IMPACT OF SOCIO ECONOMIC FACTORS INFLUENCE ONLINE SHOPPING

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Abstract

Since the internet has become a part and parcel of our existence, online shopping sites are burgeoning and getting popular with every passing day. Shopping, the definition and the concept, both have been revolutionized in the recent years. This is an inevitable part of progress, technically and socially. Presently social factors influence the online shopping. So I select this study, Impact of Socio Economic factors Influence online shopping. In this study I use 50 Private, public employees for data collection then this data collection purpose select Thiruvananthapuram city.

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1. Introduction

When you buy a product or a service over the internet, instead of going to a traditional brick-and-mortar store, it is called online shopping. Globally, an increasing number of people are buying over the Internet because it is more convenient. You can purchase almost anything online — starting with groceries and greeting cards to cell phones and ringtones for the cell phones, everything can be purchased online. While most people still find it convenient to buy their groceries from the neighbourhood shop, many people are purchasing rail and air tickets over the Internet. In addition, people and corporate as well, are also purchasing a variety of services online — such as a broking service or job search service.

2. Methodology

2.1. Research Design

The present study is a sample survey of selected respondents. The respondents were selected from Thiruvananthapuram city through selected Public Private employee. In this research questionnaire
were analyzed and interpreted using simple percentage table for tabular analysis and formulated hypotheses so as to know more about the topic understudy.

2.2. Primary Data

The primary data for gathering the answers was an online questionnaire, which was sent to selected sample via email invitation. 50 respondents for data collections.

2.3. Secondary Data

Secondary resource provide initial insight into the research problem and include both raw data and published summaries, sources, such as, articles, books, journals, etc. In this research secondary data was mainly collected from Google Scholar website (http://scholar.google.com) which provides so many articles and researches.

2.4. Tools For Analysis

Percentage, hypothesis are used tools for data analysis

3. Objectives of the Study

1) To find out the Areas of living Influence online shopping.
2) To analysis the economic factors influence online shopping.
3) To study on social factors influence online shopping.

4. Analysis of the Data

4.1. Gender wise classification

| Sl.No | Gender  | No of Respondent | Percentage |
|-------|---------|------------------|------------|
| 1     | Male    | 30               | 60         |
| 2     | Female  | 20               | 40         |
| Total |         | 50               | 100        |

The table no 4.1 exhibited that majority of the male respondents shopping online, secondly female respondents shopping online.

4.2. Occupations

| Sl.No | Occupation         | No of the Respondents | Percentage |
|-------|--------------------|-----------------------|------------|
| 1     | Private Employee   | 25                    | 50         |
| 2     | Public Employee    | 25                    | 50         |
| Total |                    | 50                    | 100        |
The table No- 4. 2 exhibited that 50% of the respondents are private employee then, 50 % of the respondents are public employee.

4.3. Education

Table 4.3:

| Sl.No | Qualification of the Respondent        | No of the Respondents | Percentage |
|-------|----------------------------------------|-----------------------|------------|
| 1     | High School                            | 5                     | 10         |
| 2     | Secondary School                       | 8                     | 16         |
| 3     | Bachelor Degree                        | 15                    | 30         |
| 4     | Master Degree/MBA                      | 13                    | 26         |
| 5     | Above Master Degree                    | 9                     | 18         |
|       | Total                                  | 50                    | 100        |

The table no 4.3 shows that majority of the respondents Bachelor degree ie. 30%, secondly ie 26% of master degree respondents shopping online, thirdly above master degree ie. 18%, respondents shopping online, next secondary school ie. 16% respondents shopping online

4.4. Age?

Table 4.4:

| Sl.No | Age of Respondents | No of the Respondents | Percentage |
|-------|--------------------|-----------------------|------------|
| 1     | Under - 18         | 3                     | 6          |
| 2     | 18 - 24            | 14                    | 28         |
| 3     | 225 - 34           | 16                    | 32         |
| 4     | 35 - 44            | 7                     | 14         |
| 5     | Above - 44         | 10                    | 20         |
|       | Total              | 50                    | 100        |

The table no 4.4 shows that majority of the respondents are age group of between 25 – 34,secondly 18- 24 age of respondents using online shopping, next above- 44 age group of the respondents using online shopping ,lastly under -18 age group of the respondents using online shopping.

4.5. Area

Table 4.5:

| Sl.No | Areas of the Respondents | No of the Respondents | Percentage |
|-------|----------------------------|-----------------------|------------|
| 1     | Rural Area                | 10                    | 20         |
| 2     | Urban Area                | 25                    | 50         |
| 3     | Semi urban                | 15                    | 30         |
|       | Total                     | 50                    | 100        |

The Table No: 4.5 exhibited that majority of the respondents living in Urban areas, secondly living in Semi urban areas, lastly living in respondents Rural areas.
4.6. Methods of Online Shopping

Table 4.6:

| Sl.No | Particulars                   | No of the Respondents | Percentage |
|-------|-------------------------------|-----------------------|------------|
| 1     | Own shopping                  | 7                     | 14         |
| 2     | with help of Spouse           | 5                     | 10         |
| 3     | with help of children         | 3                     | 6          |
| 4     | with help of mother           | 4                     | 8          |
| 5     | with help of Father           | 6                     | 12         |
| 6     | with help of brother/sister   | 4                     | 8          |
| 7     | with help of Friends          | 15                    | 30         |
| 8     | Others                        | 6                     | 12         |
|       | Total                          | 50                    | 100        |

The Table no 4. 6 shows that majority of respondents shopping online with help of friends ie 30%, Secondly the respondents shopping online own ie 14%, next the respondents shopping online with help of others and with help of Father ie 12%, next the respondents shopping online with help of spouse, lastly the respondents shopping online with help of children.

4.7. Cast

Table 4.7:

| Sl.No | Particulars | No of Respondents | Percentage |
|-------|-------------|-------------------|------------|
| 1     | SC/ST       | 10                | 20         |
| 2     | Backward    | 25                | 50         |
| 3     | Forward     | 15                | 30         |
|       | Total       | 50                | 100        |

The table no: 4. 7 shows that majority of the responds backward category 50%, Secondly respondents are forward category ie 30%, lastly is SC/ST category of the respondent ie 20%.

4.8. House

Table 4.8:

| Sl.No | Particulars | No of Respondents | Percentage |
|-------|-------------|-------------------|------------|
| 1     | Own house   | 25                | 50         |
| 2     | Rented      | 15                | 30         |
| 3     | Lease       | 7                 | 14         |
| 4     | Other       | 3                 | 6          |
|       | Total       | 50                | 100        |

The table No 4. 8 shows that majority of the respondents living in Own houses ie. 50%, Secondly 30% of the respondent living in rented 6% houses, Thirdly 14% of the respondent living in Lease houses, lastly 6% of the respondents living in Other Places.
4.9. Value of Your Wealth (current)

Table 4.9:

| Sl.No | Particulars            | No of Respondents | Percentage |
|-------|------------------------|-------------------|------------|
|       | Below – 100000         | 3                 | 6          |
|       | 1000001-200000         | 7                 | 14         |
|       | 2000001 – 3000000      | 12                | 24         |
|       | 3000001-4000000        | 13                | 26         |
|       | Above - 4000001        | 15                | 30         |
|       | Total                  | 50                | 100        |

The table no:9 exhibited that majority of the ie 30% respondents value of the wealth is Above-4000001, next 26% of the respondents value of the wealth is 3000001-4000000, next 24% of the respondents value of the wealth is 2000001-3000000, next 14% of the respondents value of the wealth is 1000001-2000000, lastly 6% of the respondents value of the wealth is Below – 1000000.

4.10. Current Monthly Income (Present ie Absolute Value)

Table 4.10:

| Sl.No | Particulars | No of Respondents | Percentage |
|-------|-------------|-------------------|------------|
|       | Below – 10000 | 6                | 12%        |
|       | 10001-200000 | 7                | 14         |
|       | 20001-300000 | 10               | 20         |
|       | 30001-400000 | 12               | 22         |
|       | Above - 40001 | 15               | 30         |
|       | Total        | 50               | 100        |

The table no 4 :10 shows that 12% respondents current monthly income Below-10000, 14% respondents of the current monthly income 10001-20000, 20% respondents of the current monthly income 20001-30000, 22% respondents of the current monthly income 30001-40000, 30% respondents of the current monthly income Above-40001.

4.11. Family Income

Table 4.11:

| Sl.No | Particulars | No of Respondents | Percentage |
|-------|-------------|-------------------|------------|
|       | Below – 20000 | 6                | 12         |
|       | 20001 – 30000 | 7                | 14         |
|       | 30001-400000 | 11               | 22         |
|       | 40001 – 50000 | 12               | 24         |
|       | Above - 50001 | 14               | 28         |
|       | Total        | 50               | 100        |

The table no: 4. 11shows 12% of the respondents Family income Below-20000, 14% of the respondents family income 20001-30000, 22% of the respondents family income 30001-40000,
24% of the respondents family income 40001-50000, 28% of the respondents family income Above – 50001.

4.12. Anybody Have Shopping Online in Your Family Members

Table 4.12:

| Sl.No | Particulars | No of Respondents | Percentage |
|-------|-------------|-------------------|------------|
| 1     | Yes         | 15                | 30         |
| 2     | No          | 35                | 70         |
|       | Total       | 50                | 100        |

The table no 4.12 shows that 30% of the respondents family members shopping online, 70% of the respondents family members not shopping online.

4.13. In Which Age You Started Online Shopping?

Table 4.13:

| Sl.No | Particulars | No of Respondents | Percentage |
|-------|-------------|-------------------|------------|
| 1     | Under 18    | 7                 | 14         |
| 2     | 18-24       | 8                 | 16         |
| 3     | 25-34       | 13                | 26         |
| 4     | 35-44       | 12                | 24         |
| 5     | Above 44    | 10                | 20         |
|       | Total       | 50                | 100        |

The table no 4.13 exhibited that 14% of the respondents Under – 18 years starting online shopping, 16% of the respondents between 18-24 years starting online shopping, 26% of the between 25-34 years starting online shopping, 24% of the respondents between 35-44 years starting online shopping, 20% of the respondents Above -44 years starting online shopping.

4.14. How Many Years are You Stared Online Shopping?

Table 4.14:

| Sl.No | Particulars    | No of Respondents | Percentage |
|-------|----------------|-------------------|------------|
| 1     | Below – 1 Years| 17                | 34         |
| 2     | 2 Years        | 15                | 30         |
| 3     | 3 Years        | 11                | 22         |
| 4     | Above - 3 Years| 7                 | 14         |
|       | Total          | 50                | 100        |

The table No- 4.14 shows that 34% of the respondents Below – 1 year starting online shopping, 30% of the respondents 2 years starting online shopping, 22% of the respondents 3 years starting online shopping, 14% of the respondents Above – 3 years starting online shopping.
5. **Hypothesis**

1) There is no relationship between Area of living and online shopping since the computed value of (17.12) is greater than the tabulated value of (9.49), H0 (null) hypothesis shall be rejected. This shows that Area of living influence the online shopping.

2) Since the computed value of (17.12) is greater than the tabulated value of (9.49), H0 (null) hypothesis shall be rejected. This shows that Education influence the online shopping.

3) There is no relationship between Income level and online shopping.

4) Since the computed value of (13.34) is less than the tabulated value of (15.5), H0 (null) hypothesis shall be accepted. This shows that Value of wealth is not influence the online shopping.

5) There is no relationship between Age and online shopping.

Since the computed value of (12.45) is less than the tabulated value of (15.5), H0 (null) hypothesis shall be accepted. This shows that Age is not influence the online shopping.

6. **Findings**

1) Majority of the male respondents shopping online.
2) Majority of the respondents are private employee and Public.
3) Majority of the Bachelor degree Qualification respondents shopping online.
4) Majority of the respondents are age group of between 25 – 34.
5) Majority of the respondents living in Urban areas.
6) Majority of respondents shopping online with help of friends.
7) Majority of the respondents backward category.
8) Majority of the respondents living in Own houses.
9) Majority of the ie 30% respondents value of the wealth is Above-4000001.
10) Majority of the respondent’s current monthly income Above-40001.
11) Majority of the respondents’ Family income Above-50001.
12) Majority of the respondents’ family members shopping online.
13) Majority of the respondents between 25 – 34 age group starting online shopping.
14) Majority of the respondents Below – 1 year for starting online shopping.

7. **Conclusion**

This study conclude that socio economic factors influencing online shopping ie education, Income level, Area of living etc. India is one of the nation for growth of online shopping. Improving socio economic factors and awareness of the individual is main reasons for growth for online shopping. Presently all transactions are cashless deals is also influence the growth online shopping.
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