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Unlock the new consumer path to purchase Category: Consumer Product Goods



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FRESH FOOD (FRUITS & VEGETABLES)



Consumer Product Goods

(6 sub-categories covered)





PERSONAL CARE

COSMETICS

Consumer behavior has fundamentally changed The new normal has transformed the purchase pathway Businesses must unlock the new normal to help revival



Great [leaders] rejoice in adversity just as brave soldiers triumph in war

-Lucius Annaeus Seneca

Covid-19 is an unprecedented epidemic

However to win in adversity, companies need to tailor strategies to today's unique context and look through layers



While the pandemic is far from over, calculated means to open-up the economy are in progress. Both consumer staples and food unrestricted since the start

Building materials

Construction/infra

discretionary

Chemicals

Machinery

logistics

IT hardware Metals & mining

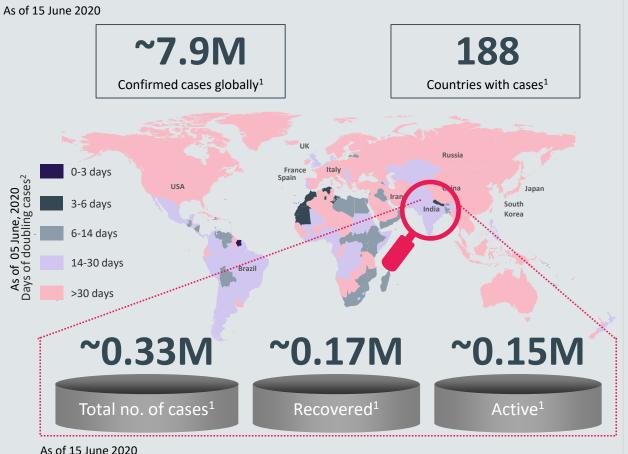
Packaging

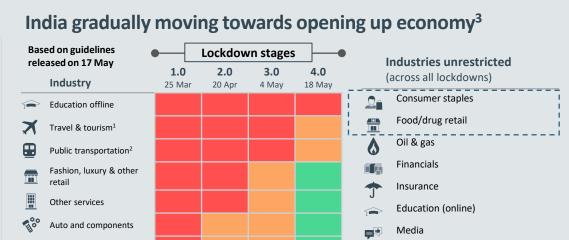
Forest products

Consumer durables &

Goods transportation &

Pandemic spread in different degrees across the globe





Partially

restricted

Unrestricted

fully restricted

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Energy & utilities

Pharmaceuticals

Health services

Telecom

Agriculture

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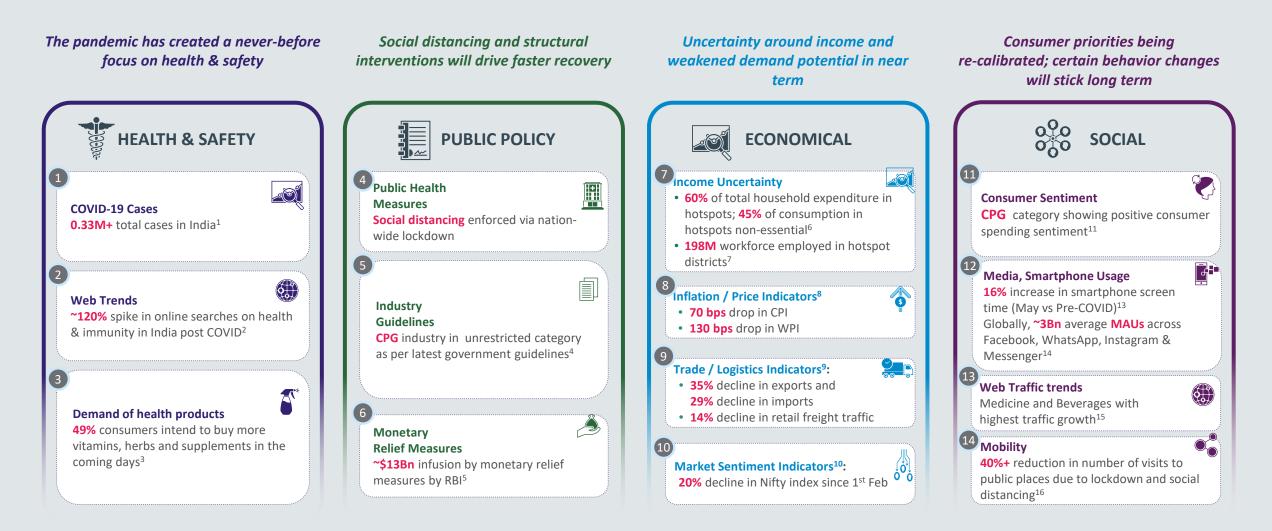
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Note: Continued cases and fatalities are subject to different testing, propensity, reporting standards and hence imperfect measures

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The pandemic has impacted the socio-economic fabric of India

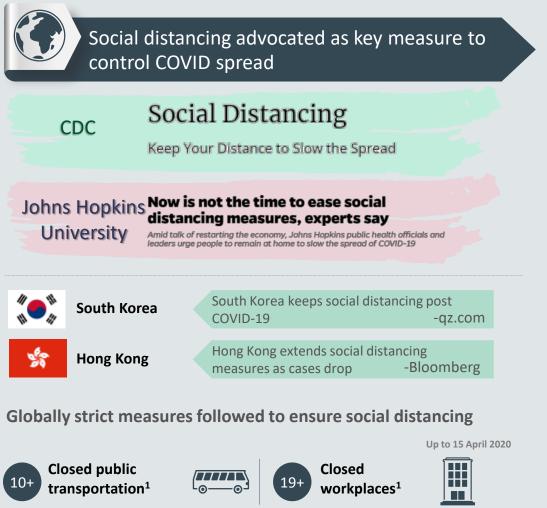
Essential categories in CPG resilient even amidst income uncertainty



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'Social distancing' has been the key to fight disease globally and in India; making it the new way of living



Countries

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Seating at least 6 feet away from others on job sites



Gap of 1 hr. between shifts & stagger lunch breaks



1. [Oxford COVID-19 Government Response Tracker] 2. [COVID-19 Community Mobility Report (April 17, 2020) - The baseline is the median value, for the corresponding day of the week, during the 5-week period Jan 3–Feb 6, 2020]; 3. Press Search; [Live Mint] [Coronavirus lockdown rules for offices: 6 feet apart seats, one hour gap between shifts]



India is actively following social distancing guidelines

India has observed a stark drop in number of visits across public places



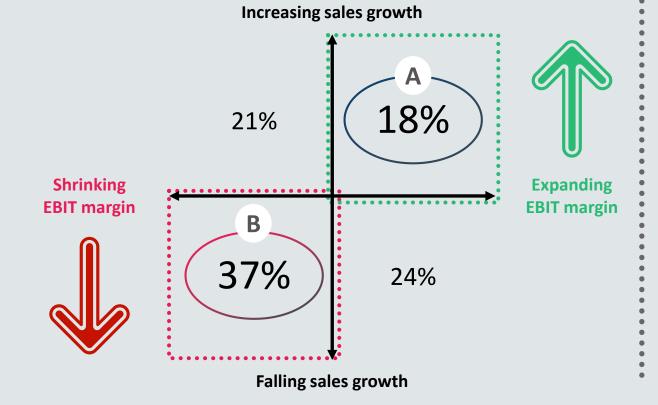
Strict social distancing guidelines issued for reopening workplaces³

Non-Exhaustive

Even in the face of adversity, historically there are organizations that have found opportunities to grow



18% of Indian companies¹ improved both growth & margin during the 2008-09 Global Financial Crisis, while 37% declined in both²





There are many success stories of Indian companies weathering historical crisis³

HCL TECHNOLOGIES

While most players were struggling to survive the 2008 crisis, HCL increased its revenues by 23.5% in 2009 with a three-pronged approach: enhanced customer centricity, strategic shift towards sophisticated value adding services and an "employee-first" mantra. The stock price has increased 18X since 2009

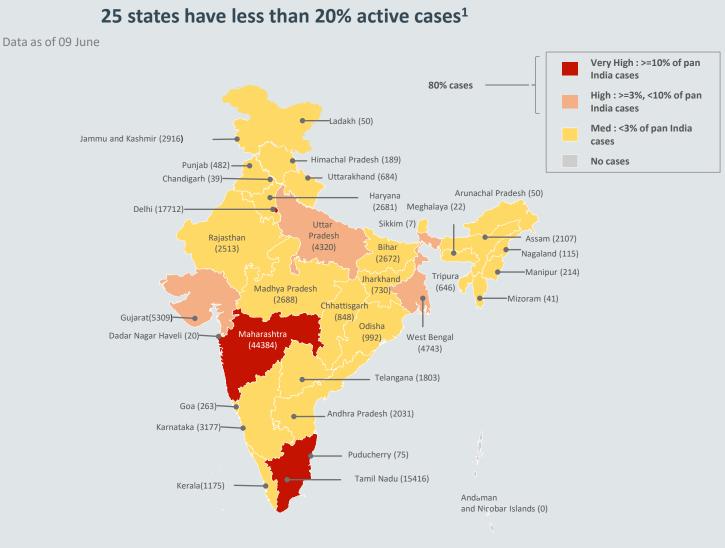
MARUTI SUZUKI

While the global recession of 2008 affected the sales of all car manufacturers, Maruti Suzuki embarked on a forward-looking journey. The reaction included capacity expansion, increased headcount in R&D, flexible product-mix and breaking new ground in consumer markets. Stock price has soared 10X since 2009

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As the current crisis unfolds in India, near term potential exists in pockets; need to look at the de-averaged picture



Companies should strategically prioritize reopening and scaling up business as lockdown starts easing across regions



Potential to target specific micro-markets further along recovery to 'normal'

Spending sentiment translating differently across categories

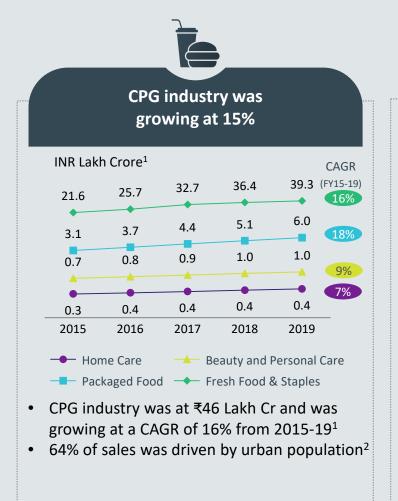
Essentials like fresh food, staples, homecare have witnessed positive sentiment consistently; personal care and packaged food have seen mixed sentiment; pure discretionary spends like cosmetics witnessing cutbacks

	"Growing" Categories Categories with net increase in spends	Wave 1 23-26 th Mar	Wave 2 17-20 th Apr	Wave 3 30 Apr-03 rd May		'Shrinking' Categories Categories with net decrease in spends	Wave 1 23-26 th Mar	Wave 2 17-20 th Apr	Wave 30 Apr-03 ^r
Daily essentials	Fresh foods	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·				Packaged food & beverage			
	Staples					Cosmetics, makeup, perfume			
	Household care products				Discretionary spends	Apparel/fashion			
	Personal care products								
				¦		Alcohol			
	Utilities (electricity, water)					Food delivery			
At-home htertainment	Mobile services					Luxury brands/products			
	Home wifi connection				0 0 0	Vacation/leisure travel			
	Paid OTT subscription				Travel	Business travel Public transport			
	DTH services				4	Spas, theme parks, concerts			
Saving/ Investments	Toys & games				壶	Restaurants			
	Savings				OOH Entertainment	Movies at cinema hall			
	Insurance					Sports equipment & clothing			
Health	Preventive diagnostics/test				Electronics	Non-mobile consumer electronics			
	Vitamins, herbs, supplements				盦	Mobile electronics			
	Medical procedures				Home	Home construction/renovations			
						Home furnishings and décor			
	First-aid				Auto	Scooters/bikes			
Education	Education					Cars			

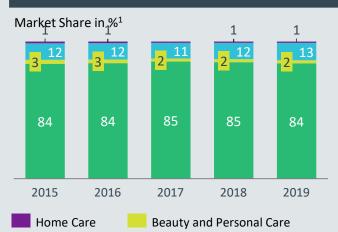
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Note: Question text: "How do you expect your spend to change in the next 6 months across the following areas?" Categories with Top 2 Box > (5% more than average) classified as winning categories. Categories with Bottom 2 Box > (5% more than average) classified as losing categories. Categories neutral across waves: Baby/children's food, Non prescription medications, Prescription medicines, House rent, Home purchase & Home loans. Source: BCG COVID-19 Consumer Sentiment Survey March 23-26, April 17-20 2020, April 30-May 03 2020 (N = 2,106, N = 2,324, and N=1,327 respectively)

Pre-COVID-19, CPG was a steadily growing industry in India

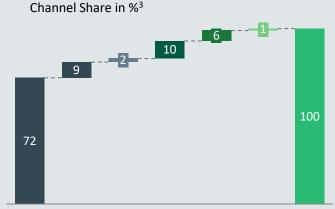


Industry structure remained consistent



- Packaged Food 📃 Fresh Food & Staples
- Fresh Food: 97% unbranded; Staples: 60% unbranded; Packaged food: 50% unbranded¹
- Cosmetics, personal, home care: 80% branded¹

Most shopping was through kirana stores; online was a small but a growing channel



Kirana Whole Govt. Super- Hyper- Online Total Store seller Store market market

- Online channel was small, but growing (CAGR of 32% from 2015-19¹) across subcategories
- Online spend per transaction 1.2x times in urban cities³

1. Euromonitor; 2. IBEF FMCG, 2020; 3. Data of urban consumers shown. Definition: Hypermarket: These stores stock multiple categories such as food and grocery, clothes, electronic (E.g. D'mart, Big Bazaar); Supermarket: These stores stock only food and grocery (E.g. Reliance Fresh, More); Kirana store: These stores are located near you and not self service stores; Online: Websites/apps like Big Basket. Q: Can you tell me what proportion of total spends did you make across the channels for purchasing each of the following type of staples, in the last month. Source: CCI Survey & BCG analysis, 3. Redseer

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~80% consumers planning to increase or maintain spends for fresh food and staples; ~60% plan to do the same for packaged food



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% of consumers looking to increase / decrease / retain spends in the next 6 months¹

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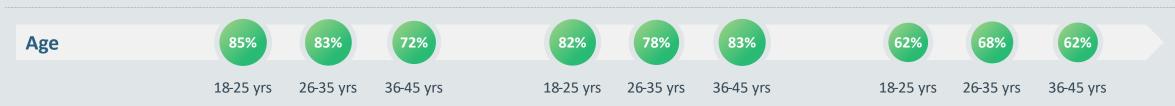
More affluent consumers and couples with children have a more positive outlook towards food categories



• Affluent consumers trading up more in fresh food, staples, and packaged food; thus have a more positive spending outlook



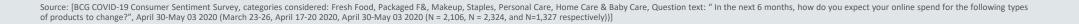
• Couples with children more likely to increase spends on fresh food and staples, given higher focus on health and hygiene for kids



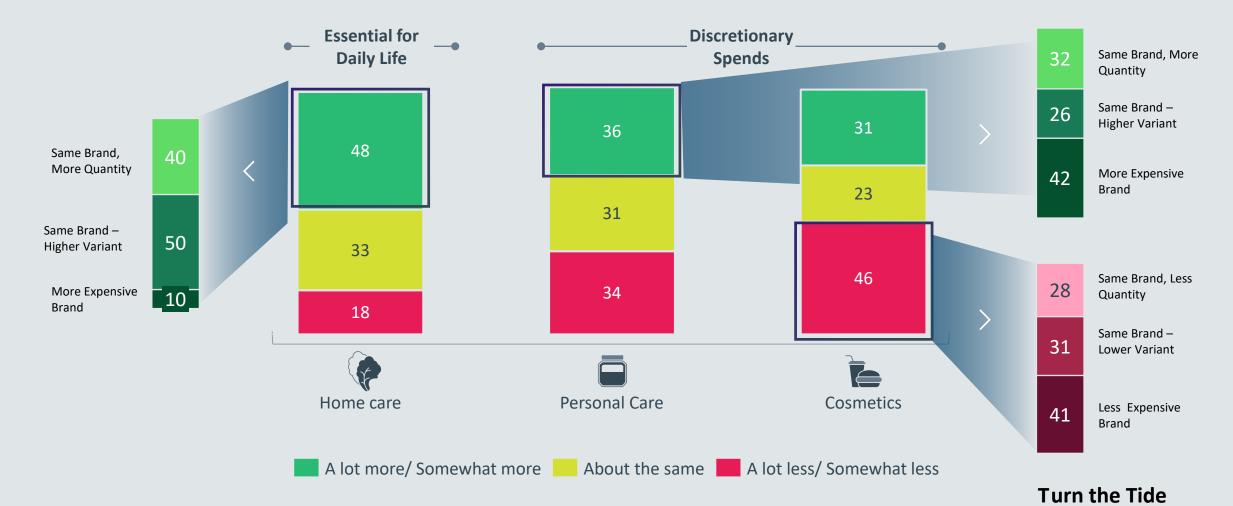
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• Similar spending sentiment across age groups across fresh food, staples, and packaged food with more "at home" consumption



Positive sentiment for homecare given focus on hygiene; discretionary spends in personal care and cosmetics seeing cutbacks



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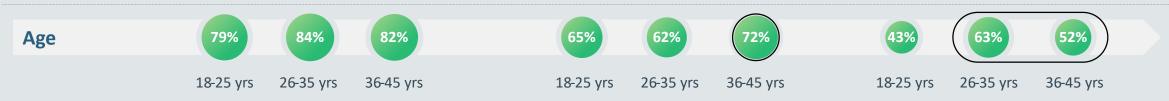
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Mid to older, more affluent, and couples with children have a more positive outlook in non-food categories; homecare sentiment strong across demographics



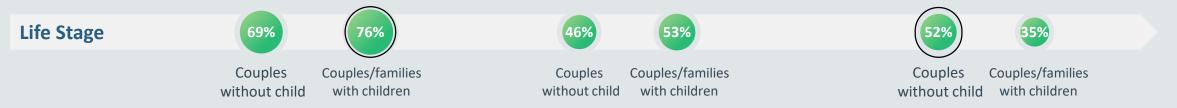
Affluent consumers less impacted by income uncertainty; have a more positive spending outlook across personal care and cosmetics

• Similar spending sentiment across SECs for homecare given the increased focus on hygiene



• Older consumers (26+) are more resilient and have a more positive spending outlook towards personal care and cosmetics

• Similar spending sentiment across age groups for home care, given the increased focus on hygiene



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- Couples with children more likely to increase spend on home care, showcasing higher importance to hygiene for the family
- Couples without children more resilient towards discretionary expenses like cosmetics vs couples with children

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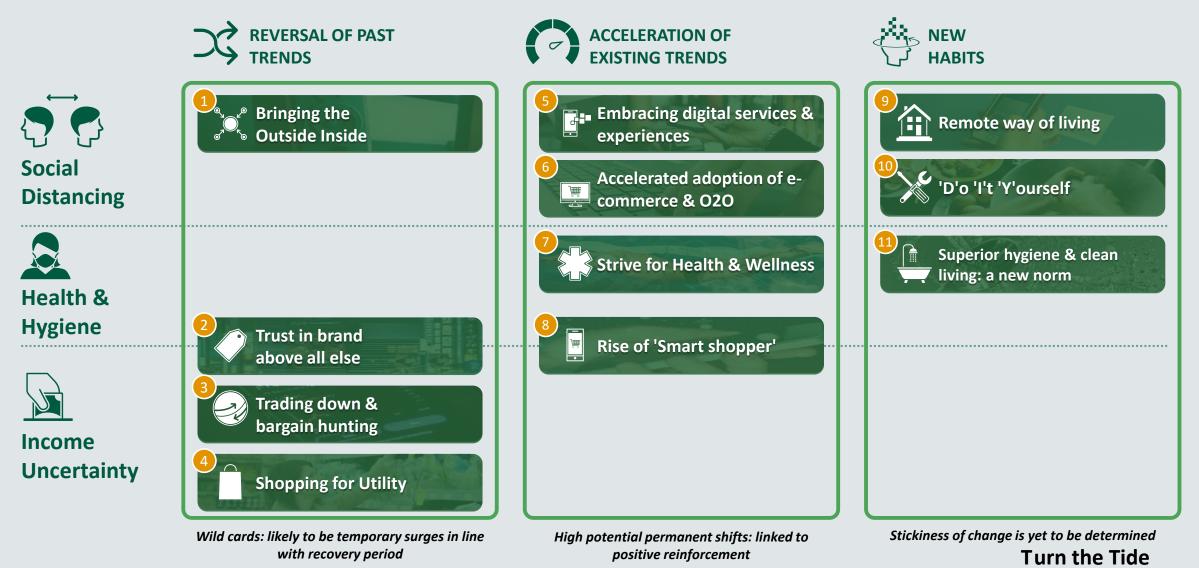
The pandemic will create different types of changes in consumer behavior – some more long lasting than others



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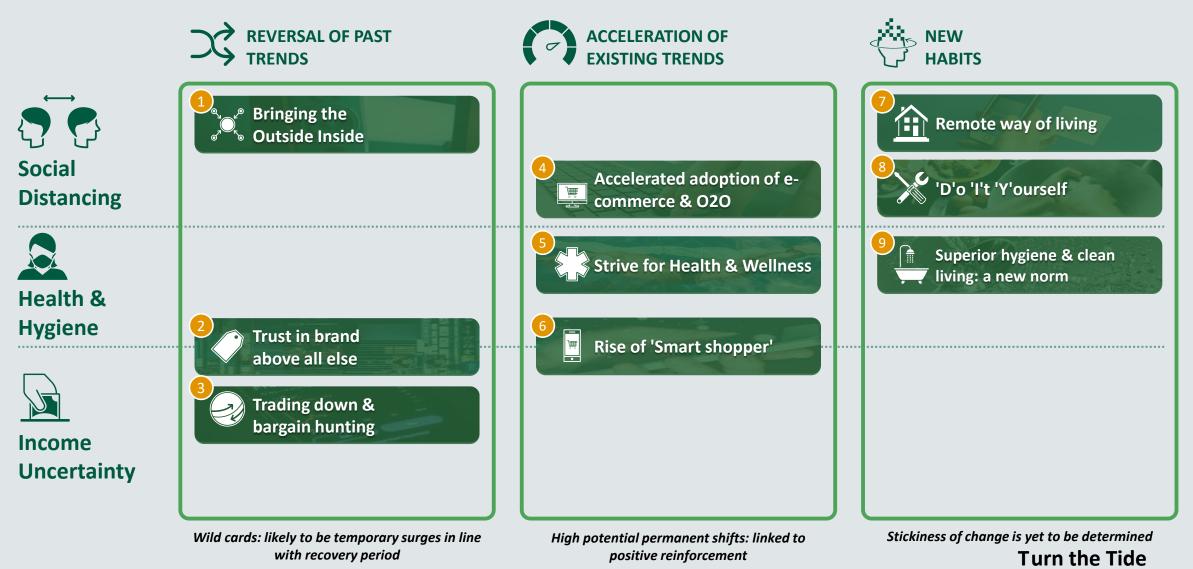
New trends of consumer behavior emerge across categories

This will deeply impact purchase pathways in the new normal



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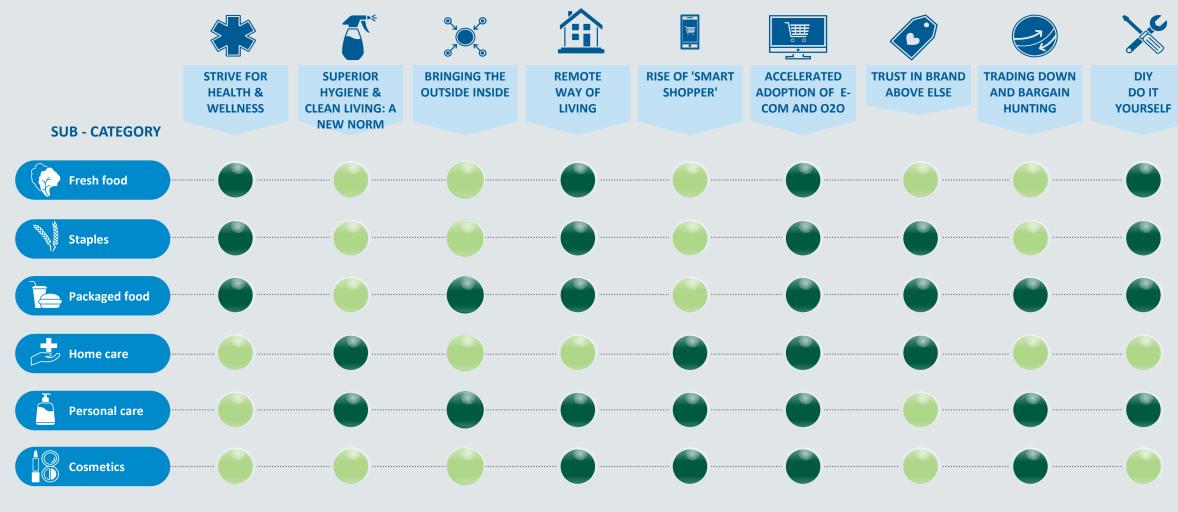
9 consumer trends will have a higher impact on the CPG category



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These 9 trends will vary in their impact across CPG sub-categories

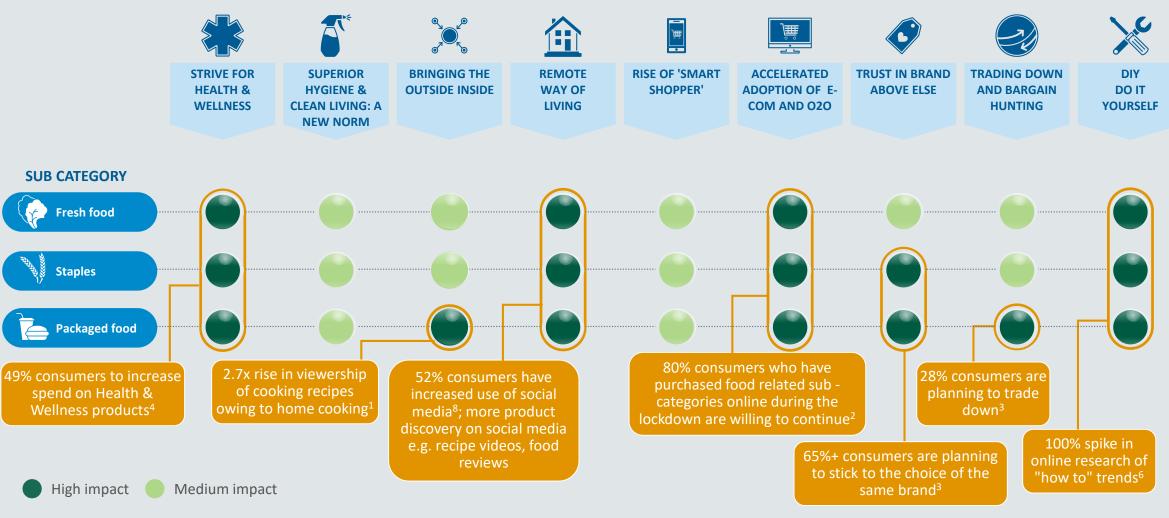
Increased focus on health & hygiene and online adoption emerge as key trends



High impact Medium impact

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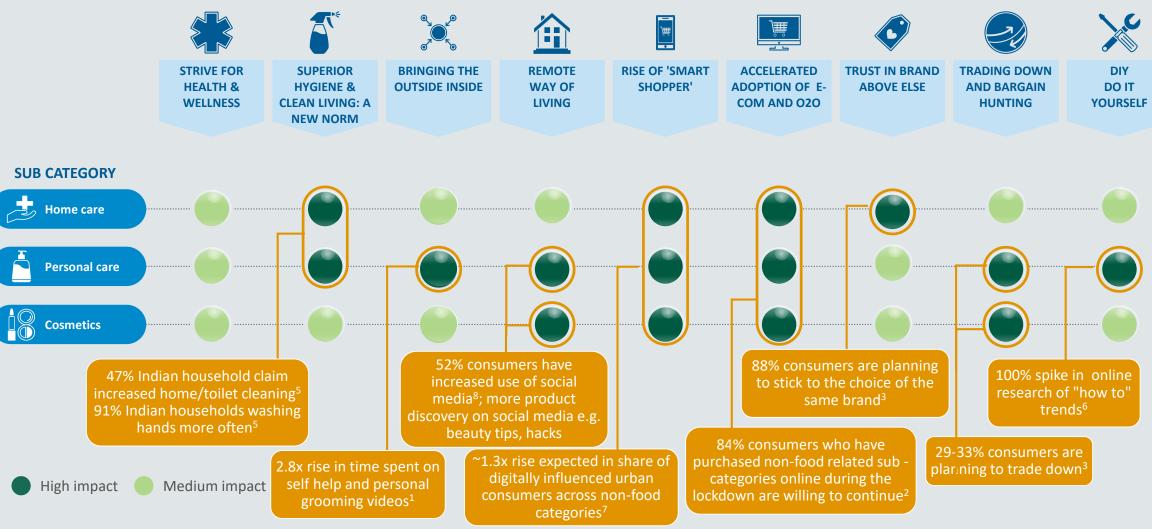
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THE NEW NORMAL FOR CONSUMER PRODUCTS GROUP WILL SEE A NEW PATHWAY

UNDERSTANDING THIS WILL BE KEY TO TAP EMERGING OPPORTUNITIES

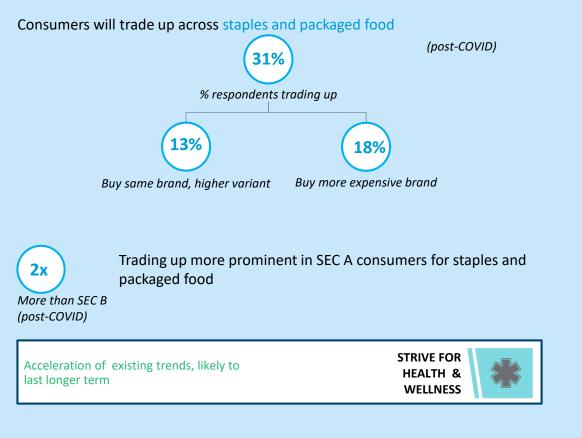


Food: Fresh Food Staples Packaged Food



be temporary

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TRADING DOWN AND BARGAIN HUNTING



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PRE-PURCHASE

Changes in basket with a more at-home, do-it-yourself lifestyle



Rise in viewership of recipes with more home cooking

Increase in viewership (post-COVID)¹

Potential growth in demand for cooking supplies and shelf stable packaged food

79%

Consumers not going out of home, except work

% respondents (post-COVID)²

With reduced trips for shopping, dip in impulse buys (e.g., chewing gum)



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Owing to more 'at home' consumption, drop in demand for smaller SKUs (e.g., buy 100 gm vs 50 gm biscuit SKU with more consumption at home)

New habit. stickiness unclear

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Reversal of past trends, likely to be temporary



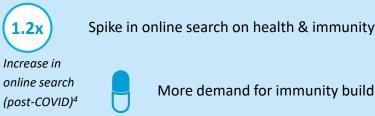
Surge in demand for specific products/variants with an increased focus on health, hygiene, and wellness



Consumers increase spend on health and wellness products

% respondents (post-COVID)³

Spike in demand for healthy variants of food products (packaged and unpackaged)



More demand for immunity building food products

Acceleration of existing trends, likely to last longer term

STRIVE FOR HEALTH & WELLNESS

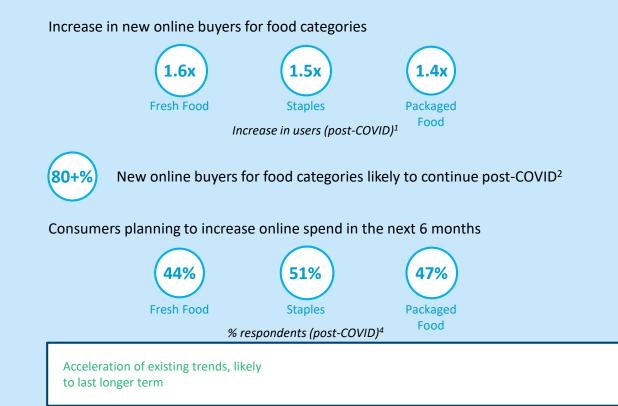


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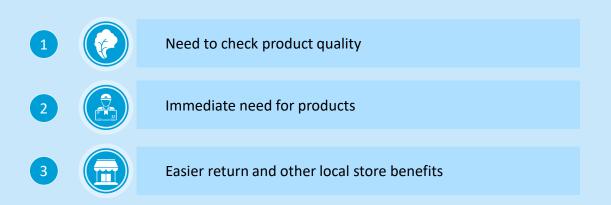
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Consumers will look for buying avenues which provide contact-less convenience while fulfilling their core needs of familiarity and immediacy



Pre-COVID, top 3 barriers to online purchase of CPG³



Consumers will be open to buying models which mitigates these barriers and leverages the convenience of online



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Post purchase advocacy will continue to be important; digital will be a powerful medium



Consumers rely on Word of Mouth (WoM) for first online purchase in CPG

% respondents (pre-COVID)¹



Consumers will start/ increase online research before purchasing food related sub-categories

% respondents (post-COVID)³



of all consumers have increased use of social media

% respondents (post-COVID)²



With more use of social media, significance of social media as a platform for recommendations and thus discovery will go up e.g., sharing recipes, reviews of food products, food related content etc.

New habit, stickiness unclear REMOTE WAY OF LIVING



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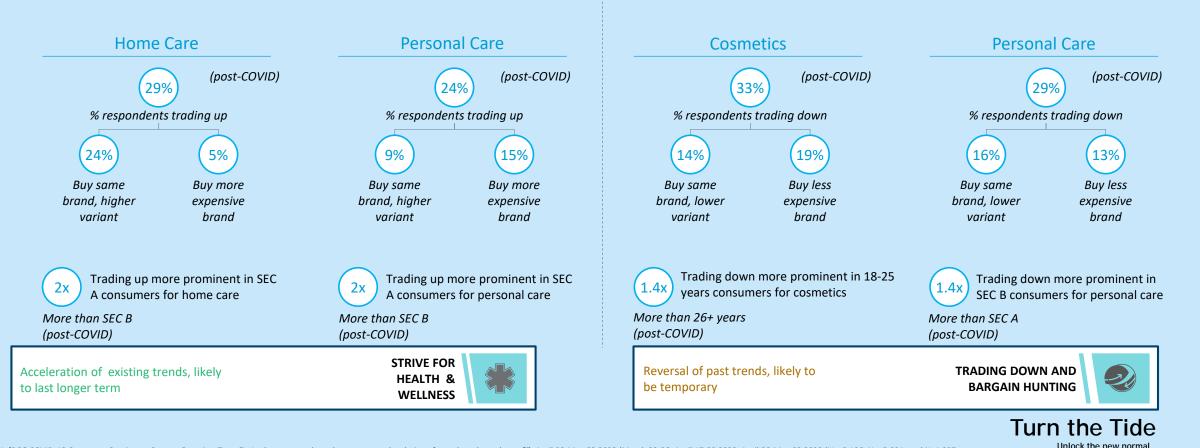
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Non-Food:

Home Care Personal Care Cosmetics



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Surge in demand for specific products/variants with an increased focus on health, hygiene, and wellness



Indian households washing hands more often

Indian households claim increased home/toilet cleaning

% respondents (post-COVID)²

14x jump in online sales of personal care products such as sanitizer from Feb – March³

Changes in basket with a more at-home, do-it-yourself lifestyle



Rise in time spent on self help/personal care videos as consumers are avoiding salons

Increase in time (post-COVID)¹

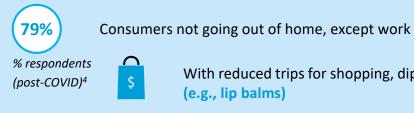
Increase in demand for personal care products such as depilatories, hair dyes, and face masks

47%

% respondents (post-COVID)²

Increase in demand for disinfecting & cleaning home

care products (e.g., surface cleaners)



With reduced trips for shopping, dip in impulse buys (e.g., lip balms)

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BRINGING OUTSIDE INSIDE



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Salience of digital influence to rise for home care, personal care, and cosmetics; more consumers will increase online research across these categories

~1.3x rise expected in share of digitally influenced urban consumers



Increase in digital influence among urban consumers for non-food categories

Online channels will play a more important role for product discovery, research, and comparisons

30-40% urban consumers will start/ increase online research



% respondents (post-COVID)²

With 52% consumers planning to increase time on social media³, it will be an important platform for product discovery and research

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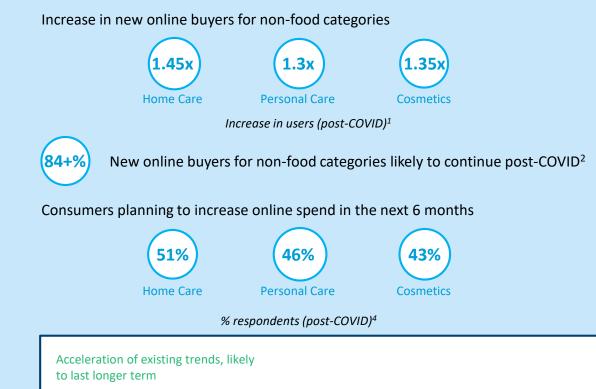
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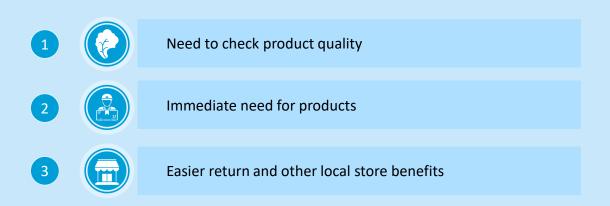
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Consumers will look for buying avenues which provide contact-less convenience while fulfilling their core needs of familiarity and immediacy



Pre-COVID, top 3 barriers to online purchase of CPG³



Consumers will be open to buying models which mitigates these barriers and leverages the convenience of online



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Post purchase advocacy will continue to be important; digital will be a powerful medium



Consumers rely on Word of Mouth (WoM) for first online purchase in CPG

% respondents (pre-COVID)¹



Consumers will start/ increase online research before purchasing non-food related sub-categories

% respondents (post-COVID)³



of all consumers have increased use of social media

% respondents (post-COVID)²



With more use of social media, significance of social media as a platform for recommendations and thus discovery will go up e.g., sharing easy beauty tips, personal care hacks etc.

New habit, stickiness unclear REMOTE WAY OF LIVING



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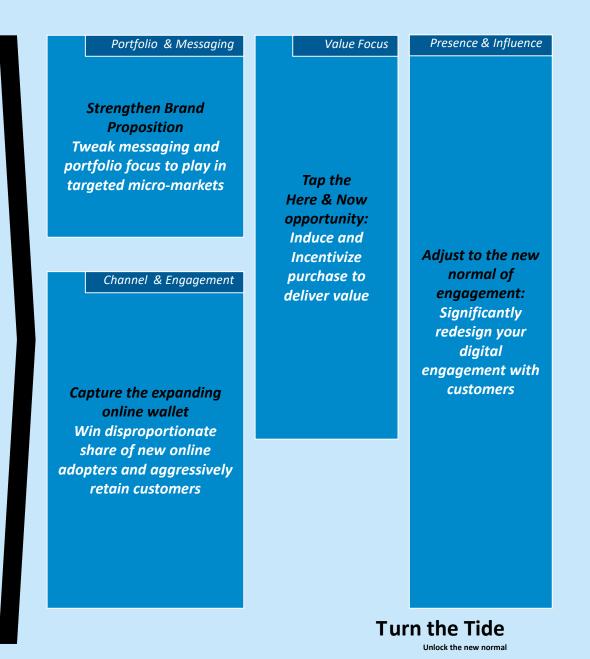
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The new pathway is changing and filled with opportunities

More digital touchpoints and changes in choice drivers

Expectations of contact-less convenience delivered in a hyperlocal manner

Opportunity to strengthen consumer engagement



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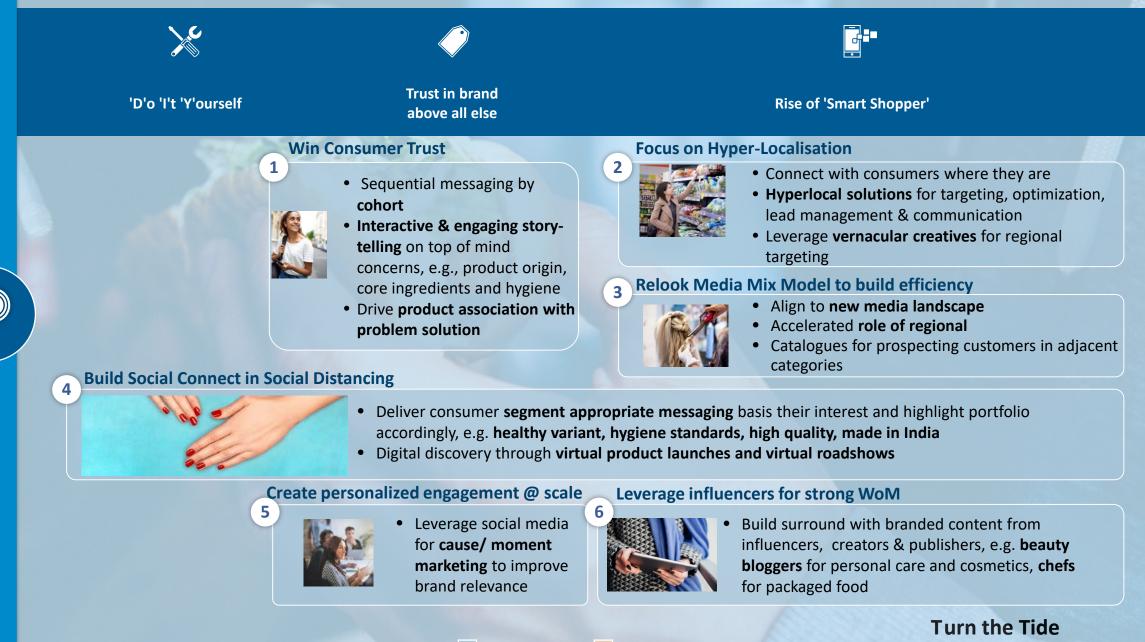
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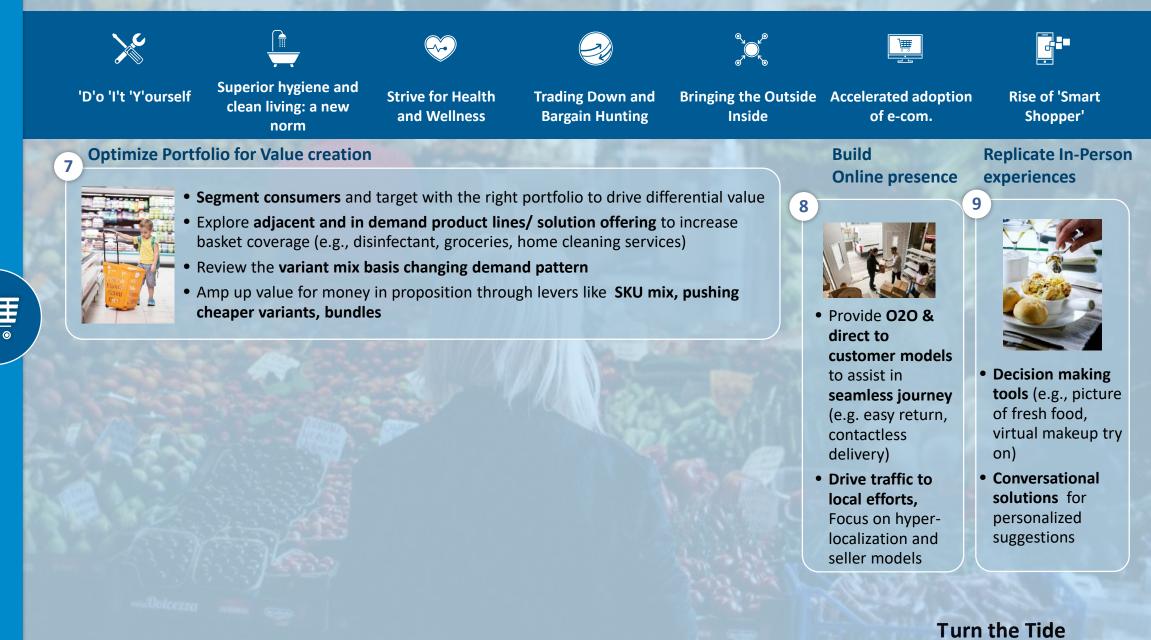
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Opportunity to strengthen consumer engagement

Remote Way of Working





- Remarket with customized offers for up-trade or repeat purchase
- Incentivize social peer recommendation to create post purchase advocacy
- Use click to messenger ads to share offers and connect with shoppers
- Build loyalty with personalized offers
- Drive engagement with retailer co-branded programs



PRE-PURCHASE

Brand Showcase



Win Consumer Trust



Quality Focused Campaigns: Tula re-positioned the brand as 'toxic free' beauty creams. Provided home beauty skincare tips on Instagram^{2 3}



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Build Social Connect in Social Distancing



Cause Marketing: Cadbury introduced a **limited**edition Cadbury Dairy Milk 'thank you' bar by giving up the Cadbury Dairy Milk logo on the pack, in recognition of the country's unsung heroes⁷



Hygiene Related Campaigns: Godrej launched #ProtektIndiaMovement on Facebook which educates and give tips to audience on personal & home hygiene, cleanliness & how to stay healthy⁴



DIY Trends: Sunsilk is **engaging audience** by giving quick quarantine hairstyle tips on **Instagram** under #LockdownHairstyles⁶



COVID Awareness Campaign: HUL launched an online campaign "Break the Chain" to educate people about COVID on **Social Media**⁵



Influencer Marketing: Campbell Soup Company has created a 3-phase campaign - "The New Pantry" with influencer-hosted virtual experiences⁸



Health & Wellness Center: Kiehl 's turned it's Instagram page into a virtual mental center with community check-ins & well being programs¹



Social Media Marketing: Loreal launched limitededition makeup through a series of Instagram Stories, video and photo ads. This resulted in 20 point lift in purchase intent among 36-45 years old women⁹



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Brand Showcase

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Optimize Portfolio for Value creation

Kitchen Hygiene



Marico launches Vegetable wash "Veggie Clean"¹

Given increased focus on hygiene, Marico Limited forayed into the vegetable and fruit hygiene category with the launch of Veggie Clean which helps disinfect fresh produce.

It is a alcohol free disinfectant to clean fresh fruits and vegetable before consumption

Home Disinfectant



ITC launches spray disinfectant under the Savlon brand²

ITC launched surface disinfectant spray owing to increasing hygiene consciousness

This product can be used to clean surfaces (e.g. tables, door knobs, sofa etc.) which are touched by several people

Gadget Disinfectant



CavinKare launches a new disinfectant under "Bacto-V" brand³

Given the increasing focus on cleanliness and hygiene, CavinKare launched Bacto-V gadget disinfectant for disinfecting expensive gadget

This product is suited for use on phones, laptops etc.

Natural Home Care



Cycle Pure Agarbatti launches a whole range of Ayurvedic products⁴

Cycle Pure Agarbathies launched ayurvedic hand sanitizers using its fragrance stock

They will also launch liquid soaps and home care products like cleaners as they have the advantage of being in the fragrance space already

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Brand Showcase



Build online presence



Nykaa launched Nykaa Network, an onlineonly beauty forum to share beauty tips and strengthen brand personal¹



NinjaCart sells farm produce **directly to the end user** by partnering with local grocery stores, which are available to the consumer via **delivery platforms**²



Flipkart has partnered with Spencer's Retail for **hyperlocal delivery** of groceries and essentials³



Perpule has launched 'Storese.in' platform and partnered with Ola & Uber to **provide** essentials in 24 hours⁴



Replicate In-Person experiences



Sephora leverages virtual makeup apps, where people try makeup and can directly buy products⁵



Payment platform **Simpl** allows customer to **buy now & pay later** function for essentials⁷



Lin Qingxuan redeployed its 100+ beauty advisors from those closed down stores to become online influencers who leveraged digital tools, to engage customers virtually and drive sales⁶

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Brand Showcase

Drive Value by repeat purchase and consumer up-trade





Estee Launder is creating post purchase advocacy via consumers and KOLs¹

- Users are posting reviews on Instagram
- Estee models are narrating user reviews on Instagram



SkinKraft is encouraging peer recommendation via consumer testimonials²

• Consumers are posting testimonials to show the product effectiveness on Instagram and Facebook

Turn the Tide

There is Advantage in Adversity

Brand that tailor strategies to the new pathways will emerge winners

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