

Rural Marketing

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Reference-Marketing Management Kotler and Kevin-15th e, Marketing by Grewal/Levy-5e

Rural Marketing

Large Population

Increased

Income

Urban Market Competition

> Improved Infrastructure

Potential of Rural

Marketing

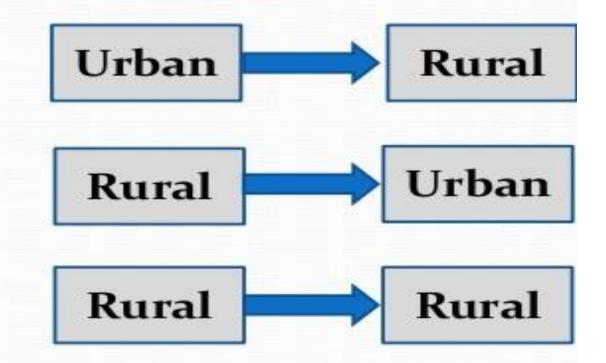
Saturated Urban Market

New Employment Opportunities

Financial Institutions

FEATURES

- Large and Scattered market.
- Major income from Agriculture.
- Low standard of living.
- Diverse socio-economic backwardness.
- Lack of Infrastructure Facilities.
- Sustains livelihood.



Distinguishing characteristics of rural and urban markets

Features	Rural	Urban	
Demand Pattern	Seasonal	Uniform	
Spread	Widely Spread	Concentrated	
Literacy Levels	Low	High	
Physical Communication Levels	Poor	Good	
Awareness of needs	Not Known	Known	
Sources of Information	Word of Mouth	Any media	
Product concept	Not Known	Mostly Known	
Timeliness of Supply	Untimely	Timely	
After sales Service	Inadequate	Adequate	
Expenditure Patterns	Mostly unproductive	Productive	
Guidance for usage	Mostly needed	Normally not needed	
Product as a status symbol	Mostly no	Normally yes	

Factors Influencing Consumer Behaviour

Economic Factors	Personal Factors	Psycological Factors	Cultural and Social Factors	
Personal Income - Discretionary Income, Disposable Income	Age	Motivation	Culture	
Family Income	Occupation	Involvement	Subculture	
Expectations regarding future income	Life Cycle Stage	Perception	Social Class	
Liquid assest & consumer credit	Lifestyle	Learning	Social Groups	
Level of Standard of Living	Personality & Self Concept	Lifestyle	Opinion Leaders	

Attitude

Role & Status



PHASES OF RURAL MARKETING

PHASE I

• From Independence to Green Revolution

Agricultural Marketing

PHASE II

Green Revolution to Pre-liberalisation

Marketing of Agricultural Inputs

PHASE III

Post-liberalisation period in 20th century

Rural Marketing

PHASE IV

21st Century

Developmental Marketing