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A Study on Diffusion of Innovation in Fintech Banking with a special Reference to Khamgaon Region

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ABSTRACT: This research looks at how new tech in banking, known as fintech, spreads and becomes popular. Fintech has changed how banks work by introducing new ways of doing things. This study dives into how these changes happen.

We start by looking at a theory called the diffusion of innovation. This theory helps us understand how new ideas, like fintech, spread. We then use this theory to see how fintech is changing banking.

We'll talk about why people choose to use fintech in banking. Things like how useful they find it, how well it works with what they already have, and how easy it is to try out. We'll also look at examples of how fintech has been adopted, both successfully and not so successfully.

We'll also look at the rules and regulations around fintech in banking. These rules can speed up or slow down how quickly fintech spreads. We'll also see how people's habits and expectations are changing because of fintech.

Lastly, we'll talk about how traditional banks and fintech companies work together. Sometimes they partner up to bring new ideas to the market faster. We'll also talk about what might happen in the future, like new technologies and how the world is changing.

This research helps us understand how fintech is changing banking and what might come next.

I. INTRODUCTION

Today, all financial services aspects seem to be touched by technological forces. Fintech development is in its first stages and many researchers and practitioners believe that it will shape and define the financial industry's future. The researcher intends to examine the determinant of Fintech services adoption among bank consumers. In line with the literature, the study proposed applying a theoretical framework development from existing literature, by using variables associated with the Technology Acceptance Model (TAM), and Diffusion of Innovation Theory (DOI) to test the critical factors that affect the intention to adopt Fintech services. This study also investigates whether the effect of perceived risk on Fintech adoption intention differs depending on the consumers' behavior.

A study of the diffusion of innovation in fintech banking explores how new financial technologies and innovations are adopted and spread within the banking industry. This type of research typically focuses on understanding the process by which innovative ideas, products, or services are accepted and integrated into the practices of financial institutions.

II. LITERATURE REVIEW

"Fintech and Financial Services: Initial Considerations" by **Benoit Coeure** - Published by the BIS (Bank for International Settlements) in 2018, this article supplies a comprehensive overview of fintech's impact on financial services.

Book:

"Fintech: The New DNA of Financial Services" by **Pranay Gupta** and **Subramanian Krishnan** - This book delves into various aspects of fintech, including its history, innovation, and its impact on traditional banking.

Article:

"The Impact and Potential of Blockchain on Financial Services" by **Philip M. Brown** - This article, published in the Journal of Digital Banking in 2019, Fintech: The New DNA of Financial Services" by **Pranay Gupta** and **Subramanian Krishnan** - discusses the implications of block chain technology on the financial sector.



Book:

"Fintech Innovation: From Robo-Advisors to Goal Based Investing and Gamification" by **Paolo Sironi** - This book explores the innovative technologies transforming wealth management and investment banking within the fintech landscape.

Article:

"The Role of Fintech in Banking Transformations: A Conceptual Framework and Future Research Directions" by **Prasanna Krishnamoorthy** et al. - Published in the Journal of Retailing and Consumer Services in 2020, this article offers insights into the role of fintech in reshaping traditional banking

According to the Hindu Newspaper Article July 01, 2023, Time 01:42 the post-COVID era have highlighted the need for innovative and accessible financial solutions, especially for underserved communities. By bringing a human-centered approach to finance, individuals with a liberal arts background can create products that are user-friendly and have a real impact on people's financial lives.

(Dwivedi, 2020) studied FinTech an inclusive technological framework for the Indian Financial Ecosystem. In this paper the author has contemplated Fintech in the Indian Financial Ecosystem (IFES), emphasizing the social, economic, Technical, and regulatory drivers which Have allowed Fintech to be one of the indispensable components of the Financial Framework in India. The author also stressed the keyword "Financial Inclusion". The role of the regulatory Bodies and policymakers in the developing the Financial Ecosystem of the emerging economies Such as the Indian Economy. A compact review of two of the latest emerging technological Domains in Fintech, viz., Block chain, and Artificial Intelligence and how they are changing The IFES has also been supplied

(Kumar, 2021) analyzed Impact of Fintech on the Profitability of Public and Private Banks in India. They studied how the Fintech evolution has eased the Banking sector of India. The main purpose of their study is the impact of Fintech on the Profitability of Private and Public sector Banks in India. The source data for their study had been collected by PW's, KPMG, RBI, and SSRN. The three aspects their paper revolves around are the historical Evolution, the market size and the growth. They analyzed that the upward development of Fintech industry in India will see the rise of completely new monetary innovations that Gives individuals new instruments to exchange, contribute, set aside cash, and rebuild their Accounts.

(Mohanasundram, 2021) contemplated that Disturbance on India's Fintech scene: The 5G wave. They investigated that with the 5G, the fifth-Generation versatile organization the Whole Fintech standpoint has been disturbed; the 5G is relied upon to make another Fintech Biological system in India. 5G innovation offers expected highlights to empower the Fintech Industry to get a huge change the banking and money area in India. In this investigation the Creators have inspected the impact of 5G on the developing bank advancements, with an uncommon consideration towards Fintech.

(Vijair 2021) studied the Fintech Industry in India: The Revolutionized Finance Sector. They analyzed, Fintech has changed the customary monetary establishments and is continuously forming the monetary area, their exploration paper breaks down the Fintech Adoption, Fintech News Network, Indian Fintech industry design, and Fintech Start-ups in India, and Fintech Trends in India. The examination gave an outline of Fintech Industry, and government supporting drive on Fintech Industry. Fintech gives the clients faster monetary administration and items. Fintech Industry advancement is fundamental for both Indian and worldwide monetary area.

(Shree, 2021) analyzed those factors such as feeling and trust in digital payments, and Experience with online frauds influence the payment behavior of their key demographic. Though different variables like gender, pay, and age are the dependable components which decide this decision of using these installment entryways. Alongside these elements an Individual's discernment towards the Fintech and their trust on these innovative progressions assumes an indispensable part. With the expanding cash use at the macroeconomic level their Discoveries illuminate it the ascent of money exchanges. This investigation has introduced in five areas relating to existing writing, information and system test rundown details, Experimental discoveries and end and strategy suggestions.

(Shashidar, 2020) analyzed Regulatory Sandboxes: Decoding India's Attempt to Regulate Fintech Disruption. He studied that the mechanical advancements are disturbing the Conventional monetary area, and the RBI's administrative sandbox practice is an endeavor to be more coordinated and assimilate a part of this interruption. His paper analyzes the present Status of administrative sandboxes in India and assesses the triumphs and difficulties toddler His somewhat new administrative system and apparatus. Alongside this, his paper likewise illuminates the whole business sees as key and layouts future assumptions. Taking everything into account it remarks on the explanation of the controllers need to assemble other Conventional instruments of empowering development.



According to Jyvaskyla University School of Business and Economics According to the study's findings, Fintech companies start competing with banks for individual behaviors. Fintech corporations help through less regulation, the scarcity of enormous rigid institutions, and the dearth of outdated computer schemes. Banks, contrarily, are precise in ways that non-banks could indeed recreate. Fintech banks, where they are online banks, could indeed compete with banks in terms of customer interaction and comfort, but legacy banking institutions have the benefit of an extensive client base, extensive experience with regulatory agencies, and a wider product providing. Fintech companies could improve banks via compelling them to start competing roughly, however intense contest does not complete companies safe and secure. As market becomes more competitive, banks will be forced to seize more dangers with the intention of remaining profitable with their prevailing structure of pricing. If they are incapable of taking many risks, they'll have to slash the expenses drastically and come to be same as utility companies. More research is believed to be needed to obtain a greater awareness of few problems pertaining to Fintech actions and their influence on financial stabilization. More scientific work has seemed to be required to investigate the impact of contest between banks and Fintech companies on the capital adequacy of marketplaces in nations where Fintech lending services are commonly used. Research papers might be mandated to specify the real edges and drawbacks of strategic partners, amalgamations, and consolidations which arose between banking and firms of Fintech. This might be reasonable to look into the position of bank wealth in fostering lender confidence. More investigation is needed to determine whether the period, level of income, civilization, and cultures of the populace in the congregation have a significant impact on their use of Fintech. Future studies may also look into the effect of lawful and regulatory ambiguity on the advancement of Fintech in expanding nations. Upcoming work might look into the impact of the complete absence of a Fintech registration structure on the long term of Fintech operations.

FinTech is a company that is using technology to provide financial solutions using the internet and automated processing of information (Gabor & Brooks, 2017; Milian, Spinola, & de Carvalho, 2019; Zavolokina et al., 2016; Alt, Beck, & Smits, 2018; Gomber, Kauffman, Parker, & Weber, 2018; Puschmann, 2017). The Electronic Markets special issue in 2012 concluded that banks were only at the beginning of seeing the potential offered by mobile and Internet technology (Bons et al. 2012; Alt and Puschmann 2012). At the external organization level, regulation changes from lower equity requirements, less supervision, and high protection from national legislation towards stricter rules for held equity, more supervision on an international level, and less protection offered by national laws (Alt and Puschmann 2016, pp. 25–27; Arner et al. 2017; Lawrence 2016; Pousttchi and Dehnert 2018). This is also required since the key infrastructures (e.g., central bank, payment networks) will no longer be provided by centralized national bodies or focal firms but by electronic systems that are operated by various network partners for specific tasks (e.g., payments, investment, financing) or even work on a fully decentralized basis (e.g., blockchain) (Alt and Puschmann 2016, pp. 94–102; Němcová and Dvořák 2013). The widespread use of digital infrastructures allows cost-efficient operations and the move towards cashless societies. 2023 JETIR January 2023, Volume 10, Issue 1 www.jetir.org (ISSN-2349-5162) JETIR2301033 Journal of Emerging Technologies and Innovative Research (JETIR) www.jetir.org a244 In 2018, we may say that this development has taken place. Besides a further growth of FinTech start-up funding, many incumbents have increased the digitalization of their processes and sometimes even introduced new products and services (e.g., enhanced online banking, customer apps and video conferencing, crypto assets). Thus, the emergence of FinTech is impressive, but has not come “all of a sudden” and relies on a long legacy of financial technology. Is it a revolution or rather an evolution? FinTech may indeed be conceived as a simple evolution if a linear development path could be observed.

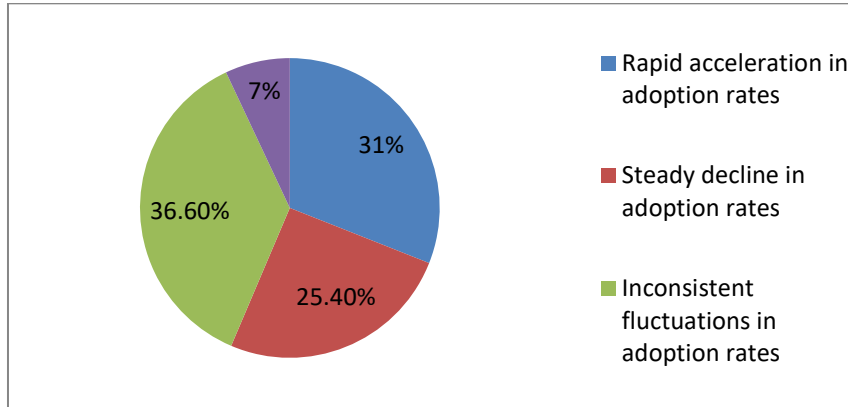
III. RESEARCH METHODOLOGY

3.1 Objectives:

1. Assess the adoption rate of innovative fintech solutions among traditional banking institutions.
2. Identify the key factors influencing the diffusion of fintech innovations in the banking sector.
3. Analyze the impact of regulatory frameworks on the adoption of fintech innovations in banking.
4. Examine the role of consumer behavior and preferences in the diffusion of fintech banking solutions.
5. Evaluate the competitive advantages gained by early adopters of fintech innovations in the banking industry

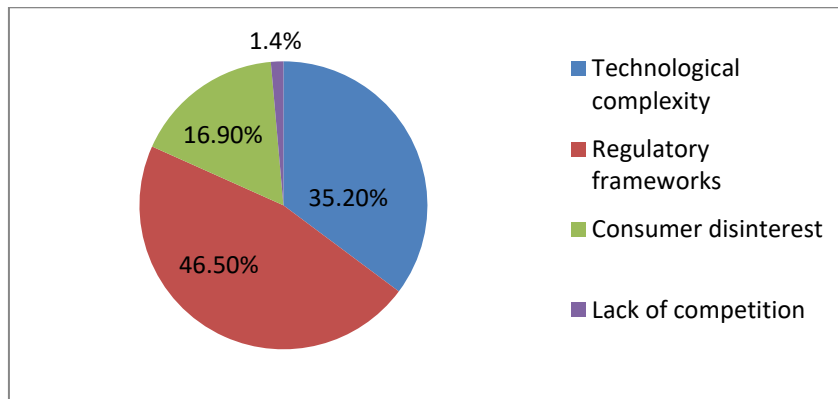


1 Assess the adoption rate of innovative fintech solutions among traditional banking institutions.



The analysis of the adoption rates of innovative fintech solutions among traditional banking institutions reveals several trends. Among these, the most prominent is the inconsistent fluctuations in adoption rates, accounting for 36.6% of the surveyed institutions. This suggests that while some banks are rapidly embracing fintech solutions, others are slower to adopt, leading to fluctuations in the overall adoption rate. Additionally, there is a significant proportion, 31%, experiencing a rapid acceleration in adoption rates, indicating a growing acceptance of fintech innovations within the banking sector. Conversely, 25.4% of institutions are witnessing a steady decline in adoption rates, possibly due to challenges in integrating new technologies or resistance to change. A smaller percentage, 7%, reported minimal change in adoption rates over time, indicating stagnation in embracing fintech solutions. Overall, the analysis underscores the varied landscape of fintech adoption within traditional banking institutions, with some experiencing rapid growth, while others face challenges or remain stagnant in their adoption journey.

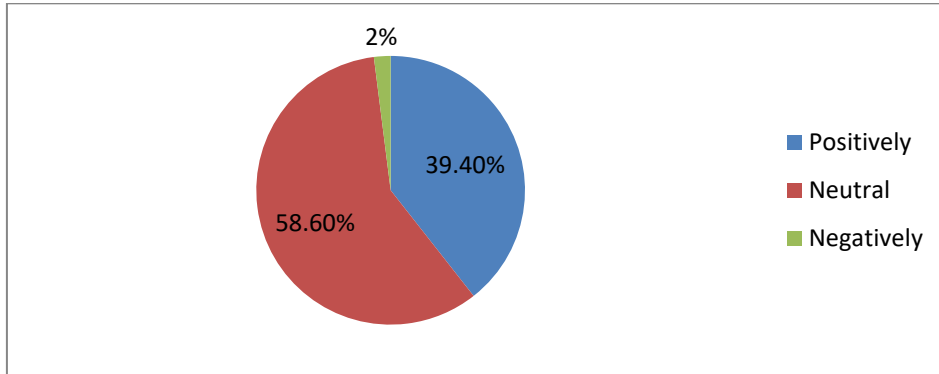
2 Identify the key factors influencing the diffusion of fintech innovations in the banking sector.



The data indicates that regulatory frameworks play a predominant role, with 46.5% of respondents identifying them as a key factor influencing the diffusion of fintech innovations in the banking sector. This suggests that regulations significantly shape how banks adopt and implement fintech solutions, potentially acting as either enablers or barriers to innovation. Additionally, technological complexity emerges as another significant factor, with 35.2% recognizing its influence. This highlights the importance of banks' ability to navigate and integrate complex technologies effectively. Consumer disinterest and lack of competition, though less prevalent, still contribute to the diffusion landscape, indicating that understanding and addressing consumer preferences and market dynamics are also crucial for successful fintech adoption within traditional banking institutions.

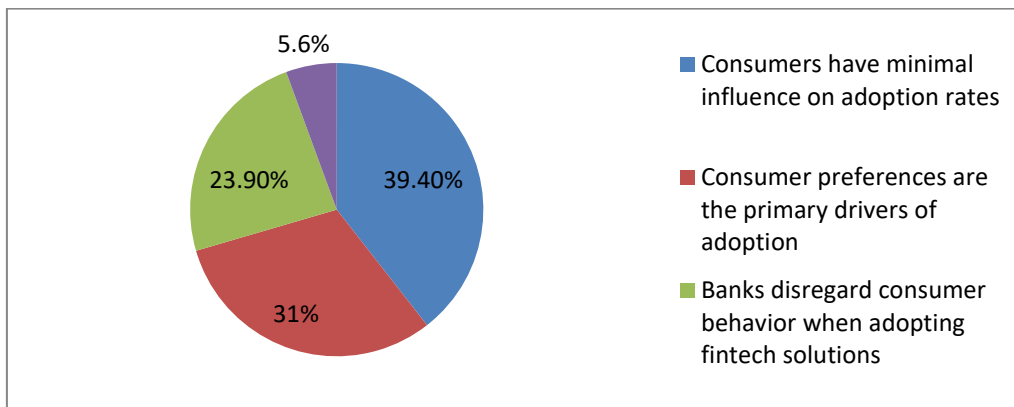


3 Analyze the impact of regulatory frameworks on the adoption of fintech innovations in banking.



The data suggests that a majority, 58.6%, perceive regulatory frameworks as having a neutral impact on the adoption of fintech innovations in banking. This indicates that while regulations may not actively hinder or facilitate fintech adoption, they still influence the banking landscape to some extent. However, 39.4% believe that regulatory frameworks positively impact fintech adoption, implying that regulations can provide a supportive environment for innovation and implementation in banking. Only a small minority, 2%, view regulatory frameworks as having a negative effect, indicating potential barriers or challenges posed by regulatory compliance in adopting fintech solutions. Overall, the perception of regulatory impact varies, with a significant portion seeing it as neither strongly positive nor negative.

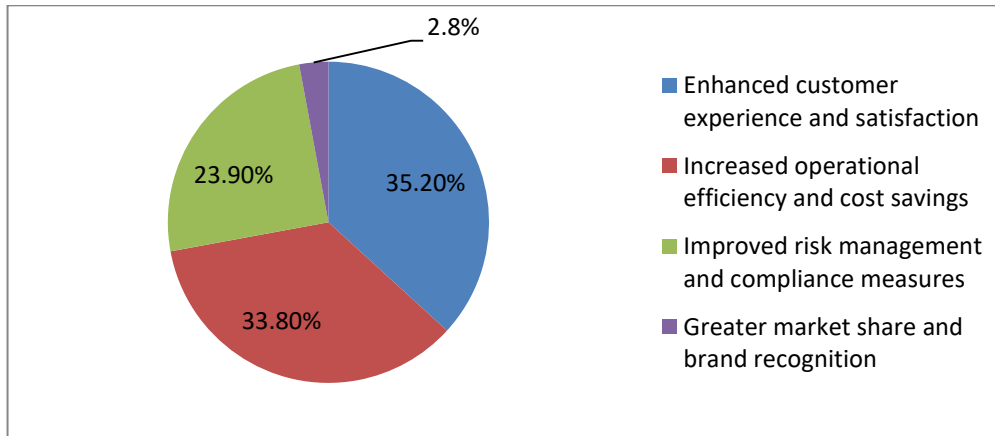
4 Examine the role of consumer behavior and preferences in the diffusion of fintech banking solutions.



The data illustrates varying perspectives on the influence of consumer behavior and preferences in the diffusion of fintech banking solutions. While a significant portion, 39.4%, suggests that consumers have minimal influence on adoption rates, a considerable 31% acknowledge that consumer preferences are indeed the primary drivers of adoption. This discrepancy highlights contrasting views within the industry regarding the significance of aligning fintech offerings with consumer needs and desires. However, a notable 23.9% indicate that banks may sometimes disregard consumer behavior when adopting fintech solutions, which could lead to potential mismatches between offerings and consumer expectations. Additionally, a minority, 5.6%, believe that consumer behavior only affects fintech startups, not traditional banks, potentially overlooking the impact of evolving consumer demands on the broader banking sector. Overall, while there is recognition of the importance of consumer preferences in driving fintech adoption, there are differing perspectives on the extent of their influence and how effectively banks respond to them.



5 Evaluate the competitive advantages gained by early adopters of fintech innovations in the banking industry



The data suggests that early adopters of fintech innovations in the banking industry gain competitive advantages across various fronts. Notably, 35.2% of respondents believe that enhanced customer experience and satisfaction are key benefits. This indicates that leveraging fintech allows banks to offer more user-friendly services, leading to happier customers and potentially greater loyalty. Additionally, 33.8% highlight increased operational efficiency and cost savings as a significant advantage. This implies that fintech adoption streamlines internal processes, reduces overheads, and boosts profitability. Furthermore, 23.9% recognize improved risk management and compliance measures, indicating that fintech solutions help banks navigate regulatory challenges more effectively. However, only a small percentage, 2.8%, attribute greater market share and brand recognition to early fintech adoption. While these benefits vary in prominence, they collectively underscore the competitive edge gained by banks embracing fintech innovations early on.

IV. CONCLUSION

The adoption of innovative fintech solutions among traditional banking institutions has been a subject of significant interest and analysis. This research aimed to assess the adoption rates, identify key influencing factors, analyze the impact of regulatory frameworks, examine the role of consumer behavior, and evaluate the competitive advantages gained by early adopters in the banking industry.

The analysis of adoption rates revealed a varied landscape within traditional banking institutions. While some banks are rapidly embracing fintech solutions, others are experiencing inconsistent fluctuations or even stagnation in adoption. This suggests that the pace of adoption is influenced by a combination of factors, including organizational readiness, technological complexity, and resistance to change.

Regulatory frameworks emerged as a predominant factor influencing the diffusion of fintech innovations in the banking sector. While a majority perceived regulatory frameworks to have a neutral impact, a significant proportion believed that regulations positively support fintech adoption by providing a supportive environment for innovation and implementation. However, a small minority viewed regulatory frameworks negatively, highlighting potential barriers or challenges posed by regulatory compliance.

Consumer behavior and preferences also played a crucial role in the diffusion of fintech banking solutions. While there was recognition of the importance of aligning fintech offerings with consumer needs and desires, there were varying perspectives on the extent of consumer influence. Some believed that consumer preferences were the primary drivers of adoption, while others suggested that banks sometimes disregard consumer behavior, leading to potential mismatches between offerings and expectations.

Early adopters of fintech innovations in the banking industry were found to gain competitive advantages across various fronts. Notably, enhanced customer experience and satisfaction were identified as key benefits, indicating that fintech adoption allows banks to offer more user-friendly services, leading to happier customers and potentially greater loyalty. Additionally, increased operational efficiency and cost savings were highlighted, implying that fintech adoption streamlines internal processes, reduces overheads, and boosts profitability. Improved risk management and compliance



measures were also recognized, indicating that fintech solutions help banks navigate regulatory challenges more effectively.

In conclusion, the research findings underscore the complex dynamics surrounding the adoption of fintech solutions within traditional banking institutions. While there is growing acceptance and recognition of the benefits of fintech innovation, adoption rates vary, influenced by factors such as regulatory frameworks, technological complexity, and consumer behavior. To capitalize on the competitive advantages offered by fintech innovations, banks need to navigate regulatory complexities effectively, align offerings with consumer preferences, and leverage fintech solutions to enhance customer experience, operational efficiency, and risk management.

Moving forward, further research is needed to delve deeper into specific factors influencing adoption rates, develop strategies to overcome regulatory challenges, and explore collaborative opportunities between traditional banks and fintech startups. By addressing these challenges and leveraging fintech innovations effectively, traditional banking institutions can stay competitive and meet the evolving needs of their customers in an increasingly digitalized financial landscape.

Suggestion

Fluctuating Adoption Rates Research: Further exploration into the drivers behind fluctuating adoption rates of fintech solutions among traditional banking institutions is crucial for understanding organizational behaviors, market dynamics, and internal decision-making processes that impact technology adoption.

Regulatory Strategy Investigation: Investigating strategies to overcome regulatory challenges is essential, considering the perceived neutral or positive impact of regulatory frameworks on fintech adoption. Developing tailored compliance frameworks and advocating for regulatory reforms can help banks navigate these challenges effectively.

Consumer-Centric Approaches Examination: Understanding consumer behavior and preferences is key to aligning fintech offerings with evolving consumer needs. Conducting market research, implementing customer feedback mechanisms, and designing personalized fintech solutions can enhance adoption rates.

Long-Term Implications Assessment: Assessing the long-term implications of early fintech adoption is vital for understanding the sustainability and broader impacts on traditional banking institutions. Longitudinal studies tracking the performance of early adopters can provide insights into their competitive positioning over time.

Collaboration Opportunities Exploration: Exploring collaboration opportunities between traditional banks and fintech startups can accelerate innovation and enhance competitiveness. Partnerships for product development, technology integration, or joint market initiatives can leverage the competitive advantages gained by early fintech adopters.

Ways to Follow Suggestions.

1. **Fluctuating Adoption Rates Research:** Delve deeper into the factors influencing the fluctuating adoption rates of fintech solutions among traditional banking institutions. Understand how organizational behaviors, market dynamics, and internal decision-making processes impact technology adoption within these institutions.
2. **Regulatory Strategy Investigation:** Explore strategies to overcome regulatory challenges faced by traditional banks in adopting fintech solutions. Develop tailored compliance frameworks and advocate for regulatory reforms to create a conducive environment for fintech innovation within the banking sector.
3. **Consumer-Centric Approaches Examination:** Analyze consumer behavior and preferences to align fintech offerings with evolving needs. Conduct thorough market research, implement effective customer feedback mechanisms, and design personalized fintech solutions to enhance adoption rates among target consumer segments.
4. **Long-Term Implications Assessment:** Evaluate the long-term implications of early fintech adoption for traditional banking institutions. Conduct longitudinal studies to track the performance of early adopters and gain insights into their competitive positioning and sustainability over time.



5. **Collaboration Opportunities Exploration:** Explore collaboration opportunities between traditional banks and fintech startups to drive innovation and enhance competitiveness. Foster partnerships for product development, technology integration, and joint market initiatives to leverage the competitive advantages gained by early fintech adopters.

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