

#### **Learning Objectives:**

After completion of this session, the learner will be know:

- •How perception determines behavior of the consur
- •How learning determines behavior of the consume
- •How attitude determines behavior of the consumer

# Jutroduction to Consumer Behavior

#### **Topics to be Covered:**

- Perception
- Learning
- •Attitude

## What is Customer Perception

Customer Perception is a marketing concept that tells us what customers think about a brand or a company or its offerings.





It can be positive or negative feelings, perceptions, inhibitions, predispositions, expectations or experiences that a customer has.



## Factors Deciding Customer Perception

#### **Consistency of Performance**

How has the brand performed in the past and how it is performing currently.

#### **Emotional Connect**

Superb brands know that emotional connection with the customer is critical to brand development.



#### **Marketing Communications**

How the brand communicates with the customers using the various media vehicles.

#### **Holistic Marketing**

A brand cannot be excellent if it has good sales staff but pathetic support staff. A brand has to be a good all rounder and satisfy customers from all its touch points.

#### **Kotler's Definition**

According to Kotler's Definition, learning involves changes in an individual's behavior arising out of the experience. Most of the human behavior is learned over time, out of the experience.

## Consumer Learning

#### **Features of Consumer Learning**

•Consumer learning is a process. A process which continually changes and acquires new knowledge.

•This knowledge can be obtained from reading, discussing, observing, thinking, etc.

•Newly acquired knowledge or personal experience, both serve as feedback.



#### **Role of Motivation in Learning**

Motivation is the driving force of all important things to be learnt. Motives allow individuals to increase their readiness to respond to learning.

#### Role of Response in Learning

Response signifies how a consumer reacts to the motives or even cues.

The response can be shown or hidden, but in either of the cases learning takes place.

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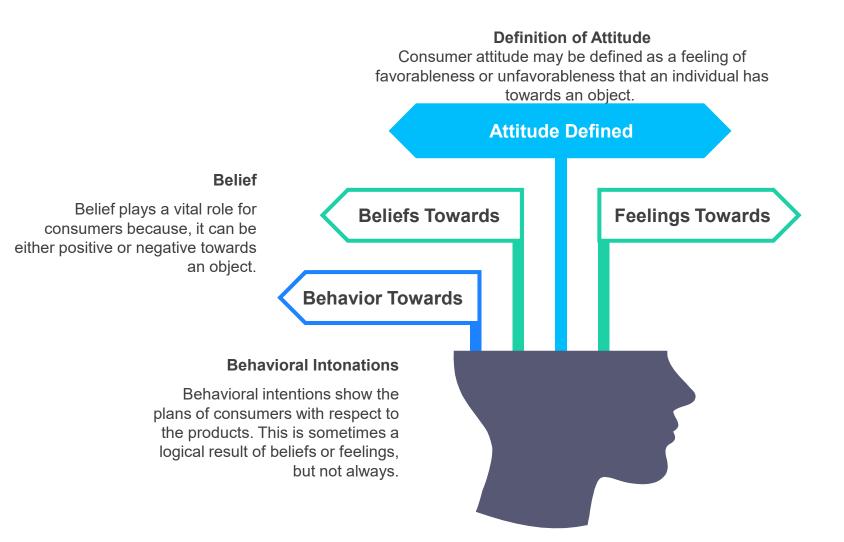
#### Role of Reinforcement in Learning

Reinforcement is very important as it increases the probability of a particular response in the future driven by motives and cues.

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### Attitude



#### **Feelings**

Consumers have certain specific feelings towards some products or brands. Sometimes these feelings are based on certain beliefs and sometimes they are not.

## **Functions of Attitude**

#### **Adjustment Function**

Attitudes helps people to adjust to different situations and circumstances.

#### **Ego Defensive Function**

Attitudes are formed to protect the ego. We all are bothered about our selfesteem and image so the product boosting our ego is the target of such a kind of attitude.

#### **Value Expression Function**

Attitudes usually represent the values the individual posses. We gain values, though our upbringing and training. Our value system encourages or discourages us to buy certain products.

#### **Knowledge Function**

Individuals' continuously seeks knowledge and information. When an individual gets information about a particular product, he creates and modifies his attitude towards that

