About OkCredit

OkCredit is a book-keeping app for Indian MSME.





Regions we serve

Pan India

Customer served

45 million +

Target segment

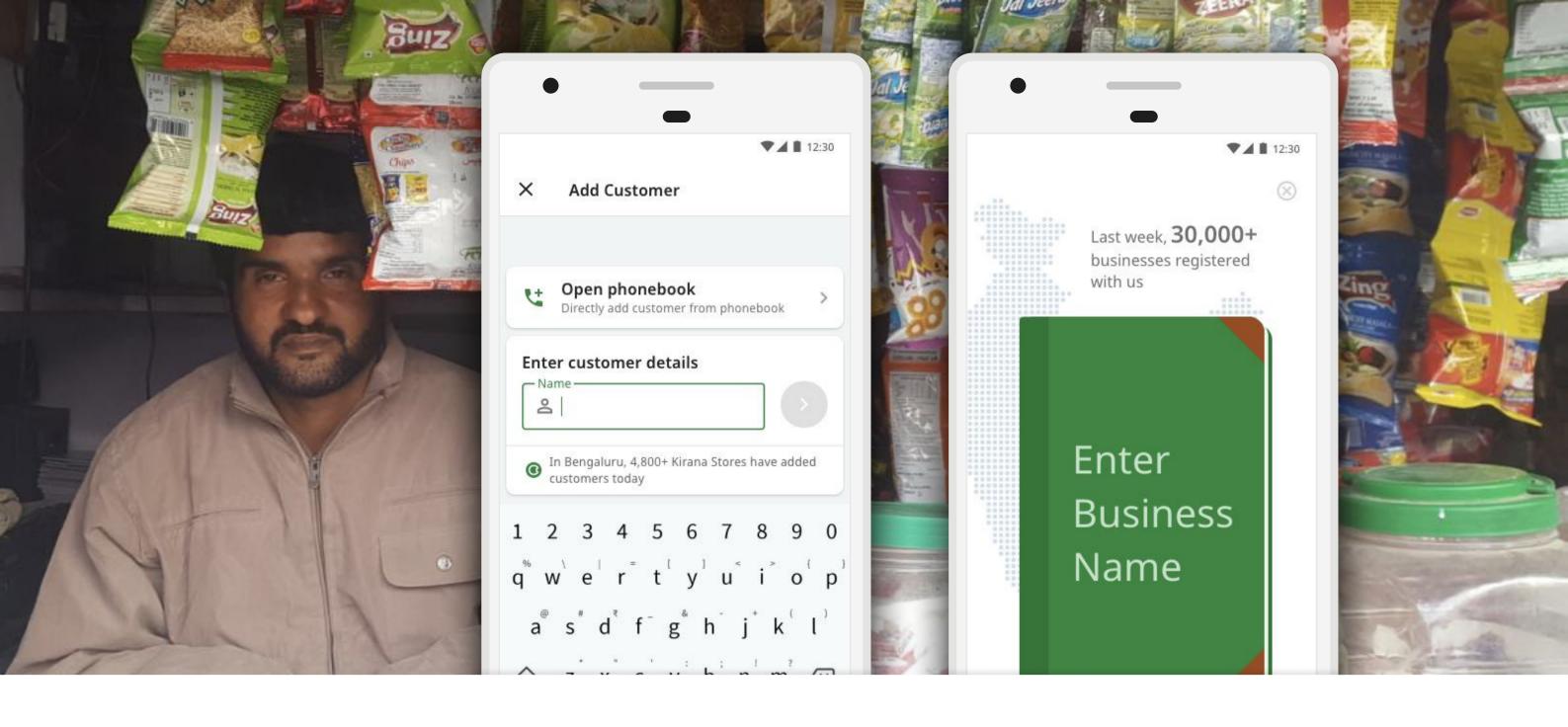
Kirana shops, mobile recharge, garment stores, wholesalers, etc. Also popular as Next Billion Users

Playstore Rating

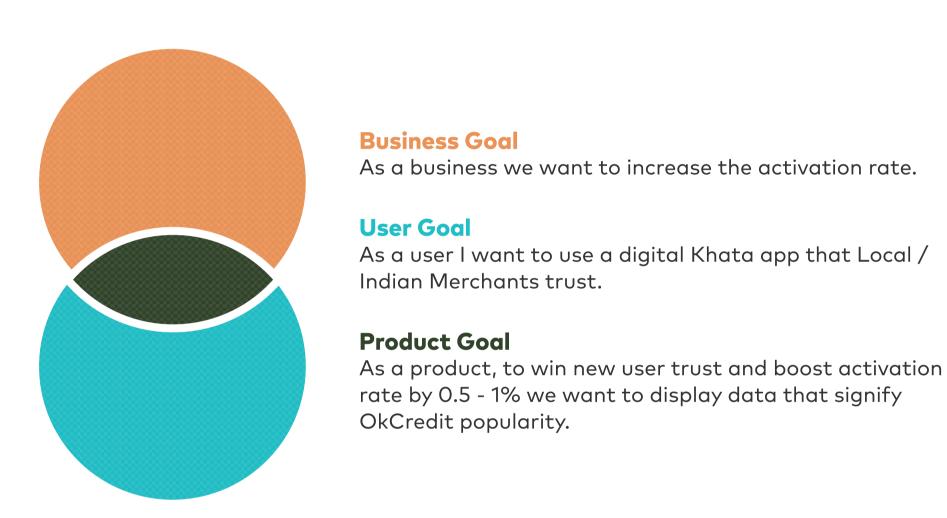
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NDA (non-disclosure agreement)

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Project - Credibility 1.0



Team, Role and Process

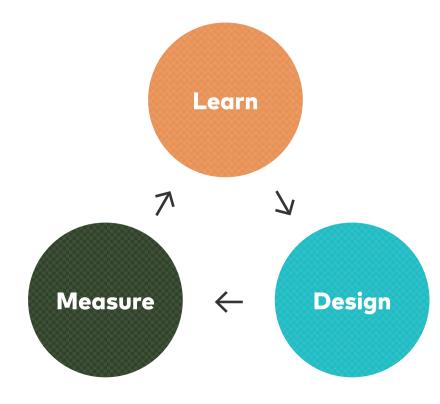
Team

Product Manager, Frontend Engineer, Data Science, Designers

Role

- 1. Partnered with the PM on PRD and experimentation.
- 2. Led design end to end.
- 3. Led user testing

Process



In our Growth team, the feature rollout tend to be experimentation driven. Feature undergoes series of LDM cycle over a period of 2-3 months. 1st cycle focuses on small incremental shifts in metrics and design.

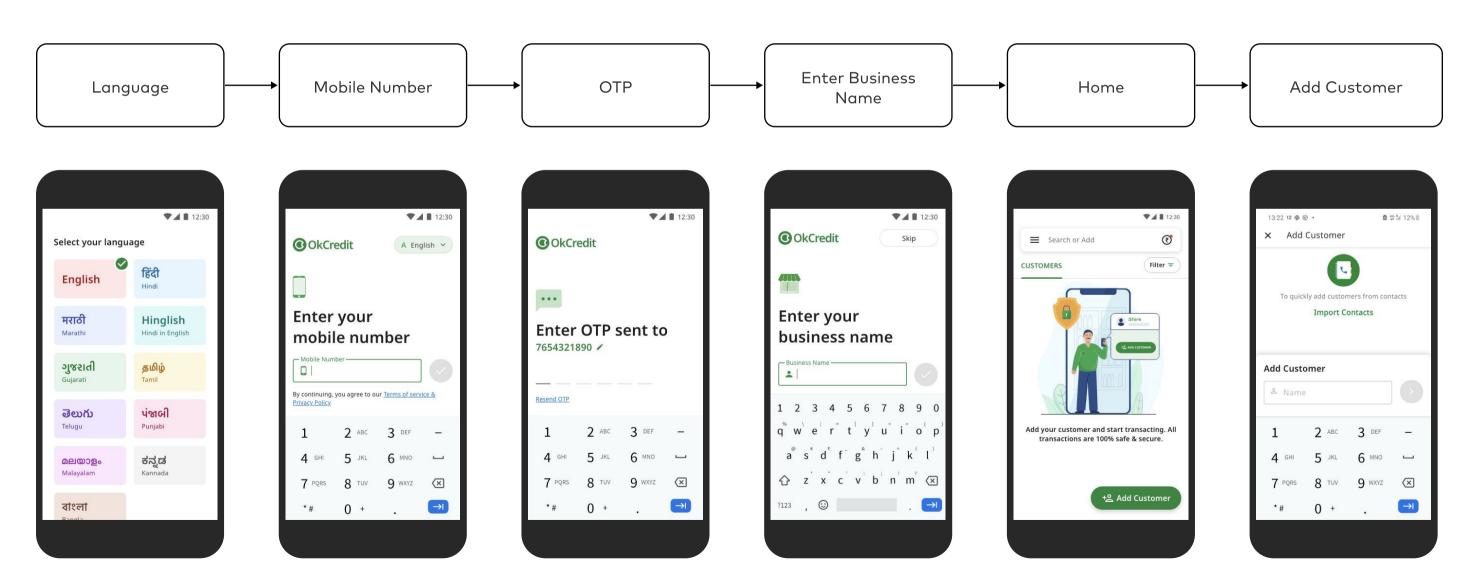
Post experimentation, we focus on doubling down on metrics and iterate upon design again.

Design Scope Overview

Flow > Happy Path

Goal is to boost activation rate. Therefore we would look for design opportunities in first time user experience journey.

OkCredit is serving 45 million users across India. Along the journey, lots of data have been gathered and converted into classified data. Key idea is to leverage these data and identify touchpoints in the flow where they can be embeded.



Learn

Data

Data science team confirmed about availability of following data during the said journey.

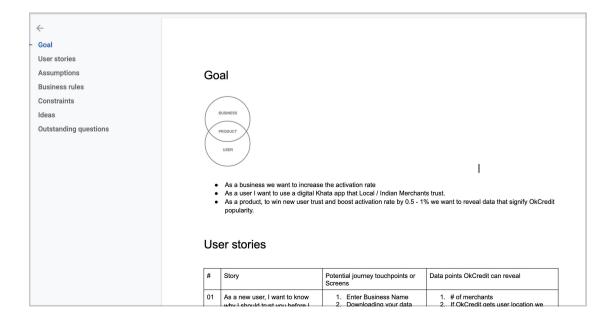


Constraints

- 1. Concepts executable within a week will only be picked.
- 2. Leverage existing classified data only

Learn phase concludes

It concludes with a 70-80% complete PRD / design brief. A brief in general includes goals, hypothesis, user stories, constraints, acceptance criteria etc.



Design → **Validate** → **Learn**

Design Concepts & Research

- 1. Created concepts in low-fi
- 2. Shared rough idea with the team so as to assess technical feasibility
- 3. Parallelly, I was conducting hallway testing

Concept 01

An insight statement placed below the title.

Concept 02

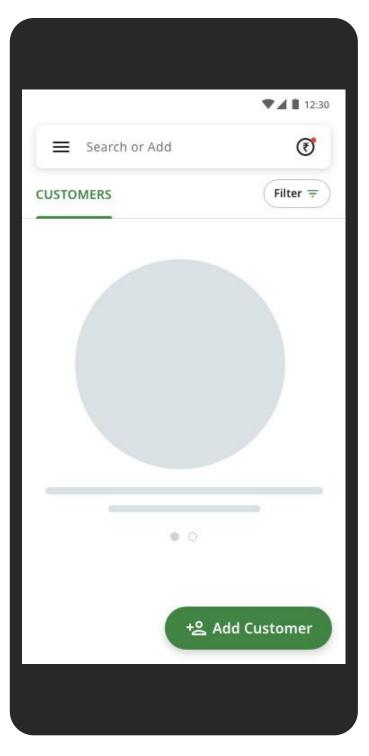
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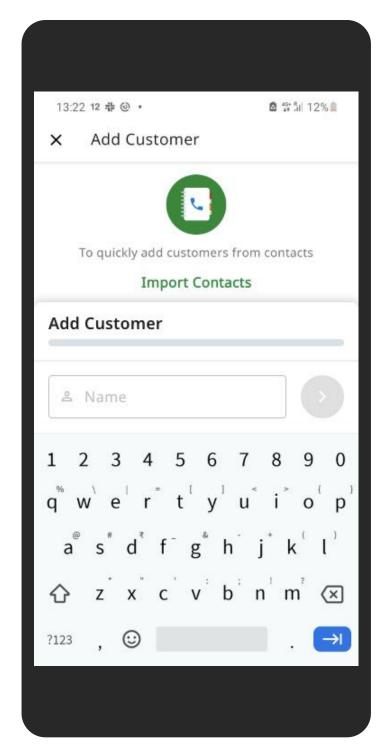
Concept 03

A text animation based concept.

1st statement to be about privacy. After 4 sec, 1st statement will fade away and 2nd statement will appear.







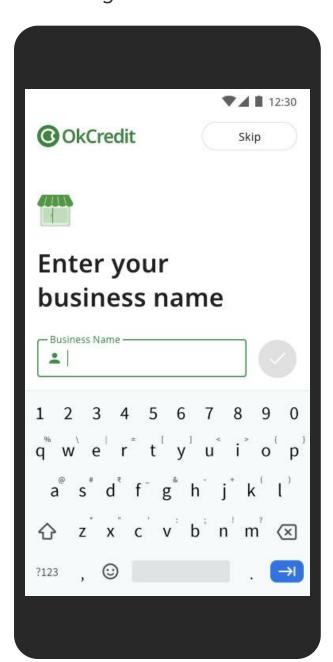
Design → Validate → Learn (continued)

Design research

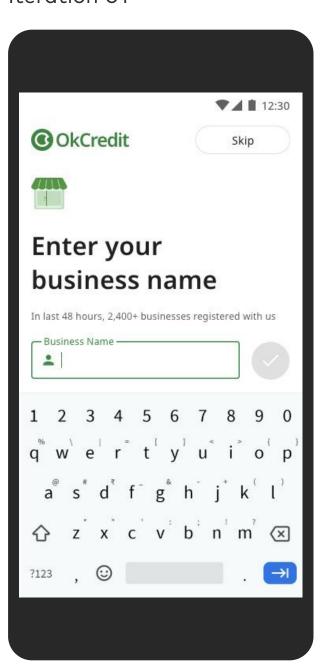
- 1. **Methodology:** Hallway test
- 2. Participants: 20+
- 3. **Duration:** 2 day

Concept 01 - Enter Business Name Screen

Old Design



Iteration 01



Iteration 02



Research Task

Participants were asked to add a customer i.e complete Select Language to Home Screen journey.

After completion of task, they were asked if they noticed 2,400 written anywhere.

Iteration 01

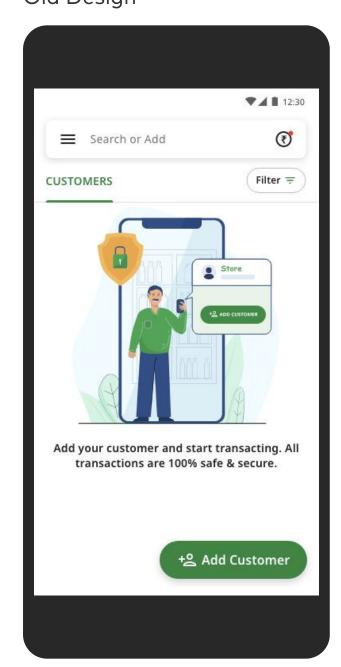
1/5 participants noticed it.

Iteration 02

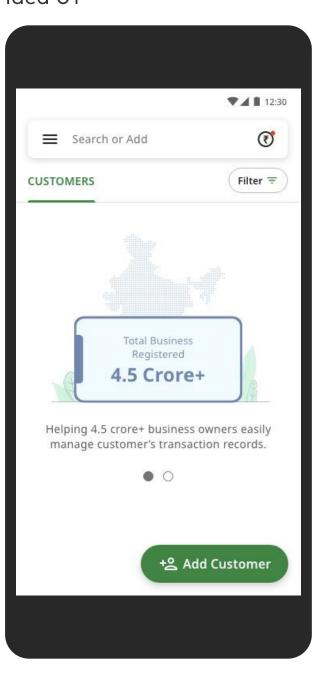
3/5 participants noticed it.

Concept 02 - Home Screen

Old Design



Idea 01



Idea 02



Conceptualisation

Shared two ideas with the team

Idea 01

A 2 pager slider. 1st slide would state the insight. 2nd slide would assure safety and security.

Idea 02

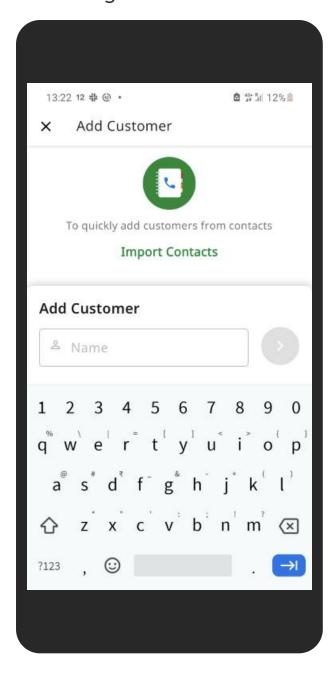
1st design hypothesis was that higher the number of alternate path, lower are the chances of user taking the happy path. Key design proposal was to hide search and collection(rupee icon) UI until user adds few customers.

Blocker

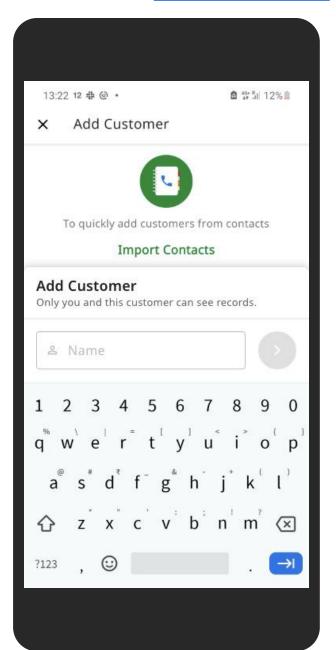
Concept 2 faced a blocker at an experimentation level. Therefore, home screen had to be descoped.

Concept 03 - Add Customer Screen

Old Design



Iteration 01 - Animation Demo



13:22 12 幸 @ • Add Customer To quickly add customers from contacts **Import Contacts** Add Customer 4,800+ Kirana Stores have added customers today 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 0 q[%] w e r t y u i o p a s d f g h j k l ☆ z x c v b n m ⊠ ?123 , 😊

Concept

A text animation based concept. 1st statement to be about privacy. After 4 sec, 1st statement will fade away and 2nd statement will appear.

Iteration 01

Concept with least amount of dev effort involved.

Iteration 02

Proposed revamp of the screen.

Design Problems

Our target segment aren't tech savvy and have low comfort level with english. Words like *Import* are from MS Excel world. It won't make sense for users.

Import contacts CTA affordance is weak.

Add contact card would overlap on Import contact CTA if insight statement crosses 2 lines.

Research

Participants were asked to add a transaction i.e complete Home Screen to Transaction journey.

After completion of task, they were asked if they noticed 'only you and this customer ...' statement or 2,400 anywhere?

Iteration 01

No one noticed 1st statement. 2/6 participants noticed 2nd statement.

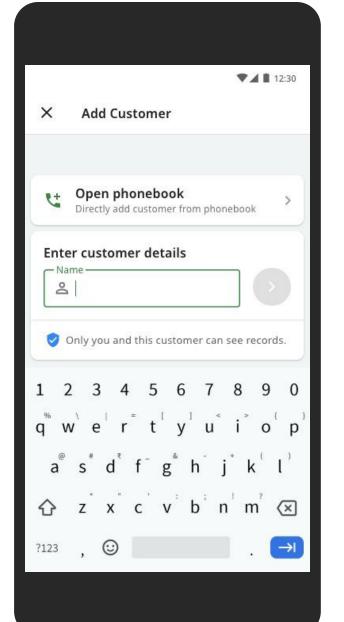
Iteration 02

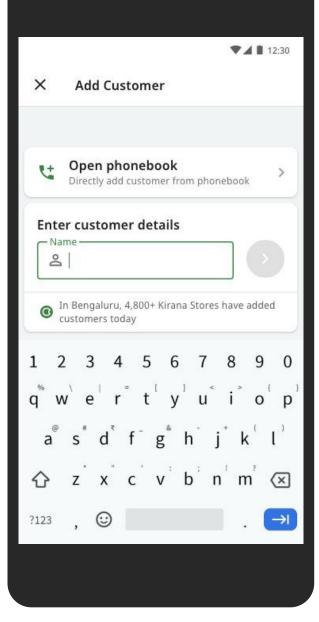
statement.

3/6 noticed 1st statement and

5/6 participants noticed 2nd

Iteration 02 - Animation Demo

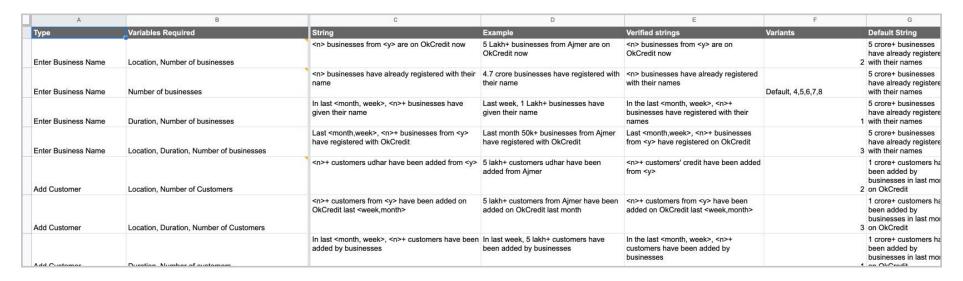




Design (continued)

Turned data into meaningful insight statement

Consultation across product, engineering, and data science was conducted. Based on their input turned data into meaningful statements.



Build Conclusion

Concluded this phase by finanlising 2 design concepts (concept 1 and 3) and 8 insight statement.

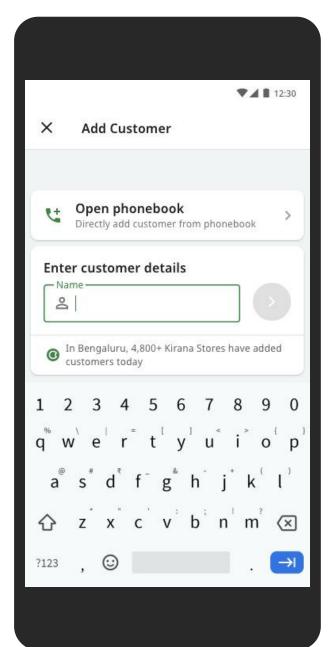
Impact

The overall experiment was split into 15+ variants.

Concept 01



Concept 02



Impact

Impact on activation and retention was positive. Business goal was met.

Concept 01

Activation rate varied in the range of 0.2% - 0.7%.

Concept 02

Activation rate varied in the range of 0.55% - 1.85%.

Learning

01

Social proof techniques help ease decisions for the users by assuring them that they are not alone.

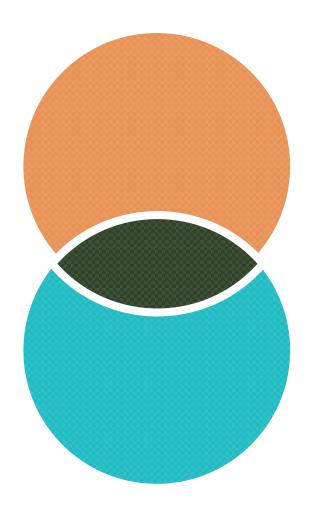
02

Displaying numbers in the form of popularity, triggers FOMO and hence will influence users to adopt OkCredit.

03

Meaningful animation can be used as a strong force to trigger engagement in areas that are potential blind spots.

Next Cycle - Credibility 2.0



Business Goal

As a business we want to increase the activation rate

User Goal

As a user I want to use a digital Khata app that Local / Indian Merchants trust.

Product Goal

As a product, to win new user trust and boost activation rate by 2 - 3% we want to

- 1. Reveal numbers/data that signify OkCredit popularity.
- 2. Express our popularity in a delightful manner.

Learn

Competitor and literature study

I went through a couple of apps, case studies, cognitive bias theories, etc to decode data and delight. During the journey landed upon an interesting cognitive theory i.e Halo Effect.

Halo Effect

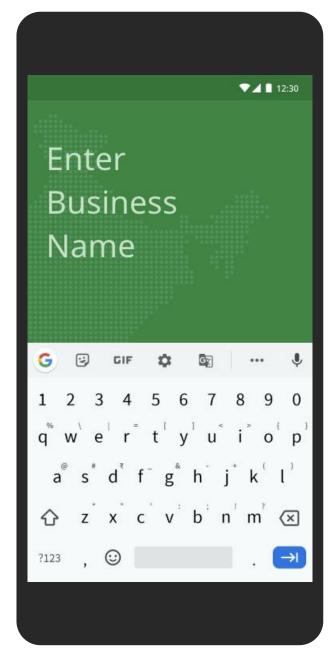
The Halo Effect is a type of cognitive bias, where a person that likes or dislikes one aspect of a product, has a positive or negative predisposition towards the product in general. It is often based on the first impression. A simple example of the halo effect is when an individual noticing that the person in the photograph looks attractive, well-groomed, and properly dressed, assumes that the person in the photograph is a good person. Again, the same applies to software. Users will judge the whole app based on their first impressions, their first interactions with it, or even based on its design and fluidity. That's why we need to make sure that we give them the best we can while they make their first taps or clicks through our app.

Build

Halo effect theory struck an idea where an animated interplay of elements can help offer a clean and focused path for information consumption and action.

- 1. Sketched a few ideas on paper.
- 2. Narrowed down upon a concept that felt simple yet appealing





Concept

In the real world,
MSME's are
habituated to record
transaction details in a
diary or register.
OkCredit intends to
digitise this behavior.

As of today, OkCredit is available PAN India and serving 45million users.

India map, diary illustration is an attempt to narrate the above story.



Blocker

Midway structural changes happened in the org and I was moved to another POD. Credibility 2.0 cycle went on hold.

Learning

