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- To examine the consumer awareness about the different products of HUL also evaluate their perception and learning ability.
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- To determine the effect of advertising on purchase decision making.
- To understand the pre and post buying behaviour of consumer before and after advertising.
- To evaluate the relationship between the demographic factors and the buyers taste & preferences.
- To understand the best advertising media along with the brand which enhance the sales and satisfaction of consumers and sellers.

The two Companies which are selected for the study is **HUL** and **P&G**.

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These tests helped the researcher to provide an insightful explanation of the data.

From the Analysis we find that For both male and female, television is the most appealing mode of advertisement as it can able to capture a large number of consumers. The second most appealing mode of the advertisement was found to be newspaper as it also has a large reach and cost-effective advertising strategy. By comparing HUL and P&G products, it was assessed that most of the respondents prefer P&G company over HUL. This could be because P&G capitalizes heavily on the online media and insists on " attraction strategy" (Ghanta& Antra, 2016). It can be recommended that more districts or cities can be evaluated or there can be a division of the areas on the basis of different parameters such as metropolitan cities or non-metropolitan cities. It is also recommended that companies should choose the best type of advertisement according to their product.. It was examined that there is the overall impact of advertisement on consumer behaviour.

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