# Flipkart 8.0 Campus case challenge

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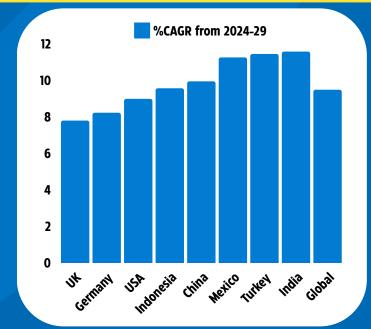




# **GLOBAL MARKET SIZE & CAGR**

• The global eCommerce industry, currently valued at \$5.78 Trillion in retail sales as of FY23, is expected to grow to \$8Trillion by 2027.

• The industry is expected to have a **CAGR of 9.49% globally** from 24-29, with **India** expected to have a **higher CAGR of 11.58%** as compared to other emerging markets such as **Indonesia**.

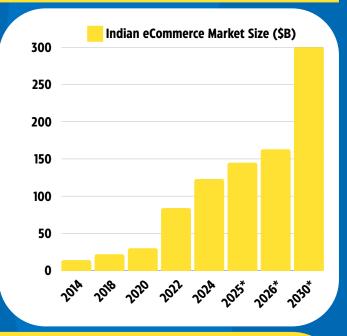


# **ZOOMING IN ON INDIA**

• The Indian eCommerce market, currently valued at ~\$123B, is expected to grow to \$300B+ by the year 2030.

• Smartphones are the biggest market segment as of '23, valued at \$35B, followed by fashion and electronics valued at \$23B each.

• 70% of eCommerce transactions payments are cash-on-delivery.





# THE NEED FOR SPEED

• Globally, consumer expectations for delivery times are dropping, with faster delivery being the most common shopper demand.

• Consumer expectations for delivery time vary by category, with grocery having the highest demand for <2hr delivery, notably followed by health & pharma as well as luxury, tech products, and clothing & fashion.

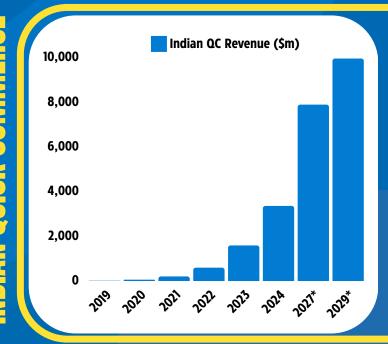


# TWO INDIAS

• Urban consumers differ from the rest of India in the categories they prefer to purchase online.

• Tier 2 & Tier 3 cities make up for a majority of eCommerce transactions (60% of orders), however AOV is slightly smaller than Tier-1 cities.



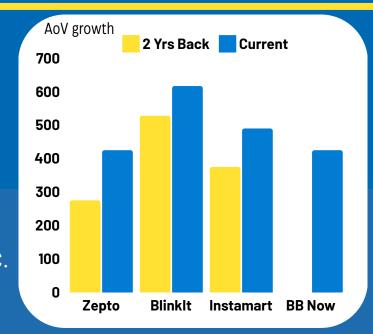


# **QUICK COMMERCE EXPLODING**

• The Indian Q.C market has experienced rapid growth which has persisted post Covid, with market leader Blinkit reaching a value of \$13B thus surpassing Zomato's food biz.

 Average order value, a key metric for eventual profitability is trending upwards for all major players.

• D2C brands are increasingly using Q.C. as a key channel that bypasses supply chain woes & enables premiumization.



# **REASONS FOR SUCCESS**

• Low labor costs, high density urban areas making smaller AoVs profitable than in other countries.

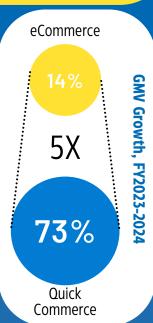
Traditional small retail can't compete on prices.

• High **product-channel fit** for certain categories, such as **healthy ice-creams** and **emergency beauty**, creating **markets** for **QC first brands**.

# **CHALLENGES**

• Metros & tier-1 cities majority of business. Infra issues, high CAC while entering new cities.

 Dark store location selection, SKU mix both complex problems. High packaging costs ↓ margins.



# gopuff

Founded in **2013** as an on-demand Hookah Delivery startup, later pivoting to grocery delivery.



Entered alcohol delivery, expanded to additional cities, raised **\$5m in**Series A Funding in 2016.



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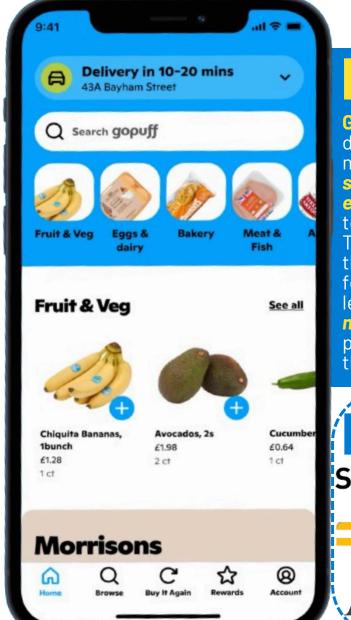
Raised a further \$350 million in funding at a **\$3.9 Billion valuation** in **2020**, acquired BevMo! for \$350m.



**Expanded to the UK** with the acquisition of Fancy, raised a further \$1.15B at a **\$15B valuation** 

# GLOBAL QUICK COMMERCE PLAYER: gopuff

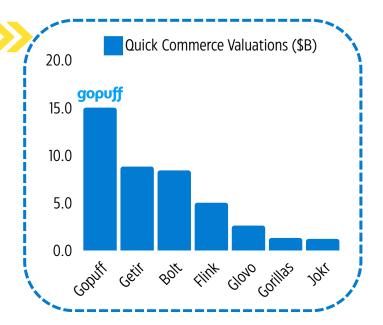


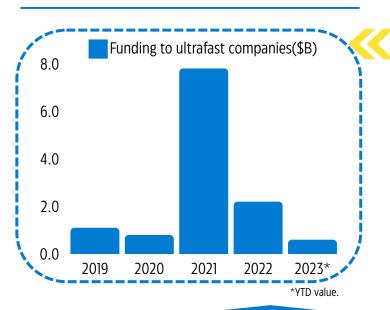


# BUSINESS MODEL

GoPuff is an American on-demand delivery service that operates its own micro-fulfillment centers (dark stores) stocked with everyday essentials, delivering items directly to customers within 30 minutes. The company generates revenue through product markups, delivery fees, and subscription services, leveraging its vertically integrated model to optimize operations and potentially achieve better margins than traditional delivery services.

# KEY INVESTORS SEQUOIA LE 1 D1 CAPITAL PARTNERS SoftBank Fidelity Accel Blackstone





# CHALLENGES FACED

High Labour Costs & Labour Shortages
 Gopuff faces much higher labour costs than EU & Asian conteporaries.
 Currently facing shortage of delivery

 Currently facing shortage of delivery partners, with 4% of orders forced to be fulfilled through Uber Eats.

## **Regulatory Issues**

- GoPuff has faced continuous regulatory challenges since inception, esp. for their alcohol delivery vertical.
- Banned from delivering alcohol in the state of Massachusetts in 2023.

### Waning Demand Post Covid

- Demand for grocery delivery fell ~11% one year after the Covid-19 pandemic.
- Demand amongst young families fell
   9%, & Urbanite demand dropped ~7%

### Funding Winter for QC Companies

 Funding to companies classified as ultrafast delivery (<30 minutes) fell sharply, following a funding frenzy during Covid, prompting layoffs & warehouse closures for GoPuff.

### **Dark Store Crackdowns**

 Recently, cities around the world have started cracking down on dark stores, fearing a decrease in physical retail space available to consumers.

# Powered by GoPuff

# 1.B2B offering allowing D2C brands to leverage GoPuff's delivery infra & allow QC on their own storefronts. 2.Shopify template allowing easy white-labelling of GoPuff's QC

GESS BSS

platform backend.
3.Used by **major brands** such as **Unilever**, Mondelēz International, and **Nestlé** in **key geographies**.

# Al Powered Ad Platform

1.In-house ad platform with Al models utilising 1000+ variables & 10+ years of customer data.
2.Features such as objective based ad buying & bid optimization, alongside robust and predictive targeting.
3.Out of app marketing suite, including product sampling, and

non-endemic advertising.

# Integration

**Vertical** 

# 1.100% ownership of all inventory as well as fullfillment centers, allowing margins to be built into prices, reducing the need for extra fees.

2. Frequent restocks with inventory ownership enabling a WYSIWYG experience for customers, a key improvement over Instacart's & Shipt's model.

# Diverse Products

1.GoPuff Kitchen offering hot food & cafe items in one order alongside grocery items.
2.Alcohol delivery in select geographies through the Bevmo! acquision, as well as GoBeer.
3.Private label brands Basically & Basically Premium offering unique, quirky products tailored to the GoPuff userbase's needs.



# **COMPETITOR ANALYSIS**

# Zomato-Blinkit Swiggy-Instamart Zepto March 2023 January 2024 March 2022

# Market

~40% Share

**blinkit** 

619

Rs. 617

620K

**Rs. 23B** 

X

Delivery: Rs. 16 or Rs. 30

Handling: Rs. 4

High Demand Surge: Rs. 30

CSAT: 2.4/10

**Delivery Partner** 

Interaction: 1.2/10

App Store Rating: 4.5/5

1.**Print Store** offering document &

2. Simplified Household app

elderly to add items to cart.

allowing domestic help and the

3. Allows shopping from multiple

darkstores in one cart, allowing

Cities 36 operating in

No. of Dark **Stores** 

**AOV Order Volume** 

per Day

Monthly **Subscription** 

Revenue

Fees

Customer Satisfaction

Key **Differentiator** 

> infrequently bought SKUs to be sold without out of stock issues. 4. CPI based ad bidding (vs CPC).

photo prints.

SWIGGY\_ 'ınstamart

~32%

26

500

Rs. 490

600K

Rs. 20B+\*

Delivery: Rs. 16 or Rs. 30

Handling: Rs. 7

High Demand Surge: Rs. 30

CSAT: 0.5/10

**Delivery Partner** 

Interaction: 0.7/10

App Store Rating: 4.3/5

1.**Integrated** food & QC offerings in 1

app, with **subscription** offering

2. Swiggy Mall offerings sold

through InstaMart, allowing

as well as QC purchases.

delivery infra.

benefits across three categories.

independent retailers to leverage

3.Co-branded HDFC bank credit

card offering 10% cashback on food

one

Unlimited free delivery

Includes benefits for food delivery & dine-out.
Lite tier available.

> ₹199, no surge pricing.



~28% ~7%

> 10 35

360 400

Rs. 425 Rs. 425

625K **520K** 

**Rs. 1.7B**(FY'23)



(BBstar only has benefits for slotted

Delivery: Rs. 9 or Rs. 25 Handling: Rs. 6

Data not available

1.**Zepto Café** offering simple snack items in <10 minutes.

~Rs. 20B

surge pricing.

Delivery: Rs. 25 Small Cart: Rs. 35 (< cart Rs 99) Handling: Rs. 5.49 High Demand Surge: Rs. 30

CSAT: 1.5/10

**Delivery Partner** 

Interaction: 5.7/10

App Store Rating: 4.7/5

products.

• Up to 20% extra

discount on certain

zepto

pass

• Free Delivery > ₹100, no

2. Private label brands such as **Relish** offering higher margins (20-25%).

3. Fastest median delivery times 4. All electric fleet (more cost efficient)

5. Large **majority of dark stores** profitable on contribution basis.

1.Dark stores NOT franchised, allowing for **consistent** experience.

2. Deep integration with **Tata Neu** ecosystem, Neu coins offered as cashbacks on orders, redeemable across 10+ Tata group offerings. 3. Piloted instant doorstep returns.

Synergy with other Tata group companies - Croma, Tanishq

# **EMERGING COMPETITORS**

DELHIVERY

Will leverage existina Reliance retail stores.

Reportedly entering Quick Commerce market.

Providing QC as a **Service** to 3rd parties.



Bringing kirana stores & **smaller** retailers online.

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# Kirana Stores Offer same-day

delivery for orders placed over phone

calls & WhatsApp



"Slow" E-Commerce

Offer <2 day **shipping** on large no. of SKUs, have larger catalogues.



# Vending Machines, 24/7 Kiosks

Easy access to

impulse goods at all hours.



b

instant

Scheduled next day milkbasket home delivery of household staples & groceries.



daily

# **Pharmacy Apps**

Deliver meds & other goods in ~2 hours in select

**MediBuddy** cities.

# "DIY" Quick Commerce

Enable customers to get quick delivery from any shop. PORTER

borzo

**Key Call Outs** 

Venturing into **at-home** handyman services.

1. Upcoming IPO valued at Rs. 37B 2. Amazon reportedly in talks to buy the Instamart vertical.

Raised \$665M funding at \$3.6 valuation in Jun'24

\*35% Swiggy's revenue - extrapolated form 2022

Apollo

# THANK YOU!

# TOGETHER, WE DARE TO MAXIMIZE

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