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WHY USERS DON'T OPT FOR SCHEDULED DELIVERY

INCREASE ADOPTION OF SCHEDULED DELIVERIES

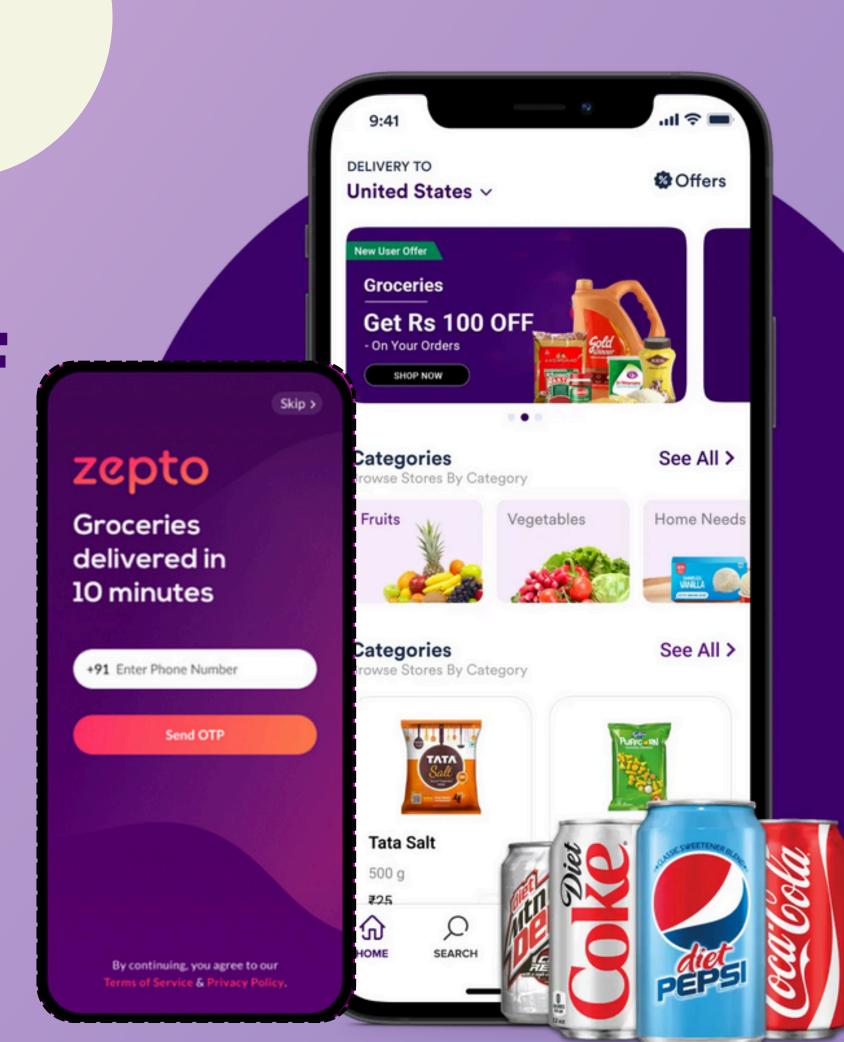
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UNDERSTANDING OUR TARGET CUSTOMER

Target Segment Profile for Scheduled Delivery Adoption

Age (Inferred via life stage/profession)

Core Range: 22-35 years

- Majority respondents are young working professionals (9–5 or WFH)
- Likely to value convenience, time-saving, and structure



Implication: These users juggle work-life demands and would welcome a feature that removes grocery chores from their mental load.



Tier 1 & 2 Cities

- Urban India (Delhi, Mumbai, Bangalore, Pune, etc.)
- Areas with high app penetration but also local offline options



Implication: Highlight slot a vailability + assured delivery vs. local market uncertainty.



Mostly Shared Flats / Living with Parents

- Students and early-career professionals
- Depend on food delivery but may not plan ahead



 Implication: Segment needs nudging + benefits communication to start scheduling (e.g., slot-based discounts).

Frequency

Moderate to High

 Many respondents order once a week or 2–3 times/week



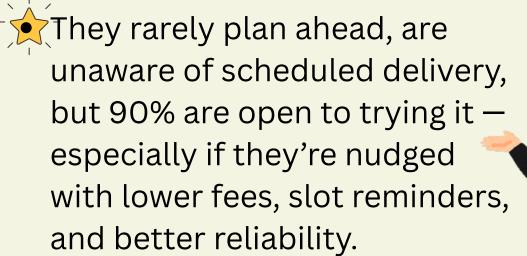
Implication: They're prime candidates for scheduled weekly baskets (milk, fruits, staples, etc.)



TARGET SEGMENT OVERVIEW

TIME-PRESSED YOUNG PROFESSIONALS

- Aged 24–32, mostly working professionals in Tier-1 cities.
- Ordering groceries 1–3 times a week.



STRATEGIC RATIONALE

- **High potential for habit formation**: Repeat orders = opportunity to shift behavior
- Segment is **large**, **active**, and **easily reachable** via in-app nudges
- **Currently underserved**: They aren't rejecting Scheduled Delivery they just don't know about it







SIZING ESTIMATE (GUESSTIMATE)

TARGET SEGMENT RECAP:

Young working professionals (24–32 years) in Tier-1 cities who order groceries 1–3 times/week, unaware of Scheduled Delivery, but open to trying it if incentivized.

INPUTS

Zepto Monthly Active Users (MAU): **45M** Target Segment Share (from survey):

- ~32% of MAUs fit:
- Age: **24–32**
- Location: Tier-1
- Frequency: 1–3x/week
- Awareness: **Low**, but intent: **High**

Adoption Potential for Scheduled Delivery: **20%** (based on your survey: **80%** unaware × **90%** said Yes/Maybe → 72%; conservatively using 20%)

Avg. Orders/User/Month: 5

III CALCULATIONS

- 1. Target Users
- \rightarrow 45M \times 32% = **14.4M** potential users
- 2. Estimated Adopters of Scheduled Delivery
- \rightarrow 14.4M × 20% = **2.88M** users
- 3. Estimated Monthly Scheduled Orders
- → 2.88M users × 5 orders = **14.4M Scheduled Orders/**

Month



→ ₹10 × 14.4M = ₹144M/month = ₹14.4 Cr/month

→ Annually = ₹172.8 Cr/year





If just 20% of young, high-frequency
Tier-1 users schedule all 5 monthly
orders, Zepto could unlock 14M+
monthly orders via scheduling —
saving ₹170Cr+ annually, easing
peak loads, and setting the
foundation for recurring orders &
subscriptions.

AWARENESS HYPOTHESIS

If users are already aware of Scheduled Delivery,

then they should recall or recognize the feature unprompted,

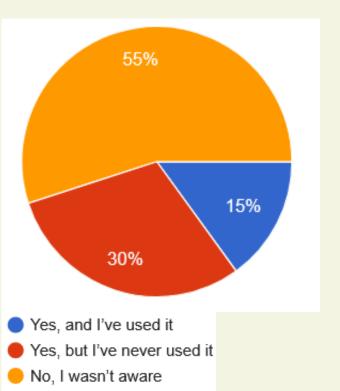
because frequent app users tend to explore or notice different delivery options.

SURVEY INSIGHT:

~80% of users were not aware of the feature.

- Status: X Invalidated
- **Insight**: Awareness is a major barrier, even among frequent users. It's likely buried in UI or lacks onboarding nudges.

Are you aware that Zepto offers "Scheduled Delivery" (pre-book time slots)?



WILLINGNESS-TO-TRY HYPOTHESIS

If users are made aware of Scheduled Delivery with benefits,

then they will express interest in trying it,

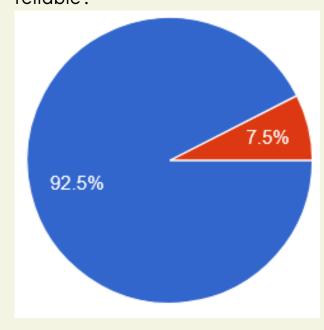
because they are value-driven and not ideologically opposed to scheduling.

SURVEY INSIGHT:

90% of unaware users said **"Yes" or "Maybe**" to trying, Especially when offered savings or reminders

- Status: Validated
- **Insight**: This is a low-awareness, high-potential feature. Needs nudges, not reinvention.

Would you be open to scheduling your deliveries if it saved you money and was reliable?





Survey link
User Responses
Surveys (30+)
Interviews (5+)



PRIYA MEHTA

PROFILE

Age: 27 | City: Bangalore

Orders: 2–3x/week on Zepto

Living with: Flatmate

Planning Style: Spontaneous, no grocery planning

BEHAVIOR

- Uses Zepto for speed, not explored scheduling
- Orders last-minute, often during work breaks
- Doesn't know scheduled delivery exists

PAIN POINTS

- Faces stockouts during peak hours
- Forgets to order essentials on time
- Finds last-minute shopping stressful

WILLING TO TRY IF...

- There's a clear benefit (₹ savings or reminders)
- Setup is easy, no disruption to her flow

QUOTE

"I didn't know scheduling was on Zepto. If it saves money or helps me plan better, I'd use it."

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INCENTIVE SENSITIVITY HYPOTHESIS

If users see scheduled delivery saves time/money,

then they will be more likely to adopt,

📌 because tangible benefits reduce friction and justify change in behavior.

SURVEY INSIGHT:

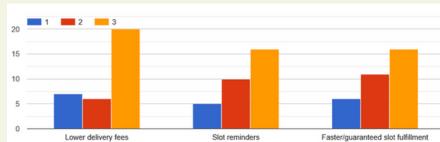
Top adoption drivers were:

- Cost savings
- Delivery reliability
- Notifications/reminders

Status: Validated

Insight: Clear communication of why scheduled matters is missing. Strong case for feature re-marketing.

What would motivate you to choose Scheduled Delivery in the future?



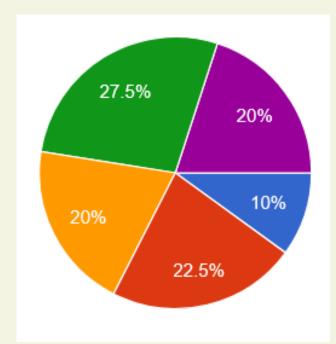
FREQUENCY-BASED FIT HYPOTHESIS

property because they can automate regular purchases

Majority of "interested" respondents were from the

behavior but flexibility to shift 1-2 orders to scheduling.

How often do you order from Zepto or similar apps?



Survey link User Responses Once a week

Never

Surveys (30+) Interviews (5+)

RAHUL SHARMA

PROFILE

- Age: 30 | City: Mumbai
- Orders: 1-3 times/week (Zepto & Blinkit)
- Living with: Wife
- Shopping Pattern: Regular resupplies every few days

BEHAVIOR

- Tech-savvy, values time & efficiency
- Prefers ordering essentials mid-week and weekends
- Open to optimizing routine tasks if there's a clear win
- Hasn't scheduled yet but sees potential in it

PAIN POINTS

- Repeats same orders often wishes for auto options
- Gets annoyed by surge pricing & delivery delays
- Doesn't want to think about groceries every few days

✓ WILLING TO TRY IF...

- Scheduled delivery offers cost savings
- Can automate repeat orders or get reliable slot quarantees
- Scheduling feels like a productivity boost, not extra work

QUOTE

"If it saves me money and effort, I'm all in. I just want my regular stuff to show up without thinking every time."

If users order 1-3 times/week,

then they are the ideal audience for partial scheduling,

while still using instant delivery as fallback.

SURVEY INSIGHT:

1-3x/week cohort.

Status: Validated

Insight: Focus on this group — they have repeat

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PROBLEM FRAMING

WHAT IS THE TRUE PROBLEM?

High-frequency users on Zepto are unaware of the Scheduled Delivery feature and thus miss out on its potential benefits — resulting in missed adoption, repeated effort, and operational inefficiencies.

"When I shop for groceries 2–3x/week, I want to do it quickly and reliably, so that I don't have to worry about stockouts or planning in the middle of a busy day."



For Users (Target Segment)

- 1. Saves them time & stress
- 2. Enables **smoother** grocery flow (less last-minute shopping)
- 3. Opportunity to **automate** part of their weekly routine
- 4. Makes them feel **smart** and **in control**



WHO ARE THE CUSTOMERS FACING THE PROBLEM?

Young, working professionals in metro cities (like Bangalore, Mumbai)
Who order groceries 1–3 times/week
And value speed, convenience, and routine optimization

For Business (Zepto)

- 1. Reduces **peak-hour load** on instant delivery infrastructure
- 2. Lowers cost per order by **smoothing demand spikes**
- 3. Unlocks a new **monetizable experience** (bundles, subscriptions)
- 4. Improves **retention** by building user habit around Zepto, not competitors

HOW DO WE KNOW IT IS A REAL PROBLEM?

Survey data (30+ responses) shows:

- 1.80% of users were **unaware** of the Scheduled Delivery feature
- 2.90% of them are willing to try it if it's more visible or beneficial
- 3. Those who tried it gave poor satisfaction ratings, citing **UX/friction**
- 4. The most open users are already ordering 1–3x/ week perfect fit for partial scheduling

WHY SHOULD WE SOLVE THIS PROBLEM NOW?

- 1.90% of unaware users are willing to try
 Scheduled Delivery demand exists, it's just
 hidden
- 2. **Target users** (1–3x/week shoppers) are already active and habit-driven **easy to convert**
- 3. Helps Zepto reduce **peak load, cut delivery costs,** and **smooth operations**
- 4. Competitors are evolving fast Zepto risks losing **high-value users** without **differentiation**



It's a rare case of low awareness + high intent + large value.

THE TIMING IS PERFECT.