# FACTORS INFLUENCING CUSTOMER ADOPTION OF MOBILE BANKING SERVICE IN TANZANIA: A CASE OF MOBILE CUSTOMERS IN CHAMWINO DISTRICT

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## ABSTRACT

This research examined the factors influencing customer acceptance of mobile banking services in Tanzania, focusing specifically on mobile users in Chamwino District. The study was structured around three key objectives: to investigate the effect of perceived ease of use on customer adoption of mobile banking services in Tanzania, to evaluate the influence of perceived trust on the adoption of mobile financial services, and to analyze the impact of social factors on customer adoption of mobile banking services in the country. The research utilized the Technology Acceptance Model, or TAM, to enhance comprehension of consumer acceptance of mobile banking services. A positivist theoretical framework was employed, combining a deductive methodology and an explanatory study design, incorporating a random sample strategy. The research included a sample of 150 participants selected from a target group comprising 240 individuals. Data analysis was conducted using descriptive statistics and multiple regression analysis. The findings revealed that perceived ease of use, perceived trust, and social influence positively impact customers' adoption of mobile banking applications in Tanzania. An increase in these factors corresponds to a rise in mobile banking adoption. It is recommended that banks establish IT departments to enhance management by facilitating the monitoring of trends in the adoption and usage of mobile banking services.

***Keywords:*** *Mobile banking, perceived ease of use, perceived trust, social influence*

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| | |
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| BOT | Bank of Tanzania |
| ETAM | Extended Technology Acceptance Model |
| IT | Information Technology |
| NMB | National Macro finance Bank |
| PEOU | Perceived Ease of Use |
| SPSS | Statistical Package for Social Science |
| TAM | Technology Acceptance Model |
| UTAUT | Unified Theory of Acceptance and Use of Technology |

# CHAPTER ONE

# INTRODUCTION

## 1.1 Overview

This chapter delineates the determinants influencing client willingness to utilize mobile banking capabilities in Tanzania. It offers a summary of the study, encompassing the context, problem description, and research aims. The chapter emphasizes the importance and extent of the research.

## 1.2 Background of Study

The advancement of science and technology transformed the banking sector from traditional to modern practices, resulting in the introduction of mobile banking to align with the competitive business environment and fulfill customer demands (George, 2019). Nonetheless, the implementation of mobile banking technology is pertinent to all forms of corporate operations, and financial services are no exception. The rapid growth of internet shopping has prompted commercial banks to encourage its consumers to utilize mobile phones for making payments. Furthermore, the proliferation of mobile banking services is attributed to the numerous obstacles encountered by clients in obtaining online financial services (Dass & Pal, 2020).

Furthermore, mobile banking technology has been influencing the banking business for the past two decades (Mun, Khalid, and Nadarajah, 2019). Mobile banking technology represents a novel avenue that allows users to engage with commercial banks indirectly via mobile phones and tablets (Rehman, Omar, Zabri, & Lohana, 2019). Mobile banking offers financial transaction services such as money transfers,

bill payments, balance inquiries, and product purchases and sales via mobile devices like smartphones, enabling these transactions to be completed effortlessly at any time and from any location (Sripalawat & Ngarmyarn, 2019).

Moreover, mobile banking services enable bank customers to obtain account-related information via mobile phones without the necessity of visiting a bank branch, and at a minimal cost (Polasik, Wisniewski, 2018). Furthermore, mobile banking services have afforded users both temporal and spatial autonomy, which is frequently regarded as a significant constraint of traditional banking methods. It has also assisted commercial banks in reducing operational costs and broadening their reach to a substantial number of potential clients (Durkin & Donnell, 2020).

Martins and Popovic (2019) observed that mobile banking services have enhanced the productivity of banks and their ability to deliver improved client services. Despite its apparent advantages as a delivery channel and the global increase in mobile phone subscriptions, the use of mobile banking technology is not as prevalent as anticipated (Munoz-Leiva & Liébana-Cabanillas, 2018). Nonetheless, banking clients in poor countries such as Tanzania have not been efficiently leveraging the financial services offered by mobile banking technology (Venkatesh & Xu, 2019).

Kumar and Dhingra (2020) established that perceived value, perceived simplicity of use, and other relevant behavioral attributes, such as perceived confidence and social influence, have significantly and positively affected mobile banking adoption in India. Souiden and Ladhari (2020) recognized the Technology Acceptance Model,

also known as TAM, and unified theory of Acceptance and Application of Technology (UTAUT) as the principal theoretical frameworks employed by researchers to examine client adoption of mobile financial services in Canada.

In Africa, despite the apparent advantages of mobile banking services for prospective bank customers, mobile banking technology has not yet attained the necessary acceptance as a delivery channel in most regions of the continent. Owusu (2020) identified the perceived simplicity of use, perceived utility, and trust as critical determinants influencing consumer acceptance of mobile banking innovations in Ghana. Despite expectations, the adoption rate of mobile banking technology remains lower than anticipated. In developing nations like Kenya, customer hesitation to embrace newly introduced technologies is primarily associated with mobile-related services (Godfred, 2020).

NMB is a commercial bank in Tanzania that started its mobile banking service, known as Pesa Fasta, in 2008. The new mobile banking app has enabled commercial lenders in Tanzania to decrease the duration of financial transactions and improve the delivery of banking services to potential clients (BOT, 2018). The uptake of mobile banking services in Tanzania, especially in the Chamwino district, is inadequate due to multiple variables, encompassing both internal and external settings (Innocent, 2021).

Multiple studies have demonstrated that perceived ease of use (simplicity of use and rapid transactions), perceived trust (reliability), and social influence (opinions of

others) significantly affect the adoption of mobile banking services in developed countries (Chitungo & Munongo, 2019; Hamza & Shah, 2019; Said, 2019). Furthermore, in developing nations such as Tanzania, the adoption of innovative technologies like mobile banking presents significant challenges, prompting the formulation of theories to identify the factors impacting client acceptance of mobile banking in such contexts.

This study employed the Technology Acceptance Model, published by Davis in 1989, which encompasses key aspects that aid in predicting potential customers' behavior regarding the adoption of new technologies, including mobile banking services. Consequently, this model offered enhanced understanding of the factors (reported ease of use, perceived trust, and social impact) in relation to the adoption of new technology (mobile banking services).

### 1.3 Statement of the Problem

Tanzania has recently undergone technological transformations, resulting in a heightened demand for the adoption of new technologies, particularly the provision of mobile banking services in the banking sector, which remains in high demand within the commercial market (Malik, 2020). Mobile banking transactions are conducted using mobile phones, which have become the primary instrument for daily economic, social, and cultural activities of individuals (Masamila, 2019).

Although the banking sector has rapidly embraced new technology, the adoption of mobile banking services in Tanzania is still below expectations (Cruz, 2020).

Nonetheless, the promotion of mobile banking services remains insufficiently leveraged within the banking sector, as the extensive prevalence of mobile phone usage has not translated into corresponding adoption of mobile banking services. Despite the potential advantages for customers, such as time and cost savings and the ability to conduct banking transactions at any time and from any location without the necessity of visiting a bank branch (Scornavacca & Hoehle, 2019), utilization remains low.

Rumanyika (2019) noted that insufficient coverage of networks, lack of trust, social implications, and usability issues adversely and severely influence user adoption of cell phone banking services in Tanzania. Wessels and Drennan (2020) noted that perceived simplicity of use as well as perceived trust favorably affect the uptake of mobile money services, whereas social influence exerts a considerable negative impact. This research examined the determinants affecting customer acceptability of mobile banking offerings in Tanzania.

### 1.4 General Research Objective

The main objective of this research is to determine the elements that impact the willingness of customers to embrace mobile banking services in the Chamwino district of Tanzania.

#### 1.4.1 Specific Research Objectives

i. To determine the influence of perceived ease of use on customer adopting of mobile banking services in Tanzania

ii. To determine the influence of perceived trust on customer adopting of mobile banking services in Tanzania
iii. To determine the influence of social influence on customer adopting of mobile banking services in Tanzania

**1.5 Significance of the Study**

Technological foresight in the financial sector is constrained in emerging nations, such as Tanzania. Although numerous studies examine the factors influencing views of new technology adoption in the banking sector of industrialized countries, there is a paucity of research addressing this issue in developing nations such as Tanzania. This study seeks to fill this vacuum and evaluate the factors affecting customers' adoption of mobile banking services in Tanzania.

This study will be significant for the Chamwino area in Tanzania, as it collects data on essential mobile banking activities and departmental operations. Efficient processes facilitate expedited and more successful goal attainment. This research aids the Tanzanian government in developing policies and overseeing mobile banking sectors. Stringent norms and regulations bolster resilient mobile banking services, resulting in heightened transparency, accountability, corporate governance, financial disclosures, and effective management of public resources.

This research not only affects mobile banking adoption in the Chamwino district but also has significant ramifications for the wider business environment in Tanzania. By improving mobile banking adoption strategies through the integration of advanced

technology, banking institutions can anticipate enhanced efficiency and precision in financial reporting. This, thus, cultivates investor trust, promoting both domestic and foreign investments. The study's conclusions may foster economic growth by establishing an atmosphere in which enterprises function with enhanced openness and credibility.

Furthermore, the insights obtained from this research will be helpful for educational institutions. They will design curriculum to match with the changing requirements of bank clients, ensuring that future bank officers are adequately prepared to address the problems presented by contemporary technology. By cultivating a workforce proficient in both banking clientele and IT personnel, Tanzania can develop a cadre of experts capable of advancing the nation's economic development.

### 1.6 Scope of the Study

This research examined the determinants affecting customer acceptance of mobile banking services in Tanzania. The aim was to obtain precise insights into the study issue. A literature review on mobile banking capabilities was performed, emphasizing data collection techniques through a method for descriptive research. NMB Bank in Chamwino District, Dodoma region, served as the case study, where clients were randomly selected, and well-structured surveys were administered.

### 1.7 Organization of the Study

This study comprises five chapters, addressing the backdrop of client acceptance of mobile banking capabilities, the study's problem, study objectives, the research

issues, and the scope and structure of the study. Chapter two analyzes literature that includes frameworks for theory and empirical studies relevant to the study gap in banking via mobile devices. Furthermore, chapter three outlines the research methodology that will be utilized in this study.

Chapter four outlines the findings and discussion pertinent to the study's specific objectives, presenting novel insights derived from the research. Chapter five outlines the findings and recommendations pertaining to the study topic.

# CHAPTER TWO

# LITERATURE REVIEW

## 2.1 Overview

This chapter delineates the definitions of key words, theoretical analysis, empirical examine, research gap, theoretical structure, and study hypotheses concerning the determinants influencing client uptake of mobile banking offerings in Tanzania.

## 2.2 Definitions of Key Terms

### 2.2.1 Mobile Banking

Barnes and Corbitt (2003) defined mobile banking as “a channel through which a customer engages with a bank using a mobile device, such as a smartphone or a personal digital assistant.” Koksal (2016) described mobile banking as the procedure that allows clients to maintain complete control over their bank account transactions at any time and from any location, while reducing service costs for banks. Furthermore, Mun, Khalid, and Nadarajah (2020) described mobile banking as the process of accessing financial services via a smartphone without the necessity of visiting a bank branch. This study will utilize Koksal's (2019) definition, as it pertains to the research by characterizing mobile banking as a service provided by banks to customers via mobile phones, enabling account access anytime and anywhere while reducing service costs for banks.

### 2.2.2 Perceived Ease of Use

Davis (1989) defined perceived ease of use as "the extent to which a user believes that utilizing a specific service would require minimal effort." Baber (2019) defined

perceived ease of use as the degree of client confidence in the simplicity of adopting new services within society. Moreover, Khare (2017) characterized perceived simplicity of use as the degree to which an individual perceives the adoption of a new technical system as straightforward. This study will employ Baber's (2019) definition, which states that perceived ease of use denotes the notion that the introduction and use of newly introduced technology, such as mobile banking offerings, is straightforward.

### 2.2.3 Perceived Trust

Killian and Kabanda (2019) defined that perceived trust is an integrity, trustworthiness, goodwill, confidentiality of customers on adoption of mobile banking. Also, Singh and Sinha (2020) defined that perceived trust is an emotional state that enable customers to believe in others gratifying behaviour. Moreover, Cabanillas (2019) perceived trust is important factor in building customer relationships as well as increasing security in new technology like mobile banking services. Therefore, this study will adopt definition of Killian and Kabanda (2019) because this definition explains perceived trust is an integrity and trustworthiness, of bank customers on adoption of mobile banking.

### 2.2.4 Social Influence

Social impact refers to the alteration of client attitudes resulting from the views of others while adopting new products and services (Venkatesh et al. 2020). Also, Tan and Lau (2019) defined that social influence is the process of changing customer behaviour based on the influence of other in adopting new technology. Moreover,

Barbera and Ajzen (2020) defined that Social influence is expectation of customers are more likely to be followed by others to behave similarly in adopting new technology like mobile banking services. Therefore, this study will adopt Venkatesh et al (2020) because this definition explain that social influence is the process of one customer convince other customers to adopt new technology introduced like mobile banking services.

## 2.3 Theoretical Literature Review

### 2.3.1 Technology Acceptance Model (TAM)

The Technology Acceptance Model (TAM), proposed by Davis in 1989 and subsequently supported by Irani in 2000, delineates the mechanism by which customers embrace and assimilate new technology. The Technology Acceptance Model (TAM) is founded on two primary behavioral constructs: the perceived simplicity of use and perceived utility, which influence an individual's propensity to adopt innovations like mobile banking services. Perceived ease of use refers to an individual's conviction that a system can be effortlessly mastered, whereas perceived utility denotes the assumption that employing the system would provide advantages (Davis, 1989).

According to Alkhaldi and Kharma (2019), perceived ease of use has a positive effect on the adoption and use of new technologies, particularly when users find the system easy to understand. Similarly, Vidisha and Harsha (2014) identified the complexity of new technologies as a major obstacle to the adoption of innovations like mobile banking services.

The utility of the Technology Acceptance Model (TAM) in this study lies in its ability to elucidate client behavioral decision-making regarding the adoption of new technology. TAM has highlighted the significance of a broad demographic in minimizing the effort required to utilize new technologies, such as mobile banking services. TAM involves establishing a correlation between the intention and actual utilization of new technologies, such as mobile banking services, launched by the banking sector to enhance customer service (Kumar and Purohit, 2020).

The Technology Acceptance Model (TAM), initially developed by Davis (1986, 1989), has been widely extended and refined by various scholars to explain and predict user behavior toward technology adoption. Davis introduced Perceived Usefulness (PU) and Perceived Ease of Use (PEOU) as the core constructs influencing users' behavioral intention to use technology. Since then, several scholars have contributed to enhancing TAM's explanatory power. For instance, Venkatesh and Davis (2000) developed TAM2, adding variables such as subjective norm, image, and output quality, to better explain technology use in organizational settings. Further extending the model, Venkatesh et al. (2003) proposed the Unified Theory of Acceptance and Use of Technology (UTAUT), which integrates TAM with other models and includes constructs such as performance expectancy, effort expectancy, social influence, and facilitating conditions.

In a global context, researchers have adapted TAM to various sectors. Legris, Ingham, and Collerette (2003) critically reviewed TAM and emphasized its applicability across different technologies and environments, while suggesting the

need for context-specific modifications. Park (2009) applied TAM in the education sector and found both PU and PEOU to significantly influence students' adoption of e-learning technologies. Al-Gahtani (2016) validated TAM in the Middle East by integrating cultural variables, showing that TAM remains robust even in non-Western contexts. Similarly, Ozturk et al. (2016) demonstrated the model's effectiveness in explaining mobile banking adoption in Turkey, confirming the relevance of perceived trust and perceived risk. In sub-Saharan Africa, Mtebe and Raisamo (2014) tested TAM in Tanzanian universities and found that PU and PEOU were significant predictors of lecturers' acceptance of e-learning platforms. These scholarly contributions have enriched TAM by demonstrating its flexibility, integrating external variables, and applying it in diverse technological and cultural contexts, making it one of the most widely used theories in information systems research.

The Technology Acceptance Model (TAM) is highly applicable to this study as it provides a strong theoretical foundation for understanding how employees at the Rural Water Supply and Sanitation Agency (RUWASA) in Manyara adopt and use skill development technologies or training systems to enhance their performance. TAM suggests that two key factors Perceived Usefulness (PU) and Perceived Ease of Use (PEOU) influence an individual's intention to use a technology, which in turn determines actual usage behavior (Davis, 1989). In the context of this study, PU relates to how much employees believe that training and skill development programs will improve their job performance, while PEOU reflects how easy they perceive these programs or digital training platforms to be.

The model is especially relevant because modern skill development increasingly involves digital tools, e-learning platforms, and automated training systems, whose adoption depends on user perceptions. If RUWASA employees find the training methods useful and easy to use, they are more likely to engage with them consistently, leading to improved competencies and, ultimately, higher performance levels. By applying TAM, the study can explain the behavioral and attitudinal factors influencing training uptake and effectiveness, thus offering actionable insights into how RUWASA can design, deliver, and improve its employee development initiatives.

The Technology Acceptance Model (TAM) is a well-established theoretical framework used to evaluate user adoption of emerging technologies, including mobile banking services. Its effectiveness stems from its ability to forecast user behavior through two key constructs: Perceived Usefulness (PU) and Perceived Ease of Use (PEOU) (Davis, 1989). Within the context of mobile banking in Chamwino District, these constructs aid in understanding how customers perceive the efficiency and convenience of mobile banking for managing their financial transactions.

The model is also adaptable, allowing for modifications by incorporating external factors like trust, security, and financial literacy, which are crucial in a developing economy like Tanzania (Venkatesh & Bala, 2008). Moreover, TAM provides a clear and structured approach to understanding user behavior, making it an effective tool for policymakers and financial service providers seeking to increase mobile banking adoption.

### 2.3.2 Weakness of TAM

However, TAM also has some weaknesses when applied to mobile banking in Chamwino District. One key limitation is its assumption that technology adoption is purely rational and influenced only by cognitive beliefs, ignoring emotional and social influences (Bagozzi, 2007). In rural Tanzania, factors such as cultural norms, peer influence, and trust in financial institutions play a significant role in adoption decisions, yet TAM does not explicitly account for these (Wu & Wang, 2005). Additionally, while PU and PEOU are important, mobile banking adoption is also significantly influenced by infrastructure issues, network reliability, and financial literacy, which are not fully addressed by TAM. Another weakness is that the model does not adequately explain continued usage after initial adoption, making it less effective in studying long-term engagement with mobile banking services.

### 2.3.3 Justification for Choosing the Technology Acceptance Model (TAM)

Although TAM has certain limitations, it remains a valuable framework for understanding mobile banking adoption in Chamwino District, as it offers a foundation for examining customer attitudes toward technology. With the rapid expansion of mobile banking services in Tanzania, identifying key adoption factors can assist financial institutions and policymakers in enhancing user experience and building trust (Mnyanyi & Bakari, 2022). By incorporating additional elements such as security concerns, digital literacy, and local banking practices, TAM can be effectively utilized to predict and promote customer adoption. Furthermore, when integrated with frameworks such as the Unified Theory of Acceptance and Use of Technology (UTAUT), the Technology Acceptance Model (TAM) offers a more

holistic perspective on the behavioral and contextual elements that impact mobile banking adoption in rural areas of Tanzania (Venkatesh et al., 2003).

## 2.4 Empirical Studies

### 2.4.1 Perceived ease of use on Customer adopting of Mobile Banking Services

Chooi (2021) conducted a study on the elements influencing customers' intentions regarding smartphone banking in Malaysia. However, this study was used online questionnaire as instrument for data collection, targeted population, 389 respondents were used as sample and descriptive statistical was used in data analysis. This study was concluded that the perceived ease of use is a factor influencing customers to use mobile banking in Malaysia. Furthermore, PEOU is an important factor which determine mobile banking adoption in developed country like Malaysia but for developing country like Tanzania still in dilemma on whether PEOU has significant in mobile banking adoption in Chamwino district.

Dhingr (2020) did a study to investigate the significant antecedents influencing the mobile banking adoption intention among Indian clients. Nevertheless, the study employed a research methodology that utilized a quantitative approach, with a sample size of 203 mobile banking service users, and a regression model for data analysis. The findings revealed that the perceived simplicity of use significantly influences users' adoption of mobile finance services in India. This study highlights the importance of Perceived Ease for Use (PEOU) in promoting mobile banking approval among clients in developed nations like India; however, in developing countries such as Tanzania, the acceptance rate of mobile financial services remains low.

Festo (2021) examined the determinants affecting customer acceptance of online banking in Uganda. The research employed a cross-sectional design, utilizing a quantitative methodology via survey questionnaires to collect data from 300 clients of Standard Chartered Bank's locations in Uganda. The results indicated that perceived simplicity of use is the main factor driving customer acceptance of mobile banking.

Additionally, the convenience offered by mobile banking emerged as a crucial motivator, encouraging certain consumers in Uganda to embrace this technology for their daily financial transactions. In contrast, in countries like Tanzania, the mobile banking acceptance rate is low due to several factors, including insufficient understanding about its use and a lack of trust in this new service.

Boge (2022) examined the determinants influencing customer turnover among smartphone users in tier-two corporate banks in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania. The research employed a descriptive design, concentrating on smartphone banking users within the commercial banks of the city. The statistical methods of descriptive statistics, regression analysis, and correlation coefficients were employed for data analysis. The findings indicated a robust, affirmative, and statistically significant correlation between the perceived simplicity of use and retention of customers in Tanzania. The study revealed that usability was a critical factor in the uptake of mobile banking by urban customers. However, its impact in rural areas, such as Chamwino, was not examined, leading to a gap in understanding mobile banking adoption in these settings.

### 2.4.2 Perceived trust on Customer adopting of Mobile Banking Services

Dhingr (2020) conducted a study to examine the key antecedents affecting the propensity to use mobile banking among Indian consumers. Nonetheless, the study implemented a research methodology that took a quantitative approach, utilizing a sample size of 203 mobile banking users and a regression model based data analysis. The findings indicated that usability is a critical element affecting users' adoption of mobile banking services in India. This study highlights the importance of Perceived Ease of Use (PEOU) in promoting mobile banking acceptance among clients in developed nations like India; nevertheless, in developing countries such as Tanzania, the adoption rate of mobile banking remains low.

Festo (2021) examined the determinants influencing the adoption of online banking among consumers in Uganda. The research employed a cross-sectional design and utilized a quantitative methodology, collecting data via a survey question from 300 clients of the Standard Chartered Bank in Uganda. The results demonstrated that perceived simplicity of use is a vital determinant in facilitating customer uptake of mobile banking. Moreover, the simplicity of mobile banking emerged as a significant incentive for specific Ugandan users to adopt this technology for their regular financial activities. Conversely, the adoption of mobile banking in nations such as Tanzania is minimal due to issues including insufficient awareness and a deficiency of trust in the application.

Boge (2022) conducted a study investigating the determinants of customer retention among mobile banking users at tier-two commercial financial institutions in Dar es

Salaam, Tanzania. The research employed a descriptive methodology, concentrating on mobile banking customers of commercial financial institutions in the area. The data analysis included qualitative statistics, regression modeling, and the use of Pearson correlation. The findings demonstrated a strong, positive, and statistically significant relationship between perceived ease of use and client retention in Tanzania. Moreover, the study revealed that usability was particularly crucial for urban customers in adopting mobile banking. Nevertheless, its significance in rural regions such as Chamwino was not examined to assess its effect on mobile banking usage.

### 2.4.3 Social influence on Customer adopting of Mobile Banking Services

Sindhu (2020) did a study to comprehend the desire of existing online banking consumers in India to adopt mobile banking services. A sample size of 420 respondents was utilized, and a regression model was employed for analysis. The research revealed that peer pressure is a significant factor on customers' willingness to use new technologies, including smartphone banking services, in India. Festo (2021) examined the determinants influencing the adoption of electronic banking among consumers in Uganda. The research employed a cross-sectional design and utilized a quantitative methodology, collecting data via a survey questionnaire from 300 clients of Standard Chartered Bank's branch in Uganda. The results demonstrated that perceived simplicity of use is a vital determinant in facilitating customer uptake of mobile banking. Moreover, the simplicity of mobile banking emerged as a significant incentive for specific Ugandan users to adopt the technology for their regular financial activities.

Owusu (2020) examined the determinants influencing persons' propensity to embrace smartphone banking in Ghana. The research employed a descriptive approach and gathered data from 517 individuals via a questionnaire. The modeling of structural equations was utilized for data analysis. The findings demonstrated that social influence substantially affects the adoption of smartphone banking amongst commercial bank clients in Ghana. The study validated the applicability of the Technology Acceptance Model, more commonly known as TAM, in forecasting mobile banking adoption in diverse scenarios. Nonetheless, it did not provide a comprehensive analysis of the impact of society on mobile banking utilization in rural regions such as Chamwino.

Mohamed (2020) performed a study on the determinants influencing the widespread use of wireless banking in Somalia. An online survey questionnaire was utilized as the data gathering instrument. This study revealed that social influence greatly affected mobile banking adoption in Somalia. Furthermore, the study offers a comprehensive understanding of mobile banking adoption behavior over time; nevertheless, it was restricted to quantitative research and focused mostly on urban areas in Somalia, hence limiting the generalizability of the findings to other regions, such as the Chamwino district.

Kessy (2021) investigated the determinants affecting customers' acceptance of online financial services in Tanzania. The research employed a cross-sectional design, utilizing surveys to collect data via questionnaires administered to 200 participants from commercial banks. The research found that social influence or technology

exposure are positively correlated with customers' embracing internet banking services. Moreover, social influence in urban environments substantially impacts the implementation of internet banking services; and however, the study was limited to urban contexts and omitted rural areas, such as the Chamwino district, thus neglecting to evaluate the effect of social influence on the consumer embrace of mobile banking services.

## 2.5 Research Gap

The reviewed studies have provided valuable insights into the adoption and use of mobile banking services in developed countries. While several empirical studies (Chooi, 2021; Festo, 2021; Kenneth, 2018) have identified key factors affecting customer engagement with mobile banking, the existing literature lacks a comprehensive model that fully explains mobile banking adoption, particularly in a developing nation like Tanzania. Furthermore, most research in this field has predominantly relied on the traditional Technology Acceptance Model (TAM). Therefore, expanding this framework is essential to improve its relevance. This study seeks to explore the critical factors influencing mobile banking adoption by refining the TAM model and incorporating additional elements such as perceived ease of use, trust in technology, and the social impact on customer adoption.

### 2.5.1 Contextual Gap

The majority of the analyzed studies offer minimal understanding of the contextual gap concerning reported ease of use, perceived trust, and social impact as determinants of individual acceptance of mobile banking in the Chamwino area in

the Dodoma region. Nevertheless, the majority of these investigations were conducted in other nations, including Chooi (2021) in Malaysia, Sindhu (2020) in India, Festo (2021) in Uganda, and Kenneth (2018) in Kenya, among others. Consequently, in the context of Tanzania, there is a paucity of studies examining the perceived ease of use, perceived trust, and social influence as factors affecting individual adoption of mobile banking in the Chamwino district. There is a necessity to examine the elements that influence individual adoption of mobile banking in the Chamwino district.

## 2.6 Conceptual Framework

Komboand Tromp (2020) elucidated that a theoretical structure comprises a collection of fundamental concepts and ideas derived from relevant fields, utilized to organize the subsequent presentation of the important study. The theoretical framework for this research will analyze the determinants affecting customer adoption of mobile banking services in Tanzania. The independent factors in this study will consist of perceived ease of use, perceived security, and social impact, whilst the factor that is dependent will be the uptake of mobile banking services.

**Independent Variable** **Dependent Variable**

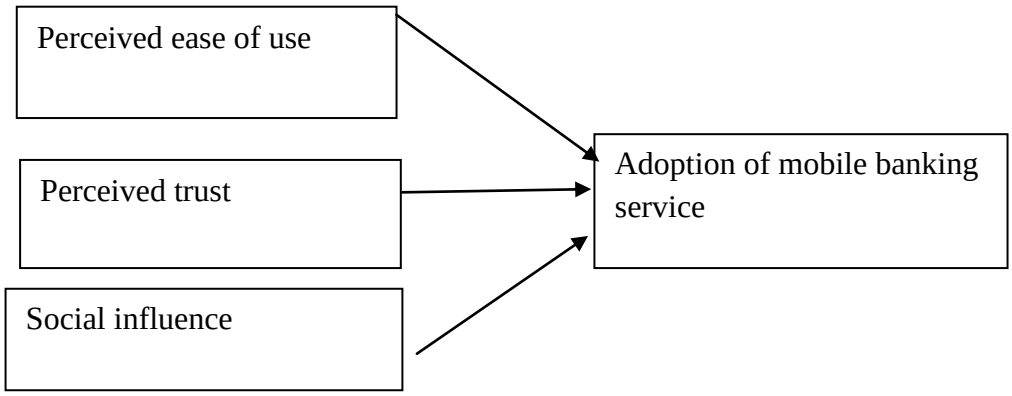


**Figure 2.1: Conceptual Framework**

**Source:** Formulated from Literature Review (2024

This conceptual framework demonstrates the relationship between perceived ease of use and the adoption of mobile banking services in the Chamwino region of Dodoma, Tanzania. It demonstrates the association between perceived confidence and the implementation of mobile banking services in Tanzania, along with the relationship between societal factors and the acceptance of these services in Tanzania.

## 2.7 Hypothesis

*HI: There is positive relationship between perceived ease of use and customer's adoption of mobile banking services in Tanzania*

*H2: There is positive relationship between perceived trust and customer's adoption of mobile banking services in Tanzania*

*H3: There is positive relationship between social and customer's adoption of mobile banking services in Tanzania*

# CHAPTER THREE

# RESEARCH METHODOLOGY

## 3.1 Overview

This chapter delineates the research methodology employed in the study, addressing critical components such as the philosophy of research, approach, and design. It delineates the study region, target population, sampling methodologies, sample size, data collection instruments, and the protocols for information processing and analysis.

## 3.2 Research Philosophy

This chapter delineates the research technique employed to direct the study, encompassing research philosophy, method, and design. The document includes the study region, the population under investigation, sampling processes such as sample size, data collection tools, and the data analysis techniques utilized in the research.

Therefore, this study was used positivism research philosophy because this study provides meaningfully results for decision making in respective to factors influence customers adoption mobile banking services in Chamwino district as well as positivism philosophy is more suitable in this study because positivism philosophy adds more knowledge on mobile banking services

## 3.3 Research Approach

This study utilized a quantitative methodology, enabling the examination of established theories and the analysis of relationships between variables that are independent, including perceived ease of use, perceived trust, and societal influence,

and the dependent variable, which was the adoption of mobile banking services, in a numerical format (Blaikie, 2019). Thus, the quantitative method enabled the production of data that could be both generalizable and suitable for policymaking.

### 3.4 Research Design

Research design is the strategic plan that guide research the whole research process systematically including collection and analyzing data gathered from the field. However, research design is the roadmap which provide strategic plan on how research will be undertaken (Kothari, 2014). This study utilized an explanatory research methodology to determine the causal connection between independent variables, including perceived ease of use, perceived confidence, and social impact, and the dependent factor of mobile banking application adoption (Kumar and Dhingra, 2020).

### 3.5 Study Area

This study was conducted at Chamwino district which is found in Dodoma region, selected area is among the most successful and popular district which NMB Bank offer mobile banking service, the area of study is also easily accessible to the researcher as well as most customers have a greater knowledge and skills on usage of mobile banking service. Moreover, representativeness, Chamwino district is a large district with a complex internal structure and difference customers of mobile banking. This makes it a suitable representative of the type of district the research aims to investigate.

### 3.6 Study Population

Population is an individual with identical qualities with the researcher want to study inside the situation of a particular (Rwegoshora, 2019). The targeted audience of this study comprised all NMB Bank customers utilizing mobile banking services in the Chamwino area of the Dodoma region, with a primary emphasis on picking NMB Bank due to its status as one of the most respected banks in Tanzania.

**Table 3.1: Population Distribution**

| S/N | Category | Population |
|---|---|---|
| 1. | NMB Bank customers | 170 |
| 2. | NMB Bank officials | 70 |
| | **Total** | **240** |

**Source:** NMB (2024)

### 3.7 Sampling Techniques

Kumar (2019) defined sampling as the procedure of picking a subset from more people to evaluate or estimate the presence of an unknown trait among the group. This study employed a probabilistic sampling method, utilizing random selection to locate informed volunteers capable of offering pertinent information for the investigation. The selection of sample methods was dictated by temporal and cost limitations. Consequently, the researcher chose not to gather data from the full population, opting instead for sampling procedures to acquire a representative sample, thereby facilitating significant findings and understandings within the study's parameters.

### 3.7.1 Sample Size

Kothari (2014) defined sample size as the aggregate number of units selected from an estimated population for research objectives. It functions as a representative sample of the complete population, chosen for data gathering and analysis. This research utilized Yamane's (1967) formula, a prevalent method for calculating sample size, implemented at a level of confidence of 95% with a margin of error of 0.05. Choosing a suitable sample size is essential for doing a comprehensive analysis, maximizing resources, and guaranteeing both the validity and reliability of the study within its specified parameters.

$$n = \frac{N}{1 + N(e)^2}$$

Whereby

n = sample size

N = Population of the study

e = Sampling error is 0.05

$n = 240/1+240(0.05^2)$

n = 150

**Table 3.2: Distribution of the Study Sample**

| Category | Population | Sample |
|---|---|---|
| NMB Bank customers | 170 | 110 |
| NMB Bank officials | 70 | 40 |
| **Total** | **240** | **150** |

**Source:** NMB (2024)

## 3.8 Data Collection Instruments

### 3.8.1 Primary Data

Kothari (2014) states that primary data is unprocessed data gathered at the source. Primary data is selected as it eliminates subjective bias and allows for the documentation of the group's natural behavior. The constraint is that it is a costly process. (Mantra, 2019)

### 3.8.2 Questionnaire

Kothari (2014) observed that a questionnaire is a means to get information from several responders in a brief period. Nevertheless, the researcher sent questionnaires to respondents among NMB Bank customers utilizing mobile banking in the Chamwino district of the Dodoma region, thereby acquiring data pertinent to the factors influencing customer adoption of mobile banking in this area.

## 3.9 Data Processing

Data collection was followed by editing, coding, and analysis, which were presented in tables, percentages, and frequency distributions. Kothari (2014) defined sample size as the aggregate number of units selected from an estimated population for research objectives. It functions as a representative sample of the complete population, chosen for data gathering and analysis. This research utilized Yamane's (1967) formula, a prevalent method for calculating sample size, implemented at a level of confidence of 95% with a margin of error of 0.05. Choosing a suitable sample size is essential for doing a comprehensive analysis, maximizing resources, and guaranteeing both the validity and reliability of the study within its specified parameters.

### 3.10 Data Analysis

#### 3.10.1 Descriptive Analysis

This study will do a descriptive analysis, as it is a potent method for handling quantitative data. Quantitative data was collected by questionnaires, methodically organized, and analyzed using Statistical Package for the Social Sciences (SPSS) software to ascertain descriptive statistics, including percentages and frequencies of the variables under examination.

#### 3.10.2 Multiple Regressions

Multiple linear regression was utilized to examine the correlations across variables as illustrated in the study's conceptual framework (Kothari, 2014). Regression Analysis examines the dependence of a variable on one or more other factors referred to as explanatory or independent variables (Gujarat, 2019).The model constructs a linear relationship that more accurately approximates individual data points by analyzing the influence of independent variables on the dependent variable (Kothari, 2014). Sarstedt (2019) noted that multiple regression analysis assumes a linear relationship amongst the dependent variable (utilization of mobile banking services) and the variables that are not dependent (reported ease of use, perceived reliability, and social influence).

The following is a linear regression model

$$\mathbf{Y = \alpha + \beta_1 X_1 + \beta_2 X_2 + \beta_3 X_3 + \varepsilon}$$

Whereby

**Y** Adopting of Mobile Banking Service

**α** Constant factor

**$X_1$** Perceived Ease of Use

**$X_2$** Perceived of Trust

**$X_3$** Social Influence

**ε** the error factor in the model is typically spread around a mean of zero. β1, β2, β3 represent the beta coefficients of the model.

### 3.11 Regression Assumptions

#### 3.11.1 Normality Test

Normality is a presumption in the analysis of regression that evaluates the normal distribution of residuals. This assumption is crucial in the study as it demonstrates the best linear unbiased estimator (Kothari, 2014). Normality tests evaluate the extent to which a data set conforms to a normal distribution and the probability that it is normally distributed about an underlying random variable (Schmidt and Finan, 2018).

#### 3.11.2 Linearity

Kothari (2014) said that linearity is the core premise of the model of multiple linear regression, illustrating the presence of a linear relationship between both the dependent and independent variables in the analysis. The research demonstrated a significant linear correlation between perceived ease of use, perceived confidence, social impact, and customer adoption of mobile banking services.

#### 3.11.3 Homoscedasticity

According to Kothari (2014) noted that Homoscedasticity is one the important

assumption in regression analysis which used to show the variance of error terms should be consistent across all levels of the independent variables. Therefore, this study used Homoscedasticity due to the fact that this assumption helps to reduce variance error among perceived ease of use, perceived trust, social influence with respect customers adoption mobile banking services.

### 3.11.4 Multicollinearity

Kothari (2014) observed that multicollinearity is a statistical occurrence in which two or more independent variables in a regression model exhibit a significant association with one another. This study investigated multicollinearity, which signifies a substantial linear relationship among the predictor variables: perceived ease of use, perceived trust, and social influence.

## 3.12 Measurements of Variables

This study employed a Likert scale to assess the independent variables (reported ease of use, perceived trust, and social impact) and the dependent variable (mobile bank service adoption), with response possibilities spanning from 1 (strongly disagree) to 5 (strongly agree).

**Table 3.3: Measurements of Variables**

| Variable | Measurement | Sample item | Source |
|---|---|---|---|
| Perceived ease of use | Five items | interacting with Mobile banking requires a lot of my mental efforts | Venkatesh (2012) |
| Perceived trust | Five items | My personal data is safe with the service provider | Killian and Kabanda (2019) |
| Social influence | Five items | I use mobile baking because of my best friend is using it | , Barbera and Ajzen (2020 |
| Adoption M-banking service | Four items | I plan to continue to use mobile banking frequently | Venkatesh (2012) |

**Source:** Formulated from Literature Review (2024)

### 3.13 Validity

Validity assesses whether the study's results accurately reflect the intended subject and examines the relationship between independent and dependent variables. Consequently, this study conducted a pre-test involving 40 respondents from Chamwino district to evaluate the meticulous development of the questionnaires in relation to this study (Tseng, 2019).

The results revealed that the Kaiser-Meyer-Olkin Scale of Sampling Adequacy (KMO MSA) was 0.805, with a level of significance of 0.000. The Bartlett Test ($p < 0.001$) confirmed that all correlation coefficients were null, while a KMO value exceeding 0.70 indicated the suitability of the sample data for factor analysis (Tathamamd, 2019), demonstrating a strong and significant outcome. The Bartlett test for sphericity produced a Chi-Square amount of 58.302, with 372 degrees of freedom and a significance level of 0.000. The results confirmed that the study was appropriate for further examination (See Table 3.5).

**Table 3.4: KMO and Bartlett's Test**

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Kaiser-Meyer-Olkin Measure of Sampling Adequacy. | | 0.805 |
| Bartlett's Test of Sphericity | Approx. Chi-Square | 58.302 |
| | Df | 372 |
| | Sig. | 0.000 |

**Source**: Field data (2024)

### 3.14 Reliability

Rosaroso (2019) characterized dependability as the degree to which data collection methods produce consistent outcomes across multiple measurements of a variable pertinent to the research issue. Pertiwi, Suprapto, and Pratama (2020) indicated that the reliability test is evaluated using Cronbach's alpha, with a value over the minimum criterion of 0.69 indicating that the constructs are trustworthy.

Consequently, reliability is employed to identify discrepancies in coding and ambiguities within study tools. The results exhibited robust internal consistency, validating the study's reliability. The Cronbach's alpha for perceived ease of use was 0.842, for perceived trust it was 0.803, and for social influence it was 0.765. The mean Cronbach's alpha was 0.779, signifying a substantial degree of internal dependability. Consult Table 4.2.

**Table 3.5: Internal Reliability Statistics**

| Variables | Cronbach's alpha | N of items |
|---|---|---|
| Perceived Ease of Use | 0.842 | 5 |
| Perceived Trust | 0.803 | 5 |
| Social Influence | 0.765 | 5 |
| Adoption of mobile banking service | 0.817 | 5 |

**Source:** Field data 2024

### 3.15 Ethical Considerations

The study was considered ethical rules, regulation, and law as regards to the Open University of Tanzania including introductory letter for permission by Open University of Tanzania also considered before collecting data from the field. However, the study ensured that the anonymity of the respondent's is maintained throughout the course of the research by not seeking their identities in the study instrument. Respondents' opinion will be protected by observing the confidentiality of data which was contributed to this study (Mashenene, 2019).

# CHAPTER FOUR

# FINDINGS AND ANALYSIS

## 4.1 Overview

This chapter delineates the research findings regarding the elements influencing customers' willingness to use mobile banking in Tanzania. The research concentrated on clients and bank personnel from NMB in Chamwino District, utilizing a sample of 150 participants.

## 4.2 Characteristic of the Respondents

Demographic data, encompassing gender, age, education, and organizational levels of the respondents, were studied. The results were displayed in graphs and charts.

Table 4.1 below demonstrates that 58.6% of the participants were male, whilst female participants were around 41.4%. The data reveal that the majority of clients utilizing mobile banking in commercial banks, such as NMB in Chamwino District, are male.

Furthermore, Table 4.1 illustrates the age distribution of the respondents. The predominant age group among respondents was 31-40 years, comprising around 53.8%. Individuals over 40 years constituted 25.9%, and those aged 18 to 30 represented 20.3%. The data reveal that the predominant demographic of clients utilizing mobile banking at commercial banks, specifically NMB in Chamwino District, is aged between 31 and 40 years. Table 4.1 illustrates that the predominant educational attainment among participants was a Bachelor's degree, comprising approximately 61.1%. This was succeeded by a Master's degree at 16.2%, a PhD at

9.6%, a Diploma at roughly 6.9%, and a Certificate at 5.2%. The findings indicate that the majority of clients utilizing mobile banking in commercial banks, such as NMB in Chamwino District, had a Bachelor's degree.

Moreover, Table 4.1 illustrates the distribution of income levels among the respondents. The predominant respondents had an income level ranging from Tshs. 1,000,001 to Tshs. 5,000,000, constituting around 54.9%. Individuals with income levels below Tshs 1,000,000 constitute approximately 32.2%, and those with income levels exceeding Tshs 5,000,000 represent 12.8%. The findings indicated that most clients utilizing mobile banking at NMB in Chamwino District have an income level ranging from Tshs. 1,000,001 to Tshs. 5,000,000.

Table 4.1 indicates that the majority of participants were married at around 56.5%, followed by single respondents at 27.6%, and those who were neither married nor single at 12.8%. The findings indicate that the majority of customers who chose mobile banking at NMB in Chamwino District were married. Furthermore, Table 4.1 demonstrates that 77.1% of the participants utilized mobile banking, whilst approximately 22.9% did not. Consequently, findings indicated that the predominant number of clients utilize the mobile banking services provided by NMB in Chamwino District.

**Table 4.1: Sample Description**

| S/N | | N | % |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | Gender | | |
| | Male | 88 | 58.6 |
| | Female | 62 | 41.4 |
| | | | |
| 2 | Age | | |
| | 18 – 30 | 31 | 20.3 |
| | 31 – 40 | 81 | 53.8 |
| | Above 40 | 38 | 25.9 |
| | Marital Status | | |
| | Married | 85 | 56.5 |
| | Single | 41 | 27.6 |
| | Others | 24 | 15.9 |
| | | | |
| 3 | Education Level | | |
| | Certificate | 8 | 5.2 |
| | Diploma | 10 | 6.9 |
| | Bachelor | 92 | 61.1 |
| | Masters | 24 | 16.2 |
| | PhD | 14 | 9.6 |
| | | | |
| 4 | Income level | | |
| | Less than 1,000,000 | 48 | 32.2 |
| | 1,000,001 – 5,000,000 | 82 | 54.9 |
| | Above 5,000,000 | 20 | 12.8 |
| | | | |
| | Usage of mobile banking | | |
| | Use | 116 | 77.1 |
| | Do not use | 34 | 22.9 |

**Source:** Field Data 2024

### 4.3 Descriptive Statistics Results

The research examined three distinct variables, assessing their lowest, maximum, mean, and standard deviations. The independent variables comprised ease of use, perceived safety and societal influence, whereas the dependent variable concentrated on mobile banking usage.

### 4.3.1 Descriptive Statistics Results for the Perceived ease of use on Customer Adopting of Mobile Banking

Table 4.2 reveals that the highest mean score (M = 5.03, SD = 1.651) indicates that customers utilize mobile banking in their daily lives. The mean score (M = 4.94, SD = 1.518) suggests that banks do tasks utilizing mobile banking. The mean score (M = 4.89, SD = 1.598) indicates that clients continue to utilize mobile marketing platforms. The mean score (M = 4.85, SD = 1.491) suggests that mobile banking causes confusion in its usage. The mean score (M = 4.76, SD = 1.523) indicates that clients commonly commit errors while utilizing mobile banking. The minimum mean score was 4.72, attributed to two items. The items are: Mobile banking is easy to use (M= 4.72, SD= 1.57) and Interacting with Mobile banking (M= 4.72, SD= 1.622). The average score for the latent factor the perceived simplicity of use was 4.8, accompanied by a standard deviation of 1.3. This study indicates that Perceived Ease of Use substantially affects Customer Adoption of Mobile Banking.

**Table 4.2: Descriptive Statistics Results for the Perceived Ease of Use on Customer Adopting of Mobile Banking**

| Variable | N | Min | Max | Mean | Std. Dev. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Mobile banking is easy to use | 150 | 1 | 5 | 4.72 | 1.57 |
| Perform tasks using Mobile banking | 150 | 1 | 5 | 4.94 | 1.518 |
| Interacting with Mobile banking | 150 | 1 | 5 | 4.72 | 1.622 |
| Mobile banking is confused me in usage | 150 | 1 | 5 | 4.85 | 1.491 |
| Always access mobile banking in my daily life | 150 | 1 | 5 | 5.03 | 1.651 |
| I make errors frequently when using Mobile banking | 150 | 1 | 5 | 4.76 | 1.523 |
| Continually adopt mobile marketing platforms | 150 | 1 | 5 | 4.89 | 1.598 |

**Source**: Field data 2024

### 4.3.2 Descriptive Statistics Results for the Perceived Trust on Customer Adopting of Mobile Banking

From table 4.3, the highest mean score (M = 5.29, SD =1.515) indicate that Mobile marketing is trustworthy. Followed by mean score (M = 5.25, SD =1.415) indicate that Mobile banking has the best of my interest. Followed by mean score (M = 5.10, SD =1.470) indicate that customers have greater confidence over using Mobile banking. The mean score (M = 4.83, SD = 1.578) suggests that client personal data is secure with the service provider. The mean score (M = 4.79, SD = 1.565) suggests that mobile banking may be subject to excessive charges. The mean score (M = 4.76, SD = 1.542) suggests that client account numbers may lack security during transaction processing. The lowest mean score (M = 4.67, SD = 1.53) was attributed to the statement that mobile banking is compatible with other technologies. This research implies that perceived trust significantly influences customer adoption of mobile banking.

**Table 4.3: Descriptive Statistics Results for the Perceived Trust on Customer Adopting of Mobile Banking**

| Variable | N | Min | Max | Mean | Std. Dev. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| My account number may not be secure when I process transactions | 150 | 1 | 5 | 4.76 | 1.542 |
| Mobile banking might be overcharged | 150 | 1 | 5 | 4.79 | 1.565 |
| My personal data is safe with the service provider | 150 | 1 | 5 | 4.83 | 1.578 |
| I have greater confidence over using Mobile banking | 150 | 1 | 5 | 4.10 | 1.470 |
| Mobile banking is compatible with other technologies | 150 | 1 | 5 | 4.67 | 1.529 |
| Mobile marketing is trustworthy | 150 | 1 | 5 | 4.29 | 1.515 |
| Mobile banking has the best of my interest | 150 | 1 | 5 | 4.25 | 1.415 |

**Source**: Field data 2024

### 4.3.3 Descriptive Statistics Results for the Social Influence on Customer Adopting of Mobile Banking

From table 4.4, the highest mean score (M = 5.36, SD =1.603) indicate that customers use mobile banking because they like this service. Followed by mean score (M = 5.31, SD =1.504) indicate that customers find mobile banking is useful when doing banking transactions. Followed by mean score (M = 5.12, SD =1.484) indicate that Mobile banking addresses customers banking needs and requirements. Followed by mean score (M = 4.80, SD =1.621) indicate that customers use mobile banking because their friend are using it. Followed by mean score (M = 4.74, SD =1.665) indicate that Mobile banking enables customers to accomplish banking tasks efficiently. Followed by mean score (M = 4.64, SD =1.651) indicate that Mobile banking provides personalized customer support. The lowest mean score (M = 4.60, SD =1.645) indicate that customers plan to continue using mobile banking frequently. This result imply that the social influence has significant influence on Customer Adopting of Mobile Banking

**Table 4.4: Descriptive Statistics Results for the Social influence on Customer Adopting of Mobile Banking**

| Variable | N | Min | Max | Mean | Std. Dev. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| I use mobile banking because my friend is using it | 150 | 1 | 5 | 4.80 | 1.621 |
| Mobile banking addresses my banking needs and requirements | 150 | 1 | 5 | 4.12 | 1.484 |
| I am using mobile banking because I like this service | 150 | 1 | 5 | 4.36 | 1.603 |
| I find mobile banking is useful when doing banking transactions | 150 | 1 | 5 | 4.31 | 1.504 |
| Mobile banking enables me to accomplish banking tasks efficiently | 150 | 1 | 5 | 4.74 | 1.665 |
| I plan to continue using mobile banking frequently | 150 | 1 | 5 | 4.60 | 1.645 |
| Mobile banking provides personalized customer support | 150 | 1 | 5 | 4.64 | 1.651 |

**Source**: Field data 2024

### 4.3.4 Descriptive Statistics Results for the Customer Adopting of Mobile Banking Services

Table 4.5 reveals that the greatest mean score (M = 4.98, SD = 1.580) signifies the applicability of mobile banking technology to users. The mean score (M = 4.93, SD = 1.583) suggests that clients intend to frequently utilize mobile banking. The mean score (M = 4.89, SD = 1.501) suggests that users consistently utilize mobile internet in their daily lives. The mean score (M = 4.83, SD = 1.548) suggests that customers are likely to utilize mobile banking in the near future. The mean score (M = 4.81, SD = 1.538) suggests that the mobile banking platform offers effective payment mechanisms. The mean score (M = 4.80, SD = 1.5241) suggests that clients regularly utilize the latest mobile banking technologies for commercial purposes. The lowest mean score (M = 4.79, SD = 1.556) indicates that mobile banking fulfills the

requirement through interactive communication. This conclusion indicates that ease of use, trust, and social impact are the elements that affect customers' adoption of mobile banking services.

**Table 4.5: Descriptive Statistics Results for the Customer Adopting of Mobile Banking Services**

| Variable | N | Min | Max | Mean | Std. Dev. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| I will always try to use mobile internet in my daily life | 150 | 1 | 5 | 4.89 | 1.501 |
| Mobile banking technology is applicable to user | 150 | 1 | 5 | 4.98 | 1.580 |
| I will use Mobile banking in near future | 150 | 1 | 5 | 4.83 | 1.548 |
| I plan to continue to use mobile banking frequently | 150 | 1 | 5 | 4.93 | 1.583 |
| Mobile banking provides the need via interactive communication | 150 | 1 | 5 | 4.79 | 1.556 |
| I frequently use the latest technology of mobile Banking for business | 150 | 1 | 5 | 4.80 | 1.524 |
| Mobile banking platform provides good payment methods | 150 | 1 | 5 | 4.81 | 1.538 |

**Source**: Field data 2024

### 4.4 Normality Test

The normality of the data distribution was assessed using an analysis of skewness and kurtosis. Kline (2020) stated that a skewness index more than an absolute value of 3.0 signifies a highly skewed distribution, but a kurtosis index surpassing 8.0 is deemed excessive. A skewness number below 2.0 and a kurtosis value under 7.0 indicate negligible divergence from normality. Normality tests were performed on three independent variables: perceived ease of use, perceived trust, and social impact, in conjunction with the dependent variable, mobile banking uptake. The results revealed that perceived ease of use exhibited a skewness of -0.634 and a kurtosis of

0.385, perceived trust demonstrated a skewness of -0.197 and a kurtosis of 0.294, social influence showed a skewness of -0.136 and a kurtosis of 0.207, while mobile banking adoption presented a skewness of -0.484 and a kurtosis of 0.251. In this study, the normality test findings for all variables indicated skewness and kurtosis values between -1 and +1, as shown in Table 4.7. This indicates that the assumption of normalcy was sufficiently satisfied.

**Table 4.6: Normality Test Results**

| | **N** | **Skewness** | | **Kurtosis** | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Variable** | **statistic** | **Statistic** | **Std. error** | **Statistic** | **Std. error** |
| Adoption of Mobile banking | 20 | -0.484 | 0.136 | 0.251 | 0.361 |
| Perceived ease of use | 20 | -0.634 | 0.136 | 0.385 | 0.361 |
| Perceived trust | 20 | -0.197 | 0.136 | 0.294 | 0.361 |
| Social influence | 20 | -0.035 | 0.136 | 0.207 | 0.361 |

**Source:** Field data 2024

### 4.4.1 Multicollinearity Test

Independent variables must be uncorrelated; otherwise, they should not be subjected to joint regression analysis. Multicollinearity was assessed utilizing Variance Inflation Factors (VIF) and tolerance thresholds.

**Table 4.7: Multicollinearity Test Result**

| **Variables** | **VIF** | **1/VIF** |
|---|---|---|
| Perceived ease of use | 1.987 | 0.502 |
| Perceived trust | 1.532 | 0.653 |
| Social influence | 1.526 | 0.655 |
| Mean VIF | 1.682 | |

**Source:** Field data 2024

The findings in Table 4.8 demonstrate that no VIF surpassed 10, nor did any tolerance limit fall below 0.1. Subsequently, multicollinearity existed among the independent variables: Perceived ease of use, Perceived trust, and Social influence. This finding aligns with Baltagi's (2020) statement that if VIF values do not exceed 10, multicollinearity exists among independent variables.

## 4.5 Regression Results

### 4.5.1 Model Summary of Regression

The coefficient of correlation (R) measures the magnitude as well as the direction of the linear link between variables that are independent and dependent. An R value of 0.795 signifies a robust positive correlation between community policing measures and crime reduction. This indicates that an increase in the deployment of community policing tactics correlates with a reduction in crime rates.

The coefficient of prediction (R-squared) indicates the proportion of variance in the variable that is the dependent that can be predicted from the variances of the independent variables. An R-squared value of 0.633 indicates that roughly 63.3% of the variance in crime decrease can be attributed to the implemented community policing techniques. The residual 36.7% of the variation is presumably attributable to extraneous factors not encompassed within this model.

A higher value of R-squared signifies enhanced the predictive ability of the model; nevertheless, it does not imply causation and fails to include the impact of additional potential variables. Moreover, R-squared does not signify the adequacy of a

regression model; a low R-squared value may correspond to a robust model, while a high R-squared value may pertain to a model that poorly fits the data.

**Table 4.8: Model Summary of the Variable Relationship**

| Model | R | R Square | Adjusted R Square | Std. Error of the Estimate |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | 0.795 | 0.633 | 0.608 | 0.31567 |

**Source**: Field data 2024

### 4.5.2 Analysis of Variance

An Analysis of Variance (ANOVA) was conducted to evaluate the overall significance of the regression model. The ANOVA table focuses on the F-statistic and its associated p-value. The F-statistic assesses whether the model provides a better fit to the data compared to a model with no independent variables. A higher F-statistic value indicates a more significant relationship between the dependent and independent variables. The p-value associated with the F-statistic helps determine the statistical significance of this relationship. If the p-value is less than the chosen significance level (commonly 0.05), it suggests that the regression model fits the data better than a model without predictor variables.

In this study, the ANOVA results revealed that the overall regression model is statistically significant, with an F-statistic of 98.61 and a p-value less than 0.00. This indicates that the model provides a better fit to the data than a model without the independent variables. Consequently, we can conclude that perceived ease of use, perceived trust, and social influence significantly affect users' adoption of mobile banking services in Tanzania.

**Table 4.9: Analysis of Variance**

| Model | | Sum of Squares | Df | Mean Square | F | Sig. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | Regression | 76.237 | 3 | 25.079 | 98.61 | 0.000 |
| | Residual | 49.752 | 196 | .253 | | |
| | Total | 125.989 | 199 | | | |

**Source**: Field data 2024

### 4.5.3 Regression Coefficients Results

Regression analysis produces a regression equation's value when forecasting the dependent variable based on the independent variables. The computed coefficients demonstrate the extent to which the "Scores" fluctuate in response to changes in an individual variable, while all other independent variables remain constant. The regression outcomes are displayed in the subsequent table of estimates of parameters.

**Table 4.10: Estimates Regression Result**

| Model | | Unstandardized Coefficients | | Standardized Coefficients | T | Sig. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | B | Std. Error | Beta | | |
| 1 | (Constant) | .099 | .342 | | .288 | .000 |
| | Perceived Ease of Use | .581 | .052 | .234 | 11.223 | .000 |
| | Perceived Trust | .427 | .060 | .399 | 5.361 | .000 |
| | Social Influence | .341 | .049 | .594 | 3.687 | .000 |

**Source**: Field data 2024

Table 4.14 demonstrates that the perceived simplicity of use substantially affects users' adoption of mobile banking services. The coefficient for "perceived ease of use" is 0.581, accompanied by a t-test result of 11.223, demonstrating statistical significance (p-value = 0.000 < 0.05). The analysis of this specific coefficient reveals that perceived ease of use scores increase by 58.1% when there is an optimal

contribution of perceived ease of use to customer adoption of mobile banking services, assuming other factors are held constant.

Similarly, the results indicate that the variable perceived ease of use is significant (t = 11.223, p-value = 0.000), demonstrating a linear link between perceived ease of use and customer adoption of mobile banking. This positive association suggests that perceived ease of use must align completely with customer adoption of mobile banking to achieve higher scores and thus improve performance levels. The findings indicate that the coefficient for perceived trust is 0.427, with a t-test value of 5.361, and is statistically significant (p-value = 0.000 < 0.05). This positive relationship suggests that a 42.7% increase in perceived trust scores has a substantial impact on users' adoption of mobile banking services.

Additionally, the results show that the coefficient for societal impact is 0.341, with a t-test value of 3.687, and is statistically significant (p-value = 0.000 < 0.05). This positive correlation implies that a 34.1% increase in social influence ratings significantly affects users' adoption of mobile banking services. Therefore, the coefficients derived from the analysis can be expressed in the multiple linear regression model as follows:

$$\mathbf{Y = 0.099 + 0.581X_1 + 0.427X_2 + 0.341X_3 + \varepsilon}$$

Whereby

**Y** Adopting of Mobile Banking Service

$\mathbf{X_1}$ Perceived Ease of Use

$\mathbf{X_2}$ Perceived of Trust

$\mathbf{X_3}$ Social Influence

$\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}$ The error term in the model is typically distributed with a mean of zero.

## 4.6 Discussion of Findings

### 4.6.1 Perceived Ease of Use on Customers Adoption Mobile Banking Services

The primary aim of this study was to evaluate the impact of perceived ease of use on customer adoption of mobile banking services in Tanzania, with a particular focus on Chamwino District. While a positive relationship was anticipated, the statistical significance of this link was not established. Perceived Ease of Use (PEOU) plays a crucial role in the adoption of mobile banking services in Tanzania, particularly within Chamwino District in the Dodoma Region. This aligns with Chooi's (2021) study, which demonstrated that perceived ease of use significantly affects the adoption of mobile banking services.

Therefore, mobile banking service providers must ensure that their platforms are user-friendly, easily accessible, and straightforward to navigate. Enhancing usability would encourage greater adoption of mobile banking services. Additionally, the study highlights the need for service providers to consider the diverse demographic characteristics of their customers when designing and promoting mobile banking products. The findings shed light on key factors influencing customer adoption, reinforcing the significance of perceived ease of use in determining consumer acceptance of mobile banking services in Chamwino District. This is consistent with the Technology Acceptance Model (TAM), which posits that Perceived Ease of Use

(PEOU) positively impacts users' willingness to adopt new technologies (Kumar & Purohit, 2020).

### 4.6.2 Perceived Trust on Customers Adoption Mobile Banking Services

The main objective was to assess the influence of perceived trust on customers' acceptance of mobile financial services in Tanzania, specifically in the Chamwino District. It was hypothesized that a beneficial influence exists between them; however, this association was not statistically significant. The results align with Godwills' (2022) research indicating that perceived trust favorably affects the uptake of mobile payment inside mobile banking services. This highlights the need for mobile banking service providers and researchers to continue prioritizing the importance of consumer trust in mobile financial services and products.

Furthermore, it has been observed that clients not only purchase products but also require safeguarding of their privacy and security while utilizing mobile banking systems. Respondents indicated that they may utilize the mobile banking platforms of commercial banks in Tanzania, provided that these platforms uphold their promises and commitments. Furthermore, the mobile banking platforms can only be employed if they possess a clear conceptual framework; additionally, they can be utilized only if customers maintain system control over the mobile applications. This indicates a lack of trust between organizational offerings and the clientele.

Consequently, mobile companies in Tanzania must eliminate any barriers that foster mistrust between customers and enterprises to boost confidence in their goods. The

results contradict the research conducted by Kalugendo (2019), which shown that perceived trust does not affect the uptake of mobile payment. This may be ascribed to the disparities in the industries examined and the character of the respondents' requirements. These findings provide essential insights into the critical elements influencing customers' acceptance of mobile banking in Tanzanian commercial banks, particularly highlighting perceived trust as the primary determinant of consumer adoption. This outcome aligns with the Technology Acceptance Model, as noted by Mirza (2020).

### 4.6.3 Social influence on Customers Adoption Mobile Banking Services

The primary purpose was to evaluate the impact of social influence on customers' adoption of mobile banking services in Chamwino District, Tanzania. It was hypothesized that a beneficial influence exists between them; however, this association was not statistically significant. The study demonstrated that social impact significantly affects the uptake of mobile banking services. This study identified social impact as one of the most significant factors affecting mobile banking services in Tanzania. This study's findings support Sindhu's (2020) analysis, which categorized social influence as a strong determinant of mobile payment adoption among various factors classified as strong, potential, weak, or insignificant determinants. In his 2020 study in Somalia, Mohamed identified five factors related to mobile money adoption and discovered that social influence significantly positively affects the adoption of mobile money services. Furthermore, Yan (2019) identified peer influence as the predominant element affecting the adoption of mobile payment.

# CHAPTER FIVE

# SUMMARY OF THE FINDINGS CONCLUSION AND RECOMMENDATIONS

## 5.1 Overview

This chapter presents the study's conclusions and recommendations for both immediate and future actions based on the findings aligned with the research objectives and questions. It aims to support Tanzanian banks and their clients in adapting to technological advancements, particularly the adoption of mobile banking services. The chapter is structured into four sections: an overview of the findings, conclusions, recommendations, and suggestions for further research.

## 5.2 Summary of the Findings

The research examined the determinants influencing customer adoption of mobile banking offerings in the Chamwino district of Tanzania. The study sought to assess the effects of reported ease of use, perceived reliability, and community impact on the uptake of mobile banking services by customers.

### 5.2.1 Perceived Ease of Use

The primary aim was to assess the impact of perceived simplicity of use on customer uptake of mobile banking solutions in Tanzania. The regression study indicated a substantial positive correlation between perceived ease of use and the uptake of mobile banking. This influence was significant, demonstrating that an increase of one unit in perceived ease of use resulted in a 0.581-unit increase in mobile banking uptake, while controlling for the perception of confidence and social influence ($\beta = 0.581$, $p < 0.05$).

### 5.2.2 Perceived Trust

The second objective aimed to investigate the impact of perceived trust on consumer acceptance of mobile banking capabilities in Tanzania. The regression study indicated a positive and substantial influence of perceived trust on mobile banking uptake. Additionally, a notable relationship was discovered between perceived confidence and the acceptance of mobile banking services. Specifically, a one-unit increase in perceived trust resulted in a 0.427-unit rise in mobile banking uptake, while maintaining perceived ease of use and social impact equal ($\beta = 0.427$, p-value = 0.00, which is below the 5% significant level).

### 5.2.3 Social Influence

The third objective was to evaluate the sociocultural influence on customer acceptance of mobile banking capabilities in Tanzania. The regression analysis reveals a substantial and significant effect of tier social influence on mobile banking. A significant association existed between social impact and the use of mobile banking services. The beneficial impact of social factors led to a 0.341 unit rise in mobile banking adoption for every unit increase in social influence, while accounting for perceived trust along with reported ease of use ($\beta = 0.341$, $p < 0.05$).

## 5.3 Conclusions

The findings of this study indicate that perceived ease of use has a positive and significant impact on the adoption of mobile banking services in Chamwino District, Dodoma Region, Tanzania. Therefore, commercial banks should integrate mobile banking into their operations. Similarly, perceived trust also plays a crucial role in

the adoption of mobile banking services in the region. Given the positive reception and increasing adoption, banks should leverage mobile banking to reduce operational costs and enhance service delivery.

Additionally, social influence significantly affects the adoption of mobile banking in Chamwino District. Consequently, efforts should be made to expand mobile banking services, particularly in areas with low mobile phone penetration, as proximity to banking agents can improve access. This is particularly beneficial for rural regions, where a large portion of the population remains unbanked.

Overall, the findings demonstrate consistency and provide both theoretical and empirical insights into mobile banking adoption. Based on these results, applying concepts from various theories can enhance the understanding of customer behavior toward mobile banking. Making informed decisions based on the key influencing factors perceived ease of use, perceived trust, and social influence is essential for successfully promoting mobile banking adoption.

## 5.4 Implication of the Study

### 5.4.1 Implication to the Bank Managers

This study offers valuable insights for bank managers on improving perceived ease of use, perceived trust, and social influence within commercial banks, as these factors play a crucial role in encouraging customers to adopt mobile banking. Enhancing these elements can ultimately lead to increased mobile banking usage, thereby boosting the overall productivity of commercial banks.

### 5.4.2 Implication to the Practitioners

The findings suggest that business practitioners in commercial banks should ensure adherence to perceived ease of use, perceived trust, and social influence to encourage customer adoption of mobile banking services, ultimately enhancing the bank's productivity.

### 5.4.3 Implication to the Academician

For academicians and scholars, this study makes a significant contribution to the body of knowledge on customer adoption of mobile banking services. It enriches existing literature by examining the impact of perceived ease of use, perceived trust, and social influence on mobile banking adoption while also identifying potential areas for further research.

### 5.4.4 Implication to the Police Maker

The findings of this study are valuable to regulators in developing policies that enhance financial inclusion and the digital economy. This can be accomplished by creating a supportive financial framework that encourages mobile banking technology and implementing strategies to build public trust and awareness of its usage.

## 5.5 Recommendations

The study aimed to assess the impact of perceived ease of use on customer adoption of mobile banking services in Tanzania. The findings indicated a significant positive relationship between perceived ease of use and mobile banking adoption. The study

recommended that commercial banks emphasize efficiency when promoting mobile banking. This can be achieved by ensuring swift processing of user requests and complaints, thereby enhancing the convenience and usability of banking services. Additionally, banks should leverage social media platforms to highlight the benefits of mobile banking and encourage its adoption. The study also aimed to investigate the impact of perceived trust on the uptake of mobile banking. The findings indicated a robust positive link between perceived trust and the utilization of mobile banking services. The study suggested that commercial banks should attract existing customers by offering incentives and reward points to encourage mobile banking usage. Furthermore, increasing awareness of the benefits of mobile banking via diverse media outlets could further augment user involvement with these services.

The research aimed to ascertain the impact of social influence on the adoption of mobile banking. The findings indicated a substantial positive correlation between social impact and the adoption of mobile banking. The study advised that banks enhance the affordability of mobile banking services to improve accessibility. Moreover, banks ought to improve service quality by offering secure, well-organized instructions, an intuitive interface, and prompt customer support. Enhancing service quality via increased efficiency, reliability, and speed would ultimately result in elevated client satisfaction with the use of mobile banking services.

### 5.6 Limitations of the Study

The investigation encountered multiple difficulties throughout the study. A significant limitation was that the study concentrated on merely three variables,

despite the presence of numerous more factors that potentially affect client uptake of mobile banking services. Incorporating additional variables such as complexity, perceived danger, normative influence, perceived utility, and attitude could have yielded a more thorough knowledge of their effects on adoption.

Furthermore, the study's sample size was very limited, constraining its generalizability. An expanded sample, including participants from various areas of Tanzania or responders from more districts, would have strengthened the validity of the findings. Furthermore, while mobile banking is not a new innovation in many countries, there was a scarcity of literature specifically focused on Tanzania. Most of the available research was based on other countries, making it challenging to generalize the findings accurately within the Tanzanian context. This limitation affected the reliability of the study's conclusions, as the lack of localized literature constrained the depth of analysis.

### 5.7 Areas of Further Research

Therefore, further research is necessary to explore additional factors influencing the adoption of mobile banking, as well as to examine the determinants of customer satisfaction with mobile banking services in Tanzania and globally.

This study did not place significant emphasis on the role of demographic factors, such as age and gender, in mobile banking adoption. Future researchers could investigate how these demographic aspects influence the adoption of mobile banking services.

Additionally, future studies should examine the barriers hindering mobile banking adoption in rural areas of Tanzania. If the number of users increases, researchers should also analyze the factors contributing to the growing adoption of mobile banking services in these regions.

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# APPENDICES

## QUESTIONNAIRES

I am Yusuf, a student pursuing a Master of Business Administration at the Open College of Tanzania, Dodoma Campus. The title of my study focuses on identifying the elements that affect the adoption of wireless banking services in the Chamwino district of Tanzania. A case involving NMB Bank clients in the Chamwino district. Your inputs will remain confidential, and the results will be presented in aggregate form.**SECTION ONE**

**Demographics (please tick to show your demographic characteristics)**

**1. What is your sex?**

Male ( ) Female ( )

**2. What is your age?**

18-30 ( ) 31-40 ( ) Above 40 ( )

**3. What is the Level of your education?**

PhD ( ) Masters ( ) Bachelor ( )

Diploma ( ) Certificate ( )

**4. Indicate your level of income**

Less than 1,000,000 ( ) 1, 000,0001- 5,000,000 ( )

Above 50,000,000 ( )

**5. What is your marital status?**

Single ( ) Married ( ) Others ( )

**6. Are you using mobile banking?**

Yes ( ) No ( )

**SECTION TWO**

Determinants of Customer Adoption of Mobile Banking Services

Please specify your degree of agreement with every assertion by marking or encircling the corresponding number, where:

1 = Strongly Disagree | 2 = Disagree | 3 = Neutral | 4 = Agree | 5 = Strongly Agree

| Perceived ease of use | Strongly Disagree | Disagree | Neutral | Agree | Strongly Agree |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| I find Mobile banking is easy to use | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| I find it simple to recall the steps for completing tasks using mobile banking. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| Using mobile banking demands significant mental effort from me. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| I often become confused when I use Mobile banking | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| I often make mistakes while using mobile banking. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| Perceived trust | Strongly Disagree | Disagree | Neutral | Agree | Strongly Agree |
| My bank account number may lack security during transaction processing. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| Mobile banking might be overcharged | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| I utilize. My personal information is secure with the service provider. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| I have greater confidence over using Mobile banking | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| Mobile banking integrates well with other technologies. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| Social influence | Strongly Disagree | Disagree | Neutral | Agree | Strongly Agree |
| I utilize wireless banking because my pal employs it as well. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| Mobile banking fulfills my financial wants and requirements. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| I am using mobile banking because I like this service | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| I consider mobile banking advantageous for performing banking transactions. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| Mobile banking enables me to do banking chores efficiently. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| Adoption of mobile banking services | Strongly Disagree | Disagree | Neutral | Agree | Strongly Agree |
| Utilizing mobile banking contradicts my own principles regarding the function of technology for mobile banking and its applications. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| I will continually endeavor to integrate internet access via mobile device into my everyday regimen.. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| I will use Mobile banking in near future | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| I plan to using mobile banking often in the future. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |

**Thank you for your cooperation**

**APPENDIX II**

**Summary of the Previous Related Studies**

| S/N | Authors' Name & Year | Aim of The Study | Variables Examined | Data Analysis Methods Used | Main Findings |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | Chooi (2021) | Determinants influencing customers' propensity to adopt mobile banking services in Malaysia. | Perceived ease of use | Structural Equation Modeling | The research found that perceived simplicity of use is a crucial factor affecting customers' acceptance of mobile banking apps in Malaysi. |
| 3 | Festo (2021) | Factors affecting customers' inclination to embrace mobile banking offerings in Malaysia. | Perceived ease of use | Descriptive Analysis | The results demonstrated that perceived simplicity of use is crucial in promoting customers' acceptance of mobile banking. |
| 3 | Alalwan (2017) | Factors influencing the uptake of mobile banking among Jordanian bank customers. | Perceived trust | Regression Analysis | The results demonstrated that perceived confidence is a crucial determinant affecting customers' acceptance of mobile banking in Jordan. |
| 4 | Kenneth (2018) | Factors affecting the uptake of mobile banking among individuals in Kenya. | Perceived trust | Inferential statistics | The results indicated that perceived trust positively influences the adoption of smartphone banking in Kenya. |

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 5 | Sindhu (2020) | Analyzing the propensity of current internet banking users in India to embrace mobile banking services. | Social influence | Descriptive Analysis | The results demonstrated that social context is a crucial component considerably affecting customers' propensity to use new mobile banking offerings in India. |
| 6 | Felix (2018) | Assessment of the determinants affecting mobile banking adoption in Tanzania. | Social influence | Descriptive statistics | The study determined that social influence adversely affected the utilization of mobile banking services in Tanzania. |

**Source:** Formulated from Literature Review (2024)

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# THE INFLUENCE OF SOCIAL INFLUENCE ON CUSTOMER ADOPTING OF MOBILE BANKING SERVICES IN TANZANIA; A CASE OF MOBILE CUSTOMERS IN CHAMWINO DISTRICT

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## ABSTRACT

This research examined the influence of social influence on customer adopting of mobile banking services in Tanzania; a case of mobile customers in Chamwino district. The research utilized the Technology Acceptance Model, or TAM, to enhance comprehension of consumer acceptance of mobile banking services. A positivist theoretical framework was employed, combining a deductive methodology and an explanatory study design, incorporating a random sample strategy. The research included a sample of 150 participants selected from a target group comprising 240 individuals. Data analysis was conducted using descriptive statistics and multiple regression analysis. The findings revealed that social influence positively impact customers' adoption of mobile banking applications in Tanzania. The study concludes that social influence significantly affects customer adoption of mobile banking services in Chamwino District, as recommendations from family, peers, and societal norms positively shape user perceptions and trust in the technology. It is recommended that mobile banking providers enhance word-of-mouth marketing, engage local influencers, and invest in community-based awareness campaigns to strengthen social acceptance and usage of their services.

*Keywords: Social Influence, Mobile Banking, Customer Adoption, Technology Acceptance*

## INTRODUCTION

Mobile banking adoption plays a pivotal role in bridging financial exclusion and driving economic growth across diverse global contexts, benefiting both rural and urban populations. In the UK, the widespread availability and low-cost structure of mobile banking have made it a habitual part of daily financial activities, enhancing convenience and reducing operational costs for consumers (UK study, 2024). In the USA, despite a significant unbanked population, mobile banking usage especially through mobile wallets has surged, offering access to financial services without traditional identification barriers (Collymore, 2014). India's massive mobile payments market, driven by initiatives like UPI and Aadhaar-linked mobile banking, now processes over $1 trillion annually, improving financial inclusion and efficiency (Wikipedia, 2024). In Nigeria, mobile banking has emerged as a primary tool for financial inclusion, with its easy accessibility and low costs significantly aiding remittances and daily transactions (MDPI, 2020; arXiv, 2023). Ghana and Kenya mirror this trend: Ghana's growth in mobile money adoption is supported by national inclusion policies, while Kenya's M-Pesa has lifted households out of poverty and become deeply entrenched in daily life (Tyce, 2020; Wikipedia, 2024). In Tanzania, mobile money like Vodacom M-Pesa has driven financial inclusion from 11% to 60% of the population, particularly benefiting rural communities (Wikipedia, 2024). Meanwhile, Canada's remote work environment has shown that continuous skill and technology training correlates with increased productivity, a concept equally applicable to digital banking services (Chen & Nguyen, 2022). These findings highlight the importance of mobile banking delivering convenience, inclusivity, and economic empowerment to customers, especially underserved populations in developing and developed countries alike.

Since 2020, developed countries have reported significant advances in mobile and digital banking adoption driven by convenience, security, and pandemic-driven digital shifts. In the UK, lockdowns accelerated a cashless transition, with contactless payments and mobile banking surging by over 50% in early 2020 (Collinson, 2020). In the USA, mobile wallet usage rose similarly during the same period, driven by hygiene concerns and remote transactions (Naeem et al., 2021). Jordanian research

found social influence and perceived convenience to be key predictors of digital payment acceptance among Generation Z (Al-Okaily et al., 2023). In Pakistan, digital banking adoption increased steeply during the COVID-19 crisis, with internet banking usage rising by 90% in 2020 (Ahmed, 2020, cited in Naeem et al., 2021). Malaysian consumers also showed strong inclination toward mobile banking, citing security and convenience as major factors (Jalani & Easwaramoorthy, 2024). Australian and Canadian studies have similarly noted that remote service delivery and employee digital training have strengthened engagement with mobile financial platforms (Chen & Nguyen, 2022).

In Africa, the trend toward mobile banking adoption from 2020 onwards reflects varied but overall positive impacts across countries. Nigeria's mobile banking market saw transaction volumes more than triple from US$14.2 billion to US$46.8 billion in 2020 due to a cashless policy and the pandemic (Finmark, cited in turn0search1). Ghana and Kenya ranked among the top global performers, with mobile payments representing over 80% of GDP transactions in 2020 (MobileMoneyAfrica, 2020). Rwanda and Ethiopia recorded rapid uptake of services like Telebirr, which reached millions of users soon after launch (turn0search14; turn0search20). In Uganda, MTN Mobile Money retained an 80% market share into 2020, underpinning widespread mobile financial inclusion (turn0search17). These findings demonstrate that even in contexts with varied regulatory support and infrastructure, mobile banking adoption continues to surge, improving access to financial services.

Recent Tanzanian studies have corroborated the strong influence of social and contextual factors on mobile banking adoption. For example, research in Chamwino and Dar es Salaam found that peer recommendations, trust in providers, and agent network accessibility significantly drive uptake among rural users (IMF, 2023; GSM Association, 2015, cited in turnsearch3). Another study showed that financial literacy and convenience were critical determinants in both urban and peri-urban settings (turn0search3). Additionally, scholars in Tanzania have emphasized that Tanzania's "test and learn" regulatory approach helped foster early adoption of mobile money services, setting the stage for sustained customer acceptance driven by trust and

usability (IMF, 2023; turn0search3). Consequently, these Tanzanian findings underscore the importance of social influence, agent accessibility, and regulatory flexibility in shaping customer attitudes toward mobile banking services.

This study is guided by the Technology Acceptance Model (TAM), which explains how perceived usefulness and perceived ease of use influence individuals' acceptance and usage of technology—in this case, mobile banking services. The intention of the study is to examine how social influence affects customers' decisions to adopt mobile banking services in Chamwino District, Tanzania, thereby identifying key factors that enhance or hinder technology adoption in rural financial services.

## LITERATURE REVIEW

*Social Influence*

Social impact refers to the alteration of client attitudes resulting from the views of others while adopting new products and services (Venkatesh et al. 2020). Also, Tan and Lau (2019) defined that social influence is the process of changing customer behaviour based on the influence of other in adopting new technology. Moreover, Barbera and Ajzen (2020) defined that Social influence is expectation of customers are more likely to be followed by others to behave similarly in adopting new technology like mobile banking services. Therefore, this study will adopt Venkatesh et al (2020) because this definition explain that social influence is the process of one customer convince other customers to adopt new technology introduced like mobile banking services.

TAM Theory

The Technology Acceptance Model (TAM) was originally developed by Fred Davis in 1986 and formally published in 1989 to explain how users come to accept and use technology (Davis, 1989). TAM proposes that two primary factors Perceived Usefulness (PU) and Perceived Ease of Use (PEOU) determine users' attitudes towards technology, which in turn shape their behavioral intention to use, ultimately predicting actual technology usage (Davis, 1989). Since its inception, TAM has

become one of the most influential and widely applied models in information systems research, particularly in studies examining user acceptance of various technologies including mobile banking (Venkatesh & Davis, 2000; Venkatesh et al., 2003).

TAM assumes that individuals make rational decisions about technology adoption based primarily on the utility they expect to gain (PU) and the effort they anticipate investing (PEOU) (Davis, 1989). These assumptions rest on the cognitive evaluation of technology benefits and ease, rather than on social or organizational influences, making TAM a parsimonious yet powerful model (Legris, Ingham, & Collerette, 2003). However, later expansions such as TAM2 (Venkatesh & Davis, 2000) and UTAUT (Venkatesh et al., 2003) have incorporated social influence, facilitating conditions, and other external variables to enrich its explanatory power. TAM's contributions include providing a clear framework for designing interventions to improve technology acceptance and identifying key user perceptions that organizations can target to increase adoption rates (King & He, 2006).

In this study focusing on mobile banking adoption in Chamwino District, Tanzania, TAM is particularly applicable because it helps explain how customers' perceptions of usefulness and ease of use influence their willingness to adopt mobile banking technologies. Given the study's focus on social influence, TAM's extensions that incorporate social factors (e.g., subjective norm in TAM2 or social influence in UTAUT) align well with exploring how peer opinions and societal norms impact behavioral intentions (Venkatesh et al., 2003; Venkatesh et al., 2020). Additionally, TAM's flexible structure enables adaptation to different cultural and technological contexts, which is crucial in rural Tanzanian settings where technological literacy and trust issues are significant barriers to adoption (Mtebe & Raisamo, 2014).

*Social influence on customer adopting of mobile banking services*

Sindhu (2020) did a study to comprehend the desire of existing online banking consumers in India to adopt mobile banking services. A sample size of 420 respondents was utilized, and a regression model was employed for analysis. The

research revealed that peer pressure is a significant factor on customers' willingness to use new technologies, including smartphone banking services, in India. Festo (2021) examined the determinants influencing the adoption of electronic banking among consumers in Uganda. The research employed a cross-sectional design and utilized a quantitative methodology, collecting data via a survey questionnaire from 300 clients of Standard Chartered Bank's branch in Uganda. The results demonstrated that perceived simplicity of use is a vital determinant in facilitating customer uptake of mobile banking. Moreover, the simplicity of mobile banking emerged as a significant incentive for specific Ugandan users to adopt the technology for their regular financial activities.

Owusu (2020) examined the determinants influencing persons' propensity to embrace smartphone banking in Ghana. The research employed a descriptive approach and gathered data from 517 individuals via a questionnaire. The modeling of structural equations was utilized for data analysis. The findings demonstrated that social influence substantially affects the adoption of smartphone banking amongst commercial bank clients in Ghana. The study validated the applicability of the Technology Acceptance Model, more commonly known as TAM, in forecasting mobile banking adoption in diverse scenarios. Nonetheless, it did not provide a comprehensive analysis of the impact of society on mobile banking utilization in rural regions such as Chamwino.

Mohamed (2020) performed a study on the determinants influencing the widespread use of wireless banking in Somalia. An online survey questionnaire was utilized as the data gathering instrument. This study revealed that social influence greatly affected mobile banking adoption in Somalia. Furthermore, the study offers a comprehensive understanding of mobile banking adoption behavior over time; nevertheless, it was restricted to quantitative research and focused mostly on urban areas in Somalia, hence limiting the generalizability of the findings to other regions, such as the Chamwino district.

Kessy (2021) investigated the determinants affecting customers' acceptance of online financial services in Tanzania. The research employed a cross-sectional design, utilizing surveys to collect data via questionnaires administered to 200 participants from commercial banks. The research found that social influence or technology exposure are positively correlated with customers' embracing internet banking services. Moreover, social influence in urban environments substantially impacts the implementation of internet banking services; and however, the study was limited to urban contexts and omitted rural areas, such as the Chamwino district, thus neglecting to evaluate the effect of social influence on the consumer embrace of mobile banking services.

*H1: Social influence positively affects the intention of customers to adopt mobile banking services in Chamwino District.*

**METHODOLOGY**

This study adopts a positivist research philosophy, which emphasizes objectivity, quantification, and the use of measurable data to test hypotheses (Saunders, Lewis, & Thornhill, 2019). The positivist stance is appropriate because the study seeks to examine causal relationships between social influence and mobile banking adoption using structured data. A quantitative research approach is employed to enable statistical analysis and generalization of findings to the broader population of mobile banking users in Chamwino District (Creswell & Creswell, 2017). The study uses a cross-sectional research design, which involves collecting data at a single point in time to assess the influence of social factors on customers' adoption behavior, allowing for efficient data collection and analysis (Bryman, 2016).

The target population for this study includes mobile phone users in Chamwino District who have access to or have used mobile banking services. According to recent demographic reports, the district has a significant population of mobile banking users, making it suitable for examining social influence dynamics (URT, 2022). A probability sampling technique, specifically simple random sampling, is used to ensure that every eligible individual has an equal chance of selection, thus enhancing the representativeness and reducing selection bias (Kothari, 2020).

Primary data are collected through structured questionnaires administered face-to-face to capture respondents' perceptions of social influence and mobile banking adoption intentions and behaviors. Questionnaires enable standardized data collection suitable for quantitative analysis (Saunders et al., 2019).

Collected data are coded and analyzed using statistical software such as SPSS to perform descriptive and inferential statistics (Pallant, 2020). Descriptive analysis summarizes demographic characteristics and general trends, while inferential statistics, including regression analysis, test the hypothesized relationships between social influence and mobile banking adoption (Field, 2018). Reliability and validity of the instrument are assessed using Cronbach's alpha and factor analysis to ensure internal consistency and construct validity (Hair, Black, Babin, & Anderson, 2019). The use of quantitative methods enables objective evaluation of the extent to which social influence predicts customer adoption behavior, providing empirical evidence for policy and practice in digital financial services (Creswell & Creswell, 2017).

## RESULTS

### *Social influence on Customer Adopting of Mobile Banking*

The descriptive statistics in Table 1 reveal important insights into customers' perceptions and behaviors regarding mobile banking adoption influenced by social factors. With a sample size of 150 respondents, the item "I use mobile banking because my friend is using it" recorded the highest mean score of 4.80, indicating a strong social influence where peer usage plays a critical role in motivating individuals to adopt mobile banking services. This suggests that customers are highly influenced by their social circles, especially friends, in their decision to engage with mobile banking.

Other statements such as "Mobile banking enables me to accomplish banking tasks efficiently" (mean = 4.74) and "I plan to continue using mobile banking frequently" (mean = 4.60) also received high agreement levels, highlighting customers' recognition of the service's efficiency and their intention to maintain usage. This demonstrates that beyond social influence, users perceive mobile banking as a

valuable and effective tool for meeting their banking needs. Similarly, the item "Mobile banking provides personalized customer support" with a mean of 4.64 indicates positive perceptions about service quality, which likely reinforces continued adoption.

Items reflecting personal preference and utility, such as "I am using mobile banking because I like this service" (mean = 4.36) and "I find mobile banking is useful when doing banking transactions" (mean = 4.31), indicate that personal attitudes and perceived usefulness are also significant factors driving adoption. The slightly lower but still high mean of 4.12 for "Mobile banking addresses my banking needs and requirements" suggests that while most users feel their needs are met, there may be room for further improvement in service customization. The standard deviations, ranging from approximately 1.48 to 1.66, reflect moderate variability in responses, indicating some diversity in individual perceptions but overall positive consensus toward social influence and service effectiveness.

**Table 1: Descriptive Statistics Results for the Social influence on Customer Adopting of Mobile Banking**

| **Variable** | **Min** | **Max** | **Mean** | **Std. Dev.** |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| I use mobile banking because my friend is using it | 1 | 5 | 4.80 | 1.621 |
| Mobile banking addresses my banking needs and requirements | 1 | 5 | 4.12 | 1.484 |
| I am using mobile banking because I like this service | 1 | 5 | 4.36 | 1.603 |
| I find mobile banking is useful when doing banking transactions | 1 | 5 | 4.31 | 1.504 |
| Mobile banking enables me to accomplish banking tasks efficiently | 1 | 5 | 4.74 | 1.665 |
| I plan to continue using mobile banking frequently | 1 | 5 | 4.60 | 1.645 |
| Mobile banking provides personalized customer support | 1 | 5 | 4.64 | 1.651 |

**Source:** Data Analysis, 2025

*Model Summary*

The Model Summary in Table 2 presents the results of a linear regression analysis assessing the influence of Social Influence (SI) on Customer Adoption of Mobile

Banking Services (CAMS). The R value of 0.263 indicates a weak positive correlation between social influence and mobile banking adoption. The R Square (0.069) shows that only 6.9% of the variation in customer adoption can be explained by social influence, suggesting that while social influence has a role, other factors likely contribute more significantly to adoption behavior. The Adjusted R Square (0.064) adjusts for the number of predictors and confirms a similar level of explanatory power. The Standard Error of the Estimate (0.40635) represents the average distance that the observed values fall from the regression line, implying a moderate level of prediction error. Overall, the model demonstrates a statistically weak but present relationship, indicating social influence contributes to mobile banking adoption, though not substantially on its own.

**Table 2: Model Summary**

| Model | R | R Square | Adjusted R Square | Std. Error of the Estimate |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | .263[a] | .069 | .064 | .40635 |
| a. Predictors: (Constant), SI | | | | |
| b. Dependent Variable: CAMS | | | | |

Note: SI = social influence, CAMS = Customer Adopting of Mobile Banking Services

**Source:** Data Analysis, 2025

*ANOVA Results*

The ANOVA table provides evidence on the overall significance of the regression model that examines the influence of Social Influence (SI) on Customer Adoption of Mobile Banking Services (CAMS). The F-statistic of 12.825 with a significance level (Sig.) of .000 indicates that the model is statistically significant at the 0.05 level, meaning there is a very low probability that the observed relationship occurred by chance. The regression sum of squares (2.118) compared to the residual sum of squares (28.401) shows that while social influence explains part of the variation in customer adoption, a substantial portion remains unexplained. Nevertheless, the significant F-value confirms that social influence has a meaningful effect on mobile banking adoption, justifying its inclusion as a predictor in the model.

**Table 3: ANOVA**

| Model | | Sum of Squares | df | Mean Square | F | Sig. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | Regression | 2.118 | 1 | 2.118 | 12.825 | .000[b] |
| | Residual | 28.401 | 172 | .165 | | |
| | Total | 30.519 | 173 | | | |
| a. Dependent Variable: CAMS | | | | | | |
| b. Predictors: (Constant), SI | | | | | | |

Note: SI = social influence, CAMS = Customer Adopting of Mobile Banking Services

**Source:** Data Analysis, 2025

*Regression Coefficient Results*

The regression coefficient results in Table 4 show that Social Influence (SI) has a statistically significant positive effect on Customer Adoption of Mobile Banking Services (CAMS). The unstandardized coefficient (B = 0.168) indicates that for every one-unit increase in social influence, customer adoption increases by 0.168 units, holding all else constant. The standardized beta coefficient (β = 0.263) reflects a moderate positive effect size. The t-value of 3.581 and significance level (Sig. = .000) confirm that this relationship is statistically significant at the 0.001 level. Additionally, the Tolerance (1.000) and VIF (1.000) values show no multicollinearity concerns, meaning SI is a reliable and independent predictor. Overall, this analysis suggests that social influence plays a meaningful role in shaping customer behavior toward adopting mobile banking services in Chamwino District.

**Table 4: Regression Coeffient results**

| Model | | Unstandardized Coefficients | | Standardized Coefficients | t | Sig. | Collinearity Statistics | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | B | Std. Error | Beta | | | Tolerance | VIF |
| 1 | (Constant) | 2.920 | .158 | | 18.437 | .000 | | |
| | SI | .168 | .047 | .263 | 3.581 | .000 | 1.000 | 1.000 |
| a. Dependent Variable: CAMS | | | | | | | | |

Note: SI = social influence, CAMS = Customer Adopting of Mobile Banking Services

**Source:** Data Analysis, 2025

## CONCLUSION

The findings of this study conclude that social influence significantly affects customer adoption of mobile banking services in Chamwino District, Tanzania. The regression analysis revealed a statistically significant but moderate positive relationship, indicating that individuals are more likely to adopt mobile banking when influenced by peers, family, or social networks. Despite the modest explanatory power of social influence alone, its impact remains crucial, especially in rural settings where community trust and word-of-mouth strongly shape financial behavior. Therefore, enhancing mobile banking adoption strategies through socially driven campaigns and peer-based marketing could play an important role in improving financial inclusion in underserved regions.

## RECOMMENDATIONS

Based on the study findings, several recommendations are proposed to enhance customer adoption of mobile banking services in Chamwino District. First, mobile banking providers should design community-based awareness campaigns that leverage social networks, including influencers, local leaders, and satisfied customers, to positively shape public perception. Second, banks and telecom companies should invest in peer training programs where early adopters can demonstrate the benefits and usability of mobile banking to others. Third, service providers should improve customer support and trust-building strategies, especially in rural areas where word-of-mouth greatly influences adoption. Additionally, integrating mobile banking services into commonly used social platforms and increasing visibility in community events and local institutions will further normalize usage. Finally, policymakers should support digital financial literacy initiatives that target groups with low technology exposure, ensuring inclusive access and usage of mobile banking services across all demographics.

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