations, and there is no significant difference between personal factors like age, profession, annual income, and category of the bank chosen and the satisfaction level of the customers.

Research Methodology

The study is concerned with E-Banking, the factor influencing E-Banking users in Karnataka, and the degree of customer satisfaction with these services. It also makes it possible for everyone to see how frequently customers use new banking services. The study claims that slashing technologies contribute to greater customer relationships.

The scope of this study is to conduct a comprehensive and multidimensional analysis of the factors influencing customer satisfaction in e-banking services. E-banking has evolved significantly in recent years, offering a wide range of financial services through digital channels. As more customers embrace e-banking for its convenience and accessibility, it is crucial for banks to understand the dynamics that shape customer satisfaction and deliver exceptional user experiences.

The study will explore various dimensions that contribute to customer satisfaction in e- banking, including service quality, perceived value, trust, security, convenience, and emerging technologies. It will examine how these factors interact and influence overall customer satisfaction and the user experience. By developing a comprehensive and validated measurement model, the study aims to capture the multifaceted nature of customer satisfaction in e-banking.

Furthermore, the scope of the study extends to investigating the impact of emerging technologies on customer satisfaction and user experience in e-banking. With the rapid advancement of technologies such as artificial intelligence, chatbots, biometrics, and virtual financial advisors, it is essential to understand how these innovations can enhance convenience, security, and personalization, ultimately contributing to higher levels of customer satisfaction.

Additionally, the study will explore the potential of customer engagement and co-creation in enhancing customer satisfaction in e-banking. By involving customers in the design and development of e-banking services and products, banks can gain valuable insights and tailor their offerings to better meet customer needs and preferences. The scope of the study also encompasses examining the influence of perceived risk and trust on customer satisfaction in e- banking. In an era of increasing cybersecurity threats and data privacy concerns, understanding the impact of these factors is crucial for banks to mitigate perceived risks and build trust among their customers.

By conducting a multidimensional analysis of customer satisfaction in e-banking, this study aims to provide valuable insights and recommendations for banks to enhance their e-banking offerings, deliver superior user experiences, and ultimately foster long-term customer satisfaction and loyalty.

Framing of Research Hypothesis

A hypothesis is a statement that can be tested using scientific techniques, such as experimentation, statistical analysis, or a combination of the two. In order to properly test a research hypothesis, it is important to choose the most suitable experimental design and the precise type of data to gather. It aids in the maximum clarity of the study objective and represents an educated prediction as to how the experimental findings would respond to a research inquiry.

HYPOTHESIS

- H0- There is no association relationship between the age and the various e-banking services availed
- H1- There is an association between the age and the various e-banking services availed
- H0- There is no association between income and the various e-banking services availed
- H1- There is an association between income and the various e-banking services availed

Research Design. The term 'research design' refers to the overall approach taken to do research that establishes a clear and logical plan to address predetermined research questions through the gathering, interpreting, analyzing, and presenting of data. The viewpoint of the researcher regarding their ideas about the nature of knowledge and reality, frequently molded by the discipline fields the researcher belongs to, will be taken into consideration in the design of a research study. A study's design identifies the study's type (descriptive, correlational, semi- experimental, experimental, review, and meta-analytic) and sub-type (for instance, descriptive-longitudinal case study), research problem, hypotheses, independent and dependent variables, experimental design, and, if necessary, data collection techniques and a plan for statistical analysis. A structure developed to identify solutions to research issues is known as a research design.

Sampling

Sampling is the process of selecting and analysing data from a portion of a larger universe in order to draw conclusions about the broader universe. A sample used from a wider population for research purposes is one illustration.

Sample size

Small sample size can provide more believable results than those on a large sample. To acquire a trustworthy outcome, it is not practical to focus the entire population or even a sizable part of them. Therefore, choosing the appropriate sample size in this context is known as sample size. As a result, the sample size for my study project was 151. College students, employees, and business owners constitute the sample population in this research.

Tools of Analysis

Data has been presented with the help of Bar Graph, Pie Charts, etc.

Statistical Method

Statistical method Pearson's Chi-square is used for analyzing the sample data.

Conclusion:

This study examined e-banking services and users' satisfaction with those services in an effort to determine essential quality characteristics of online banking services. The results of this study demonstrate that despite many e-banking's benefits, users continue to view it as a substitute for reviewing their financial records. Even though today's banks all provide the option of internet banking, users end up running into difficulties. A frame of reference and the quality dimension associated with it are provided by the identification and measurement of customers' expectations of internet banking services. The primary motivators for using e- banking services are comfort and convenience, and the feature that draws individuals in most is the quality and quantity of information. Determining consumer needs, preferences, and the quality dimensions that correspond to them should consequently come first in the implementation of quality projects. The banking industry still needs to make numerous changes and educate its clients on how to use the internet to access their accounts. According to the survey, the biggest issue is that clients are hesitant to use internet banking because they are concerned about security. Banks make every effort to give their consumers the finest security alternatives, but there are still many barriers that prevent people from obtaining an online bank account.

In order to draw in clients, banks also offer free internet banking services. As per the survey conducted most of the e-banking services were utilized in greater number by young people and businessmen. E-banking is a cutting-edge instrument that is quickly replacing traditional banking. It is an effective strategic instrument for banks to maintain profitability in today's unstable and cutthroat industry. If the bank gives the customer the right illustration while opening an account, it will be advantageous. Second, the website should be improved so that first-time users may easily create and log into their accounts. Future technology that can guarantee the security and privacy of e-transactions and RBI regulations on different elements of internet banking will undoubtedly contribute to the rapid expansion of internet banking in India.

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