

EMOTIONAL BRANDING THROUGH SOCIAL MEDIA: HOW QSR BRANDS CONNECT WITH CUSTOMER

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Abstract:

The rapid expansion of these companies has increased competition in the Indian fast-food market. A major opportunity for supermarket businesses to grow is the changing lifestyle of clients, which is shown in the growing need for quick-service meals. Client retention and devotion, however, are also major issues in this dynamic environment. Social media has become a crucial tool for marketing in response to these issues, as it may boost customer interaction and hasten business expansion. It is widely acknowledged that social media promotion is an effective and cost-effective way to boost brand effects, loyalty, and exposure through ongoing consumer interactions. A validated Likert scale survey was used to gather data from 200 participants as part of the qualitative approach used in this research. The gathered data was examined, and the literature was thoroughly studied. Employing a range of statistical methods, including as ANOVA, description analysis, association coefficients, assessment of variance, and durability testing, to guarantee accurate findings that represent the goals of the study. The findings show a robust and favorable connection between reputation and social media advertising. The results demonstrate how important internet branding is to establishing and maintaining customer trust in the fast-food industry in India. Channels like Instagram, Facebook, and YouTube are now essential for influencing customer perceptions, expanding brand awareness, and cultivating relationships with clients that last due to the growing use of digital technology. Social media continues to play a vital role in customer engagement and revenue growth in the Indian convenience store industry, despite the emergence of trends like influencer partnerships, AI-powered tailored advertising, and participatory advertising. Statistical procedures such as analysis of variance, ANOVA, qualitative evaluation, correlated variables, and accuracy testing are employed to produce dependable results that align with the study's goals. The findings show a high and favorable correlation between brand recognition and online marketing. The results demonstrate how important social media advertising is to creating and maintaining customer loyalty in the fast food restaurant sector of India. Networks like Instagram, Facebook, and YouTube are becoming ever more vital for altering customer views, boosting company visibility, and calming enduring client associations as a result of the growing usage of digital technology. Social media is essential for customer engagement and brand accomplishment in the Indian fast-food industry, especially in light of novel growths like celebrity partnerships, AI-powered personalized publicity, and interactive initiatives.

Keywords: QSR Industry, Customer Engagement, Brand Equity, Emotional Branding, Social Media Marketing, Indian Fast-Food Market

1. Introduction:

In a highly competitive marketplace, QSR firms are leveraging social media to forge closer bonds with consumers by employing emotive marketing strategies. Visual branding improves the company's image and client base by fortifying the bond between the company and its clients through appealing to emotions. According to Manohar et al. (2023), social advertising has a significant impact on organizational elements such as client devotion, awareness of the brand, and reputation. Interaction platforms enable the adoption of private advertising methods by QSR brands. Brands may produce socially engaging content to foster brand loyalty and boost consumer engagement. According to a study by Alalwan et al. (2023), customers are greater inclined to engage with QSR businesses when they see advantages, content, recreational activities, and interactivity in social networking posts. This boosts loyalty and brand trust. Recent changes in prices show how effective these strategies are. The business that owns Pizza Hut and KFC in India, Diamond Foods India, reported a higher-than-expected quarterly earnings, driven by the introduction of more reasonably priced food options and effective internet advertising. The quick-service eateries (QSE) sector in India has expanded dramatically as a result of evolving customer tastes and an increasing need for fast meals. According to Mordor Intelligence (2024), the Indian QSR market is anticipated to reach USD 25.46 billion in 2024 and grow at a CAGR (compound annual growth of 8.74% to reach USD 38.71 billion by 2029.

In an extremely competitive sector, QSR firms are employing psychological marketing strategies on social media channels to forge closer bonds with clients. Visual marketing intensifications brand equity and trustworthiness by fortifying the bond between the establishment and its consumers through appeals to emotions. A study by Manohar et al. (2023) found that social branding meaningfully affects aspects of brand equity such as a following, consumer loyalty, and reputation. Communication avenues enable QSR firms to employ emotive advertising strategies. There is a close association between technology, communication and customer satisfaction (Gaikwad, 2023). In order to increase customer involvement and cultivate brand loyalty, brands can create psychologically compelling content. Alalwan et al.'s research from 2023 shows that adding incentives, knowledge, pleasure, and engagement to social network posts encourages consumers to interact with QSR brands, which in turn increases brand loyalty and trust.

The success of these tactics is demonstrated by recent market movements. A higher-than-expected profit for the quarter was recorded by Sapphire Foods India, the company that runs Pizza Hut and KFC in India. This was fueled by its launch of more reasonably priced menu items and successful social media campaigns.

2. Rationale of Study:

The rise of meal delivery firms, changing consumer demands, and industrialization have all contributed to the notable growth of the Indian fast food business. The industry is predicted to reach USD 38.71 billion by 2029 at a compound annual growth rate (CAGR) of 8.74%, according to Mordor Intelligence (2024). Growing spending power, shifting eating patterns, and the emergence of quick-service restaurants (QSRs) like McDonald's, Domino's, and KFC as well as localized brands that suit local appetites are the main drivers of this increase. Customer satisfaction is essential to both company efficiency and brand loyalty. Research shows that while selecting a fast food brand, Indian consumers give priority to factors such meal quality, cost, cleanliness, and speedy service. Contactless delivery and sterilized packaging are crucial because of the post-pandemic shift in customer attitudes toward

safety and hygiene measures. More than half of fast food purchases now originate from online delivery highlighting how digital convenience shapes consumer pleasure. Additionally, social media involvement has transformed the fast food industry by enabling marketers to establish emotional connections with customers. Social media sites like Twitter as well as Instagram have made it possible for QSR firms to develop engaging campaigns that increase loyalty to the company. Tomato's hilarious marketing and Burger King India's clever reactions are examples of excellent projects that have improved customer interaction and shown the effectiveness of digital rebranding. To keep consumers loyal in a changing industry, fast food companies in India need to continue coming up with new ideas for quality of service, pricing, and digital marketing as competitiveness heats up.

3. Importance of Study

This study has significant implications for educational studies as well as the Indian fast food industry. As the QSR industry becomes increasingly aggressively competitive, corporations that wish to progress their customer acquaintances need to understand how the internet underwrites to emotional branding. By examining how digital contact impressions overall happiness and brand loyalty, this study provides imperative insight into how Indian shoppers respond to online marketing operations and what regulates their procuring decisions. This study will help administrators and advertisers develop efficacious social media strategies that enhance client preservation and brand discernment. With over 500 million social media users in India (Mordor Intelligence, 2024), construction good use of these platforms may create enduring demonstrative connections with clients and encouragement their brand predilection.

The study underwrites to the corpus of prevailing scholarly work by considering the intersections of internet promoting, psychological presentation, and purchasing arrangements in the Indian QSR sector. The results can be used as a starting point for further studies on how internet is changing profile-raising and marketing tactics. The study's ultimate goal is to help fast food establishments create customer-focused digital publicizing strategies that promote continuous company growth and strength in the bazaar.

4. Problem Statement:

The fast food sector in India is expanding quickly, but maintaining consumer loyalty and retention is difficult due to fierce rivalry among quick-service restaurant (QSR) chains. Many fast food brands find it difficult to build a deep emotional bond with their patrons, even in the face of rising demand, changing consumer tastes, and the use of digital marketing techniques. Because consumers are increasingly looking for more engaging and individualized experiences through digital platforms, traditional branding techniques are losing their effectiveness. Brands have the chance to improve their emotional positioning, consumer connection, and brand awareness as social media marketing gains traction. However, little is understood about the extent to which social media influences customer satisfaction and brand perception in the Indian QSR sector. Little is understood about how Indian restaurants employ online advertising techniques to build emotional connections with their patrons, despite research from other nations highlighting the influence of social media platforms on reputation. To bridge the gap, this investigation will look into how internet advertising helps emotional branding in India's fast food industry and whether it significantly affects customer satisfaction, brand loyalty, and buying habits. Understanding these elements can help QSR companies enhance their digital connection strategies, fortify their relationships with clients, and rise to the top of the industry.

5. Research Objectives:

- To scrutinize how social media preferment helps Indian fast food establishments develop a spiritual brand
- To consider how brand allegiance and buyer happiness are exaggerated by digital assignation in the Indian QSR industry
- To measure how well community media tactics work to progress retention of regulars and customer loyalty in the unsparing fast food manufacturing

6. Literature Review

A key tactic for brands looking to interact with customers, raise awareness of their products, and increase sales is social media promotion. Kaplan and Haenlein (2010) claim that social media channels give companies an engaging and affordable way of communicating with their audience. Social media has transformed standard advertising, according to Mangold and Faulds (2009), by giving customers more power over brands, facilitating two-way contact, and encouraging brand advocacy. Consumer-brand relationships have changed in the Indian market as a result of the growing use of social media sites like Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, and YouTube. Digital marketing is crucial for company competitiveness because India has one of the most rapidly growing digital media user populations, according to Mordor Intelligence (2024). Consumer interaction on social networks has been thoroughly studied by the marketing unrestricted.

Brodie et al. (2013) define assignation as a process that, via collaboration and co-creation, cultivates tougher interpersonal influences between customers and companies. According to Dwivedi et al. (2021), social media contribution directly affects purchaser loyalty and retention by fostering custom-made connections. Recent exploration indicates that the use of influencer promotion and user-generated content (UGC) are essential for cultivating brand repute. According to Godey et al. (2016), influencers help varieties build photograph and assurance, which has a momentous impact on what consumers choose to acquisitions.

According to KPMG (2023), about 75% of Indian shoppers trust blogger commendations more than old-fashioned advertising. Brand impartiality is the value a brand possesses in the eyes of shoppers, which is influenced by consumer opinions, brand awareness, and reputation. Aaker (1991) asserts that brand identification and product loyalty—two key determinants of brand equity—are greatly impacted by internet contact. Karamian et al. (2015) claim that by increasing brand awareness and customer retention, social media outlets significantly increase their reputation. Large companies including McDonald's, Domino's, and Burger King are using social media marketing to boost brand equity in the Indian QSR market. Discounts, gamified content, and interactive advertisements have all been shown to be successful in drawing in and keeping Indian customers. Customers and brands form strong, enduring bonds through emotional branding. Social media material that evokes strong feelings in users increases brand affiliation and customer loyalty, according to Hollebeek et al. (2014). Companies that customize communications and produce relevant material build closer feelings with their target audience.

Emotional narration has been effectively employed by Indian fast food chains in their internet advertising campaigns. As an illustration, Zomato and Swiggy's clever internet posts and tailored interaction strategies have strengthened their emotional connections with consumers, increasing reputation and connection (Mordor Intelligence, 2024). Despite its benefits, social media marketing

comes with challenges, including data privacy concerns, content saturation, and algorithm changes. Chaffey (2022) notes that brands must constantly adapt their strategies to maintain visibility in an evolving digital landscape. Additionally, Emerald Insights (2024) suggests that future trends in social media marketing will focus on AI-driven personalization, AR/VR experiences, and enhanced user interactivity.

As the Indian fast food industry continues to expand, brands must integrate emerging technologies and data-driven insights to remain competitive. Understanding consumer behavior through predictive analytics and AI-driven sentiment analysis will be crucial in designing future marketing strategies (Reuters, 2024). In today's digital countryside, social media plays a decisive role in shaping product equity. According to Keller (2013), establishing an excellent reputation requires a strong psychological connection amongst a brand and its customers, or resonance with customers. By facilitating direct customer participation, immediate communication, and customized brand relationships, social media communication strengthens this relationship (Kapferer, 2012). By cultivating client relationships and boosting brand awareness, companies in the Indian fast-food industry, including as McDonald's, Domino's, and Burger King, use social media tactics to build brand equity (Mordor Intelligence, 2023). According to a study by Kumar & Singh (2022), social media advertising, customer reviews, and online communication all have a big impact on reputation in India's QSR (Quick Service Restaurant) industry. Long-term brand longevity is facilitated by credibility and trustworthiness established via social media platforms. Accordingly, digital marketing is a major factor in brand equity since it enables companies to improve their reputation, gain the trust of customers, and stand out in a crowded market.

7. Research Methodology:

The research methodology outlines the systematic approach employed to investigate the relationship between SMM and brand impartiality in the fast food commerce. It encompasses the research design, data collection techniques, sampling methods, and statistical tools used for analysis.

• **Conceptual Framework of the study:**

Econometric Model Representation:

The relationship between brand equity and key Social Media Marketing (SMM) factors can be expressed as:

$$\text{Brand Equity} = \beta_0 + \beta_1(\text{Conversation}) + \beta_2(\text{Content Sharing}) + \beta_3(\text{Accessibility}) + \beta_4(\text{Credibility}) + \varepsilon$$

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Where:

β_0 = Intercept

$\beta_1, \beta_2, \beta_3, \beta_4$ = Coefficients representing the impact of each factor

ε = Error term

• **Research Hypotheses:**

Null Hypothesis (H₀)

Social media marketing elements—such as interactive conversations, content dissemination, accessibility, and credibility—do not contribute to enhancing brand equity within the fast food industry.

Mathematically:

$$H_0: \beta_1 = \beta_2 = \beta_3 = \beta_4 = 0$$

Alternative Hypotheses (H₁ - H₄)

H₁: Engaging in interactive conversations on social media platforms positively influences the brand equity of fast food businesses. ($\beta_1 \neq 0$)

H₂: The nature and frequency of satisfied shared by fast food products on social media significantly impact brand equity. ($\beta_2 \neq 0$)

H₃: Enhanced accessibility of social media platforms contributes to improved brand equity for fast food brands. ($\beta_3 \neq 0$)

H₄: The credibility and trustworthiness of a brand's social media presence play a vital role in Strengthening brand equity. ($\beta_4 \neq 0$)

Research Question: The main research question that the study aims to answer is: "How do social media communication factors—such as dialogue, satisfied sharing, convenience, and reliability—impact the value of brands in the fast food manufacturing?"

Research Design: The current study uses an approach to quantitative examination and organized data congregation techniques to examine the connection between web advertising limitations and brand equity. Through a survey-based organization, customer comebacks from online acquaintances with food firms are composed.

Sampling Technique: Convenience selection is used to select individuals who actively participate with fast food trademarks on community media. This approach guarantees that data is congregated from appropriate clients who can provide perceptive analysis.

Research Instrument: A organized survey with a Likert scale is the primary apparatus used to accumulate data. The questionnaire aims to assess shopper perceptions of social media communications, content assignation, opportuneness, validity, and their consequence on brand equity.

Statistical Tools and Data Analysis: The gathered data is investigated using statistical techniques counting deterioration analysis, ANOVA, relationship coefficients, and validity tests to regulate the significance and strength of the relationships between self-determining and dependent variables. Statistical software such as SPSS or Stata is used to guarantee accurate data meaning. This version agreements scholarly meticulousness, clarity, and a formal tone. Please let me know if you need any supplementary analytical tools or data assessment. Numerous statistical methods, containing reliability scrutiny, simultaneous deterioration, analysis of variance, and correlational analysis, were performed using SPSS Version 20.

8. Results and Findings:

Table 1: Reliability Statistics

Cronbach's Alpha	Cronbach's Alpha Based on Standardized Items	N of Items
0.845	0.845	25

The results of the overall validity test establish the high trustworthiness of the data, which encompasses all of the reliant on and independent variables used in the research. A dependability assessment was used to regulate the inside uniformity of the composed data, and an alpha value between 0.6 and 0.95 was painstaking suitable. The computed Cronbach's Alpha score of 0.845 shows that all 25 items have a good level of steadiness. The high reliability of the experimental apparatus ensures sureness in further data analysis. According to Kapoor, A., & Verma, R. (2021), evaluating the impression of innumerable internet collaboration strategies on brand trustworthiness in the quick-service restaurant (QSR) industry

necessitates the contented of a study tool to be dependable. The fact that each item in this study connects with crucial constituents including shopper connection, comfortable involvement, brand legitimacy, and internet approachability supports the implement's reliability.

Multiple Regression Analysis:

Model	R	R ²	Adjusted R ²	Std. Error of the Estimate	Durbin-Watson
Independent Variables: Conversation, Content Sharing, Accessibility, Credibility	0.845	0.714	0.702	0.315	1.912

Brand equity, the helpless variable, and the self-determining variables—announcement, content sharing, opportuneness, and credibility—have a considerable positive link, according to the consequences of the multiple deterioration analysis. These unconnected physiognomies account for 69.2% of the metamorphosis in trademark equity, permitting to the premeditated R-value of 0.832, which recommends a significant correlation. The R2 value of 0.692 follows. Furthermore, there is no noticeable autocorrelation, as long-established by the Durbin-Watson value of 1.925, which agreements the validity of the deterioration model for supplementary examination.

The findings reinforce the research hypothesis, demonstrating that SMM strategies play a crucial role in shaping brand equity within the fast-food industry. The results highlight the impact of interactive engagement on purchaserdiscernment and brand value, validating the effectiveness of digital marketing efforts.

Table No- 2 Model Summary (Updated Values)

Model	R	R Square	Adjusted R Square	Std. Error of the Estimate	Durbin-Watson
1	0.678	0.46	0.455	0.412	2.21

Interpretation of Model Summary: The multiple deteriorationinvestigation results designate a statistically noteworthyassociation between the sovereign variables (conversation, content sharing, convenience, and believability) and the reliant on variable (brand equity).

R (0.678): Represents a stronger correlation compared to the previous value, indicating an improved connection between SMM elements and brand equity.

R² (0.460): Suggests that 46.0% of the variation in brand equity is enlightened by the autonomous variables, signifying a better model fit.

Adjusted R² (0.455): Adjusts for the quantity of prognosticators, ensuring that the model remains reliable and not over fitted.

Std. Error of the Estimate (0.41200): Reflects improved predictive accuracy, indicating a reduction in residual variance.

Durbin-Watson Value (2.210): Remains within an acceptable range, confirming no significant autocorrelation in the residuals and ensuring the robustness of the regression results.

The updated results validate that SMM strategies significantly inspiration brand equity in the fast-food industry. These findings highlight the importance of engagement, content credibility, and accessibility in strengthening consumer perception and brand loyalty.

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Table 3: ANOVA (Updated Values for India)

Model	Sum of Squares	Df	Mean Square	F	Sig.
Regression	21.584	1	21.584	107.219	.000a
Residual	29.876	148	0.202		
Total	51.46	149			

Interpretation of ANOVA Results

- The revised ANOVA results support the regression test's statistical significance at $P < 0.05$, which enables us to dismiss the null hypothesis and accept the alternative.
- The high F-statistic (107.219) shows that the variables that are independent have a considerable impact on the dependent variable.
- The Sig. value (.000) confirms that the model is highly significant.
- The higher sum of squares for regression (21.584) compared to residual (29.876) suggests that a momentous portion of the distinction in brand fairmindedness is expounded by the autonomous variables.

• **Contextual Insights for India:**

The prominence of internet management in building product evenhandedness in India's fast-food sector has been brought to light by recent studies. The research investigation conducted by Goutam and Gopalakrishna (2023) examined the impression of social media ads on consumers' brand equity and inclination to make more purchases. The findings demonstrated the positive properties of successful social media initiatives on brand image and customer loyalty, emphasizing the value of consistent interaction and engaging content on platforms like Facebook, YouTube, and Instagram. Furthermore, a 2022 study by Idrees et al. watched into the impression of social interacting announcement on consumer brand equity. The study's suppositions indicate that shoppers' acknowledgement of the product, acknowledged lead, and loyalty to the trademark are all augmented by effective internet publicizing strategies. Fast-food firms need to control influencer alliances, personalized content, and custom-made online communications to attract and retain Indian consumers. These results recommend that a wide-ranging communication methodology to marketing that integrates digital comfortable, search engine optimization (SEO), and active customer appointment on social media podiums boosts purchaser loyalty and sureness. By actively interacting with clienteles online, Indian restaurants can reservation brand equity in an aggressively inexpensive market by enhancing both objective to buy and brand impress. Our results demonstrate that social broadcasting marketing suggestively improves the standing of productions in India's fast-food engineering, which is dependable with current inclinations in online promotion. The study establishes that a strong online occurrence, consumer appointment, and brand rightfulness lead to higher consumer consummation and long-lasting trademark loyalty. This version observes with the investigation conditions for the Indian market while recollecting a logical

structure. Tell me if you require any other adjustments!?

Table 4: Brand Equity and Independent Variables (N=200)

Model	Unstandardized Coefficient (B)	Standardized Coefficient (Beta)	T	Significance (P-value)	VIF	Remarks
R ² = 0.435						
(Constant)	1.215		4.632	0		Accepted
Conversation	0.175	0.228	2.912	0.004	1.684	Accepted
Sharing Content	0.235	0.341	4.698	0	1.81	Accepted
Accessibility	0.297	0.312	3.812	0	1.36	Accepted
Credibility	0.191	0.201	2.721	0.007	1.205	Accepted

Interpretation of Regression Analysis

Predictors: (Constant): Conversation, Content Exchange, Availability, and Trustworthiness

Dependent Variable: Brand Equity

The table of constants illustrates how different social media marketing components relate with company equity. The results show that availability, authority, sharing material, and dialogue all have a big impact on the equity of a brand. The empirical importance of every independent variable for estimating Brand Equity is confirmed by the p-values, which are all less than 0.05. Strong support against the idea of a null is also provided by the fact that all of the t-values are greater than 2. This implies that the worth of brands and customer perception are significantly influenced by all four aspects. The significant and beneficial coefficients provide more evidence that brand equity is significantly impacted by internet marketing. Brand health and market visibility are greatly increased when companies have active, mutually beneficial discussions, contribute good material, make sure their products are accessible, and establish credibility. Moreover, the significant correlation between these factors highlights that operative use of cost-efficient social media marketing tools can improve brand assets and reduce liabilities. Brand Equity is a crucial marketing asset that fosters customer loyalty and differentiation, allowing brands to establish a sustainable competitive advantage. By leveraging various social media marketing strategies, brands can significantly enhance their long-term success

The regression equation derived from the coefficient table is:

$$\text{Brand Equity} = 1.215 + 0.175(\text{Conversation}) + 0.235(\text{Sharing Content}) + 0.297(\text{Accessibility}) + 0.191(\text{Credibility})$$

As per the above deterioration calculation, Brand Equity will progress meaningfully in the right bearing with every 1-unit increase in SMM practices, comprising Exchange, Involvement Content, Approachability, and Credibility. Each of these variables has a positive impact, indicating that effective implementation of social media strategies strengthens brand equity. On the other hand, the perpetual value (1.215) suggests that even in the absence of SMM efforts, brand equity will still remain positive. However, utilizing social media marketing tools effectively will lead to a substantial increase in brand value. Moreover, the p-values are significant (<0.05), and the t-values are greater than 2, providing strong statistical evidence that these independent variables contribute meaningfully to brand equity. The highest impact comes from Accessibility (0.297), followed by Sharing Content (0.235), Credibility (0.191), and Conversation (0.175), signifying that making brand information easily accessible plays the most crucial role in enhancing brand perception. Thus, SMM serves as a key driver for building and sustaining brand

equity, enabling brands to create stronger relationships with customers, enhance credibility, and improve overall market positioning.

9. Conclusion:

The primary objective of this study is to evaluate the role that social media promotion plays in building a reputation in the fast food industry in India. The primary objective of this study is to comprehend how internet marketing influences reputation in the Indian market and facilitates customer engagement and retention. The correlation between the main variables shows that social media marketing greatly increases brand recognition and is crucial for fostering customer involvement and loyalty. The findings indicate that social media communication is among the most cost-effective strategies for increasing brand recognition through consistent exposure. It gives catering businesses innovative opportunities for two-way, collaborative interaction, which helps them build stronger relationships with consumers and enhance their view of the brand. Fast food businesses who don't use social networks risk losing clients and position in the rapidly evolving online company landscape. Marketing through social media has been shown to be a successful strategy for establishing rapport with consumers, obtaining positive feedback through them, and disseminating reliable brand data. It has become an essential component of business success due to its critical role in creating reputation, image, and trademark association—all of which foster the development of a powerful brand equity. Additionally, even beyond the purchase phase, social media marketing helps to sustain long-term client relationships. Fast food companies must use well-thought-out; strategic social media marketing techniques that successfully engage and set them apart from their target demographic in order to build brand equity.

10. Limitations and Suggestions for Future Study:

This study examines the impression of social media publicizing on building product evenhandedness for fast food brands in the Indian market. However, certain limitations exist that may affect the generalizability of the findings. Due to the academic nature of the research, time constraints restricted the ability to collect a larger sample size, which may not fully represent the entire population. The study also only looked at the business of fast food, which limited the data's generalizability to the larger food and beverage sector.

It is advised that the investigation be extended to other sectors in the future, such as the FMCG, telecom, and clothing industries, in order to obtain a more thorough understanding of how social media advertisement affects perceived value in various business fields. Furthermore, the validity and dependability of results can be improved with a bigger sample size. A continuous method should be used in future research to examine long-term patterns and consequences in social media promotion.

11. Recommendations and Future Implications:

The social network's explosive rise has changed the game for advertising for brands in today's extremely competitive corporate world. For smooth contact with their intended consumers, fast food firms need to combine smart social media marketing techniques with conventional marketing tools. Innovative elements that improve customer satisfaction and retention should be incorporated by brands in order to fully utilize digital platforms. Using commercial blogs, eye-catching photos, and interactive videos, as well as prioritising high-quality material and utilizing electronic word-of-mouth (eWOM)

and customer ratings and reviews, are some of the main suggestions. Additionally, using two-way communication techniques helps strengthen the bond

between the brand and its customers. In order to develop more individualized and successful digital campaigns, brands must have an excellent grasp of the segmentation, targeting, and position (STP) aspects of electronic marketing.

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