

### Break the ice with Mentos 'Say Hello'

Campaign period: Feb'21-April'21





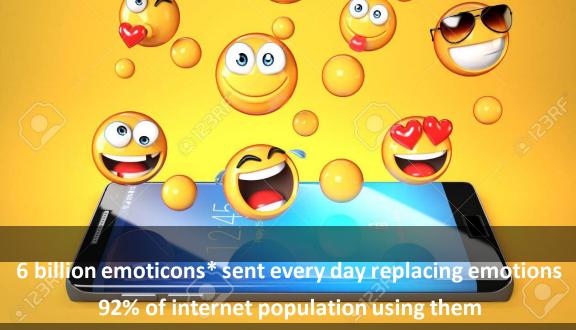


### **AV LINK**

https://youtu.be/iuVHjrxLj6w

### Campaign Insight

- Meeting new people has changed drastically in the last 10 years as now we meet people online, more than in the real world, with Emoticons having replaced real emotions
- Meeting new people is important for the youth as they have a desire to fit in and find common ground. But when it comes to opening-up to strangers / breaking ice, the first step is always the hardest to take
- Hence what if Mentos could use 'Emoticons' to get people to connect for real?



\*http://www.adweek.com/digital/report



#### Say Hello Candies- A Confectionery first Industry Initiative by Mentos!

To make the first step easy for our audience, we created the *Mentos Say Hello Pack* which turned every dragee into an emoticon to break the ice when meeting someone new!













**Note:** Actual Product Visuals

12 unique emoticons were produced to depict various *emotions* in a unique manufacturing process – A confectionery innovation for the Indian market

- These were available in an easy to carry, shareable stick pack (also called Roll packs)
- All roll flavours of Mentos offered these emoticons with a customized packaging

## Emoticons on mentos







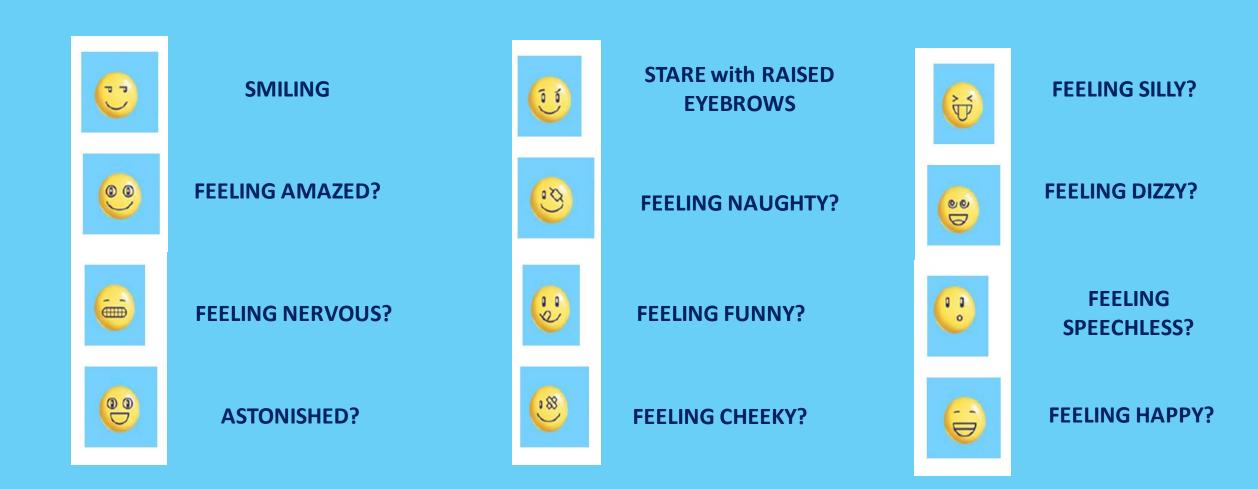








#### The designs/emoticons which formed part of the Campaign



**Note:** Interpretations were indicative only and were made by the marketing team

#### **Campaign Objective & audience**



"Say Hello" packs hence became the enabler to make fresh connections!

Our audience could 'Say Hello' to a stranger or a friend or an acquaintance in a fun and interesting way by using Mentos Say Hello Emoticons.



The primary objective of the campaign thus was to strengthen Brand Consideration for Mentos



#### **Target Audience:**

Urban youth of today (18-24 years old)

Extrovert, Outgoing, Like to make new friends & someone who likes to interact with others

#### **Key Campaign Pillars for Say Hello Campaign**

#### All Content was created as Mobile first with appropriate view ratios, duration & content!

Create Launch buzz through Online 'Say Hello' Banter

 Organic conversations around 'Say Hello' with different brands on Twitter Hero Content to create awareness around Concept (Digital Film)

 Video Content for popularising the concept of Emoticon Candies and 'Say Hello' through Youtube & Instagram Decoding Emoticons using Stand-up Comics (Influencer Content)

 4 popular stand-up comics bring the Emoticons and 'Say Hello' Concept alive through their acts Build Consumer engagement through Filter on Instagram

 Emoticon filter on Instagram to build engagement for audience!

#### **Campaign Execution – Introduction to the Say Hello Limited Edition Pack**

To create a buzz around the new limited –edition packs, we launched the campaign with promotion of a series of Digital static/GIF posts which featured the new Say Hello emoticons providing consumers a glimpse of the limited-edition pack and the dragees.











#### When brands Says #Hello in Mentos Style

Mentos India @IndiaMentos - 8h

#SavHello #Mentos

#Mentos

Mirchi @MirchiWorld - 3h

who knows how to keep it cool!

Can't decide if it's the weather or listening

to @MirchiWorld that's making us feel hot!

Mirchi keeps it hot but we've now met you

Hello from the other side fam. #SayHello

We collaborated with over 21 top brands and engaged in fun online conversations in true Mentos 'Say Hello' style which led #SayHello to trend organically at No-2 position!

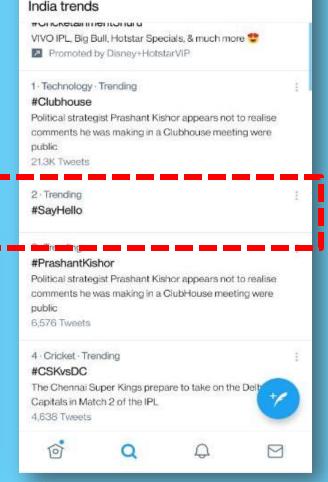


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#### **Campaign Execution –Twitter Activity**

The conversations were captured and showcased on Instagram and Facebook engaging our audience as well as the audience of other brands we reached out to!



**Note:** Click to Play

#### **Launch of Hero Content introducing Say Hello**

**Youtube** – 30 sec

30 second main digital film in-line with Online consumption of content

Insta/FB – 10 Sec

For Instagram and Facebook, a 10 sec edit was created to be leveraged for quick consumption on newsfeed

ads.

All edits were mobile friendly! **Emoticons on mentos** 

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#### **Campaign Execution – Sustenance via Engagement Posts**

After generating significant awareness around the limited-edition pack through the Say Hello film, we reached out to our audiences with relatable, yet simple engagement posts to sustain the conversations







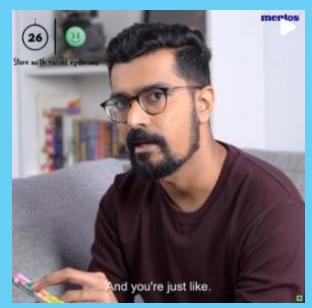




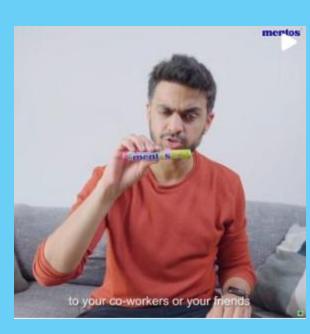
#### **Campaign Execution – Sustenance via Comedy Influencers**

We conducted a short activity with 4 top comedians wherein they leveraged the power of Say Hello Emoticons to express their feelings in a humorous way & challenged each other in 59 second Instagram friendly videos









**Naveen Andrews** 

Azeem Banatwalla

Kenny Sebastian

Rohan Joshi

All videos were shot with Mobile viewing first approach & in-home!

#### **Campaign Execution – Sustenance via Say Hello Instagram Filters**

We created Instagram filters using Say Hello Emoticons and roped in Cat-B influencers to feature the Emoticon filters in the Reels they posted on Instagram.











R J Sukriti

Apoorva

Miesha lyer

Gagan Arora

Ashish Bhatia

Mobile Specific & friendly UGC leg!

# Campaign Execution – Engagement via Say Hello Instagram Filters Snapshot of User generated Content on Instagram using #SayHello filter!









#### **Campaign Execution – On-ground in Modern Trade Stores!**

We also announced the campaign in-stores (over 1500+ stores) through innovative point of sales units about this first of its kind initiative during Feb-April'21

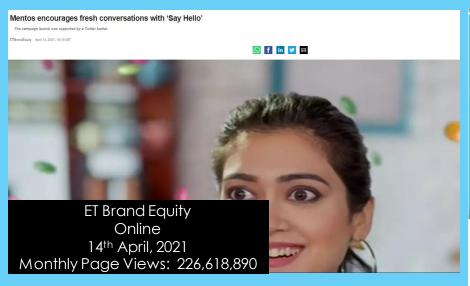






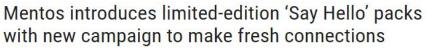


#### **Extensive PR coverage within industry & marketing fraternity**









Campaign Spot Indian Social Media







Online

16th April, 2021

Monthly Page Views: 60.810.990

#### **Impactful Final Campaign Results**

#### Impact of Campaign key assets:

- Hero Content (Digital film):
  - Over 20 Mio\* views across platforms like YT and Instagram (view at 30s harmonized across platforms)
  - High View Through Rate of 22% (higher than industry benchmark of 20% for video of similar duration)
  - Engagement rate of 30% across video & static creatives used on the campaign!
- Say Hello Twitter Trend:
  - #SayHello trended organically at No-2 on twitter with conversations with over 21 brands
  - Engagement rate of 10% on platform (vs. industry benchmark of 5%)
- Instagram filter
  - Over 1.3 Mio organic views and high UGC with filters
- Instagram Influencer Content:
  - Over 1.6 Mio organic views and high organic engagement

# Impactful Final Campaign Results <u>Key Brand KPIs:</u>

#### Sales Uplift:

- Over 59% sales uplift on the packs vs. LY same period (pre-pandemic sales base)
- Uplift of 29% on rolling-rate during campaign period (vs Q4'20)
- These are significant uplifts considering the size of Mentos brand (\*Rs.100 Cr/per annum as per AC Nielsen MAT' May 21)

- Impact on mind measures, consumption & Ad-recall
  - 3% increase in consideration within a competitive mints category (\*May'21 Kantar Online track vs May'20 LY)
  - 6% increase in P1W\* (\*weekly consumption, May'21 vs May'20 LY- Kantar Online track)
  - Ad re-call as per Youtube Brand Lift Study
    - 2% absolute lift and 7% relative lift

#### **Impactful Final Campaign Results**

#### Results from independent NFX Digital Study\* on Digital Content

Clear uplift seen across statements for the Brand

		Overall (*Sample size)		
Key statements		Overall (*400)	Seen (*165)	Not Seen (*235)
These Mentos candies had emoticons on them	Mean	3.73	4.23	3.42
Is stylish and cool	Mean	4.03	4.23	3.89
Is a brand I love	Mean	3.82	4.12	3.63
Helps me make fresh connections/ Helps me with fresh ways to connect	Mean	3.78	4.28	3.47

<sup>\*</sup>Centres of Delhi & Mumbai (June'21)

\*Seen scores significantly higher at 95% against not seen

Basis investments made in product & technology development (printed emoticon candies), digital campaign, media planning and on-ground activation in MT stores, (& considering sales-uplift results)

The campaign had a ROI of 2:1 (\*profit earned/total investment)



