

A STUDY ON INDOCAFE MARKET PROFILE IN KOTA KINABALU, SABAH

ABDUL AZIZ SHAH BIN MOHD. SEWAN 2005651291

BACHELUR OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION (HONS) MARKETING
F-CULTY OF BUSINESS MANAGEMENT
UNIVERSITI TEXNOLOGI MARA
KOTA KINABALU

APRIL 2007

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

This research paper is a gift by an effort, involved assistance and guidance from people surrounds me. It would be a great pleasure to express my thanks.

Importantly, I would like to praise for ALLAH S.W.T., who bless my effort and give me strength, patient, and encourage completing this research. Very special thanks to my advisor, Prof. Madya Matyasin bin Jamil who has been very patience, supportive and guided me throughout this semester till the end of this research. I really appreciated it as without him, it would be impossible for me to complete this research. Not forgotten to my second advisor, Prof. Madya Hjh. Rosdiana Hj Sukardi for his assistance as well as valuable comments. Thanks also to Mr. Mohd Shamlie Salisi, BBA Coordinator for his support.

Very special thanks for continuous support from the staffs of DKSH Holdings (M) Berhad especially in Sales & Marketing Department of Indocafe and Healthcare Department especially for my supervisor, Dr. Allan Mathews as a Chief Representative in DKSH for his guidance and memorable moment during my placement. Thanks also to Mr. Ha and Mr.Alex for their endless assistance and being helpful to ensure success of the project. Not forget Miss Victoria and Regal Marketing team that always give me exposure and experience regarding to my research and for myself. Thanks for the real exposure with the Sales & Marketing team in DKSH and Regal Marketing.

To my loved ones who always be there for me during my ups and down and not forgotten to my colleagues, it is really hard to leave our moment behind and thanks for sharing ideas with me throughout our study. This research is proudly dedicated to my parents and families for their endless support and help throughout my study. Thanks also to all my respondents and to people who are indirectly involved in the completing of this project paper.

TABLE OF CONTENTS

	PAGI
DECLARATION OF ORIGINAL WORK	п
LETTER OF SUBMISSIONS	ш
ACKNOWLEDGEMENT	IV
LIST OF TABLES	VIII
LIST OF FIGURES	x
LIST OF DEFINITION TERMS	XI
ABSTRACT	XII
CHAPTERS	
1.0 INTRODUCTION	
1.1 Background	
1.1.1 Company Profile	1
1.1.2 Product Profile	5
1.1.3 Background of The Study	6
1.2 Scope of Study	7
1.3 Problem Statement	8
1.4 Research Objective	9
1.5 Research Question	10
1.6 Theoretical Framework	11
1.7 Limitation of Study	13
1.8 Significance of the Study	15

2.0 LITERATURE REVIEW 16 2.1 Psychographic-Demographic Profiles 17 2.2 Coffee, Tea, and Lifestyle 2.3 Health and Pharmacology of Coffee 18 19 2.4 Social aspects of coffee 2.5 Coffee Culture: Coffee Ceremonies 20 3.0 RESEARCH METHODOLOGY AND DESIGN 22 3.0 Overview 22 3.1 Primary Data 3.1.1 Questionnaires 22 3.2 Secondary Data 22 3.2.1 Internal Data 22 3.2.2 External Data 23 3.3 Sampling Procedure 3.3.1 Target population 23 23 3.3.2 Sampling frame 23 3.3.3 Sampling technique 3.3.4 Sample size 24 3.4 Data Analysis Procedure 25 3.5 Questionnaires Design 25 4.0 RESEARCH FINDINGS AND ANALYSIS 4.0 Overview 26 4.1 Findings 4.1.1 Section A (Respondent's Background) 27 4.1.2 Section B (General Information) 34

ABSTRACT

The study on Indocafé market profile in Kota kinabalu, Sabah was conducted with the purposes to determine the demographic profile of Indocafé consumers and some of the psychograph factors among the Indocafé consumers. Beside that, it also to evaluate customers' satisfaction with the range of Indocafé product, to identify the difficulties customers faced when buying the Indocafé products and to get suggestions or recommendations from the customers to improve Indocafé products. In general, the purpose of the study is to better understand the profile of the consumers whom aware with this Indocafé product.

Through the study, it showed that majority of the respondents are aware with the products. There are little difficulties for the consumers when they buy the products except that there are few shops that do not sell these products. Due to this problem, the DKSH should enter this market so that it will be easier for the consumers to get the products. Beside that, the consumers are more likely to get information about the products from sales promotion, advertisement in electronic media and in newspaper. Therefore, to get the attention of the consumers, the company should do more aggressively marketing activities and promotion.