4Ps of Marketing

1. Product

- The item or service a business sells.
- It should satisfy customer needs or wants.
- Includes things like quality, design, features, brand name, and packaging.

Example: A mobile phone with a good camera and battery.

2. Price

- The amount of money a customer pays for the product.
- It should reflect the product's value and match what customers can afford.
- Also includes discounts, offers, and payment options.

Example: Offering a product at a lower price during a sale.

3. Place

- Where and how the product is sold to customers.
- Includes physical stores, online websites, and delivery options.
- The goal is to make it easy for customers to find and buy the product.

Example: Selling a product both in shops and online.

4. Promotion

- How the business tells people about the product.
- Includes advertising, social media, special offers, and public events.

The aim is to increase awareness and sales.

Example: Running a TV or online ad to show a new product.

4As of Marketing

1. Acceptability

- The product must meet customer needs and expectations.
- It should be of good quality, useful, and reliable.
- Customers must be willing to use or buy it.

Example: A healthy drink that tastes good and is made from natural ingredients.

2. Affordability

- The product must be priced so customers can afford it.
- Includes not just the price, but also payment options and value for money.

Example: Offering different pack sizes or easy payment plans for a product.

3. Accessibility

- The product should be easy to find and buy.
- It should be available in places where customers live or shop.
- Includes both physical and online access.

Example: Selling a product in local stores and on a shopping app.

4. Awareness

Customers should know about the product and understand its benefits.

- Done through advertising, social media, and other communication.
- Awareness helps build trust and interest.

Example: Sharing product info through YouTube videos or posters.

Additional Ps of Marketing -

1. People

- The people involved in delivering the product or service.
- This includes employees, sales staff, and customer support.
- Good service and skilled staff improve customer experience.

Example: A helpful store worker who assists you in choosing the right product.

2. Processes

- The steps and systems used to deliver the product or service.
- Should be smooth, fast, and customer-friendly.
- Good processes help avoid delays and improve satisfaction.

Example: A fast and easy online checkout system.

3. Programs

- All activities and efforts used to build relationships with customers.
- Includes marketing campaigns, loyalty programs, events, and promotions.
- Helps create a connection with customers over time.

Example: A coffee shop offering a loyalty card that gives a free drink after 5 purchases.

Marketing Environment -

1. Micro Environment

These are the factors close to the company that affect its ability to serve customers.

Major Components:

Company:

The internal environment – departments like management, finance, marketing, etc. – all work together to create value for customers.

• Suppliers:

Provide the materials and resources needed to produce goods or services.

• Marketing Intermediaries:

Help the company sell and deliver products to customers (e.g. wholesalers, retailers, delivery services).

Competitors:

Other businesses selling similar products or services. Companies must stay better or different to succeed.

• Publics:

Groups that can influence the company (e.g. media, local communities, government, investors).

Customers:

The people or businesses who buy the product. Understanding customer needs is the key to success.

2. Macro Environment

Larger forces outside the company that affect the whole market.

Major Components:

Demographic Environment:

Information about the population, like age, gender, education, and income. Helps companies know who their customers are.

• Economic Environment:

Factors like income levels, inflation, employment rates. Affects how much people can spend.

Natural Environment:

Natural resources, climate, and environmental concerns. Companies must be aware of sustainability and resource limits.

• Technological Environment:

Changes in technology that can create new products or new ways to sell. Businesses must keep up with innovation.

• Political Environment:

Government rules, policies, and stability.

Affects how businesses operate and what laws they must follow.

• Social-Cultural Environment:

Society's values, beliefs, attitudes, and lifestyles. Companies need to respect cultures and social norms.