Vodafone vs. Digicel Competitor Analysis

Vodafone

STRENGTHS

- Keen to work with us due to us being a social enterprise and having a positive influence
- Will help with advertisement in terms of demographic targets - they can't tell us the direct statistics, but they can target directly for a pre-survey blast text or alike.
- Significantly more coverage than digicel (overall) after hurricane a lot of infrastructure suffered.
- No reason to offer incentive to answer, as we are not charged for non-responsive numbers.
- We will own the data, but not the code
- 3-4 day development period

WEAKNESSES

- Less coverage in some specific villages (e.g. Nawamangi was only accessible by Digicel)
- Development cost significantly higher than Digicel

OPPORTUNITIES

- Later on, we can discuss assigning the FarmEd app as 'Zero Data', meaning the app could be accessed and not charge the customer data.

COSTING

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- 7 cents per survey response, with a one-off \$4000 development fee. No cost for SMSes with no response.

RELATIONSHIP

- Strong, Friendly
- She seems invested in who we are and what we are doing.
 - Has given us the cheapest price bracket per survey and lowered the development cost by \$1000.

Digicel

STRENGTHS

- Digicel is the only network available in some villages (eq. Nawamangi)
- Seems to be slightly more lenient with data than Vodafone
- SMS seems to be more accessible (easier to use)
- SMS is more efficient if it will be a once-off survey
- Easier to pick up SMS survey from where it drops off
- After the first survey has been sent it is easy to redo another send (eg. to a different region or to more people).
- Intellectual property is our own

WEAKNESSES

- 7 working days to be pilot ready after signing commercials (and reviewing costs)
- Now that we cannot know occupation for sure we need data on smart phone's so we can replace one question with occupation clarification

OPPORTUNITIES

- Pushing towards an SMS with a link towards a survey they will have to develop a link for the survey if we want zero data
- Recommends we use a dollar top up
- We will need to supply what shortcode (3 digits) we wish to use
- Amrita recommended enquiring about highest level of school attained.

COSTING

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- \$2000 development fee.
- SMS survey means you're charged per SMS reply.
- Incentivising via top-up will cost the full amount, eg. offer \$1 to answer survey, pay \$1 to Digicel.
- \$0.05 per SMS (not inclusive of tax) -- if there are 5 questions and a welcome message, that is \$0.30 per response.

RELATIONSHIP

 Purely phone basis with Amrita, difficult to say what the relationship is until we meet her face to face. She doesn't seem overly happy with Vodafone