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KEY TERMS

Market segmentation Profiling customers Targeting customers Seed Enterprises Management Institute University of Nairobi

MARKET SEGMENTATION

The three premises of segmenting a market are:

People are similar in some ways.

People are dissimilar in other ways.

Homogenous groups (market segments) can be identified from a heterogeneous market. Seed Enterprises Management Institute University of Nairobi

MARKET AGGREGATION OR MASS MARKETING

• This is an approach whereby individual marketers or organizations assume that consumers have or show more or less identical demand, tastes and preferences for the products/commodities they offer to the market

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MARKET SEGMENTATION

• Process of dividing the mass heterogeneous market into homogeneous segments

• A market segment is a sub group of people who have more or less similar characteristics Seed Enterprises Management Institute University of Nairobi

IDENTIFY SEVERAL MARKET SEGMENT FOR YOUR PRODUCTS

• Large scale farmers

Small scale farmers

• Medium scale farmers

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The main ways of defining segments are:

- Geographical area
- Industry or industry sub-sector
 - Product
 - Size of end-user
 - **Distribution channel**
- Seed Order frequency
 - Order frequency University of Nairobi

HOW IS MARKET SEGMENTATION DONE?

Using either or a combination of the following factors namely Geographic factors

- **country**
- province
- Size of City, town, Seedensityrprises Management Institute University of Nairobi

• <u>Behaviour factors</u> of farmers Purchase occasion Rainy seasons

quality seed, high
yielding, drought
tolerant, diseases
resistant

Seed Enterprise non users(those using saved Universeeds from previous season)

Usage rates

Benefit sought

light, medium and, heavy users

BENEFITS OF SEGMENTATION

- Customer satisfaction
- Profitability of business.
- Customers needs focus

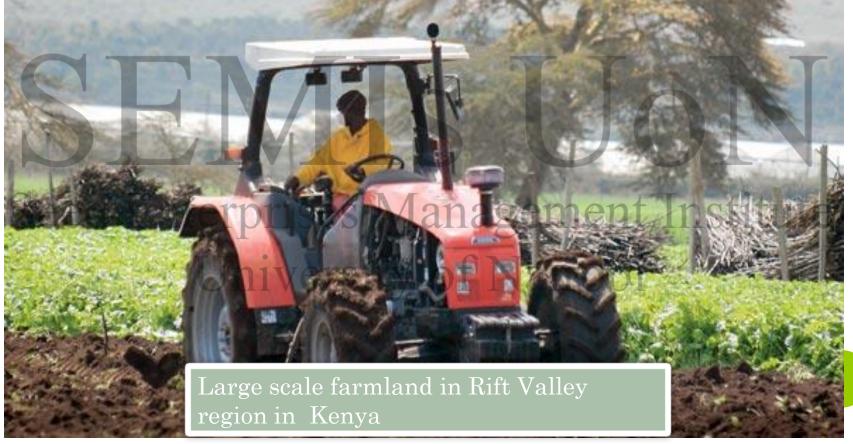
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REQUIREMENTS FOR EFFECTIVE SEGMENTATION

- Accessible
- Measurable
- Responsive to marketing effort
- Profitable
- o substantial
- Seed Enterprises Management Institute University of Nairobi

WHAT IS A TARGET MARKET

• A specific market segment chosen by the seed company to serve/to market products.



 TARGETING OPTIONS
 Concentrate on one market segment with one product or different products

• Serve or target several market segments with differentiated products Seed Enterprises Mar

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CHOOSING A TARGET MARKET

- Factors to consider
- Resources available
- Structural attractiveness
- Potential growth of the market segment

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CUSTOMER PROFILING

The main goal of Customer Profiling is to ;

• Categorize the traits and characteristics of current **S O O O** customers, Seed Enterprises Management Institute

• Identify the primary sity of Nairobi characteristics of good and bad customers

BENEFITS

• Discover which customers are sales and profit contributors

• Identify customers who have profitable growth potential for the future

Sind out who are your unwanted (unprofitable) customers an agement Institute University of Nairobi

ABC PROFILING APPROACH

A" Customers

 Customers that are currently contributing the highest sales and profits

INVEST ON RETENTION OF THESE CUSTOMERS

- Quality customer care
- Loyalty programs

 Profits
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 OR offer the most growth opportunity for profit and sales contribution.
 Relationship marketing programs(End of the year parties were best performing farmers/customers are recognized

"B" Customers

• Group of customers with modest (or stable) growth potential

• Also in this group are New Potential Customers (targets) who match the business objectives but are not yet a significant part of the business University of Nairobi • "C" Customers

Are group of customers with no growth (or shrinking) potential

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