ONLINE SHOPPING BEHAVIOUR OF CONSUMERS IN SRI LANKA



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ABSTRACT

There are millions of people online any time and they all are a potential consumer in the

online market. Since there are so many providers, the most important thing for

organizations is to understand what are consumer wants and needs in this competitive

business environment. The aim of this study is to investigate the factors that affect online

purchasing behavior of consumers in Sri Lanka. On the basis of a detailed literature

review, a frame of reference was firstly developed. Thus, the focus lays on these five

online factors: financial risk, product performance risk, delivery risk, trust and security,

and website design.

The study mainly considers the primarily collected data. The data were collected through

an online survey questionnaire from 250 online shopping customers from all over Sri

Lanka and used Univariate, Bivariate analysis, Regression analysis, one-way ANOVA

and independent sample t-test techniques in order to analyze data and find the results of

study objectives.

Moreover, data presentation and data analysis were conducted in accordance with the

research questions and the frame of reference. Finally, the findings and conclusions were

presented by answering the research questions, i.e. to describe how the online factors

affect the online shopping behavior and the implications for managements, theories and

future researches are addressed.

Key words: Online shopping behavior, perceived risk, trust & security, website design.

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