ABSTRACT

The advancement of technology has transformed various industries, including

tourism. Online Travel Agents (OTA) have revolutionized travel booking, offering

convenience and accessibility. Platforms like Traveloka allow customers to compare

prices, read reviews, and make informed decisions. Electronic Word of Mouth

(eWOM) plays a crucial role in influencing consumer behavior, as positive online

reviews significantly impact purchasing decisions and brand perception.

This research aims to analyze the impact of electronic Word of Mouth (eWOM)

on hotel ticket purchase intentions through the Traveloka platform, with a focus on the

mediating role of eWOM adoption. Specific objectives include examining the

significance of eWOM dimensions, consumer trust, and review credibility in

influencing purchase decisions.

This research employs the Structural Equation Modeling-Partial Least Squares

(SEM-PLS) methodology to analyze relationships between eWOM dimensions and

hotel ticket purchase intentions. SEM-PLS is chosen for its ability to handle complex

models and evaluate latent constructs. The findings are expected to provide insights

into the significance of eWOM in shaping consumer behavior and offer strategic

implications for Traveloka and similar OTAs in optimizing marketing strategies.

Keywords: Traveloka, OTA, eWOM, Purchase Intention.

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