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TOPIC 6 – AGRIBUSINESS MARKETING ENVIRONMENT

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Definition of Market Structure

- The agribusiness marketing environment refers to the various external factors and forces that influence the marketing activities and strategies of businesses operating in the agricultural and food industries.
- Understanding the agribusiness marketing environment is crucial for organizations in this sector as it helps them make informed decisions and develop effective marketing plans.
- Components : Macro and Micro environmental factors





Macro Environment







• The macro environment refers to the broader external factors and forces that affect an entire industry or market, rather than a specific organization.

• It involves the larger societal, economic, political, technological, environmental, and cultural factors that shape the business landscape.



Economic Factors



• The overall economic conditions of a region or country can significantly affect agribusiness marketing.

• Factors such as income levels, inflation rates, and currency exchange rates can impact consumer spending on agricultural products.





Socio-Cultural Factors

• Cultural preferences, dietary habits, and lifestyle choices of consumers play a vital role in agribusiness marketing.

• Understanding these factors is essential for tailoring products and marketing messages to specific target markets.







- Factors like population size, age distribution, and urbanization rates can influence the demand for different agricultural products.
- Businesses need to adapt their marketing strategies to meet the needs of specific demographic groups.





Technological Factors

- Advances in technology can transform the agribusiness sector.
- Innovations in farming techniques, machinery, and digital tools can impact production, distribution, and marketing processes.





Environmental Factors

- Concerns related to sustainability, climate change, and environmental regulations have become increasingly important in agribusiness.
- Companies must consider these factors in their marketing strategies to meet consumer expectations and regulatory requirements.





Political and Legal Factors

• Government policies, regulations, and trade agreements can have a significant impact on agribusiness operations and marketing.

• Changes in legislation related to agriculture, food safety, and trade can create opportunities or challenges for businesses.





Competitive Factors

- The competitive landscape within the agribusiness industry is a critical aspect of the marketing environment.
- Understanding the strengths and weaknesses of competitors, as well as market dynamics, is essential for formulating effective marketing strategies.





Microenvironment





• The microenvironment focuses on the specific external factors and actors that directly affect an individual organization or company.

• It includes entities and elements that are in close proximity to the company and have a more immediate impact.



Suppliers



- Agribusinesses rely on suppliers for raw materials, seeds, fertilizers, equipment, and other inputs.
- The relationship with suppliers and the availability of these resources can affect marketing decisions.







• Understanding the needs, preferences, and buying behavior of consumers, wholesalers, retailers, and foodservice providers is fundamental to agribusiness marketing.

• Customer segmentation and market research are essential tools in this regard.



Intermediaries



• Distribution channels, such as wholesalers and retailers, play a critical role in agribusiness marketing.

• Building effective partnerships with intermediaries is essential for reaching the end consumer.







- Monitoring and analyzing the strategies and actions of competitors is crucial for staying competitive in the agribusiness market.
- Businesses must differentiate themselves and identify unique selling points.







• Beyond customers and competitors, agribusinesses must consider other stakeholders, including government agencies, advocacy groups, and the media, which can influence public perception and policies related to agriculture and food.







