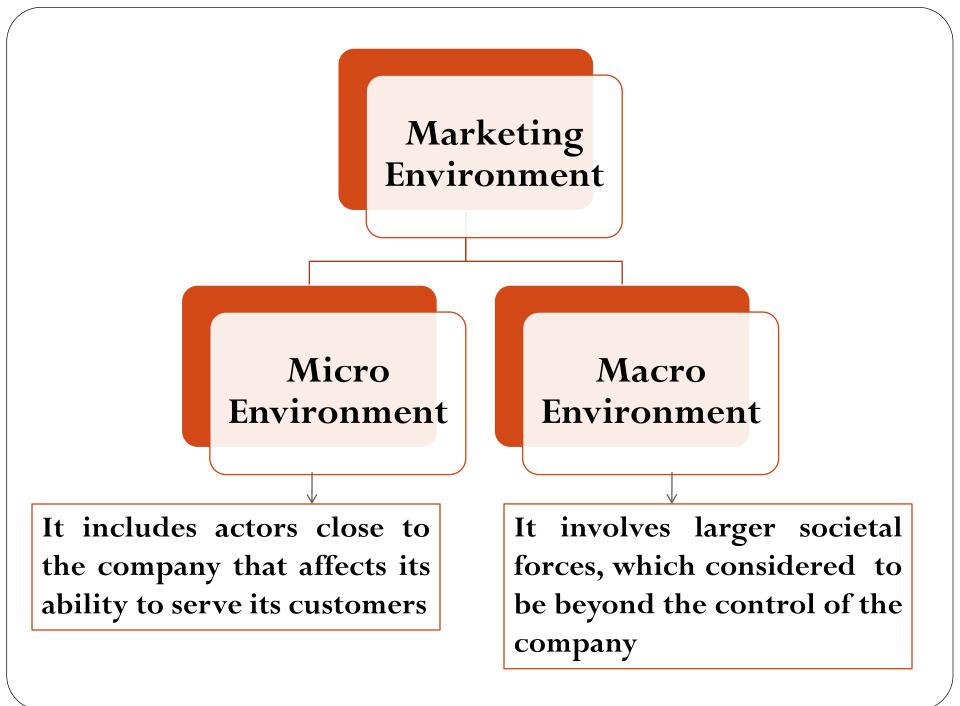
Marketing Environment

What is the Marketing Environment?

• The actors and forces outside marketing that affect marketing management's ability to build and maintain successful relationships with target customers





Suppliers

- Provide resources needed to produce goods and services.
- Important link in the "value delivery system."
- Most marketers treat suppliers like partners
- Decisions like 'make or buy' depend upon suppliers
- Depends upon
 - Right supplier
 - Right place
 - Right time and lead time
 - Right price
 - Right quantity
 - Right quality

Intermediaries

Helps the company to promote, sell, and distribute its goods to final buyers

- Resellers
- Physical distribution firms
- Marketing services agencies
- Financial intermediaries

Competitors

- Those who serve a target market with products and services that are viewed by consumers as being reasonable substitutes
- Company must gain strategic advantage against these organizations

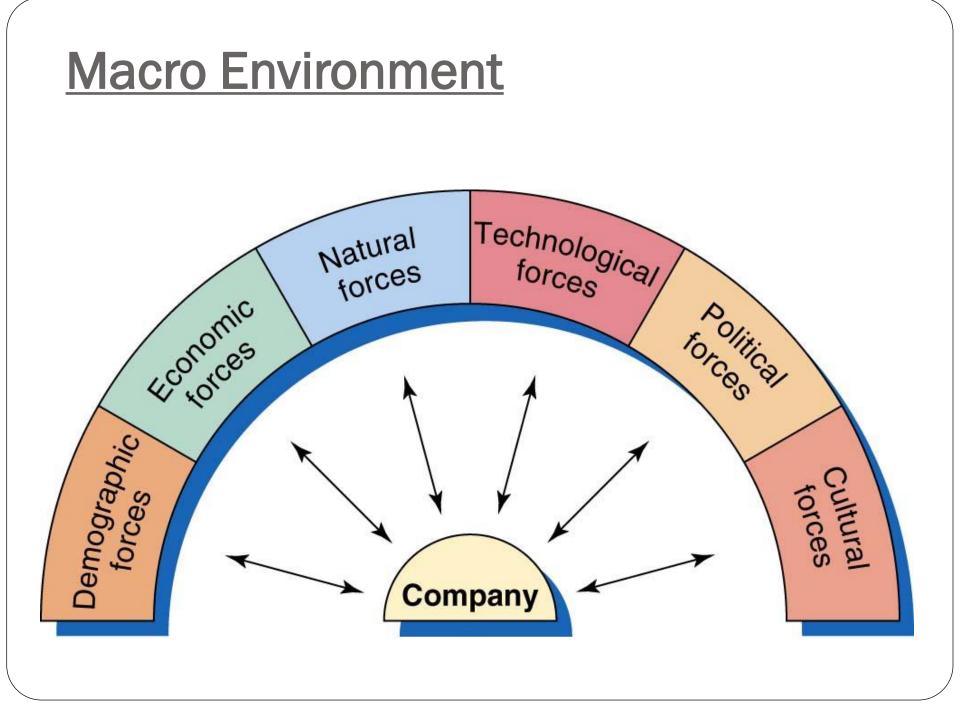
Customers

- Purchase requirements vary from customer to customer
- **Individual customers** are influenced by cultural, social and psychological factors
- They are large in number, scattered, poorly informed, buy in small quantities and frequently and are guided by personal considerations
- Industrial customers are limited in number, geographically concentrated, buy in large in bulk, demand is derived, buy on reciprocal basis, depend on lease hold
- Dealers buy for resale.
- Government buys for public welfare, defense

Publics

Group that has an interest in or impact on an organization's ability to achieve its objectives

- <u>Financial public</u>: financial institutions, investment houses, insurance co
- <u>Government public</u>: Govt. departments like Taxation, License, Registration etc.
- <u>Citizen action public</u>: consumer organizations, environmental groups, minority groups etc.
- <u>General public</u>: public image
- Internal public: employees, Board, labour unions, press and media



Demographic



- Demography gives 'Consumer Profile'
- It is the study of population in respect of its size, density, location, age, occupation, marital status, education, income level etc.
- These factors helps in Market segmentation, demand forecasting, determination of market potential

Economic



- Consists of factors that affect consumer's purchasing power and spending patterns
- Such Factors includes:

Economic development	Exchange Rates
Growth rate of each sectors	Business Cycles
Inflation Rate	Interest rates & Credit availability
Tax Rates	Standard of living
Interest rates	Price Levels



Walt Disney markets different products to match its two-tiered market



- Availability of **natural resources** as inputs/ raw materials
- Pollution. Protection of wildlife & ocean wealth
- Environmental regulations for packaging materials & disposal of wastages
- Environment friendly measures

Best example are

- Whirlpool introduced CFC free Refrigerators.
- Introduction of LED bulb.
 CNG used in vehicles.
 Jute bags used by various companies.

Green

Gorgeous



Energy efficient products introduced by various organization like 5 star rating electrical equipment's.



 Mc Donalds started giving out its products in a paper bag to the customers instead of a polythene bag, thereby doing "Green Marketing" at a reduced cost. This campaign was a big hit





Coca-Cola in order to save water does Rain Water Harvesting at a huge level thus saving water and giving back to the environment a small part of the water that it consumes for its production.

Technological



- Marketers must be aware of **new developments in technology**
- Technological developments may put some people out of business and at the same time, open up new business opportunities to others
- E.g. Smartphones have stolen the market of Music Players, Digi Cam, Calculators etc.





Political/ Legal



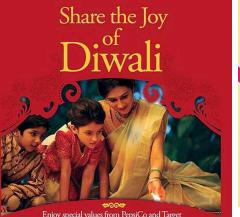
- Includes Laws, Government Agencies, and Pressure Groups that influence or limit various Organizations and Individuals in a Given Society
- <u>Some of the Acts applicable are as follows</u>:
 - Essential Commodities Act
 - Prevention of Food Adulteration Act
 - Trade and Merchandise marks Act
 - Packaged Commodities Act
 - Companies Act

Cultural



- Forces that affect a society's basic values, perceptions, preference, and behaviors
- Advertisements and culture
- Festivals
- Dressing Style
- Food habits





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