# CUSTOMER SATISFACTION EVALUATION OF CEP SERVICES QUALITY IN THE TIME OF DISRUPTIONS

#### Introduction

This chapter explains the service satisfaction perspectives and behavioral intention of CEP service users, especially in a disruptive context. There are four segment of user namely individual postal users, individual private CEP users, organizational postal users, and organizational private CEP users. The investigation begins with a description of the demographic characteristics of respondents, followed by a factor analysis aimed at identifying and categorizing the key determinants affecting customer satisfaction. Structural Equation Modelling (SEM) is employed to identify the most significant aspects affecting CEP operations during disruptions, thereby highlighting the primary performance drivers. The chapter analyzes consumer behavioral intentions, investigating how disruptions affect future service usage and recommendations. A comprehensive, sequential description of SEM is presented, and the model is evaluated utilizing the Partial Least Squares (PLS) approach for rigorous validation. The chapter discusses service quality, customer satisfaction and behavioral intentions of customers amid disruptions, providing insights on sustaining service quality and enhancing operations under disruptive circumstances. This chapter is divided into four parts as detailed below:

- 7.1 Customer satisfaction evaluation of CEP service quality in the time of disruptions from the perspective of individual users of the postal service
- 7.2 Customer satisfaction evaluation of CEP service quality in times of disruptions from the perspective of individual users of private courier services
- 7.3 Customer satisfaction evaluation of CEP service quality in times of disruptions from the perspective of organizational users of private courier services
- 7.4 Customer satisfaction evaluation of CEP service quality in times of disruptions from the perspective of organizational users of postal services

# 7.1 CUSTOMER SATISFACTION EVALUATION OF CEP SERVICE QUALITY IN THE TIME OF DISRUPTIONS FROM THE PERSPECTIVE OF INDIVIDUAL USERS OF POSTAL SERVICE

# 7.1.1 Identification of key factors affecting the satisfaction level of individual users

# 7.1.1.1 Respondents' demographic profile

7.1.1 Table: Demographic profile of individual CEP users

Characteristics	Category	Frequency	Percent
Gender of the respondents	Male	254	62.3
	Female	154	37.7
Education level	High school	13	3.2
	Higher Secondary	65	15.9
	Graduation	178	43.6
	Post Graduation	113	27.7
	Others	39	9.6
Profession	Self-employed	75	18.4
	Public Sector	59	14.5
	Private Sector	152	37.3
	Government Employee	54	13.2
	House maker	60	14.7
	Others	8	2
Age	18-24 years	85	20.8
	25-34 years	198	48.5
	35-44 years	54	13.2
	45-54 years	46	11.3
	55-65 years	25	6.1
Monthly income	Up to Rs. 20000	104	25.5
	Rs. 21,000 to Rs. 40,000	162	39.7
	Rs. 41,000 to Rs. 60,000	58	14.2
	Rs. 61,000 to Rs. 1,00,000	62	15.2
	Above Rs. 1,00,000	22	5.4
Purpose of delivery	To send documents	116	28.4
	To send non-document	49	12
	Both	243	59.6
Delivery feature	Flexibility	10	2.5
	Safety	155	38
	Price	42	10.3
	Speed	132	32.4
	Appropriate Service	69	16.9
Preference during urgency	India Post	128	31.4
	Private courier	190	46.6
	Both	90	22.1
Frequency of service	Rarely	48	11.8
	Daily	25	6.1
	Weekly	82	20.1
	Monthly	150	36.8
	More than two times a year	103	25.2

The demographic profile (Table 7.1.1) indicates that about 62.3% of the respondents were male and 37.7% were female. The majority of the participants, i.e.,43.6%, were graduates, followed by post-graduation (27.7%) and higher secondary (15.9%). 37.3% of the respondents were from the private sector, followed by self-employed 18.4%, and the

remaining comprised government employees, public sector, and homemakers. The majority of the respondents (48.5%) were aged between 25-34 years, followed by 18-24 years (20.8%), and 35-44 years (13.2%). According to the respondents' annual income assessments, approximately 65.2% earn no more than Rs. 40,000, 14.2% earn between Rs. 41,000 and Rs. 60,000, 15.2% earn between Rs. 61,000 and Rs. 1,000,000, and 5.4% earn more than Rs. 1,000,000. 59.6% of the respondents use the courier and express services to send both documents and packages, 28.4% to send documents and 12% to send only packages. The majority of the respondents preferred safety (38%) and speed (32.4%) as essential delivery features, followed by appropriate service (16.9%) and flexibility (2.5%). When asked for preference during urgency majority of the respondents (46.6%) said they use a private courier. The study also found data on frequency of use, i.e., monthly (36.8%), More than two times in a year (25.2%), weekly (20.1%), rarely (11.8%), and daily (6.1%).

### 7.1.1.2 Descriptive statistics of factors

Table 7.1.2 Descriptive statistics (Individual postal users)

	Mean	Std. Deviation	Skewness	Kurtosis
Dynamic Adaptability 1	4.03	1.466	069	596
Dynamic Adaptability 2	3.74	1.417	.024	434
Dynamic Adaptability 3	3.94	1.355	.076	373
Dynamic Adaptability 4	3.84	1.341	.118	373
Dynamic Adaptability 5	3.98	1.313	062	356
Dynamic Adaptability 6	3.38	1.440	.217	404
Technological Adaptability 1	3.56	1.425	.344	210
Technological Adaptability 2	3.56	1.347	.346	238
Technological Adaptability 3	3.38	1.462	.521	106
Logistics Efficiency 1	4.06	1.408	119	358
Logistics Efficiency 2	3.65	1.287	.219	692
Logistics Efficiency 3	3.70	1.426	.389	274
Logistics Efficiency 4	3.67	1.246	.545	.142
Logistics Efficiency 5	3.86	1.306	.070	217
Logistics Efficiency 6	3.92	1.367	010	297
Service Interface 1	4.52	1.402	317	342
Service Interface 2	4.23	1.416	.046	434
Service Interface 3	4.06	1.332	023	302
Service Interface 4	3.83	1.431	.077	341
Service Interface 5	3.84	1.403	128	618
Service Interface 6	3.93	1.410	035	298
Operating Efficiency 1	3.71	1.523	.183	662
Operating Efficiency 2	3.33	1.404	.446	398
Operating Efficiency 3	3.85	1.395	.350	046
Operating Efficiency 4	3.92	1.392	.052	296
Operating Efficiency 5	3.76	1.382	.145	188

	Mean	Std. Deviation	Skewness	Kurtosis
Operating Efficiency 6	3.72	1.568	.228	491
Customer Involvement 1	3.53	1.326	.244	260
Customer Involvement 2	3.28	1.382	.542	.082
Customer Involvement 3	3.13	1.306	.358	223
Discrepancy Mitigation 1	3.34	1.296	.150	140
Discrepancy Mitigation 2	3.24	1.240	.432	305
Discrepancy Mitigation 3	3.32	1.431	.262	391
Innovativeness 1	3.87	1.416	.200	614
Innovativeness 2	3.74	1.406	.218	337
Innovativeness 3	3.56	1.440	.224	494
Competitiveness 1	4.44	1.415	191	160
Competitiveness 2	3.62	1.334	.251	146
Competitiveness 3	3.18	1.308	.275	555
Competitiveness 4	4.03	1.503	168	737
Customer Loyalty 1	4.07	1.502	135	607
Customer Loyalty 2	3.79	1.385	.114	496
Customer Loyalty 3	4.07	1.513	048	528
Customer Disloyalty 1	3.91	1.657	.112	868
Customer Disloyalty 2	3.60	1.400	.246	556
Customer Disloyalty 3	3.93	1.419	.048	429
Customer Disloyalty 4	3.62	1.509	.259	591
Customer Satisfaction 1	4.04	1.260	079	290
Customer Satisfaction 2	4.37	1.318	207	212
Customer Satisfaction 3	4.15	1.357	257	340
Customer Satisfaction 4	3.92	1.273	.306	061
Customer Satisfaction 5	4.44	1.367	202	282
Willingness to pay	4.28	1.511	061	400

The descriptive statistics (Table 7.1.2) of the variables show a range of means from 3.13 to 4.52, indicating respondents normally assigned moderate to high ratings for multiple aspects of service quality, adaptability, and performance. The highest mean is observed for SI1 and reflecting strong satisfaction with this aspect, while CI3 has the lowest mean, indicating relatively lower involvement from customers. The standard deviation values span from 1.240 to 1.657, signifying significant variety in replies, with CDLTY1 exhibiting the largest variability. The data demonstrates a nearly normal distribution with comparable responses and a moderate dispersion. The skewness values for all variables, spanning from -0.317 to 0.545, suggest that the data distribution is relatively symmetric, exhibiting negligible divergence from normalcy. All variables have neither substantial positive nor negative skewness, indicating that answers are predominantly centered around the mean. The kurtosis values, ranging from -0.868 to 0.082, suggest that the dataset is mesokurtic, indicating a close adherence to a normal distribution. The kurtosis values near

zero indicate that the distribution's tails are neither overly heavy nor excessively light. This interpretation indicates that the dataset has a normal, balanced distribution devoid of extreme outliers or skewed trends, so it offers a dependable foundation for subsequent statistical research.

# 7.1.1.3 Exploratory factor analysis

The exploratory factor analysis was conducted using the Statistical Package for the Social Sciences (SPSS). KMO measure of sampling adequacy indicates suitable data for factor analysis, and a significant Bartlett's Test of Sphericity (p < 0.001) confirms sufficient correlations between variables (Table 7.1.3). The first component explains 37.79% of the variance. After rotation, variance is more equally distributed, allowing for easier interpretation (Table 7.1.4). The Rotated Component Matrix shows that the dataset has numerous dimensions (factors), helping researchers comprehend each structure (Table 7.1.5). The test produced nine components of service quality, accounting for a total variance of 72.65%. These factors were named as *dynamic adaptability, competitiveness, customer involvement, discrepancy mitigation, service interface, technological adaptability, innovativeness, operational efficiency,* and *service interface*. The factor loadings are all satisfactory and above 0.5.

Table 7.1.3 KMO and Bartlett's Test-I (Individual postal users)

Kaise	r-Meyer-Olkin Measure of Sampling Adequacy.	.945
Bartlett's Test of Sphericity	Approx. Chi-Square	10936.801
	df	780
	Sig.	0.000

Table 7.1.4 Total Variance Explained-I (Individual postal users)

Componen t	Ir	nitial Eigenv	values	Extrac	tion Sums o Loading		Rota		ion Sums of Squared Loadings	
	Total	% of Varianc	Cumulativ e %	Total	% of Varianc	Cumulativ e %	Total	% of Varianc	Cumulativ e %	
1	15.11 6	<i>e</i> 37.791	37.791	15.116	<i>e</i> 37.791	37.791	4.488	11.221	11.221	
2	2.623	6.558	44.349	2.623	6.558	44.349	4.423	11.058	22.279	
3	2.212	5.531	49.880	2.212	5.531	49.880	4.363	10.909	33.188	
4	1.904	4.760	54.639	1.904	4.760	54.639	4.178	10.444	43.632	
5	1.865	4.661	59.301	1.865	4.661	59.301	2.599	6.498	50.130	
6	1.699	4.249	63.549	1.699	4.249	63.549	2.411	6.027	56.156	
7	1.359	3.398	66.947	1.359	3.398	66.947	2.350	5.874	62.031	
8	1.205	3.012	69.959	1.205	3.012	69.959	2.136	5.339	67.370	
9	1.075	2.688	72.647	1.075	2.688	72.647	2.111	5.277	72.647	
10	.713	1.784	74.430							
11	.625	1.561	75.992							

Componen t	Ir	nitial Eigenv	values	Extrac	tion Sums o		Rota	tion Sums o	
- 1	Total	% of Varianc e	Cumulativ e %	Total	% of Varianc e	Cumulativ e %	Total	% of Varianc e	Cumulativ e %
12	.585	1.463	77.455						
13	.555	1.386	78.842						
14	.529	1.322	80.163						
15	.502	1.256	81.419						
16	.455	1.137	82.556						
17	.443	1.106	83.663						
18	.422	1.055	84.718						
19	.403	1.006	85.724						
20	.399	.998	86.723						
21	.382	.955	87.678						
22	.367	.919	88.597						
23	.359	.898	89.495						
24	.334	.836	90.331						
25	.324	.811	91.142						
26	.316	.789	91.931						
27	.294	.735	92.665						
28	.283	.708	93.374						
29	.270	.675	94.049						
30	.267	.668	94.717						
31	.262	.654	95.371						
32	.247	.617	95.988						
33	.235	.588	96.576						
34	.228	.570	97.146						
35	.219	.546	97.692						
36	.207	.518	98.210						
37	.194	.485	98.695						
38	.183	.457	99.151						
39	.173	.433	99.584						
40	.166	.416	100.000						

Extraction Method: Principal Component Analysis

Table 7.1.5 Rotated component matrix-I (Individual postal users)

	Component								
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Operational Efficiency 1	.789								
Operational Efficiency 2	.769								
Operational Efficiency 3	.755								
Operational Efficiency 4	.752								
Operational Efficiency 5	.699								
Operational Efficiency 6	.695								
Logistics Efficiency 1		.791							
Logistics Efficiency 2		.790							
Logistics Efficiency 3		.760							

					Compone	nt			
-	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Logistics Efficiency 4		.734							
Logistics Efficiency 5		.709							
Logistics Efficiency 6		.670							
Dynamic Adaptability 1			.737						
Dynamic Adaptability 2			.730						
Dynamic Adaptability 3			.729						
Dynamic Adaptability 4			.726						
Dynamic Adaptability 5			.718						
Dynamic Adaptability 6			.716						
Service Interface 1				.810					
Service Interface 2				.792					
Service Interface 3				.779					
Service Interface 4				.728					
Service Interface 5				.699					
Service Interface 6				.685					
Competitiveness 1					.797				
Competitiveness 2					.763				
Competitiveness 3					.722				
Competitiveness 4					.686				
Innovativeness 1						.877			
Innovativeness 2						.855			
Innovativeness 3						.854			
Discrepancy Mitigation 1							.792		
Discrepancy Mitigation 2							.770		
Discrepancy Mitigation 3							.770		
Technological Adaptability 1								.767	
Technological Adaptability 2								.729	
Technological Adaptability 3								.669	
Customer Involvement 1									.738
Customer Involvement 2									.689
Customer Involvement 3									.652

Extraction Method: Principal Component Analysis. Rotation Method: Varimax with Kaiser Normalization Rotation Method: Varimax with Kaiser Normalization.

Three more constructs were extracted, namely customer satisfaction, customer loyalty, and customer disloyalty, with a total variance of 76.91%. The factor loadings are also above the required threshold limits of 0.5. KMO and Bartlett's Test also showed significant results. The results are discussed as follows

Table 7.1.6 KMO and Bartlett's Test-II (Individual postal users)

Kaisei	r-Meyer-Olkin Measure of Sampling Adequacy.	.902
Bartlett's Test of Sphericity	Approx. Chi-Square	3249.957

df	66
Sig.	0.000

Table 7.1.7 Total Variance Explained-II (Individual postal users)

Compone nt	Ini	tial Eigenvalu	ies	Extrac	tion Sums o	-	Rota	tion Sums of	-
m.	Total	% of Variance	Cumulat ive %	Total	% of Variance	Cumulat ive %	Total	% of Variance	Cumulativ e %
1	5.343	44.528	44.528	5.343	44.528	44.528	3.864	32.200	32.200
2	2.825	23.544	68.072	2.825	23.544	68.072	3.203	26.692	58.892
3	1.061	8.840	76.912	1.061	8.840	76.912	2.162	18.020	76.912
4	.492	4.102	81.014						
5	.361	3.006	84.020						
6	.324	2.701	86.721						
7	.307	2.558	89.280						
8	.301	2.510	91.790						
9	.280	2.335	94.125						
10	.242	2.020	96.145						
11	.240	2.000	98.146						
12	.223	1.854	100.000						

Extraction Method: Principal Component Analysis.

Table 7.1.8 Rotated Component matrix-II (Individual postal users)

	Compo	nent	
	1	2	3
Customer Satisfaction 1	.846		
Customer Satisfaction 2	.844		
Customer Satisfaction 3	.841		
Customer Satisfaction 4	.841		
Customer Satisfaction 5	.819		
Customer Disloyalty 1		.894	
Customer Disloyalty 2		.889	
Customer Disloyalty 3		.881	
Customer Disloyalty 4		.876	
Customer Loyalty 1			.820
Customer Loyalty 2			.769
Customer Loyalty 3			.766

Extraction Method: Principal Component Analysis Rotation Method: Varimax with Kaiser Normalization.

The three tables (7.1.6, 7.1.7, 7.1.8) demonstrate factor analysis structures and validity. Sampling Adequacy test is excellent as KMO score signifies that the variables share a considerable fraction of variation, making the dataset eligible for factor analysis. Bartlett's Test of Sphericity also yields a significant result. This reveals that the correlation matrix

is not an identity matrix, which factor analysis requires. Significant results (p < 0.05) indicate considerable correlations between variables, qualifying for factoring. Both tests confirm that the data is suitable for factor analysis. The total variance explained table demonstrates that the first three components explain 76.91% of the variance, with the first two accounting for 58.89% after extraction, indicating a robust structure. This structure shows that the data has separate dimensions like customer loyalty, satisfaction, and disloyalty with clear patterns.

#### 7.1.2 Assessment of measurement model

### 7.1.2.1 Reliability and validity

Table 7.1.9 Outer loadings, validity, and reliability for constructs (Individual postal users)

	Outer loadings	Cronbach's alpha	Composite reliability (rho_a)	Composite reliability (rho_c)	Average variance extracted (AVE)	VIF
DAD1	0.071	0.024				2 072
DAP1 DAP2	0.871	0.924	0.927	0.941	0.725	2.872
	0.852					2.602
DAP3	0.852					2.612
DAP4	0.871					2.895
DAP5	0.847					2.516
DAP6	0.817	0.063	0.004	0.016	0.705	2.303
DM1	0.892	0.863	0.864	0.916	0.785	2.247
DM2	0.894					2.340
DM3	0.872	0.010	0.025	0.007	0.722	2.084
TA1	0.811	0.810	0.825	0.887	0.723	1.700
TA2	0.872					1.920
TA3	0.867	0.055	0.050	0.013	0.775	1.735
INV1	0.893	0.855	0.858	0.912	0.775	2.208
INV2	0.889					2.292
INV3	0.858	0.011	0.045	0.004	0.000	1.941
LGE1	0.884	0.911	0.915	0.931	0.693	3.071
LGE2	0.832					2.409
LGE3	0.818					2.220
LGE4	0.774					1.933
LGE5	0.864					3.536
LGE6	0.817					2.852
OPE1	0.874	0.922	0.924	0.939	0.720	3.019
OPE2	0.833					2.484
OPE3	0.864					2.770
OPE4	0.825					2.298
OPE5	0.859					2.772
OPE6	0.833					2.610
SI1	0.793	0.904	0.920	0.925	0.675	2.198
SI2	0.737					1.954
SI3	0.820					2.100
SI4	0.852					2.385
SI5	0.873					2.933

	Outer loadings	Cronbach's alpha	Composite reliability (rho_a)	Composite reliability (rho_c)	Average variance extracted (AVE)	VIF
SI6	0.846					2.562
COM1	0.813	0.808	0.850	0.870	0.629	1.846
СОМ2	0.863					1.824
сомз	0.811					1.601
СОМ4	0.672					1.494
CI1	0.865	0.810	0.825	0.887	0.723	1.690
CI2	0.866					1.917
CI3	0.820					1.754
CDLTY1	0.907	0.914	0.930	0.939	0.793	2.866
CDLTY2	0.895					2.807
CDLTY3	0.885					2.986
CDLTY4	0.875					2.920
CLTY1	0.894	0.812	0.826	0.889	0.727	2.125
CLTY2	0.871					1.965
CLTY3	0.789					1.550
CSAT1	0.870	0.924	0.925	0.942	0.766	2.741
CSAT2	0.861					2.628
CSAT3	0.886					3.011
CSAT4	0.867					2.622
CSAT5	0.891					3.128
WLP	1.000					1.000

The measuring model includes convergent validity, discriminant validity, and construct reliability (Table 7.1.9). This demonstrates that the composite reliability (CR) values of constructs were all over 0.7, with a range of 0.927 to 0.825, indicating high reliability. Cronbach's alpha value was also above 0.7. This discovery validated the notion that the measuring scales provide a sufficient level of internal consistency reliability for a new scale, as stated by Hair et al. (2019). The average variance extracted (AVE) of all constructs was higher than 0.5, indicating that the measurement scales have adequate convergent validity.

The Fornell-Larker criterion (Table 7.1.11) confirms the presence of discriminant validity, as all square roots of the AVE are greater than the corresponding correlations between the components. The cross-loading results, similar to the Fornell-Larker criterion, indicate that all the constructs demonstrated discriminant validity, as none of the cross-loading values were below 0.1 (Chin, 1998). The findings of cross-loading are presented in the Appendix section. Furthermore, all the indicators exhibit a significant degree of loading on the relevant constructions rather than other constructs. This observation suggests that each of

Table 7.1.10 Heterotrait-monotrait ratio (Individual postal users)

	CDLTY	CI	CLTY	сом	CSAT	DAP	DM	ICT	INV	LGE	OPE	SI	WLP
CDLTY													
CI	0.144												
CLTY	0.231	0.440											
сом	0.074	0.416	0.441										
CSAT	0.221	0.722	0.710	0.576									
DAP	0.122	0.652	0.529	0.449	0.763								
DM	0.093	0.592	0.499	0.404	0.667	0.588							
ICT	0.177	0.647	0.472	0.431	0.696	0.679	0.552						
INV	0.081	0.294	0.228	0.211	0.372	0.231	0.216	0.309					
LGE	0.166	0.573	0.444	0.456	0.666	0.675	0.507	0.515	0.192				
OPE	0.180	0.659	0.505	0.459	0.718	0.651	0.578	0.585	0.235	0.646			
SI	0.078	0.543	0.521	0.497	0.624	0.573	0.528	0.457	0.253	0.493	0.525		
WLP	0.189	0.555	0.644	0.452	0.770	0.537	0.506	0.551	0.228	0.502	0.520	0.461	

Table 7.1.11 Fornell-Larcker criterion (Individual postal users)

	CDLTY	CI	CLTY	сом	CSAT	DAP	DM	ICT	INV	LGE	OPE	SI	WLP
CDLTY	0.890												
CI	-0.126	0.850											
CLTY	-0.208	0.367	0.853										
COM	-0.059	0.361	0.383	0.793									
CSAT	-0.206	0.634	0.621	0.526	0.875								
DAP	-0.116	0.568	0.466	0.402	0.708	0.852							
DM	-0.081	0.498	0.424	0.356	0.596	0.527	0.886						
ICT	-0.158	0.526	0.393	0.353	0.609	0.596	0.463	0.85	)				
INV	-0.073	0.242	0.191	0.177	0.332	0.208	0.188	0.25	6 <b>0.880</b>				
LGE	-0.153	0.496	0.389	0.416	0.612	0.621	0.449	0.450	0.171	0.832			
OPE	-0.165	0.570	0.445	0.421	0.666	0.603	0.517	0.50	7 0.211	. 0.591	0.848		
SI	-0.049	0.492	0.464	0.438	0.591	0.541	0.480	0.413	0.225	0.463	0.500	0.821	
WLP	-0.185	0.504	0.582	0.422	0.741	0.519	0.471	0.50	1 0.211	0.480	0.501	0.459	1.000

the constructs inside the framework exhibits a high degree of distinctiveness from the others. The heterotrait-monotrait ratio of correlations (HTMT) is employed as a means of assessing the validity of the measurement constructs. The HTMT values suggest the absence of any values greater than 0.85 (Table 7.1.10). Consequently, it has been verified that all of the constructs demonstrated satisfactory levels of discriminant validity.

#### 7.1.2.2 Common method variance (CVM)

The study used a rigorous way to reduce bias from self-reported data by applying a comprehensive technique specifically designed for this purpose. The measurement approach utilized collinearity statistics, focusing on evaluating the variance inflation factor (VIF) with a stringent threshold of VIF values equal to or below 5 (Hair et al., 2019). The study used Harman's (1967) single-factor test and conducted unrotated principal component factor analysis in SPSS. The research identified ten separate factors of service quality with eigenvalues of 1.00 or above, explaining a total of 76.65% of the variation, which contradicts the idea of a single underlying factor. The common approach variance was found to be less than 50%, with the first factor accounting for 37.79% of the variance, in line with Podsakoff et al.'s (2003) suggestions. The study also took into account the thresholds proposed by Afum et al. (2020) for reflective models, stating that a VIF value lower than 3.3 indicates the absence of common method bias. The study chose a conservative approach, in line with Kock's (2015) assertion that a VIF of 5 or less is required to tackle potential multicollinearity difficulties.

#### 7.1.3 Structural Equation Model

#### 7.1.3.1 Evaluation of the structural model

Table 7.1.12 Assessment of direct relationship (Individual postal users)

Hypotheses	Path coefficients	SE	T values	95% con	Bias Corrected at 95% confidence Intervals		Decision
				Lower Level	Upper Level		
CI -> CSAT	0.129	0.038	3.396	0.057	0.205	0.001	Supported
COM -> CSAT	0.142	0.036	3.897	0.071	0.214	0.000	Supported
DAP -> CSAT	0.218	0.045	4.823	0.130	0.306	0.000	Supported
DM -> CSAT	0.127	0.041	3.064	0.047	0.211	0.002	Supported
ICT -> CSAT	0.117	0.039	3.002	0.036	0.190	0.003	Supported
INV -> CSAT	0.107	0.030	3.571	0.051	0.167	0.000	Supported
LGE -> CSAT	0.092	0.043	2.168	0.010	0.178	0.030	Supported
OPE -> CSAT	0.150	0.040	3.756	0.073	0.231	0.000	Supported
SI -> CSAT	0.096	0.039	2.441	0.016	0.171	0.015	Supported

Hypotheses	Path	SE	Т	Bias Corr	ected at	Р	Decision
	coefficients		values	95% con	fidence	Values	
				Inter	vals		
				Lower	Upper		
				Level	Level		
CI -> CLTY	-0.098	0.055	1.793	-0.207	0.006	0.073	Not Supported
COM -> CLTY	0.053	0.033	1.793	-0.207	0.000	0.073	
DAP -> CLTY	0.033	0.043	0.370	-0.030	0.137	0.222	Not Supported
DAP -> CLTY	0.022	0.060	1.284	-0.098	0.140	0.712	Not Supported
ICT -> CLTY	0.061		0.270	-0.032	0.133	0.199	Not Supported
INV -> CLTY		0.056					Not Supported
	-0.004	0.054	0.080	-0.109	0.103	0.936	Not Supported
LGE -> CDLTY	-0.073	0.068	1.065	-0.206	0.062	0.287	Not Supported
OPE -> CLTY	0.038	0.066	0.571	-0.088	0.170	0.568	Not Supported
SI -> CLTY	0.137	0.051	2.714	0.034	0.232	0.007	Supported
CI -> CDLTY	0.004	0.072	0.060	-0.141	0.142	0.952	Not Supported
COM -> CDLTY	0.063	0.055	1.142	-0.047	0.142	0.253	Not Supported
DAP -> CDLTY	0.089	0.033	1.115	-0.047	0.108	0.265	Not Supported
DM -> CDLTY	0.062	0.067	0.923	-0.078	0.238	0.203	Not Supported
ICT -> CDLTY	-0.077	0.065	1.193	-0.200	0.153	0.233	Not Supported
INV -> CLTY	-0.018	0.003	0.414	-0.200	0.051	0.233	Not Supported
LGE -> CLTY	-0.018	0.043	0.533	-0.104	0.067	0.594	Not Supported
OPE -> CDLTY	-0.027	0.031	0.997	-0.132	0.007	0.334	Not Supported
SI -> CDLTY	0.099	0.070	1.585	-0.220	0.077	0.313	Not Supported
31-> CDLIT	0.099	0.003	1.565	-0.022	0.224	0.115	Not Supported
CSAT -> CLTY	0.510	0.068	7.532	0.371	0.634	0.000	Supported
CSAT -> CDLTY	-0.257	0.094	2.746	-0.432	-0.066	0.006	Supported
CDLTY -> WLP	-0.018	0.029	0.610	-0.075	0.041	0.542	Not Supported
CLTY -> WLP	0.196	0.058	3.381	0.090	0.314	0.001	Supported
CSAT -> WLP	0.615	0.056	10.937	0.497	0.718	0.000	Supported

The path coefficients of PLS structural equation model are presented in Table 7.1.12.

- a) Impact of quality of courier service on satisfaction of customers: As shown for the CSQ model-I (Figure 7.1.1) nine factors of service quality are identified in the context of postal services. Nine factors namely dynamic adaptability ( $\beta$  = 0.218), operational efficiency ( $\beta$  = 0.150), competitiveness ( $\beta$  = 0.142), disruption preparedness ( $\beta$  = 0.127), innovativeness ( $\beta$  = 0.107), technological adaptability ( $\beta$  = 0.117), customer involvement ( $\beta$  = 0.129), service interface ( $\beta$  = 0.096), and logistics efficiency (( $\beta$  = 0.092), significantly influenced customer satisfaction. The R<sup>2</sup> value shows that the perception of the customers on courier service quality explains 71% of the variance in customer satisfaction. Hence, H4a is supported (Table 7.1.12).
- b) Impact of quality of courier service on loyalty of customers: Only one factor service interface ( $\beta = 0.137$ ), significantly influenced customer loyalty. H4b is supported partially (Table 7.1.12).

- c) Impact of quality of courier service on disloyalty of customers: There is no such direct relationship was found between courier service quality and customer disloyalty (Table 7.1.12). Therefore, we cannot accept H4c.
- d) Impact of satisfaction with customers on loyalty to customers, customer disloyalty and willingness to pay: Customer satisfaction ( $\beta = 0.510$ ) positively influences customer loyalty and negatively influences customer disloyalty ( $\beta = -0.257$ ). Customer satisfaction positively influences willingness to pay ( $\beta = 0.615$ ). Hence H4d, H4e, H4h is supported (Table 7.1.12).
- e) Effects of customer loyalty and customer disloyalty on willingness to pay: Customer loyalty also contributes to willingness to pay ( $\beta = 0.196$ ) but there is no such interaction between customer disloyalty and willingness to pay. 40% variance in customer loyalty 57% variance is found in willingness to pay for better services. However, there is more than six percent change in the customer disloyalty aspect. Overall, the model developed for this study has good explanatory power. Hence H4i is supported, but H4j is not supported (Table 7.1.12).

Table 7.1.13 Mediation Analysis (Individual postal users)

Hypotheses	Path coefficients	SE	T Values	Bias Corrected at 95% confidence Intervals		P values	Decision
				Lower level	Upper level	-	
CI -> CSAT -> CLTY	0.066	0.021	3.130	0.028	0.111	0.002	Full Mediation
COM -> CSAT -> CLTY	0.072	0.022	3.299	0.033	0.118	0.001	Full Mediation
DAP -> CSAT -> CLTY	0.111	0.028	4.026	0.062	0.169	0.000	Full Mediation
ICT -> CSAT -> CLTY	0.060	0.021	2.816	0.019	0.104	0.005	Full Mediation
LGE -> CSAT -> CLTY	0.047	0.022	2.117	0.006	0.094	0.034	Full Mediation
SI -> CSAT -> CLTY	0.049	0.021	2.309	0.009	0.094	0.021	Partial Mediation
DM -> CSAT -> CLTY	0.065	0.023	2.825	0.021	0.110	0.005	Full Mediation
INV -> CSAT -> CLTY	0.054	0.016	3.357	0.024	0.088	0.001	Full Mediation
OPE -> CSAT -> CLTY	0.077	0.023	3.285	0.033	0.126	0.001	Full Mediation
CI -> CSAT -> CDLTY	-0.033	0.016	2.118	-0.069	-0.008	0.034	Full Mediation
COM -> CSAT -> CDLTY	-0.036	0.017	2.199	-0.074	-0.008	0.028	Full Mediation
DAP -> CSAT -> CDLTY	-0.056	0.024	2.332	-0.107	-0.014	0.020	Full Mediation
ICT -> CSAT -> CDLTY	-0.030	0.015	1.946	-0.065	-0.005	0.052	Partial Mediation
LGE -> CSAT -> CDLTY	-0.024	0.015	1.636	-0.059	-0.001	0.102	No Mediation
SI -> CSAT -> CDLTY	-0.025	0.014	1.756	-0.057	-0.002	0.079	No Mediation

Hypotheses	Path coefficients	SE	T Values	Bias Corrected at 95% confidence Intervals		P values	Decision
				Lower level	Upper level	-	
DM -> CSAT -> CDLTY	-0.033	0.016	1.992	-0.069	-0.006	0.046	Full Mediation
INV -> CSAT -> CDLTY	-0.027	0.012	2.281	-0.053	-0.006	0.023	Full Mediation
OPE -> CSAT -> CDLTY	-0.039	0.018	2.116	-0.079	-0.008	0.034	Full Mediation

customer satisfaction mediates the relationship between service quality and customer loyalty and customer disloyalty: The study revealed a significant correlation between the quality of courier services and customer loyalty, as well as between courier service quality and consumer disloyalty. Bootstrapping improves the accuracy of predicted associations and offers a thorough insight into potential mediating factors, leading to a more detailed interpretation of the study's findings.

The results of mediation analysis provide us the evidence that there is indirect relationship exists between courier service quality and customer loyalty (Table 7.1.13). All the eight factors namely dynamic adaptability ( $\beta$  = 0.111), operational efficiency ( $\beta$  = 0.077), competitiveness ( $\beta$  = 0.072), disruption mitigation ( $\beta$  = 0.065), innovativeness ( $\beta$  = 0.054), technological adaptability ( $\beta$  = 0.060), customer involvement ( $\beta$  = 0.066) and logistics efficiency (( $\beta$  = 0.047), have significantly influenced customer loyalty via customer satisfaction. The R<sup>2</sup> value shows that the perception of the customers on courier service quality explains 40% of the variance in customer loyalty. Hence H4f is supported.

The results of mediation analysis provide us the evidence that there is indirect relationship exists between courier service quality and customer disloyalty except service interface and logistics efficiency (Table 7.1.13). Seven factors namely operational efficiency ( $\beta$  = -0.039), dynamic adaptability ( $\beta$  = -0.056), competitiveness ( $\beta$  = -0.142), disruption preparedness ( $\beta$  = -0.127), innovativeness ( $\beta$  = -0.036), technological adaptability ( $\beta$  = -0.030), customer involvement ( $\beta$  = -0.033) significantly influenced customer disloyalty via customer satisfaction. Enhanced service quality leads to happier customers and reduces the switching behaviors of customer from dissatisfied factors. Hence H4g is supported.

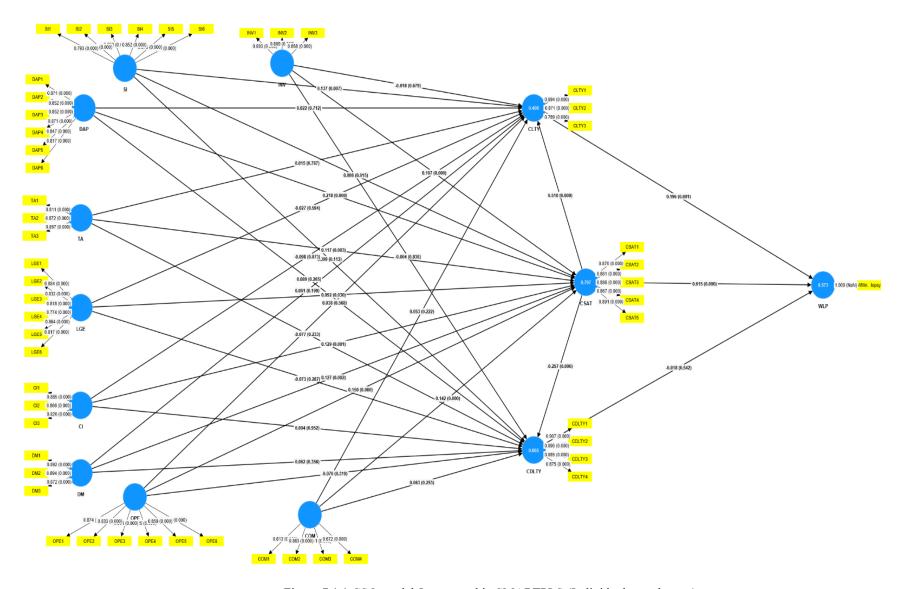


Figure 7.1.1 CSQ model-I generated in SMARTPLS (Individual postal users)

#### 7.1.3.2 Model Fit

Table 7.1.14  $R^2$ ,  $Q^2$  and  $f^2$  results (Individual postal users)

Endogenous latent	R <sup>2</sup>	Q <sup>2</sup>	f²	Exogenous Latent	f²
constructs				constructs	
Customer Satisfaction	0.707	0.688	0.539	CI	0.030
Customer Loyalty	0.409	0.298	0.129	COM	0.050
Customer Disloyalty	0.065	0.001	0.001	DAP	0.067
Willingness to pay	0.573	0.405		DM	0.033
				ICT	0.026
				INV	0.035
				LGE	0.015
				OPE	0.037
				SI	0.018

 $R^2$ , which measures how an exogenous factor affects an endogenous component, has benchmarks of 0.19, 0.33, and 0.67 for mild, medium, and strong impacts, respectively (Sheykhfard et al., 2024). The study model has shown robust prediction ( $Q^2$ ) ability for all the exogeneous constructs customer satisfaction, customer loyalty, customer disloyalty, Willingness to pay (Table 7.1.14). This study intends to evaluate the variation of endogenous components and evaluate the effect size. The  $f^2$  statistic quantifies the influence of a certain external latent variable on an internal latent variable by assessing the variations in the  $R^2$  value (Chin, 1998). Hence, the computation of effect size (Cohen, 1988) resulted in  $f^2$  values of 0.02, 0.15, and 0.35, denoting weak; moderate, and substantial effects, respectively (Sheykhfard et al., 2024). It is crucial to recognize that a modest  $f^2$  value does not necessarily indicate a negligible influence. "Even a small interaction effects can be meaningful under extreme moderating conditions, if the resulting beta changes are meaningful, then it is important to take these conditions into account" (Chin et al., 2003, p.211). Dynamic adaptability has the highest effect size followed by competitiveness, operational efficiency, innovativeness in second, third and fourth place.

Table 7.1.15 Model fit indices (Individual postal users)

Parameters	Saturated model	Estimated model	Thresholds	References
SRMR	0.049	0.049	<=0.08	Hair et al., 2020
NFI	0.833	0.832	>=0.70	Yusif et al., 2020; German et al., 2022
d_ULS	3.414	3.483	p>0.05	Dash & Paul, 2021
d_G	1.144	1.152	p>0.05	Dash & Paul, 2021
GoF	0.565		Small=0.1 Medium= 0.25 Large= 0.36	Sheykhfard et al., 2024; Wasko & Faraj, 2005; Wetzels et al., 2009
VIF	Between 1 to 5		<=5.00	Hair et al., 2020; Kock 2015

The fitness analysis involved testing the standardized root mean square residual (SRMR), exact model fit tests euclidean distance (d ULS) and geodesic distance (d G), and normed fit index (NFI) (Table 7.1.15). The SRMR analysis illustrates the disparity between the observed correlation matrix and the anticipated correlation matrix. In the present investigation, the saturated model and estimated model for SRMR were found to be 0.049, suggesting a satisfactory fit, as these values fall below the threshold of 0.08. The precise model fit assesses the disparity between an empirical covariance test and the exact model fit. The d ULS value for the saturated model is 3.414, whereas the value for the estimated model is 3.483, which above the threshold of 0.05. In addition, the d G value for the saturated model is 1.144, whereas the estimated model is 1.152, both of which exceed the significance level of 0.05. This suggests that the model successfully passed the precise model fit tests. According to Bentler and Bonett (1980), values that are closer to 1 in NFI are regarded as having a superior fit. Yet studies suggest that these values exceeding the threshold of 0.7 is sufficient. In this investigation, the NFI values for the saturated model and estimated model are 0.833 and 0.832, respectively. In general, the model satisfied the statistical fitness criterion, as evidenced by the data presented in Table 7.1.15.

Goodness of fit: The primary method for assessing the model's explanatory capacity is through the examination of  $R^2$ , as Partial Least Squares (PLS) does not yield comprehensive goodness of fit measures (Wasko & Faraj, 2005). However, the Goodness of Fit (GoF) index as a diagnostic tool for assessing the adequacy of model fit was established by Tenenhaus et al., 2005. The GoF measure calculates the geometric mean of the average variance extracted and the average  $R^2$  for endogenous constructs. Sheykhfard et al. (2024) have reported the following threshold values for assessing the outcomes of the GoF analysis: smaller = 0.1, moderate = 0.25, and significant = 0.36. The determined GoF value of 0.565 in this study indicates that the CSQ model-I is highly well-fitting, as stated in Eq. (15).

$$GoF = \sqrt{AVE * R^2} \qquad \dots (15)$$

# 7.2 CUSTOMER SATISFACTION EVALUATION OF CEP SERVICE QUALITY IN TIMES OF DISRUPTIONS FROM THE PERSPECTIVE OF INDIVIDUAL USERS OF PRIVATE COURIER SERVICES

# 7.2.1 Identification of key factors affecting satisfaction level

Demographic profile of the respondents is already discussed in previous section (7.1.1.1)

# 7.2.1.1 Descriptive statistics of factors

Table 7.2.1 Descriptive statistics (Individual private CEP users)

	Mean	Std. Deviation	Skewness	Kurtosis
Dynamic Adaptability 1	4.40	1.571	252	608
Dynamic Adaptability 2	4.11	1.540	125	756
Dynamic Adaptability 3	4.25	1.503	192	434
Dynamic Adaptability 4	4.22	1.515	067	723
Dynamic Adaptability 5	4.42	1.569	466	384
Dynamic Adaptability 6	3.93	1.492	.091	557
Technological Adaptability 1	4.55	1.456	249	607
Technological Adaptability 2	4.60	1.486	214	640
Technological Adaptability 3	4.36	1.418	.052	580
Operational Efficiency 1	4.50	1.547	363	541
Operational Efficiency 2	4.22	1.373	293	550
Operational Efficiency 3	4.55	1.601	263	767
Operational Efficiency 4	4.36	1.377	192	376
Operational Efficiency 5	4.43	1.621	291	703
Logistics Efficiency 1	4.59	1.642	345	725
Logistics Efficiency 2	4.31	1.465	070	574
Logistics Efficiency 3	4.40	1.581	185	847
Logistics Efficiency 4	4.31	1.470	372	627
Delivery Performance 1	4.47	1.470	150	498
Delivery Performance 2	4.76	1.513	541	471
Delivery Performance 3	4.35	1.455	.039	742
Delivery Performance 4	4.21	1.471	020	384
Service Interface 1	4.33	1.463	237	578
Service Interface 2	3.55	1.364	.113	237
Service Interface 3	4.20	1.470	197	467
Service Interface 4	4.05	1.575	062	561
Service Interface 5	3.89	1.381	.075	263
Customer Involvement 1	4.04	1.463	149	349
Customer Involvement 2	3.69	1.442	.221	304
Customer Involvement 3	3.37	1.361	.026	645
Discrepancy Mitigation 1	3.70	1.738	.128	-1.096
Discrepancy Mitigation 2	3.65	1.731	.008	-1.126
Discrepancy Mitigation 3	3.24	1.652	.389	703

	Mean	Std. Deviation	Skewness	Kurtosis
Innovativeness 1	3.82	1.452	.106	746
Innovativeness 2	3.70	1.481	.241	444
Innovativeness 3	3.59	1.536	.361	427
Competitiveness 1	3.21	1.402	.223	443
Competitiveness 2	4.00	1.226	.047	085
Competitiveness 3	3.94	1.329	119	349
Competitiveness 4	3.61	1.420	028	543
Customer Loyalty 1	4.20	1.372	250	420
Customer Loyalty 2	3.72	1.372	.078	473
Customer Loyalty 3	4.13	1.506	084	500
Customer Satisfaction 1	4.20	1.441	049	466
Customer Satisfaction 2	4.03	1.396	042	376
Customer Satisfaction 3	4.18	1.462	128	401
Customer Satisfaction 4	4.14	1.436	216	482
Customer Satisfaction 5	4.44	1.432	312	245
Customer Disloyalty 1	3.96	1.642	.061	861
Customer Disloyalty 2	3.63	1.394	.228	554
Customer Disloyalty 3	3.98	1.396	.061	385
Customer Disloyalty 4	3.66	1.505	.263	606
Willingness to pay	4.20	1.462	158	329

The descriptive statistics (Table 7.2.1) of the variables show a range of means from 3.21 to 4.76, indicating respondents normally assigned moderate to high ratings for multiple aspects of service quality, adaptability, and performance. The highest mean is observed for DP1 and reflecting strong satisfaction with this aspect, while DM3 has the lowest mean, indicating relatively lower involvement from customers. The standard deviation values span from 1.736 to 1.361, signifying significant variety in replies. The data demonstrates a nearly normal distribution with comparable responses and a moderate dispersion. The skewness values for all variables, spanning from -0.541 to 0.389, suggest that the data distribution is relatively symmetric, exhibiting negligible divergence from normalcy. All variables have neither substantial positive nor negative skewness, indicating that answers are predominantly centered on the mean. The kurtosis values, ranging from --1.126 to -0.085, suggest that the dataset is mesokurtic, indicating a close adherence to a normal distribution. This interpretation indicates that the dataset has a normal, balanced distribution devoid of extreme outliers or skewed trends, so offering a dependable foundation for subsequent statistical research.

### 7.2.1.2 Exploratory factor analysis

The study has found ten service quality constructs analyzed using principal component analysis with varimax rotation as the extraction method for factor analysis. Variables were included in factors based on factor loadings over 0.5, and factors with eigenvalues above 1.0 were kept in the factor analysis. The next phase involved evaluating the communality of each variable to determine which item loadings are significant for interpreting the factors. The results indicate that the communalities of variables exceeded 0.50. Prior to analyzing the factors, it is essential to assess the data's applicability using the KMO, Bartlett test and anti-image correlation matrix. KMO exceeds 0.7 (Hair et al., 2020). The Bartlett's test should yield a significant result (p < 0.5), suggesting that the variances of the samples are identical. Both of these tests yielded substantial findings. SPSS was used to extract the factors. Table 7.2.2 presents the results with their respective variances.

Table 7.2.2 KMO and Bartlett's Test-I (Individual private CEP users)

Kaiser-Meyer-Olkin Measure	of Sampling Adequacy.	.930						
Bartlett's Test of Sphericity	Bartlett's Test of Sphericity   Approx. Chi-Square							
	df	780						
	Sig.	0.000						

Table 7.2.3 Total Variance Explained-I (Individual private CEP users)

Compon ent	In	itial Eigenv	alues	Extract	ion Sums of Loadings	Squared	Rotation Sums of Squared Loadings			
·	Total	% of Varianc e	Cumulati ve %	Total	% of Variance	Cumul ative %	Total	% of Variance	Cumulative %	
1	13.74 7	34.366	34.366	13.74 7	34.366	34.366	4.381	10.952	10.952	
2	2.431	6.078	40.445	2.431	6.078	40.445	3.409	8.523	19.474	
3	2.302	5.755	46.199	2.302	5.755	46.199	3.206	8.014	27.488	
4	2.061	5.152	51.352	2.061	5.152	51.352	3.037	7.592	35.080	
5	1.972	4.930	56.282	1.972	4.930	56.282	2.927	7.316	42.397	
6	1.721	4.304	60.586	1.721	4.304	60.586	2.735	6.838	49.235	
7	1.441	3.603	64.188	1.441	3.603	64.188	2.549	6.371	55.606	
8	1.336	3.341	67.529	1.336	3.341	67.529	2.471	6.178	61.785	
9	1.091	2.729	70.257	1.091	2.729	70.257	2.255	5.638	67.423	
10	1.015	2.537	72.794	1.015	2.537	72.794	2.149	5.372	72.794	
11	.774	1.934	74.729							
12	.642	1.605	76.334							
13	.609	1.523	77.857							
14	.546	1.364	79.221							

Compon ent	In	itial Eigenv	alues	Extract	ion Sums of Loadings	Squared	Rota	tion Sums o	
(	Total	% of Varianc e	Cumulati ve %	Total	% of Variance	Cumul ative %	Total	% of Variance	Cumulative %
15	.523	1.308	80.528						
16	.507	1.267	81.796						
17	.468	1.170	82.966						
18	.455	1.137	84.102						
19	.434	1.085	85.187						
20	.429	1.072	86.259						
21	.407	1.019	87.278						
22	.395	.989	88.266						
23	.380	.950	89.217						
24	.361	.902	90.119						
25	.352	.881	90.999						
26	.344	.859	91.859						
27	.325	.814	92.672						
28	.316	.791	93.463						
29	.306	.765	94.228						
30	.262	.655	94.883						
31	.253	.634	95.516						
32	.246	.615	96.132						
33	.244	.611	96.743						
34	.234	.586	97.328						
35	.215	.539	97.867						
36	.191	.477	98.344						
37	.188	.469	98.813						
38	.184	.460	99.273						
39	.166	.416	99.689						
40	.125	.311	100.000						

Extraction Method: Principal Component Analysis.

Table 7.2.4 Rotated Component Matrix-I (Individual private CEP users)

					Comp	onent				
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
DAP3	.774									
DAP5	.763									
DAP1	.746									
DAP2	.734									
DAP4	.728									
DAP6	.674									
SI1		.777								
S15		.737								
SI2		.719								

					Comp	onent				
-	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
SI4		.708								
SI3		.672								
OPE5			.712							
OPE4			.705							
OPE2			.695							
OPE1			.670							
OPE3			.623							
LGE4				.794						
LGE1				.766						
LGE3				.716						
LGE2				.676						
DP4					.709					
DP3					.702					
DP1					.699					
DP2					.636					
DM2						.930				
DM1						.897				
DM3						.865				
сом1							.788			
СОМ4							.760			
сомз							.733			
сом2							.689			
INV2								.874		
INV1								.868		
INV3								.864		
TA1									.790	
TA2									.777	
TA3									.743	
CI3										.807
CI2										.761
CI1										.706

Extraction Method: Principal Component Analysis. Rotation Method: Varimax with Kaiser Normalization a. Rotation converged in 7 iterations.

The first component explains 34.37% of variance. After rotation, variance is more equally distributed, allowing interpretation easier (Table 7.2.3). The Rotated Component Matrix shows that the dataset has numerous dimensions (factors), helping researchers comprehend each structure (Table 7.2.4). The test produced ten components of service quality, accounting for a total variance of 72.79%. These factors were named as *dynamic adaptability, delivery* 

performance, logistics efficiency, competitiveness, customer involvement, discrepancy mitigation, technological adaptability, innovativeness, operational efficiency, and service interface. The factor loadings are all satisfactory and above 0.5.

Table 7.2.5 KMO and Bartlett's Test-II (Individual private CEP users)

Kaiser-Meyer-Olkin Measure	.891	
Bartlett's Test of Sphericity	Approx. Chi-Square	3216.107
	df	66
	Sig.	0.000

Table 7.2.6 Total variance explained-II (Individual private CEP users)

Component		Initial Eigen	values	Extr	action Sums	of Squared	Rot	ation Sums o	of Squared	
					Loading	gs	Loadings			
	Total	% of	Cumulative	Total	% of	Cumulative	Total	% of	Cumulative	
		Variance	%		Variance	%		Variance	%	
1	5.725	47.707	47.707	5.725	47.707	47.707	3.600	30.004	30.004	
2	2.082	17.352	65.059	2.082	17.352	65.059	3.246	27.047	57.050	
3	1.232	10.267	75.326	1.232	10.267	75.326	2.193	18.276	75.326	
4	.679	5.661	80.988							
5	.406	3.381	84.369							
6	.365	3.043	87.412							
7	.325	2.712	90.123							
8	.307	2.560	92.684							
9	.252	2.097	94.781							
10	.225	1.879	96.660							
11	.206	1.721	98.381							
12	.194	1.619	100.000							

Extraction Method: Principal Component Analysis

Table 7.2.7 Rotated Component matrix-II (Individual private CEP users)

		Component	
	1	2	3
CSAT1	.849		
CSAT2	.830		
CSAT4	.814		
CSAT5	.795		
CSAT3	.758		
CDLTY3		.886	
CDLTY4		.871	
CDLTY2		.847	
CDLTY1		.844	
CLTY2			.871

		Component	
	1	2	3
CLYT1			.836
CLTY3			.691

Extraction Method: Principal Component Analysis. Rotation Method: Varimax with Kaiser Normalization. a. Rotation converged in 5 iterations.

Three more constructs were extracted namely customer satisfaction, customer loyalty and customer disloyalty to know the behavioural intentions of the customers. The three tables (7.2.5, 7.2.6, 7.2.7) demonstrate factor analysis structures and validity. Sampling Adequacy test is excellent as KMO score signifies that the variables share a considerable fraction of variation, making the dataset eligible for factor analysis. Bartlett's Test of Sphericity also yields a significance results. This reveals that the correlation matrix is not an identity matrix, which factor analysis requires. Significant results (p < 0.05) indicate considerable correlations between variables, qualifying for factoring. Both tests confirm that the data is suitable for factor analysis. The total variance explained table demonstrates that the first three components explain 75.33% of the variance, with the first two accounting for 47.7% after extraction, indicating a robust structure. This structure shows that the data has separate dimensions like customer loyalty, satisfaction, and disloyalty with clear patterns.

#### 7.2.2 Assessment of measurement model

## 7.2.2.1 Reliability and validity

Table 7.2.8 Outer loadings, validity, and reliability for constructs (Individual private CEP users)

Constructs	Outer Loadings	Cronbach's alpha	Composite reliability (rho_a)	Composite reliability (rho_c)	Average variance extracted (AVE)	VIF
DAP1	0.862	0.907	0.910	0.928	0.683	2.649
DAP2	0.822					2.226
DAP3	0.837					2.353
DAP4	0.815					2.254
DAP5	0.844					2.471
DAP6	0.774					1.872
DM1	0.922	0.916	0.922	0.947	0.856	3.532
DM2	0.939					4.317
DM3	0.914					2.723
DP1	0.885	0.878	0.880	0.916	0.732	2.648
DP2	0.874					2.424

Constructs	Outer Loadings	Cronbach's alpha	Composite reliability (rho_a)	Composite reliability (rho_c)	Average variance extracted (AVE)	VIF
DP3	0.817				(,,,,,	1.907
DP4	0.845					2.086
INV1	0.901	0.867	0.874	0.919	0.790	2.380
INV2	0.901					2.373
INV3	0.864					2.095
LGE1	0.866	0.888	0.894	0.922	0.748	2.371
LGE2	0.875					2.410
LGE3	0.884					2.646
LGE4	0.835					2.156
OPE1	0.882	0.902	0.912	0.927	0.719	2.753
OPE2	0.800					2.030
OPE3	0.883					2.962
OPE4	0.792					1.956
OPE5	0.878					2.960
SI1	0.839	0.858	0.869	0.897	0.637	2.203
SI2	0.763					1.695
SI3	0.801					1.797
SI4	0.839					1.988
SI5	0.743					1.706
TA1	0.870	0.821	0.823	0.894	0.737	1.996
TA2	0.877					1.993
TA3	0.828					1.654
CI1	0.855	0.778	0.799	0.870	0.691	1.595
CI2	0.859					1.731
CI3	0.777					1.544
сом1	0.789	0.794	0.849	0.860	0.611	1.682
сом2	0.862					1.822
сомз	0.851					1.790
СОМ4	0.595					1.358
CLTY2	0.907	0.778	0.816	0.873	0.699	2.631
CLTY3	0.677					1.249
CLYT1	0.903					2.561
CSAT1	0.882	0.915	0.917	0.936	0.746	3.045
CSAT2	0.843					2.336
CSAT3	0.835					2.234
CSAT4	0.859					2.535
CSAT5	0.899					3.308
CDLTY1	0.896	0.913	0.917	0.938	0.792	2.752
CDLTY2	0.883					2.671
CDLTY3	0.892					3.107
CDLTY4	0.889					2.976
WLP	1.000					1.000

Table 7.2.9 Heterotrait-monotrait ratio (HTMT) – Matrix (Individual private CEP users)

	CDLTY	CI	CLTY	сом	CSAT	DAP	DM	DP	INV	LGE	OPE	SI	TA	WLP
CDLTY														
CI	0.232													
CLTY	0.267	0.460												
сом	0.193	0.450	0.460											
CSAT	0.528	0.543	0.583	0.481										
DAP	0.317	0.506	0.570	0.417	0.623									
DM	0.237	0.227	0.273	0.224	0.348	0.332								
DP	0.309	0.528	0.531	0.455	0.665	0.653	0.404							
INV	0.192	0.158	0.239	0.192	0.326	0.272	0.108	0.340						
LGE	0.352	0.461	0.551	0.369	0.595	0.593	0.261	0.675	0.294					
OPE	0.299	0.483	0.583	0.449	0.647	0.645	0.280	0.756	0.302	0.751				
SI	0.350	0.549	0.486	0.437	0.586	0.541	0.231	0.582	0.228	0.524	0.630			
TA	0.303	0.426	0.401	0.347	0.557	0.621	0.282	0.560	0.166	0.364	0.530	0.490		
WLP	0.402	0.479	0.464	0.395	0.826	0.467	0.274	0.502	0.234	0.432	0.477	0.488	0.457	

Table 7.2.10 Fornell-Larcker criterion (Individual private CEP users)

	CDLTY	CI	CLTY	сом	CSAT	DAP	DM	DP	INV	LGE	OPE	SI	TA	WLP
CDLTY	0.890													
CI	-0.200	0.831												
CLTY	-0.233	0.371	0.836											
СОМ	-0.184	0.387	0.397	0.782										
CSAT	-0.486	0.464	0.499	0.442	0.864									
DAP	-0.292	0.431	0.482	0.387	0.570	0.826								
DM	-0.219	0.202	0.241	0.221	0.323	0.305	0.925							
DP	-0.278	0.446	0.446	0.414	0.597	0.584	0.365	0.856						
INV	-0.172	0.129	0.194	0.166	0.293	0.244	0.099	0.299	0.889					
LGE	-0.321	0.395	0.456	0.344	0.541	0.534	0.240	0.602	0.259	0.865				
OPE	-0.275	0.413	0.489	0.409	0.592	0.584	0.258	0.679	0.271	0.677	0.848			
SI	-0.317	0.460	0.402	0.392	0.527	0.478	0.212	0.510	0.207	0.465	0.557	0.798		
TA	-0.263	0.350	0.319	0.305	0.485	0.537	0.245	0.476	0.140	0.314	0.457	0.412	0.858	
WLP	-0.386	0.428	0.414	0.380	0.789	0.447	0.265	0.469	0.220	0.411	0.457	0.457	0.414	1.000

The outer loadings exceed the recommended threshold of 0.7. Table 7.2.8 demonstrates that the composite reliability (CR) values of constructs were all over 0.7, with a range of 0.799 to 0.922, indicating high reliability. Cronbach alpha value is also above 0.7. This discovery validated the notion that the measuring scales provide a sufficient level of internal consistency reliability for a new scale, as stated by Hair et al. (2019). The average variance extracted (AVE) of all constructs were higher than 0.5, indicating that the measurement scales have adequate convergent validity.

The cross-loading results, similar to the Fornell-Larker criterion, indicate that all the constructs demonstrated discriminant validity, as none of the cross-loading values were below 0.1 (Chin,1998). Furthermore, all the indicators exhibit a significant degree of loading on the relevant constructions rather than other constructs. This observation suggests that each of the constructs inside the framework exhibits a high degree of distinctiveness from the others. The findings of cross-loading are presented in the Appendix. All the constructs in this investigation demonstrated satisfactory discriminant validity according to the Fornell-Larker criterion and the heterotrait-monotrait ratio of correlations (HTMT). The Fornell-Larker criterion (Table 7.2.10) confirms the presence of discriminant validity, as all square roots of the AVE are greater than the corresponding correlations between the components. The HTMT values suggest the absence of any values greater than 0.85 (Table 7.2.9). Consequently, it has been verified that all of the constructs demonstrated satisfactory levels of discriminant validity.

#### 7.2.2.2 Common method variance (CVM)

The measurement approach utilized collinearity statistics, focusing on evaluating the variance inflation factor (VIF) with a stringent threshold of VIF values equal to or below 5 (Kock, 2015; Afum et al., 2020; Hair et al., 2019). The study used Harman's (1967) single-factor test and conducted unrotated principal component factor analysis in SPSS. The research identified ten separate factors of service quality with eigenvalues of 1.00 or above, explaining a total of 72.79% of the variation, which contradicts the idea of a single underlying factor. The common approach variance was found to be less than 50%, with the first factor accounting for 34.37% of the variance, in line with Podsakoff et al.'s (2003) suggestions.

# 7.2.3 Structural Equation Model

# 7.2.3.1 Evaluation of the structural model

Table 7.2.11 Assessment of direct relationship (Individual private CEP users)

Hypotheses	Path Coefficient	SE	T Values		t 95% confidence rvals	P values	Decision
			•	Lower Level	Upper Level		
CI -> CSAT	0.101	0.043	2.362	0.018	0.185	0.018	Supported
COM -> CSAT	0.105	0.041	2.534	0.024	0.185	0.011	Supported
DAP -> CSAT	0.119	0.059	1.996	0.006	0.238	0.046	Supported
DM -> CSAT	0.078	0.036	2.145	0.007	0.149	0.032	Supported
DP -> CSAT	0.116	0.051	2.254	0.014	0.217	0.024	Supported
INV -> CSAT	0.087	0.042	2.099	0.007	0.168	0.036	Supported
LGE -> CSAT	0.121	0.057	2.143	0.010	0.234	0.032	Supported
OPE -> CSAT	0.108	0.055	1.982	-0.002	0.214	0.048	Supported
SI -> CSAT	0.119	0.052	2.274	0.016	0.219	0.023	Supported
TA -> CSAT	0.130	0.054	2.433	0.024	0.233	0.015	Supported
CI -> CLTY	0.062	0.053	1.172	-0.041	0.165	0.241	Not Supported
COM -> CLTY	0.134	0.048	2.795	0.039	0.226	0.005	Supported
DAP -> CLTY	0.167	0.058	2.884	0.054	0.279	0.004	Supported
DM -> CLTY	0.036	0.047	0.751	-0.055	0.132	0.452	Not Supported
DP -> CLTY	-0.002	0.071	0.022	-0.143	0.134	0.982	Not Supported
INV -> CLTY	0.006	0.042	0.154	-0.076	0.089	0.878	Not Supported
LGE -> CLTY	0.105	0.064	1.644	-0.016	0.234	0.100	Not Supported
OPE -> CLTY	0.122	0.061	2.013	0.002	0.242	0.044	Supported
SI -> CLTY	0.040	0.055	0.727	-0.069	0.149	0.467	Not Supported
TA -> CLTY	-0.027	0.053	0.510	-0.132	0.075	0.610	Not Supported
CI -> CDLTY	0.056	0.051	1.095	-0.048	0.154	0.273	Not Supported
COM -> CDLTY	0.048	0.050	0.968	-0.050	0.144	0.333	Not Supported
DAP -> CDLTY	0.005	0.065	0.072	-0.125	0.130	0.943	Not Supported
DM -> CDLTY	-0.079	0.048	1.654	-0.175	0.013	0.098	Not Supported
DP -> CDLTY	0.078	0.069	1.135	-0.060	0.208	0.256	Not Supported
INV -> CDLTY	-0.034	0.046	0.734	-0.122	0.055	0.463	Not Supported
LGE -> CDLTY	-0.138	0.059	2.343	-0.253	-0.027	0.019	Supported
OPE -> CDLTY	0.102	0.071	1.425	-0.038	0.242	0.154	Not Supported
SI -> CDLTY	-0.116	0.055	2.107	-0.223	-0.009	0.035	Supported
TA -> CDLTY	-0.052	0.052	0.997	-0.154	0.050	0.319	Not Supported
CSAT -> CLTY	0.167	0.058	2.884	0.054	0.280	0.004	Supported
CSAT -> CDLTY	-0.447	0.063	7.120	-0.572	-0.324	0.000	Supported
CDLTY -> WLP	-0.004	0.029	0.130	-0.059	0.054	0.896	Not Supported
CLTY -> WLP	0.027	0.036	0.767	-0.042	0.099	0.443	Not Supported

*CSAT -> WLP* 0.774 0.036 21.335 0.698 0.840 0.000 Supported

The path coefficients of PLS structural equation model to assess the direct relationships are presented in Table 7.2.11.

- a) Impact of quality of courier service on satisfaction of customers: As shown in CSQ model-II (Figure 7.2.1) ten factors of service quality are identified in the context of private courier services (Table 7.2.12). Ten factors namely technological adaptability ( $\beta$  = 0.130), dynamic adaptability ( $\beta$  = 0.116), logistics efficiency (( $\beta$  = 0.121), service interface ( $\beta$  = 0.119), operational efficiency ( $\beta$  = 0.108), competitiveness ( $\beta$  = 0.105), customer involvement ( $\beta$  = 0.101), discrepancy mitigation ( $\beta$  = 0.078), and innovativeness ( $\beta$  = 0.087) significantly influenced customer satisfaction. The R<sup>2</sup> value shows that the perception of the customers on courier service quality explains 54% of the variance in customer satisfaction. Hence, H4a is supported.
- b) Impact of quality of courier service on loyalty of customers: dynamic adaptability ( $\beta = 0.167$ ) competitiveness ( $\beta = 0.134$ ), and operational efficiency ( $\beta = 0.122$ ) significantly influenced customer loyalty. H4b is supported partially.
- c) Impact of quality of courier service on disloyalty of customers: Logistics efficiency  $(\beta = -0.138)$  and service interface  $(\beta = -0.116)$  negatively influenced customer disloyalty. Therefore, H4c is supported partially.
- d) Impact of satisfaction with customers on loyalty to customers, customer disloyalty and willingness to pay: Customer satisfaction ( $\beta = 0.167$ ) positively influences customer loyalty and negatively influences customer disloyalty ( $\beta = -0.447$ ). Customer satisfaction positively influences willingness to pay ( $\beta = 0.774$ ). Hence H4d, H4e, H4h are supported.
- e) Effects of customer loyalty and customer disloyalty on willingness to pay: There is no such significant interaction between customer loyalty and willingness to pay and customer disloyalty and willingness to pay. Hence, H4i and H4j are not supported.

Table 7.2.12 Mediation analysis (Individual private CEP users)

Paths	Path	SE	Bias Corrected		T	P	Decision
	Coefficient	1	confidence In		Values	values	
			Lower Level	Upper Level			
CI -> CSAT -> CLTY	0.017	0.010	0.001	0.041	1.646	0.100	No Mediation
COM -> CSAT -> CLTY	0.018	0.010	0.002	0.040	1.809	0.071	No Mediation
DAP -> CSAT -> CLTY	0.020	0.012	0.000	0.048	1.605	0.108	No Mediation
DP -> CSAT -> CLTY	0.019	0.012	0.001	0.047	1.649	0.099	No Mediation
LGE -> CSAT -> CLTY	0.020	0.012	0.001	0.047	1.713	0.087	No Mediation
SI -> CSAT -> CLTY	0.020	0.011	0.002	0.045	1.743	0.081	No Mediation
DM -> CSAT -> CLTY	0.013	0.008	0.001	0.031	1.680	0.093	No Mediation
INV -> CSAT -> CLTY	0.015	0.009	0.001	0.034	1.679	0.093	No Mediation
OPE -> CSAT -> CLTY	0.018	0.012	-0.001	0.046	1.527	0.127	No Mediation
TA -> CSAT -> CLTY	0.022	0.011	0.003	0.046	1.916	0.055	No Mediation
CI -> CSAT -> CDLTY	-0.045	0.021	-0.088	-0.007	2.195	0.028	Full Mediation
COM -> CSAT -> CDLTY	-0.047	0.020	-0.089	-0.010	2.334	0.020	Full Mediation
DAP -> CSAT -> CDLTY	-0.053	0.027	-0.109	-0.003	1.953	0.051	Partial Mediation
DP -> CSAT -> CDLTY	-0.052	0.025	-0.103	-0.006	2.083	0.037	Full Mediation
LGE -> CSAT -> CDLTY	-0.054	0.026	-0.108	-0.004	2.075	0.038	Partial Mediation
SI -> CSAT -> CDLTY	-0.053	0.025	-0.107	-0.007	2.087	0.037	Partial Mediation
DM -> CSAT -> CDLTY	-0.035	0.018	-0.073	-0.003	1.974	0.048	Full Mediation
INV -> CSAT -> CDLTY	-0.039	0.020	-0.080	-0.003	2.000	0.046	Full Mediation
OPE -> CSAT -> CDLTY	-0.048	0.026	-0.100	0.001	1.878	0.060	No mediation
TA -> CSAT -> CDLTY	-0.058	0.026	-0.112	-0.010	2.251	0.024	Full Mediation

f) Customer satisfaction mediates the relationship between service quality and customer loyalty and customer disloyalty (Table 7.2.12): The study revealed a no significant relation between the quality of courier services and customer loyalty, hence H4f is not supported.

The results of mediation analysis provide us the evidence that there is indirect relationship exists between courier service quality and customer disloyalty except operating efficiency. Seven factors namely logistics efficiency ( $\beta$  = -0.054), dynamic adaptability ( $\beta$  = -0.053), delivery performance ( $\beta$  = -0.052) competitiveness ( $\beta$  = -0.047, discrepancy mitigation ( $\beta$  = -0.035), innovativeness ( $\beta$  = -0.039), technological adaptability ( $\beta$  = -0.058), customer involvement ( $\beta$  = -0.045) and service interface ( $\beta$  = -0.045) significantly influenced customer disloyalty via customer satisfaction.

Enhanced service quality leads to happier customers and reduces the switching behaviors of customer from dissatisfied factors. Hence H4g is supported.

There is 36.3% variance in customer loyalty, 62.4% variance is found in willingness to pay for better services. However, there is more than 26% change in the customer disloyalty aspect. Overall, the CSQ model-II developed for this study has good explanatory power.

Table 7.2.13 R<sup>2</sup>, Q<sup>2</sup> and f<sup>2</sup> results (Individual private CEP users)

Endogenous Latent Constructs	R²	Q²	f²	Exogeneous Latent Constructs	f²
CDLTY	0.264	0.124	0.126	CI	0.015
CLTY	0.363	0.311	0.021	COM	0.017
CSAT	0.536	0.507	0.966	DAP	0.015
WLP	0.624	0.338		DM	0.011
				DP	0.012
				INV	0.015
				LGE	0.015
				OPE	0.010
				SI	0.018
				TA	0.023

The study model has shown robust explanatory power  $(R^2)$  and prediction  $(Q^2)$  ability for all the exogenous constructs namely customer satisfaction, customer loyalty, customer disloyalty, and willingness to pay (Table 7.2.13). This study intends to evaluate the variation of endogenous components and evaluate the effect size. The  $f^2$  statistic quantifies technological adaptability has the highest effect size followed by service interface.

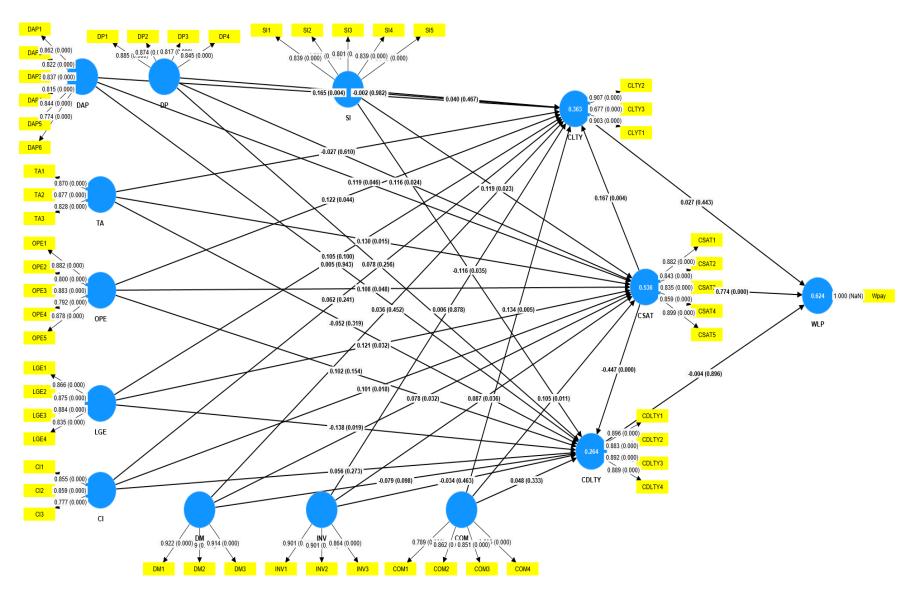


Figure 7.2.1 CSQ model-II generated in SMARTPLS (Individual private CEP users)

### 7.2.3.2 *Model fit*

Table 7.2.14 Model fit indices (Individual private CEP users)

	Saturated model	Estimated model	Thresholds	References
SRMR	0.046	0.046	<=0.08	Hair et al., 2020
d_ULS	2.975	2.992	>=0.70	Yusif et al., 2020; German et al., 2022
d_G	1.106	1.111	p>0.05	Dash & Paul, 2021
NFI	0.824	0.824	p>0.05	Dash & Paul, 2021
GoF	0.570		Small=0.1 Medium= 0.25 Large= 0.36	Sheykhfard et al., 2024; Wasko & Faraj, 2005; Wetzels et al., 2009
VIF	Between 1 to 5			Hair et al., 2020; Kock 2015

The SRMR analysis illustrates the disparity between the observed correlation matrix and the anticipated correlation matrix. In the present investigation, the saturated model and estimated model for SRMR were found to be 0.046, suggesting a satisfactory fit, as these values fall below the threshold of 0.08. The precise model fit assesses the disparity between an empirical covariance test and the exact model fit. The d\_ULS value for the saturated model is 2.975, whereas the value for the estimated model is 2.992, which above the threshold of 0.05. In addition, the d\_G value for the saturated model is 1.106, whereas the estimated model is 1.111, both of which exceed the significance level of 0.05. This suggests that the model successfully passed the precise model fit tests. According to Bentler and Bonett (1980), values that are closer to 1 in NFI are regarded as having a superior fit. In this investigation, the NFI values for the saturated model and estimated model is 0.824 respectively. These values exceed the threshold of 0.7. In general, the CSQ model-II satisfied the statistical fitness criterion, as evidenced by the data presented in Table 7.2.14.

**Goodness of fit:** The determined GoF value of 0.570 in this study indicates that the CSQ model-II is highly well-fitting, as stated in Equation 15.

# 7.3 CUSTOMER SATISFACTION EVALUATION OF CEP SERVICE QUALITY IN TIMES OF DISRUPTIONS FROM THE PERSPECTIVE OF ORGANIZATIONAL USERS OF PRIVATE COURIER SERVICES

# 7.3.1 Identification of key factors affecting satisfaction level organizational users

# 7.3.1.1 Respondents' demographic profile

Table 7.3.1 Demographic Profile of organizational users

Characteristics	Category	Frequency	Percent
Delivery feature preference	Flexibility	64	18.4
	Safety	86	24.7
	Cost	85	24.4
	Speed	57	16.4
	Appropriate customer services	56	16.1
Frequency of use	Rarely	29	8.3
	Daily	133	38.2
	Weekly	85	24.4
	Fortnightly	53	15.2
	Monthly	48	13.8
Age of the organization	0-3 years	75	21.6
	4-10 years	146	42
	11-15 years	93	26.7
	More than 15 years	34	9.8
Number of employees	Less than 50	75	21.6
	50-100	146	42
	100-250	93	26.7
	Above 250	34	9.8
Preference to send urgent shipments	India Post	147	42.2
	Private couriers	201	57.8
Gender of the respondent	Male	236	67.8
	Female	112	32.2
Type of business	Manufacturing	27	7.8
	Pharmaceuticals	53	15.2
	Educational institutes/ printing/ publishers	58	16.7
	Banking/ IT/Accounting/other firms	66	19
	E commerce/ Retails	71	20.4
	Others	73	21

The demographic profile (Table 7.3.1) provides insight into the respondent characteristics of organizational CEP service users. Delivery feature preferences are fairly distributed, with

safety (24.7%) and cost (24.4%) being the most valued, followed by flexibility (18.4%), speed (16.4%), and appropriate customer services (16.1%). Most organizations have been in existence for 4-10 years (42%), while 21.6% are relatively new (0-3 years). A majority of organizations employ 50-100 workers (42%), and most prefer private couriers (57.8%) over India Post (42.2%) for urgent shipments. In terms of gender, males (67.8%) significantly outnumber females (32.2%). The businesses represented span a range of sectors, with e-commerce/retail (20.4%) and banking/IT/accounting (19%) being prominent, followed by educational institutes, printing, and publishing (16.7%). Usage frequency shows that 38.2% use postal services daily, and 24.4% use them weekly, suggesting a high dependence on postal services among the respondents.

# 7.3.1.2 Descriptive statistics of factors

Table 7.3.2 Descriptive statistics (Organizational private CEP users)

	Mean	Std. Error of Mean	Std. Deviation	Skewness	Kurtosis
DAP1	4.04	.078	1.449	025	395
DAP2	3.82	.071	1.333	.075	524
DAP3	3.95	.076	1.412	.210	265
DAP4	3.59	.074	1.373	.339	064
DAP5	3.91	.076	1.413	.016	190
DAP6	3.97	.077	1.433	.046	561
TA1	4.02	.081	1.518	059	635
TA2	3.73	.074	1.390	.176	608
TA3	3.54	.079	1.473	.397	298
OPE1	3.92	.079	1.480	113	673
OPE2	3.79	.076	1.420	.011	440
OPE3	3.68	.077	1.436	.196	482
OPE4	3.85	.075	1.399	016	538
OPE5	3.67	.075	1.405	.114	494
OPE6	3.63	.075	1.393	.214	437
OPE7	3.76	.083	1.542	.134	680
RRL1	3.68	.077	1.436	.015	557
RRL2	3.94	.076	1.425	.124	568
RRL3	4.06	.072	1.349	.116	397
RRL4	4.17	.076	1.427	.033	521
RRL5	4.18	.079	1.480	.008	505
FLEX1	3.78	.076	1.421	.043	606
FLEX2	3.99	.074	1.375	.158	536
FLEX3	4.19	.076	1.422	138	454
FLEX4	3.97	.073	1.359	.168	522

	Mean	Std. Error of Mean	Std. Deviation	Skewness	Kurtosis
LGE1	3.99	.077	1.430	063	716
LGE2	3.81	.076	1.413	.051	558
LGE3	3.91	.077	1.428	053	579
LGE4	3.53	.076	1.419	.197	551
LGE5	3.77	.078	1.453	.083	596
LGE6	3.86	.078	1.451	.076	499
CI1	3.90	.081	1.513	044	686
CI2	3.94	.076	1.427	032	609
CI3	3.81	.074	1.379	.073	403
DM1	3.84	.081	1.513	.069	559
DM2	4.04	.076	1.415	.020	609
DM3	3.88	.076	1.426	.141	451
INV1	4.02	.078	1.452	178	575
INV2	4.20	.077	1.434	081	629
INV3	4.19	.075	1.403	089	713
COM1	3.37	.079	1.479	.257	429
COM2	3.93	.070	1.303	010	261
сомз	3.86	.074	1.386	063	430
COM4	3.55	.076	1.423	.112	435
CSAT1	4.37	.083	1.546	396	494
CSAT2	4.37	.083	1.540	200	471
CSAT3	4.32	.084	1.562	140	764
CSAT4	4.14	.087	1.631	273	730
CDLTY1	3.64	.100	1.861	.261	-1.166
CDLTY2	3.57	.090	1.673	.252	984
CDLTY4	3.63	.096	1.795	.271	-1.025
CDLTY5	3.59	.093	1.731	.278	-1.065
CLTY1	4.24	.079	1.478	158	591
CLTY2	3.86	.080	1.488	041	592
CLTY3	3.71	.083	1.545	.216	615
WLP	3.68	.082	1.525	.143	595
DSP	3.58	.080	1.492	.215	530

The Table 7.3.2 presents descriptive statistics for several variables, representing questionnaire items or constructs measured on a scale (7-point). The mean values range from 3.37 to 4.37, indicating a tendency towards consensus. Variables CSAT1 and CSAT2 exhibit the highest mean (4.37), reflecting elevated customer satisfaction, whilst COM1 has the lowest mean (3.37). The standard deviation values span from 1.303 to 1.861, signifying significant variety in replies, with CDLTY1 exhibiting the largest variability. The data demonstrates a nearly normal distribution with comparable responses and a moderate dispersion. The skewness

values for all variables, spanning from -0.396 to 0.397, suggest that the data distribution is relatively symmetric, exhibiting negligible divergence from normalcy. All variables have neither substantial positive nor negative skewness, indicating that answers are predominantly centered around the mean. The kurtosis values, ranging from -1.166 to -0.064, suggest that the dataset is mesokurtic, indicating a close adherence to a normal distribution. The kurtosis values near 0 indicate that the distribution's tails are neither overly heavy nor excessively light. This interpretation indicates that the dataset has a normal, balanced distribution devoid of extreme outliers or skewed trends, so offering a dependable foundation for subsequent statistical research.

### 7.3.1.3 Exploratory factor analysis

KMO measure of sampling adequacy indicates suitable data for factor analysis, and a significant Bartlett's Test of Sphericity (p < 0.001) confirms sufficient correlations between variables (Table 7.3.3). Total Variance Explained shows 10 components explain 72.71% of variance. The first component explains 30.27%. After rotation, variance is more equally distributed, allowing interpretation easier (Table 7.3.4). The Rotated Component Matrix shows that the dataset has numerous dimensions (factors), helping researchers comprehend each structure (Table 7.3.5). These ten factors were named as dynamic adaptability, technological adaptability, operational efficiency, resilient reach logistics, flexibility, logistics efficiency, competitiveness, customer involvement, discrepancy mitigation, and *innovativeness*. The factor loadings are all satisfactory and above 0.5.

Table 7.3.3 KMO and Bartlett's Test-I (Organizational private CEP users)

Kaiser-Meyer-Olkin N	Neasure of Sampling Adequacy.	0.925
Bartlett's Test of Sphericity	Approx. Chi-Square	9746.563
	df	946
	Sig.	0

Table 7.3.4 Total variance-I (Organizational private CEP users)

Component	Initial Eigenvalues			Extraction Sums of Squared Loadings			Rotation Sums of Squared Loadings		
	Total	% of Variance	Cumulative %	Total	% of Variance	Cumulative %	Total	% of Variance	Cumulative %
1	13.321	30.274	30.274	13.321	30.274	30.274	5.290	12.022	12.022
2	3.851	8.753	39.027	3.851	8.753	39.027	4.415	10.033	22.055
3	3.061	6.958	45.985	3.061	6.958	45.985	4.260	9.681	31.736
4	2.414	5.485	51.470	2.414	5.485	51.470	3.670	8.341	40.078

Component	Initial Ei	genvalues		Extractio Loadings		of Squared	Rotatio Loading		of Squared
!	Total	% of Variance	Cumulative %	Total		Cumulative %	Total	% of Variance	Cumulative %
5	2.153	4.892	56.363	2.153	4.892	56.363	2.724	6.191	46.268
6	1.833	4.166	60.529	1.833	4.166	60.529	2.724	6.190	52.458
7	1.572	3.573	64.102	1.572	3.573	64.102	2.313	5.257	57.716
8	1.451	3.298	67.400	1.451	3.298	67.400	2.291	5.207	62.923
9	1.322	3.005	70.405	1.322	3.005	70.405	2.273	5.166	68.089
10	1.014	2.306	72.710	1.014	2.306	72.710	2.033	4.621	72.710
11	.697	1.583	74.293						
12	.618	1.404	75.697						
13	.561	1.275	76.972						
14	.529	1.203	78.175						
15	.512	1.163	79.338						
16	.487	1.107	80.445						
17	.476	1.083	81.527						
18	.471	1.071	82.598						
19	.445	1.012	83.610						
20	.428	.972	84.582						
21	.413	.939	85.521						
22	.403	.917	86.438						
23	.391	.888	87.326						
24	.369	.839	88.165						
25	.363	.825	88.990						
26	.362	.823	89.813						
27	.342	.778	90.591						
28	.330	.751	91.342						
29	.317	.721	92.063						
30	.304	.692	92.754						
31	.292	.663	93.418						
32	.286	.650	94.068						
33	.272	.619	94.687						
34	.261	.594	95.280						
35	.252	.573	95.853						
36	.246	.560	96.414						
37	.230	.523	96.936						
38	.221	.502	97.438						
39	.214	.485	97.924						
40	.204	.464	98.388						
41	.197	.449	98.836						
42	.184	.419	99.255						
43	.178	.404	99.660						
44	.150	.340	100.000						

Extraction Method: Principal Component Analysis.

Table 7.3.5 Rotated component matrix-I (Organizational private CEP users)

				•	Compon	ent				
	1	2	3	4	5 5	6 6	7	8	9	10
OPE1	.792							<u> </u>		10
OPET										
	.785									
OPE5	.783									
OPE3	.779									
OPE6	.776									
OPE4	.756									
OPE2	.746	025								
LGE5		.825								
LGE6		.781								
LGE1		.740								
LGE2		.726								
LGE3		.718								
LGE4		.717	045							
DAP5			.815							
DAP1			.811							
DAP4			.797							
DAP6			.771							
DAP3			.756							
DAP2			.703							
RRL2				.823						
RRL4				.821						
RRL5				.820						
RRL3				.796						
RRL1				.732						
FLEX3					.778					
FLEX2					.754					
FLEX4					.710					
FLEX1					.673					
СОМ3						.810				
COM2						.809				
COM1						.801				
COM4						.775				
TA2							.828			
TA3							.795			
TA1							.766			
INV3								.834		
INV2								.802		
INV1								.784		
DM3									.839	
DM2									.820	
DM1									.730	

					Compo	nent				
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
CI3										.779
CI2										.749
CI1										.673

Extraction Method: Principal Component Analysis. Rotation Method: Varimax with Kaiser Normalization. a. Rotation converged in 7 iterations.

Three more constructs were extracted namely customer satisfaction, customer loyalty and customer disloyalty. The results are discussed given as follows.

Table 7.3.6 KMO and Bartlett's Test-II (Organizational private CEP users)

Kaiser-Meyer-Olkin M	easure of Sampling Adequacy.	.932
Bartlett's Test of Sphericity	Approx. Chi-Square	3359.590
	df	55
	Sig.	0.000

Total 7.3.7 Variance Explained-II (Organizational private CEP users)

Component	Initial Eigenvalues			Extr	Extraction Sums of Squared Loadings			Rotation Sums of Squared Loadings		
	Total	% of	Cumulative	Total	% of	Cumulative	Total	% of	Cumulative	
		Variance	%		Variance	%		Variance	%	
1	6.921	62.914	62.914	6.921	62.914	62.914	5.709	51.896	51.896	
2	1.384	12.586	75.500	1.384	12.586	75.500	2.596	23.604	75.500	
3	1.163	6.030	81.530	1.123	10.563	78.564	1.987	28.56	80.364	
4	.456	4.149	85.679							
5	.335	3.045	88.724							
6	.298	2.709	91.432							
7	.258	2.348	93.780							
8	.234	2.128	95.908							
9	.192	1.745	97.653							
10	.146	1.332	98.984							
11	.112	1.016	100.000							

Extraction Method: Principal Component Analysis. Rotation Method: Varimax with Kaiser Normalization. a. Rotation converged in 3 iterations.

Table 7.3.8 Rotated Component Matrix-II (Organizational private CEP users)

		Component		
	1	2	3	
CDLTY1	.893			
CDLTY5	.874			
CDLTY4	.859			
CDLTY2	.858			

		Component		
	1	2	3	
CSAT2		.810		
CSAT4		.801		
CSAT1		.776		
CSAT3		.770		
CLTY1			.867	
CLTY2			.811	
CLTY3			.807	

Extraction Method: Principal Component Analysis. Rotation Method: Varimax with Kaiser Normalization. a. Rotation converged in 5 iterations.

The three tables (7.3.6, 7.3.7, 7.3.8) demonstrate factor analysis structures and validity. Sampling Adequacy test is excellent as KMO score signifies that the variables share a considerable fraction of variation, making the dataset eligible for factor analysis. Bartlett's Test of Sphericity also yields a significance results. This reveals that the correlation matrix is not an identity matrix, which factor analysis requires. Significant results (p < 0.05) indicate considerable correlations between variables, qualifying for factoring. Both tests confirm that the data is suitable for factor analysis. The total variance explained table demonstrates that the first three components explain 80.36% of the variance, with the first two accounting for 75.5% after extraction, indicating a robust structure. Rotation sums of squared loadings refine this by uniformly dispersing variance among components, making comprehension easier. This structure shows that the data has separate dimensions like customer loyalty, satisfaction, and disloyalty with clear patterns.

#### 7.3.2 Assessment of measurement model

#### 7.3.2.1 Reliability and validity

Table 7.3.9 Outer loadings, validity, and reliability for constructs (Organizational private CEP users)

Items	Outer loadings	Cronbach's alpha	Composite reliability (rho_a)	Composite reliability (rho_c)	Average variance extracted (AVE)	VIF
DAP1	0.864	0.905	0.906	0.927	0.678	2.669
DAP2	0.782					1.891
DAP3	0.805					2.149

Items	Outer loadings	Cronbach's alpha	Composite reliability (rho_a)	Composite reliability (rho_c)	Average variance extracted (AVE)	VIF
DAP4	0.818				. ,	2.176
DAP5	0.855					2.655
DAP6	0.812					2.203
DM1	0.861	0.821	0.830	0.894	0.737	1.898
DM2	0.904					2.326
DM3	0.809					1.685
TA1	0.897	0.854	0.865	0.911	0.773	2.189
TA2	0.896					2.381
TA3	0.844					1.912
INV1	0.886	0.834	0.847	0.900	0.749	1.968
INV2	0.875					1.982
INV3	0.836					1.852
LGE1	0.893	0.911	0.917	0.931	0.693	3.148
LGE2	0.794	0.522	0.01.	0.502	0.050	2.058
LGE3	0.821					2.276
LGE4	0.796					2.079
LGE5	0.838					2.489
LGE6	0.849					2.599
OPE1	0.889	0.935	0.937	0.947	0.719	3.425
OPE2	0.833	0.555	0.557	0.5 17	0.713	2.438
OPE3	0.852					2.810
OPE4	0.853					2.793
OPE5	0.812					2.336
OPE6	0.836					2.556
OPE7	0.856					2.915
RRL1	0.817	0.895	0.896	0.923	0.705	1.952
RRL2	0.854	0.055	0.050	0.525	0.703	2.450
RRL3	0.834					2.224
RRL4	0.839					2.303
RRL5	0.854					2.518
FLEX1	0.879	0.870	0.885	0.911	0.718	2.250
FLEX2	0.809	0.070	0.005	0.511	0.710	1.917
FLEX3	0.848					2.209
FLEX4	0.853					2.115
COM1	0.832	0.830	0.850	0.886	0.661	1.846
COM2	0.846	0.030	0.050	0.000	0.001	1.989
COM3	0.849					2.065
COM4	0.719					1.576
CI1	0.713	0.846	0.853	0.906	0.764	2.075
CI2	0.889	0.040	0.055	0.500	0.704	2.242
CI2	0.884					1.873
CDLTY1	0.955	0.956	0.956	0.968	0.883	2.384
CDLTT1 CDLTY2	0.933	0.930	0.930	0.308	0.003	3.328
CDLTY3	0.929					2.939
CDLTY3 CDLTY4	0.938					3.849
CDLTY4 CLTY1	0.938	0.823	0.826	0.895	0.739	2.166
		0.023	0.020	0.033	0.733	
CLTY2	0.862					1.926 1.672
CLTY3	0.825	0.014	0.015	0.020	0.705	
CSAT1	0.866	0.914	0.915	0.939	0.795	2.454
CSAT2	0.893					2.848
CSAT3	0.897					2.961
CSAT4	0.909					3.237
WLP	1.000					1.000

Table 7.3.10 Heterotrait-monotrait ratio (HTMT) – Matrix (Organizational private CEP users)

	CDLTY	CI	CLTY	СОМ	CSAT	DAP	DM	FLEX	INV	LGE	OPE	RRL	TA	WLP
CDLTY														
CI	0.508													
CLTY	0.696	0.555												
COM	0.287	0.229	0.264											
CSAT	0.845	0.674	0.840	0.345										
DAP	0.508	0.318	0.543	0.267	0.594									
DM	0.365	0.491	0.465	0.224	0.550	0.389								
FLEX	0.520	0.590	0.504	0.244	0.696	0.339	0.352							
INV	0.416	0.387	0.504	0.112	0.579	0.415	0.418	0.365						
LGE	0.580	0.673	0.554	0.234	0.692	0.329	0.327	0.673	0.370					
OPE	0.530	0.530	0.458	0.211	0.663	0.406	0.287	0.594	0.354	0.597				
RRL	0.381	0.282	0.346	0.079	0.477	0.325	0.249	0.395	0.326	0.334	0.489			
TA	0.414	0.419	0.508	0.241	0.542	0.564	0.427	0.360	0.400	0.251	0.325	0.277		
WLP	0.561	0.406	0.559	0.135	0.668	0.490	0.348	0.470	0.350	0.388	0.444	0.352	0.389	

Table 7.3.11 Fornell-Larcker criterion (Organizational private CEP users)

	CDLTY	CI	CLTY	СОМ	CSAT	DAP	DM	FLEX	INV	LGE	OPE	RRL	TA	WLP
CDLTY	0.940													
CI	-0.460	0.874												
CLTY	-0.618	0.465	0.860											
COM	-0.262	0.202	0.221	0.813										
CSAT	-0.790	0.596	0.729	0.309	0.891									
DAP	-0.474	0.280	0.470	0.232	0.542	0.823								
DM	-0.325	0.412	0.383	0.191	0.479	0.338	0.859							
FLEX	-0.481	0.514	0.434	0.213	0.629	0.304	0.303	0.848						
INV	-0.377	0.329	0.420	0.098	0.511	0.363	0.350	0.320	0.866					
LGE	-0.544	0.599	0.485	0.212	0.636	0.302	0.290	0.607	0.331	0.833				
OPE	-0.503	0.478	0.405	0.198	0.616	0.376	0.254	0.543	0.320	0.557	0.848			
RRL	-0.354	0.250	0.301	0.069	0.433	0.293	0.216	0.353	0.286	0.305	0.450	0.840		
TA	-0.378	0.358	0.429	0.204	0.483	0.495	0.370	0.318	0.340	0.226	0.288	0.241	0.879	
WLP	-0.548	0.376	0.507	0.127	0.639	0.466	0.317	0.444	0.322	0.375	0.430	0.332	0.364	1.000

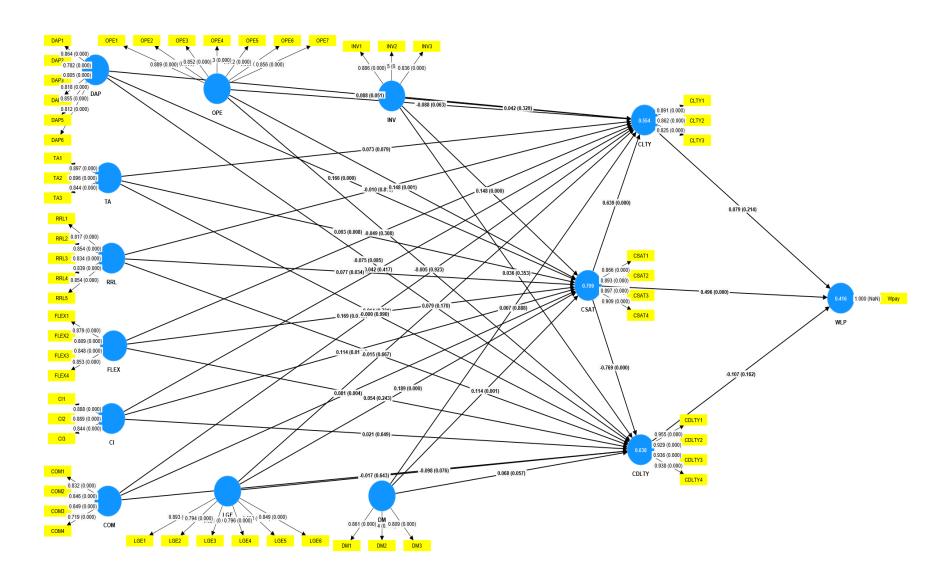


Figure 7.3.1 CSQ Model-III model generated in SMARTPLS (Organizational private CEP users)

The measuring model includes convergent validity, discriminant validity, and construct reliability (Table 7.3.9). This demonstrates that the composite reliability (CR) values of constructs were all over 0.7, with a range of 0.947 to 0.830, indicating high reliability. Cronbach alpha value was also above 0.7. This discovery validated the notion that the measuring scales provide a sufficient level of internal consistency reliability for a new scale, as stated by Hair et al. (2019).

The average variance extracted (AVE) of all constructs were higher than 0.5, indicating that the measurement scales have adequate convergent validity.

The Fornell-Larker criterion in Table 7.3.11 confirms the presence of discriminant validity, as all square roots of the AVE are greater than the corresponding correlations between the components.

The cross-loading results indicate that all the constructs demonstrated discriminant validity, as none of the cross-loading values were below 0.1 (Chin, 1998). Furthermore, all the indicators exhibit a significant degree of loading on the relevant constructions rather than other constructs. This observation suggests that each of the constructs inside the framework exhibits a high degree of distinctiveness from the others. The findings of cross-loading are presented in the Appendix. The HTMT values suggest the absence of any values greater than 0.85. Consequently, it has been verified that all of the constructs demonstrated satisfactory levels of discriminant validity. The findings of the HTMT are presented in Table 7.3.10.

## 7.3.2.2 Common method variance (CVM)

The measurement approach utilized collinearity statistics, focusing on evaluating the variance inflation factor (VIF) with a stringent threshold of VIF values equal to or below 5. The study used Harman's (1967) single-factor test and conducted unrotated principal component factor analysis in SPSS. The research identified ten separate factors of service quality with eigenvalues of 1.00 or above, explaining a total of 72.71% of the variation, which contradicts the idea of a single underlying factor. The common approach variance was found to be less than 50%, with the first factor accounting for 30.27% of the variance, in line with Podsakoff et al.'s (2003) suggestions.

# 7.3.3 Structural Equation Model

# 7.3.3.1 Evaluation of the structural model

Table 7.3.12 Assessment of direct relationship (Organizational private CEP users)

Hypotheses	Path coeffici ents	SE	T values	95% co	rrected at onfidence ervals	P Values	Decision
				Lower Level	Upper Level		
LGE -> CSAT	0.189	0.044	4.263	0.104	0.280	0.000	Supported
FLEX -> CSAT	0.169	0.041	4.076	0.089	0.253	0.000	Supported
DAP -> CSAT	0.166	0.042	3.988	0.083	0.248	0.000	Supported
INV -> CSAT	0.148	0.037	4.046	0.075	0.218	0.000	Supported
OPE -> CSAT	0.148	0.045	3.305	0.062	0.236	0.001	Supported
CI -> CSAT	0.114	0.047	2.416	0.019	0.206	0.016	Supported
DM -> CSAT	0.114	0.035	3.301	0.048	0.185	0.001	Supported
COM -> CSAT	0.081	0.028	2.912	0.026	0.136	0.004	Supported
TA -> CSAT	0.093	0.035	2.639	0.024	0.163	0.008	Supported
RRL -> CSAT	0.077	0.036	2.116	0.007	0.149	0.034	Supported
CI -> CLTY	0.042	0.051	0.812	-0.059	0.141	0.417	Not Supported
COM -> CLTY	-0.014	0.040	0.344	-0.093	0.063	0.731	Not Supported
DAP -> CLTY	0.088	0.045	1.949	-0.002	0.173	0.051	Partially Supported
DM -> CLTY	0.007	0.046	0.141	-0.084	0.095	0.888	Not Supported
FLEX -> CLTY	-0.049	0.048	1.020	-0.142	0.047	0.308	Not Supported
INV -> CLTY	0.042	0.043	0.976	-0.042	0.128	0.329	Not Supported
LGE -> CLTY	0.079	0.058	1.371	-0.031	0.197	0.170	Not Supported
OPE -> CLTY	-0.088	0.047	1.861	-0.185	0.000	0.063	Not Supported
RRL -> CLTY	-0.010	0.043	0.230	-0.093	0.075	0.818	Not Supported
TA -> CLTY	0.073	0.042	1.757	-0.006	0.159	0.079	Not Supported
CI -> CDLTY	0.021	0.045	0.455	-0.069	0.108	0.649	Not Supported
COM -> CDLTY	-0.017	0.036	0.464	-0.086	0.053	0.643	Not Supported
DAP -> CDLTY	-0.075	0.044	1.725	-0.161	0.012	0.085	Not Supported
DM -> CDLTY	0.068	0.036	1.905	-0.001	0.139	0.057	Partially Supported
FLEX -> CDLTY	0.054	0.046	1.168	-0.038	0.144	0.243	Not Supported
INV -> CDLTY	0.036	0.039	0.928	-0.039	0.113	0.353	Not Supported
LGE -> CDLTY	-0.098	0.055	1.778	-0.208	0.010	0.076	Not Supported
OPE -> CDLTY	-0.005	0.048	0.097	-0.095	0.090	0.923	Not Supported
RRL -> CDLTY	-0.015	0.035	0.431	-0.085	0.053	0.667	Not Supported
TA -> CDLTY	0.000	0.040	0.012	-0.078	0.078	0.990	
CSAT -> CLTY	0.639	0.070	9.140	0.499	0.771	0.000	Supported
CSAT -> CDLTY	-0.769	0.056	13.750	-0.877	-0.657	0.000	Supported
CSAT -> WLP	0.496	0.084	5.931	0.330	0.656	0.000	Supported
CDLTY -> WLP	-0.107	0.077	1.398	-0.254	0.044	0.162	Not Supported
CLTY -> WLP	0.079	0.064	1.243	-0.044	0.206	0.214	Not Supported

The path coefficients of PLS structural equation model are presented in Table 7.3.12.

- a) Impact of quality of courier service on satisfaction of customers: As shown in model 3 (Figure 7.3.1) ten factors of service quality are identified in the context of private courier services. Ten factors namely logistics efficiency (( $\beta = 0.189$ ), flexibility ( $\beta = 0.169$ ), dynamic adaptability ( $\beta = 0.166$ ), operational efficiency ( $\beta = 0.148$ ), innovativeness ( $\beta = 0.148$ ), disruption preparedness ( $\beta = 0.114$ ), customer involvement ( $\beta = 0.114$ ), technological adaptability ( $\beta = 0.093$ ), competitiveness ( $\beta = 0.081$ ), resilience reach logistics ( $\beta = 0.077$ ), and significantly influenced customer satisfaction. The R<sup>2</sup> value shows that the perception of the customers on courier service quality explains 71% of the variance in customer satisfaction. Hence, H4a is supported.
- b) Impact of quality of courier service on loyalty of customers: Only one factor dynamic adaptability ( $\beta = 0.045$ ), partially influenced customer loyalty. H4b is supported partially.
- c) Impact of quality of courier service on disloyalty of customers: There is no such direct relationship was found between courier service quality and customer disloyalty (Table 7.3.12). Therefore, we cannot accept H4c.
- d) Impact of satisfaction with customers on loyalty to customers, customer disloyalty and willingness to pay: Customer satisfaction ( $\beta = 0.639$ ) positively influences customer loyalty and negatively influences customer disloyalty ( $\beta = -0.769$ ). Customer satisfaction positively influences willingness to pay ( $\beta = 0.496$ ). Hence H4d, H4e, H4h are supported.
- e) Effects of customer loyalty and customer disloyalty on willingness to pay: Customer loyalty and customer disloyalty have no such interaction with willingness to pay. But H4i and H4j are not supported.

Table 7.3.13 Mediation analysis (Organizational private CEP users)

Hypotheses	Path coefficients	SE	T Values	Bias Corrected at 95% confidence Intervals		P values	Decision
				Lower level	Upper level		
LGE -> CSAT -> CLTY	0.121	0.032	3.735	0.063	0.190	0.000	Full Mediation
FLEX -> CSAT -> CLTY	0.108	0.029	3.722	0.055	0.167	0.000	<b>Full Mediation</b>
DAP -> CSAT -> CLTY	0.106	0.030	3.524	0.050	0.168	0.000	Partial Mediation
INV -> CSAT -> CLTY	0.095	0.025	3.793	0.046	0.145	0.000	<b>Full Mediation</b>
OPE -> CSAT -> CLTY	0.094	0.031	3.077	0.038	0.157	0.002	Full Mediation

Hypotheses	Path coefficients	SE	T Values	Bias Corrected at 95% confidence Intervals		P values	Decision
				Lower level	Upper level		
DM -> CSAT -> CLTY	0.073	0.023	3.142	0.031	0.122	0.002	Full Mediation
TA -> CSAT -> CLTY	0.060	0.023	2.606	0.016	0.106	0.009	Full Mediation
COM -> CSAT -> CLTY	0.052	0.019	2.795	0.016	0.089	0.005	Full Mediation
RRL -> CSAT -> CLTY	0.049	0.023	2.116	0.005	0.096	0.034	Full Mediation
CI -> CSAT -> CLTY	0.073	0.032	2.254	0.012	0.139	0.024	Full Mediation
CI -> CSAT -> CDLTY	-0.088	0.037	2.359	-0.162	-0.014	0.018	Full Mediation
COM -> CSAT -> CDLTY	-0.063	0.021	2.918	-0.105	-0.020	0.004	Full Mediation
DAP -> CSAT -> CDLTY	-0.128	0.033	3.873	-0.195	-0.063	0.000	<b>Full Mediation</b>
FLEX -> CSAT -> CDLTY	-0.130	0.033	3.900	-0.199	-0.067	0.000	Full Mediation
LGE -> CSAT -> CDLTY	-0.145	0.036	4.083	-0.219	-0.078	0.000	Full Mediation
RRL -> CSAT -> CDLTY	-0.059	0.028	2.104	-0.116	-0.006	0.035	Full Mediation
DM -> CSAT -> CDLTY	-0.088	0.027	3.213	-0.144	-0.037	0.001	Partial Mediation
INV -> CSAT -> CDLTY	-0.114	0.030	3.825	-0.173	-0.056	0.000	Full Mediation
OPE -> CSAT -> CDLTY	-0.114	0.036	3.193	-0.186	-0.047	0.001	Full Mediation
TA -> CSAT -> CDLTY	-0.072	0.027	2.629	-0.126	-0.019	0.009	Full Mediation

f) Customer satisfaction mediates the relationship between service quality and customer loyalty and customer disloyalty: The study revealed a significant correlation between the quality of courier services and customer loyalty, as well as between courier service quality and consumer disloyalty. The results of mediation analysis provide us the evidence that there is indirect relationship exists between courier service quality and customer loyalty. All the eight factors namely logistics efficiency (( $\beta$  = 0.121), flexibility ( $\beta$  = 0.108), dynamic adaptability ( $\beta$  = 0.106), operational efficiency ( $\beta$  = 0.094), innovativeness ( $\beta$  = 0.095), disruption mitigation ( $\beta$  = 0.073), technological adaptability ( $\beta$  = 0.060), customer involvement ( $\beta$  = 0.066), competitiveness ( $\beta$  = 0.052), resilience logistics reach ( $\beta$  = 0.049) and have significantly influenced customer loyalty via customer satisfaction. The R<sup>2</sup> value shows that the perception of the customers on courier service quality explains 40% of the variance in customer loyalty. Hence H4f is supported.

The results of mediation analysis provide us the evidence that there is indirect relationship exists between courier service quality and customer disloyalty except service interface and logistics efficiency. Seven factors namely flexibility (disruption mitigation ( $\beta = 0.130$ ), operational efficiency ( $\beta = -0.114$ ), dynamic adaptability ( $\beta = -0.114$ )

-0.128), competitiveness ( $\beta$  = -0.063), disruption mitigation ( $\beta$  = -0.088), innovativeness ( $\beta$  = -0.114), technological adaptability ( $\beta$  = -0.072), customer involvement ( $\beta$  = -0.088), resilience reach logistics ( $\beta$  = 0.059), disruption mitigation ( $\beta$  = 0.088) significantly influenced customer disloyalty via customer satisfaction. Enhanced service quality leads to happier customers and reduces the switching behaviors of customer from dissatisfied factors. Hence H4g is supported.

Table 7.2.14 R<sup>2</sup>, Q<sup>2</sup> and f<sup>2</sup> results (Organizational private CEP users)

Endogenous latent constructs	R²	Q <sup>2</sup>	f²	Exogenous Latent constructs	f²
Customer Satisfaction	0.709	0.689	0.119	CI	0.024
Customer Loyalty	0.554	0.397	0.267	COM	0.020
Customer Disloyalty	0.638	0.431	0.475	DAP	0.061
Willingness to pay	0.416	0.319		DM	0.033
				FLEX	0.052
				TA	0.020
				INV	0.056
				LGE	0.058
				OPE	0.040
				RRL	0.015

The study model has shown robust explanatory power  $(R^2)$  and prediction  $(Q^2)$  ability for all the exogenous constructs customer satisfaction, customer loyalty, customer disloyalty, Willingness to pay (Table 7.2.15). This study intends to evaluate the variation of endogenous components and evaluate the effect size. The  $f^2$  statistic quantifies that dynamic adaptability has the highest effect size followed by competitiveness, operational efficiency, innovativeness in second third and fourth place.

# 7.3.3.2 *Model fit*

Table 7.3.15 Model fit indices (Organizational private CEP users)

Parameters	Saturated model	Estimated model	Thresholds	References
SRMR	0.044	0.044	<=0.08	Hair et al., 2020
NFI	0.837	0.836	>=0.70	Yusif et al., 2020; German et al., 2022
d_ULS	3.049	3.158	>0.05	Dash & Paul, 2021
d_G	1.213	1.226	>0.05	Dash & Paul, 2021
GoF	0.652		Small=0.1	Sheykhfard et al., 2024; Wasko & Faraj,
			Medium= 0.25	2005; Wetzels et al., 2009
			Large= 0.36	
VIF	Between 1 to 5		<=5	Hair et al., 2020; Kock 2015

In the present investigation, the saturated model and estimated model for SRMR were found to be 0.044, suggesting a satisfactory fit, as these values fall below the threshold of 0.08 (Citation). The precise model fit assesses the disparity between an empirical covariance test and the exact model fit. The d\_ULS value for the saturated model is 3.049, whereas the value for the estimated model is 3.158, which above the threshold of 0.05. In addition, the d\_G value for the saturated model is 1.213, whereas the estimated model is 1.226, both of which exceed the significance level of 0.05. This suggests that the model successfully passed the precise model fit tests. According to Bentler and Bonett (1980), values that are closer to 1 in NFI are regarded as having a superior fit. In this investigation, the NFI values for the saturated model and estimated model are 0.837 and 0.836, respectively. These values exceed the threshold of 0.70. Hence, the model satisfied the statistical fitness criterion, as evidenced by the data presented in Table 7.2.15.

**Goodness of fit**: The determined GoF value of 0.652 in this study indicates that the model is highly well-fitting, as stated in Equation (17).

# 7.4 CUSTOMER SATISFACTION EVALUATION OF CEP SERVICE QUALITY IN TIMES OF DISRUPTIONS FROM THE PERSPECTIVE OF ORGANIZATIONAL USERS OF POSTAL SERVICES

# 7.4.1 Identification of key factors affecting satisfaction level organizational users

Demographic profile of the respondents is already discussed in previous section (7.3.1.1)

# 7.4.1.1 Descriptive statistics of factors

Table 7.4.1 Descriptive statistics (Organizational postal users)

Items	Mean	Std. Error of Mean	Std. Deviation	Skewness	Kurtosis
DAP1	4.32	.081	1.518	069	796
DAP2	4.04	.076	1.409	.039	439
DAP3	4.01	.074	1.387	075	351
DAP4	3.98	.081	1.506	.095	671
DAP5	4.05	.076	1.420	.022	476
DAP6	4.05	.079	1.469	.057	689
TA1	3.83	.082	1.532	.128	674
TA2	3.63	.078	1.456	.382	417
TA3	3.66	.078	1.464	.331	564
OPE1	4.00	.077	1.435	.060	536
OPE2	3.71	.076	1.416	.205	519
OPE3	4.02	.078	1.456	.078	636
OPE4	3.72	.076	1.424	.206	551
OPE5	3.84	.076	1.409	.089	475
OPE6	3.78	.077	1.432	.181	481
OPE7	3.89	.082	1.535	.074	683
RRL1	4.13	.079	1.478	079	512
RRL2	4.01	.074	1.383	056	466
RRL3	3.96	.075	1.404	.102	241
RRL4	3.98	.075	1.398	.035	448
RRL5	4.02	.079	1.472	.052	514
FLEX1	4.17	.081	1.508	194	595
FLEX2	4.08	.079	1.470	041	528
FLEX3	4.02	.079	1.476	051	584
FLEX4	4.16	.078	1.463	009	643
LGE1	4.02	.079	1.478	013	827
LGE2	4.04	.076	1.427	066	639
LGE3	3.97	.077	1.440	015	650
LGE4	3.97	.074	1.380	.044	413
LGE5	3.95	.074	1.390	.062	516
LGE6	4.02	.076	1.424	.074	538

Items	Mean	Std. Error of Mean	Std. Deviation	Skewness	Kurtosis
CI1	3.60	.079	1.470	.023	689
CI2	3.54	.075	1.398	.139	698
CI3	3.59	.081	1.517	.050	835
DM1	3.86	.079	1.482	045	807
DM2	3.92	.079	1.470	.101	552
DM3	4.02	.084	1.566	.003	833
INV1	3.72	.076	1.416	.178	732
INV2	3.66	.083	1.543	.149	663
INV3	3.45	.076	1.427	.213	600
CSAT1	4.31	.088	1.634	232	736
CSAT2	4.21	.086	1.601	146	740
CSAT3	4.14	.085	1.595	034	698
CSAT4	4.28	.087	1.621	233	848
CLTY1	4.31	.066	1.234	025	116
CLTY2	3.79	.071	1.326	.307	253
CLTY3	4.22	.069	1.292	.055	265
CDLTY1	4.02	.088	1.636	040	946
CDLTY2	3.97	.081	1.511	.160	758
CDLTY3	3.86	.082	1.537	.190	645
CDLTY4	3.98	.082	1.538	.058	701
COM1	4.17	.077	1.434	.054	551
COM2	3.89	.076	1.416	.058	399
COM3	3.99	.078	1.448	.106	547
COM4	4.11	.077	1.443	.052	551
WLP	4.07	.091	1.693	033	965
DSP	4.00	.091	1.706	007	990

The Table 7.4.1 presents descriptive statistics for several variables, representing questionnaire items or constructs measured on a scale (7-point). The mean values range between 3.45 and 4.32 indicate the average response for each item, with higher scores reflecting a tendency toward agreement or positive evaluation. For example, DAP1 (4.32) has a higher average score than CI2 (3.54), suggesting that respondents rated DAP1 more favorably. The standard error of the mean provides a measure of the precision of the mean estimate, where smaller values denote greater precision. The standard deviation captures the spread of responses, showing variability across respondents and ranges between 1.234 and 1.706. Most items exhibit moderate standard deviations, indicating diverse perceptions. The skewness values, ranging between -0.232 to 0.382, highlight the symmetry of responses, with most items

displaying near-zero skewness, implying approximately symmetric distributions. Finally, the kurtosis values, ranging between -0.990 to -0.116, suggest flatter-than-normal distributions, indicating lighter tails in the data. This overview helps assess response patterns and the distribution characteristics for each variable.

## 7.4.1.2 Exploratory factor analysis

The exploratory factor analysis (EFA) was conducted using the Statistical Package for the Social Sciences (SPSS). The provided tables detail the results of EFA, assessing data adequacy, factor extraction, and item loadings. The Kaiser-Meyer-Olkin (KMO) Measure of Sampling Adequacy is exceptionally high at 0.951, indicating that the dataset is well-suited for factor analysis (Table 7.4.2). The Bartlett's Test of Sphericity yields a significant result (p < 0.001), confirming that the correlation matrix is not an identity matrix and that factor analysis is appropriate (Table 7.4.2). The Total Variance Explained table reveals that the first 10 components have eigenvalues greater than 1, collectively explaining 77.89% of the variance (Table 7.4.3). The rotated component matrix, based on Varimax rotation, shows welldistributed factor loadings, with all items loading strongly onto their respective components (loadings >0.5), ensuring clear factor differentiation (Table 7.4.5). Each factor represents a distinct underlying construct, with the highest loadings for items like OPE2 (0.786) on Component 1, LGE1 (0.794) on Component 2, and DAP4 (0.789) on Component 3, highlighting the strong relationships between these variables and their factors. The results indicate a robust factor structure with clear item clustering. These ten factors were named as dynamic adaptability, technological adaptability, operational efficiency, resilient reach logistics, flexibility, logistics efficiency, competitiveness, customer involvement, discrepancy mitigation, and innovativeness.

Table 7.4.2 KMO and Bartlett's Test-I (Organizational postal users)

Kaiser-Meyer-Olkin N	Measure of Sampling Adequacy.	.951
Bartlett's Test of Sphericity	Approx. Chi-Square	12246.542
	df	946
	Sig.	0.000

Table 7.4.3 Total Variance Explained-I (Organizational postal users)

Componen t		Initial Eigenv	alues	Extra	ction Sums o		Rotat	ion Sums o Loading	
·	Total	% of Varianc e	Cumulativ e %	Total	% of Varianc e	Cumulativ e %	Total	% of Varian ce	Cumulativ e %
1	17.19 3	39.076	39.076	17.19 3	39.076	39.076	5.358	12.177	12.177
2	2.744	6.235	45.311	2.744	6.235	45.311	4.724	10.735	22.913
3	2.437	5.538	50.850	2.437	5.538	50.850	4.422	10.050	32.963
4	2.208	5.019	55.869	2.208	5.019	55.869	3.989	9.067	42.029
5	2.105	4.785	60.654	2.105	4.785	60.654	3.358	7.633	49.662
6	2.064	4.692	65.345	2.064	4.692	65.345	3.115	7.080	56.742
7	1.613	3.666	69.011	1.613	3.666	69.011	2.550	5.795	62.537
8	1.531	3.479	72.491	1.531	3.479	72.491	2.470	5.613	68.150
9	1.231	2.799	75.289	1.231	2.799	75.289	2.233	5.076	73.226
10	1.143	2.598	77.887	1.143	2.598	77.887	2.051	4.661	77.887
11	.516	1.173	79.060						
12	.499	1.135	80.194						
13	.485	1.102	81.296						
14	.446	1.013	82.309						
15	.430	.977	83.286						
16	.417	.947	84.233						
17	.395	.897	85.130						
18	.367	.834	85.964						
19	.357	.812	86.776						
20	.351	.797	87.573						
21	.342	.777	88.350						
22	.332	.755	89.106						
23	.314	.713	89.819						
24	.299	.679	90.498						
25	.294	.667	91.166						
26	.288	.655	91.821						
27	.278	.631	92.452						
28	.273	.620	93.073						
29	.257	.584	93.657						
30	.245	.557	94.214						
31	.241	.548	94.762						
32	.236	.536	95.298						
33	.229	.520	95.818						
34	.220	.500	96.317						
35	.216	.490	96.807						
36	.197	.447	97.254						
37	.194	.441	97.695						
38	.167	.380	98.075						
39	.161	.367	98.442						

Componen t	t		Extro	ction Sums o	•	Rotation Sums of Squared Loadings			
	Total	% of Varianc e	Cumulativ e %	Total	% of Varianc e	Cumulativ e %	Total	% of Varian ce	Cumulativ e %
40	.153	.347	98.789						
41	.146	.333	99.121						
42	.137	.311	99.432						
43	.130	.295	99.727						
44	.120	.273	100.000						

Table 7.4.4 Rotated Component Matrix-I (Organizational postal users)

	Component											
ļ	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10		
OPE2	.786											
OPE4	.774											
OPE5	.767											
OPE1	.765											
OPE6	.765											
OPE7	.761											
OPE3	.742											
LGE1		.794										
LGE6		.794										
LGE5		.781										
LGE4		.775										
LGE2		.769										
LGE3		.765										
DAP4			.789									
DAP1			.781									
DAP5			.769									
DAP6			.764									
DAP2			.750									
DAP3			.730									
RRL5				.798								
RRL1				.798								
RRL4				.794								
RRL3				.791								
RRL2				.766								
сомз					.836							
COM4					.814							
COM1					.813							
COM2					.794							
FLEX4						.786						
FLEX3						.782						
FLEX1						.767						

					Сотр	onent				
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
FLEX2						.754				
TA1							.853			
TA2							.846			
TA3							.846			
INV3								.839		
INV2								.836		
INV1								.801		
CI3									.821	
CI2									.757	
CI1									.745	
DM2										.808
DM3										.693
DM1										.664

Extraction Method: Principal Component Analysis. Rotation Method: Varimax with Kaiser Normalization. a. Rotation converged in 7 iterations.

Three more constructs were extracted namely customer satisfaction, customer loyalty and customer disloyalty. The results are discussed given as follows.

Table 7.4.5 KMO and Bartlett's Test-II (Organizational postal users)

Kaiser-Meyer-Olkin N	Kaiser-Meyer-Olkin Measure of Sampling Adequacy.						
Bartlett's Test of Sphericity	Bartlett's Test of Sphericity Approx. Chi-Square						
	df						
	Sig.						

Table 7.4.6 Total Variance Explained-II (Organizational postal users)

Component		Initial Eigen	values	Extr	action Sums ( Loading		Rotation Sums of Squared Loadinas			
	Total	% of	Cumulative	Total	% of	Cumulative	Total	% of	Cumulative	
		Variance	%		Variance	%		Variance	%	
1	6.435	58.501	58.501	6.435	58.501	58.501	3.465	31.501	31.501	
2	1.433	13.030	71.530	1.433	13.030	71.530	3.319	30.169	61.670	
3	1.152	10.472	82.002	1.152	10.472	82.002	2.237	20.332	82.002	
4	.524	4.767	86.769							
5	.373	3.395	90.164							
6	.261	2.376	92.540							
7	.224	2.033	94.573							
8	.185	1.683	96.257							
9	.174	1.582	97.839							
10	.131	1.195	99.034							
11	.106	.966	100.000							

Extraction Method: Principal Component Analysis. Rotation Method: Varimax with Kaiser Normalization. Rotation converged in 3 iterations.

Table 7.4.7 Rotated Component Matrix-II (Organizational postal users)

		Component	
	1	2	3
CDLTY1	.887		
CDLTY4	.878		
CDLTY2	.851		
CDLTY3	.849		
CSAT1		.855	
CSAT2		.855	
CSAT4		.844	
CSAT3		.813	
CLTY2			.822
CLTY1			.796
CLTY3			.772

Extraction Method: Principal Component Analysis. Rotation Method: Varimax with Kaiser Normalization. a. Rotation converged in 5 iterations.

The results of the exploratory factor analysis (EFA) identify three distinct constructs: Customer disloyalty, customer satisfaction, and customer loyalty are presented in (Table 7.4.5, 7.4.6, 7.4.7). The Kaiser-Meyer-Olkin (KMO) Measure of Sampling Adequacy is 0.909, signifying that the dataset is highly suitable for factor analysis. The Bartlett's Test of Sphericity is significant (p = 0.000), confirming the appropriateness of factor analysis for the given data. The total variance explained (Table shows that the three extracted components explain a cumulative 82.00% of the total variance, with Component 1 contributing 31.50%, Component 2 contributing 30.17%, and Component 3 contributing 20.33%.

The rotated component matrix, based on varimax rotation, displays strong and well-defined factor loadings. The first component, representing customer disloyalty, has high loadings for items like CDLTY1 (0.887) and CDLTY4 (0.878). The second component, customer satisfaction, is characterized by loadings such as CSAT1 (0.855) and CSAT4 (0.844). The third component, customer loyalty, includes items like CLTY2 (0.822) and CLTY1 (0.796). These results indicate clear clustering of items within their respective constructs, reinforcing the validity of the identified dimensions.

## 7.4.2 Assessment of measurement model

### 7.4.2.1 Reliability and validity

Table 7.4.8 Outer loadings, validity, and reliability for constructs (Organizational postal users)

	Outer loadings	Cronbach's alpha	Composite reliability (rho_a)	Composite reliability (rho_c)	Average variance extracted (AVE)	VIF
CI1	0.859	0.832	0.834	0.899	0.748	1.820
CI2	0.873					1.960
CI3	0.863					1.991
COM1	0.930	0.943	0.943	0.959	0.854	4.524
COM2	0.900					3.148
сом3	0.930					4.201
COM4	0.936					4.662
DAP1	0.880	0.908	0.913	0.929	0.686	2.913
DAP2	0.822					2.249
DAP3	0.789					1.981
DAP4	0.828					2.412
DAP5	0.801					2.137
DAP6	0.847					2.524
DM1	0.902	0.864	0.871	0.916	0.785	2.320
DM2	0.883					2.347
DM3	0.874					2.048
FLEX1	0.926	0.920	0.926	0.943	0.806	3.663
FLEX2	0.885					2.753
FLEX3	0.884					2.813
FLEX4	0.894					2.985
INV1	0.895	0.870	0.872	0.920	0.793	2.250
INV2	0.892					2.348
INV3	0.885					2.287
LGE1	0.919	0.942	0.945	0.954	0.777	4.298
LGE2	0.869					2.971
LGE3	0.869					3.044
LGE4	0.874					3.056
LGE5	0.860					2.816
LGE6	0.897					3.563
OPE1	0.877	0.938	0.939	0.950	0.730	3.264
OPE2	0.847					2.768
OPE3	0.837					2.628
OPE4	0.853					2.797
OPE5	0.854					2.883
OPE6	0.855					2.785
OPE7	0.858					2.927
RRL1	0.917	0.928	0.930	0.946	0.777	3.962
RRL2	0.850					2.444
RRL3	0.863					2.756
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	Outer loadings	Cronbach's alpha	Composite reliability (rho_a)	Composite reliability (rho_c)	Average variance extracted (AVE)	VIF
RRL4	0.886					3.101
RRL5	0.888					3.050
TA1	0.925	0.895	0.900	0.935	0.827	3.004
TA2	0.914					2.904
TA3	0.888					2.389
CSAT1	0.937	0.942	0.943	0.959	0.853	4.681
CSAT2	0.917					3.795
CSAT3	0.908					3.478
CSAT4	0.932					4.505
CLTY1	0.813	0.786	0.798	0.875	0.701	1.609
CLTY2	0.884					1.878
CLTY3	0.812					1.577
CDLTY1	0.949	0.951	0.951	0.965	0.872	4.099
CDLTY2	0.923					3.999
CDLTY3	0.926					4.306
CDLTY4	0.938					3.263
WLP	1.000					

The measuring model includes convergent validity, discriminant validity, and construct reliability (Table 7.4.8). This demonstrates that the composite reliability (CR) values of constructs were all over 0.7, with a range of 0.798 to 0.959, indicating high reliability. Cronbach alpha value was also above 0.7. This discovery validated the notion that the measuring scales provide a sufficient level of internal consistency reliability for a new scale, as stated by Hair et al. (2019). The average variance extracted (AVE) of all constructs were higher than 0.5, indicating that the measurement scales have adequate convergent validity.

The Fornell-Larker criterion in Table 7.4.10 confirms the presence of discriminant validity, as all square roots of the AVE are greater than the corresponding correlations between the components. The cross-loading results indicate that all the constructs demonstrated discriminant validity, as none of the cross-loading values were below 0.1 (Chin, 1998).

Table 7.4.9 Heterotrait-monotrait ratio (HTMT) – Matrix (Organizational postal users)

	CDLTY	CI	CLTY	сом	CSAT	DAP	DM	FLEX	INV	LGE	OPE	RRL	TA	WLP
CDLTY														
CI	0.473													
CLTY	0.509	0.335												
СОМ	0.601	0.389	0.432											
CSAT	0.682	0.572	0.593	0.610										
DAP	0.464	0.454	0.382	0.454	0.603									
DM	0.606	0.535	0.469	0.523	0.736	0.553								
FLEX	0.609	0.553	0.449	0.537	0.679	0.438	0.580							
INV	0.460	0.423	0.365	0.470	0.545	0.304	0.470	0.460						
LGE	0.563	0.525	0.511	0.491	0.672	0.547	0.579	0.557	0.425					
OPE	0.551	0.472	0.527	0.553	0.647	0.490	0.595	0.551	0.378	0.546				
RRL	0.575	0.407	0.456	0.469	0.618	0.445	0.582	0.543	0.396	0.514	0.573			
TA	0.398	0.169	0.352	0.422	0.529	0.353	0.400	0.371	0.261	0.428	0.426	0.371		
WLP	0.565	0.463	0.552	0.499	0.838	0.483	0.577	0.546	0.456	0.570	0.526	0.472	0.460	

Table 7.4.10 Fornell-Larcker criterion (Organizational postal users)

	CDLTY	CI	CLTY	сом	CSAT	DAP	DM	FLEX	INV	LGE	OPE	RRL	TA	WLP
CDLTY	0.934													
CI	-0.421	0.865												
CLTY	-0.439	0.275	0.837											
СОМ	-0.570	0.346	0.373	0.924										
CSAT	-0.646	0.507	0.513	0.575	0.924									
DAP	-0.433	0.396	0.326	0.422	0.561	0.828								
DM	-0.551	0.455	0.395	0.477	0.668	0.496	0.886							
FLEX	-0.572	0.486	0.384	0.502	0.635	0.405	0.522	0.898						
INV	-0.420	0.363	0.300	0.427	0.495	0.272	0.411	0.414	0.891					
LGE	-0.535	0.468	0.444	0.463	0.634	0.507	0.528	0.520	0.387	0.881				
OPE	-0.521	0.418	0.454	0.520	0.609	0.456	0.539	0.514	0.343	0.515	0.855			
RRL	-0.540	0.359	0.392	0.438	0.580	0.412	0.527	0.503	0.357	0.483	0.535	0.881		
TA	-0.369	0.147	0.298	0.388	0.486	0.321	0.356	0.336	0.232	0.394	0.392	0.340	0.909	
WLP	-0.552	0.423	0.494	0.484	0.814	0.463	0.539	0.525	0.426	0.554	0.511	0.456	0.436	1.000

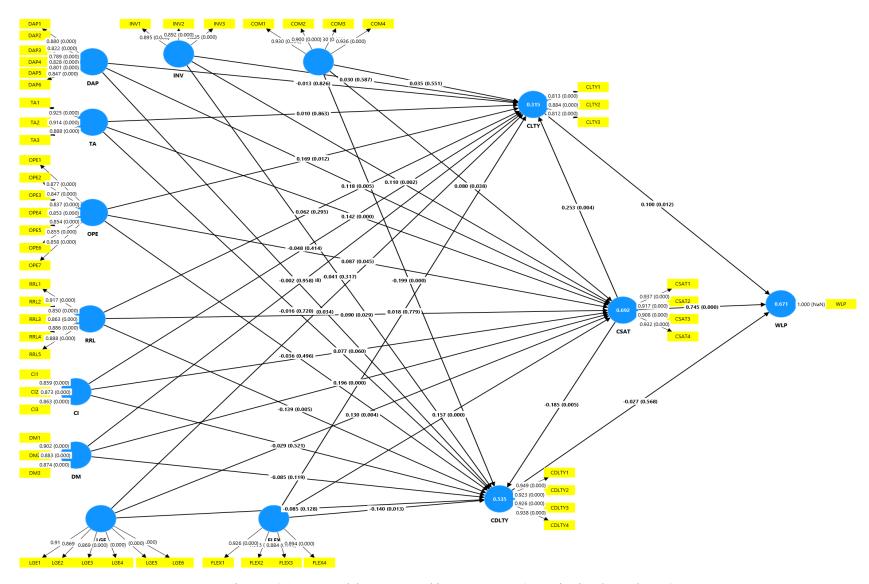


Figure 7.4.1 CSQ Model-IV generated in SMARTPLS (Organizational postal users)

Furthermore, all the indicators exhibit a significant degree of loading on the relevant constructions rather than other constructs. This observation suggests that each of the constructs inside the framework exhibits a high degree of distinctiveness from the others. The findings of cross-loading are presented in the Appendix. The HTMT values suggest the absence of any values greater than 0.85 (Table 7.4.9). Consequently, it has been verified that all of the constructs demonstrated satisfactory levels of discriminant validity.

## 7.4.2.2 Common method variance (CVM)

The measurement approach utilized Collinearity Statistics, focusing on evaluating the variance inflation factor (VIF) with a stringent threshold of VIF values equal to or below 5. The study used Harman's (1967) single-factor test and conducted unrotated principal component factor analysis in SPSSThe research identified ten separate factors of service quality with eigenvalues of 1.00 or above, explaining a total of 77.89% of the variation, which contradicts the idea of a single underlying factor. The common approach variance was found to be less than 50%, with the first factor accounting for 39.08% of the variance.

## 7.4.3 Structural Equation Model

#### 7.4.3.1 Evaluation of the structural model

Table 7.4.11 Assessment of direct relationship (Organizational postal users)

Hypothesis	Path coefficients	SE	T values		t 95% confidence rvals	P values	Decision
				Lower level	Upper level		
COM -> CSAT	0.081	0.039	2.073	0.005	0.159	0.038	Supported
DAP -> CSAT	0.118	0.042	2.792	0.035	0.200	0.005	Supported
DM -> CSAT	0.194	0.048	4.116	0.101	0.287	0.000	Supported
FLEX -> CSAT	0.157	0.042	3.749	0.074	0.238	0.000	Supported
INV -> CSAT	0.111	0.036	3.027	0.038	0.182	0.002	Supported
LGE -> CSAT	0.130	0.045	2.883	0.043	0.217	0.004	Supported
OPE -> CSAT	0.087	0.044	2.003	0.003	0.173	0.045	Supported
RRL -> CSAT	0.090	0.041	2.178	0.009	0.170	0.029	Supported
TA -> CSAT	0.140	0.033	4.332	0.077	0.204	0.000	Supported
CI -> CSAT	0.077	0.041	1.884	-0.005	0.156	0.060	Not Supported
COM -> CLTY	0.035	0.059	0.596	-0.080	0.154	0.551	Not Supported
DAP -> CLTY	-0.012	0.058	0.220	-0.124	0.102	0.826	Not Supported
DM -> CLTY	0.009	0.065	0.141	-0.119	0.138	0.888	Not Supported
FLEX -> CLTY	0.017	0.065	0.280	-0.111	0.144	0.779	Not Supported

Hypothesis	Path coefficients	·· CE			t 95% confidence rvals	P values	Decision
				Lower level	Upper level		
INV -> CLTY	0.031	0.055	0.544	-0.078	0.137	0.587	Not Supported
LGE -> CLTY	0.147	0.070	2.125	0.007	0.284	0.034	Supported
OPE -> CLTY	0.171	0.068	2.499	0.036	0.303	0.012	Supported
RRL -> CLTY	0.063	0.059	1.048	-0.052	0.175	0.295	Not Supported
TA -> CLTY	0.009	0.058	0.173	-0.104	0.123	0.863	Not Supported
CI -> CLTY	-0.049	0.059	0.817	-0.164	0.068	0.414	Not Supported
COM -> CDLTY	-0.197	0.051	3.920	-0.295	-0.098	0.000	Supported
DAP -> CDLTY	-0.002	0.045	0.053	-0.089	0.084	0.958	Not Supported
DM -> CDLTY	-0.083	0.055	1.560	-0.192	0.024	0.119	Not Supported
FLEX -> CDLTY	-0.141	0.056	2.485	-0.252	-0.034	0.013	Supported
INV -> CDLTY	-0.042	0.041	1.001	-0.124	0.039	0.317	Not Supported
LGE -> CDLTY	-0.085	0.056	1.522	-0.195	0.023	0.128	Not Supported
OPE -> CDLTY	-0.037	0.052	0.680	-0.141	0.066	0.496	Not Supported
RRL -> CDLTY	-0.139	0.049	2.810	-0.238	-0.045	0.005	Supported
TA -> CDLTY	-0.017	0.044	0.358	-0.103	0.068	0.720	Not Supported
CI -> CDLTY	-0.031	0.045	0.642	-0.119	0.057	0.521	Not Supported
CSAT -> CDLTY	-0.183	0.065	2.829	-0.312	-0.055	0.005	Supported
CSAT -> CLTY	0.254	0.087	2.913	0.084	0.424	0.004	Supported
CDLTY -> WLP	-0.027	0.047	0.571	-0.118	0.065	0.568	Not Supported
CLTY -> WLP	0.100	0.040	2.515	0.023	0.179	0.012	Supported
CSAT -> WLP	0.744	0.040	18.613	0.664	0.819	0.000	Supported

The path coefficients of PLS structural equation model are presented in Table 7.4.11

a) Impact of quality of courier service on satisfaction of customers: As shown in model-IV ten factors of service quality are identified in the context of postal services, namely logistics efficiency (( $\beta = 0.189$ ), flexibility ( $\beta = 0.157$ ), dynamic adaptability ( $\beta = 0.118$ ), operational efficiency ( $\beta = 0.087$ ), innovativeness ( $\beta = 0.111$ ), discrepancy mitigation ( $\beta = 0.194$ ), customer involvement ( $\beta = 0.114$ ), technological adaptability ( $\beta = 0.140$ ), resilience reach logistics ( $\beta = 0.090$ ) significantly influenced customer satisfaction except competitiveness ( $\beta = 0.077$ ). The R<sup>2</sup> value shows that the perception of the customers on courier service quality explains 69% of the variance in customer satisfaction. Hence, H4a is supported.

- b) Impact of quality of courier service on loyalty of customers: Only two factors namely logistics efficiency ( $\beta = 0.147$ ) and operational efficiency ( $\beta = 0.171$ ) positively influenced customer loyalty. H4b is supported partially.
- c) Impact of quality of courier service on disloyalty of customers: Three factors of courier service quality namely competitiveness ( $\beta = -0.197$ ), flexibility ( $\beta = -0.141$ ), resilient reach logistics ( $\beta = -0.139$ ) negatively affected customer disloyalty. Therefore, H4c is supported partially.
- d) Impact of satisfaction with customers on loyalty to customers, customer disloyalty and willingness to pay: Customer satisfaction positively influences customer loyalty ( $\beta = 0.254$ ) and negatively influences customer disloyalty ( $\beta = -0.183$ ). Customer satisfaction positively influences willingness to pay ( $\beta = 0.744$ ). Hence H4d, H4e, H4h are supported.
- e) Effects of customer loyalty and customer disloyalty on willingness to pay: Customer loyalty ( $\beta = 0.100$ ) positively influence customers willingness to pay and but customer disloyalty has no such interaction with willingness to pay. Hence, H4i is supported but H4j is not supported.

Table 7.4.12 Mediation analysis (Organizational postal users)

Hypothesis	Path coefficients	SE	T values	Bias Correc		P values	Decision
	сосулский		values	Lower level	Upper level	varacs	
COM -> CSAT -> CLTY	0.021	0.013	1.538	0.001	0.052	0.124	No Mediation
DAP -> CSAT -> CLTY	0.030	0.015	1.957	0.006	0.064	0.049	<b>Full Mediation</b>
FLEX -> CSAT -> CLTY	0.040	0.017	2.306	0.011	0.078	0.021	Full Mediation
LGE -> CSAT -> CLTY	0.033	0.016	2.056	0.007	0.069	0.040	Partial Mediation
RRL -> CSAT -> CLTY	0.023	0.013	1.709	0.002	0.053	0.087	No Mediation
DM -> CSAT -> CLTY	0.050	0.022	2.206	0.014	0.099	0.027	<b>Full Mediation</b>
INV -> CSAT -> CLTY	0.028	0.013	2.098	0.006	0.058	0.036	<b>Full Mediation</b>
OPE -> CSAT -> CLTY	0.022	0.014	1.615	0.000	0.053	0.106	No Mediation
TA -> CSAT -> CLTY	0.036	0.015	2.338	0.010	0.069	0.019	Full Mediation
CI -> CSAT -> CLTY	0.020	0.013	1.491	-0.001	0.050	0.136	No Mediation
COM -> CSAT -> CDLTY	-0.015	0.010	1.524	-0.038	0.000	0.127	No Mediation
DAP -> CSAT -> CDLTY	-0.022	0.011	1.905	-0.046	-0.004	0.047	<b>Full Mediation</b>
FLEX -> CSAT -> CDLTY	-0.029	0.013	2.189	-0.058	-0.007	0.029	Partial Mediation
LGE -> CSAT -> CDLTY	-0.023	0.011	2.099	-0.049	-0.005	0.036	<b>Full Mediation</b>
RRL -> CSAT -> CDLTY	-0.016	0.010	1.705	-0.038	-0.001	0.088	No Mediation
DM -> CSAT -> CLTY	-0.036	0.016	2.272	-0.072	-0.009	0.023	<b>Full Mediation</b>
INV -> CSAT -> CDLTY	-0.020	0.010	2.131	-0.042	-0.004	0.033	<b>Full Mediation</b>
OPE -> CSAT -> CDLTY	-0.016	0.010	1.563	-0.040	0.000	0.118	No Mediation

Hypothesis	Path SE T coefficients values		T	Bias Corrected at 95% confidence Intervals		P values	Decision
	coejjicients		values	Lower level	Upper level	vuiues	
TA -> CSAT -> CDLTY	-0.026	0.011	2.313	-0.051	-0.007	0.021	Full Mediation
CI -> CSAT -> CDLTY	-0.014	0.010	1.492	-0.036	0.001	0.136	No Mediation

f) Customer satisfaction mediates the relationship between service quality and customer loyalty and customer disloyalty (Table 7.4.12): The study revealed a significant correlation between the quality of courier services and customer loyalty, as well as between courier service quality and consumer disloyalty. The results of mediation analysis provide us the evidence that there is indirect relationship exists between courier service quality and customer loyalty. All the six factors of courier service quality namely logistics efficiency (( $\beta = 0.033$ ), flexibility ( $\beta = 0.040$ ), dynamic adaptability ( $\beta = 0.030$ ), innovativeness ( $\beta = 0.028$ ), discrepancy mitigation ( $\beta = 0.050$ ), technological adaptability ( $\beta = 0.036$ ) have significantly influenced customer loyalty via customer satisfaction. The R<sup>2</sup> value shows that the perception of the customers on courier service quality explains 32% of the variance in customer loyalty. Hence H4f is supported partially.

The results of mediation analysis provide us the evidence that there is indirect relationship exists between courier service quality and customer disloyalty except service interface and logistics efficiency. Six factors of courier service quality namely flexibility ( $\beta$  = 0.029), logistics efficiency (= 0.023), dynamic adaptability ( $\beta$  = -0.022), disruption mitigation ( $\beta$  = -0.036), innovativeness ( $\beta$  = -0.020), technological adaptability ( $\beta$  = -0.026), significantly influenced customer disloyalty via customer satisfaction. Enhanced service quality leads to happier customers and reduces the switching behaviour of customer from dissatisfied factors. Hence, H4g is supported partially.

Table 7.2.13  $R^2$ ,  $Q^2$  and  $f^2$  results (Organizational postal users)

Endogenous latent constructs	R²	Q <sup>2</sup>	f2	Exogeneous latent variables	f2
CSAT	0.692	0.670725	0.873	CI	0.012
CLTY	0.315	0.250218	0.256	COM	0.012
CDLTY	0.535	0.493699	0.357	DAP	0.028
WLP	0.671	0.472234		DM	0.064
				FLEX	0.042

Endogenous latent constructs	R <sup>2</sup>	Q²	f2	Exogeneous latent variables	f2
				INV	0.028
				LGE	0.028
				OPE	0.013
				RRL	0.015
				TA	0.048

The study model has shown robust explanatory power (R<sup>2</sup>) prediction (Q<sup>2</sup>) ability for all the exogenous constructs customer satisfaction, customer loyalty, customer disloyalty, Willingness to pay (Table 7.4 13). This study intends to evaluate the variation of endogenous components and evaluate the effect size. The f<sup>2</sup> statistic quantifies that discrepancy mitigation has the highest effect size followed by technological adaptability, flexibility, dynamic adaptability, innovativeness, logistics efficiency

## 7.4.3.2 Model fit

Table 7.2.14 Model fit indices (Organizational postal users)

Indices	Saturated model	Estimated model	Thresholds	References
SRMR	0.035	0.035	<=0.08	Hair et al., 2020
d_ULS	1.951	1.979	>=0.70	Yusif et al., 2020; German et al., 2022
d_G	1.158	1.162	>0.05	Dash & Paul, 2021
NFI	0.868	0.868	>0.05	Dash & Paul, 2021
GoF	0.644		Small=0.1 Medium= 0.25 Large= 0.36	Sheykhfard et al., 2024; Wasko & Faraj, 2005; Wetzels et al., 2009
VIF	Between 1 to 5			Hair et al., 2020; Kock 2015

In the present investigation, the saturated model and estimated model for SRMR were found to be 0.035, suggesting a satisfactory fit, as these values fall below the threshold of 0.08. The precise model fit assesses the disparity between an empirical covariance test and the exact model fit. The d\_ULS value for the saturated model is 1.951, whereas the value for the estimated model is 1.979, which above the threshold of 0.05. In addition, the d\_G value for the saturated model is 1.158, whereas the estimated model is 1.162, both of which exceed the significance level of 0.05. This suggests that the model successfully passed the precise model fit tests. According to Bentler and Bonett (1980), values that are closer to 1 in NFI are regarded as having a superior fit. In this investigation, the NFI values for the saturated model and estimated model are 0.868 and 0.868, respectively. These values exceed the threshold of 0.7.

Hence, the model satisfied the statistical fitness criterion, as evidenced by the data presented in Table 7.4.14.

**Goodness of fit:** The determined GoF value of 0.644in this study indicates that the model is highly well-fitting, as stated in Equation (15)

## 7.5 Summary

This chapter identifies four distinct customer segments: individual postal users, individual private CEP users, organizational postal users, and organizational private CEP users. Courier service quality factors for each segment were identified through Exploratory Factor Analysis (EFA). Courier Service Quality (CSQ) model was subsequently developed using Partial Least Squares Structural Equation Modeling (PLS-SEM) for all four segments. Then the model fits were checked for robustness and found to be adequate. The model evaluates the antecedents and consequences of customer satisfaction across segments. The findings highlight a higher willingness to pay more for improved services among postal users. Additionally, the analysis reveals distinct needs and preferences between individual and organizational users.