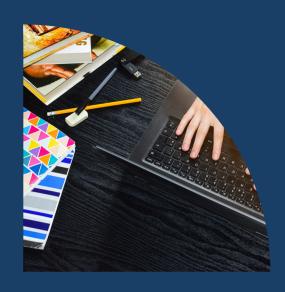
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THE IMPACT OF SUPPLEMENTARY SERVICE TOWARDS CUSTOMER SATISFACTION

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INTRODUCTION

In the very competitive business environment of today, achieving customer satisfaction is crucial for companies seeking long-term success. Businesses need to deliberately bring on additional services in addition to their core offerings in order to meet increasingly dynamic customer demand. By increasing use and improving its value and offer, supplemental services elevate the basic product (Nafei & EL-Horany, 2021). While core product offers are important, it is impossible to underestimate the impact of supplementary services on various customer needs. Given that customers have a lot of options, businesses need to go above and beyond to meet and surpass their expectations. Because of these value-added services, customers have a more positive and memorable experience, which increases their satisfaction.

The supplementary services, which function as a value-added service for the product, play important roles in affecting the consumers' purchase decisions (Zheng et al., 2022). Because of today's very competitive business environment, companies are always looking for ways to gain the upper hand over their rivals. These days, consumers' demands might not be met by goods and services alone. As a result, additional services are becoming a vital tool for companies to compete in the market. Therefore, companies could strategically implement supplementary services as one of the effective methods of enhancing customers' satisfaction.

SUPPLEMENTARY SERVICE AND CUSTOMER SATISFACTION

In an atmosphere where competition is fierce, businesses are always looking for ways to improve customer satisfaction levels and gain a competitive edge. Though the core product or services may meet the most basic needs, supplemental services go above and beyond by offering additional features, support, and convenience that are specifically tailored to the needs of the user. Offered in addition to the main product or service with the goal of enhancing the overall customer experience, supplementary services are a useful tactic. Customer satisfaction is a post-consumption reaction and a self-generated experience (Xu, 2021). To satisfy the consumer, a business must not only provide more services but also assure that those services are of higher quality. This illustrates that service quality has a direct impact on customer satisfaction (Zygiaris et al., 2022).

Moreover, the supplementary services can cater to the various and particular needs of customers. Giving customers options for customization or specialized help shows them that the business values them as distinct individuals. Customer satisfaction can be greatly impacted by supplemental services that cater to specific consumers' needs and wants. This human touch enhances the overall experience and leads to higher levels of satisfaction (Blümel et al., 2023). Businesses can better understand and anticipate what customer wants with the help of supplemental services, which helps them be ready to meet and exceed

expectations. Businesses can detect holes in customer experiences and create supplemental services to close those gaps by doing market and consumer research to gather feedback and gain a better understanding of customer needs. Simply put, by regularly evaluating and adjusting additional products to match shifting customer demand, businesses could maintain their competitive edge and improve customer satisfaction.

Furthermore, one key impact of supplementary services on enhancing customer satisfaction is creating a positive emotional connection. Customer sentiment refers to an individual's emotional reaction to a brand, service, or product, while customer satisfaction measures how well a company's services or goods meet or exceed the expectations of the consumer. Supplementary services have the ability to forge strong bonds with clients by providing services that appeal to the emotional side of client experiences in addition to their practical advantages (Kurhayadi et al., 2022). Customers may experience feelings of gratitude and delight when they receive a surprise that goes beyond what is expected. As such, these deep emotional ties not only make consumers happier but also give them a feeling that the company values and cares for them, which may result in repeat business and positive word-of-mouth recommendations.

Ensuring customer satisfaction is crucial, as it can lead to the acquisition of consumer loyalty. When customers are satisfied with our products and services, it will create repeat purchases of the product and services provided. Then, they will persuade others to try the products and services that they used. Therefore, the organizations have to satisfy customers by providing pleasant service experiences, or else they may lose customers if the nature of their administration does not meet the needs of customers (Guan et al., 2021). When the supplementary service offered can meet customer satisfaction, the opportunity for them to continue using the products and services offered is high. This is because customer loyalty will not be able to reach customers until they are satisfied with their products and services. Based on this situation, businesses must consider many different factors and conduct continuous evaluations and improvements to their various service activities, which include supplementary services.

CONCLUSION

In conclusion, supplementary services have a significant influence on raising customer satisfaction. In order to increase customer satisfaction, the services must be able to cater to the various and unique demands of customers and foster a happy emotional connection. In order to succeed in today's cutthroat business environment, companies should strategically integrate supplemental services as a critical part of their overall plan to improve customer satisfaction. Furthermore, additional services can help businesses adjust to shifting consumer demands and industry trends. Businesses must constantly innovate and offer new supplemental services if they want to stay relevant in the face of changing customer expectations. By identifying evolving needs and preferences and launching new products that meet those demands, businesses may maintain customer satisfaction and contentment. Organisations that are receptive to market trends can preserve their long-term existence through delighted customers and gain a competitive advantage.

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