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I am an experienced Windows Administrator with more than eight years of experience in the IT industry. I specialize in On-prem Active Directory Azure Active Directory Administration and other Microsoft technologies.

WORK EXPERIENCE

Windows Server & Azure AD Administrator Infosys Limited (Health Care Client based in U.S.)

05/2022 - Present

Pune, India

Roles and Responsibilities

- Performing Domain Controller Health Checks and dispatching daily Health Check emails via PowerShell.
- Upgrade the Domain Controller operating system by performing an in-place upgrade from Windows Server 2016 to Windows Server 2022, applicable to both physical and virtual DCs.
- Constructing a new domain, promoting a Domain Controller, modifying Group Policy Objects, configuring DSRM password synchronization, enrolling Server Certificates, and performing System State Backups.
- Implementing daily backups of GPO and DNS via the task scheduler and storing them in a shared location ensures easy restoration when necessary.
- Gracefully shutting down a Domain Controller involves demoting the DC and cleaning up all associated entries from the forest.
- Troubleshooting Active Directory Replication issues.
- Handled Microsoft Azure AD topologies, including adding and removing roles, registering for MFA, and resolving MFA-related issues.
- Managed the registration process for applications and supervised the development and administration of Enterprise applications in Azure, including SAML SSO, and implemented Conditional Access policies via Microsoft Entra Identity and Access Management.
- Renewal of SSL certificates for an enterprise application involves using an application proxy and a '.pfx' certificate. PKI activities include tasks like certificate creation, renewal, and more.
- Currently, I am configuring Advanced Group Policy Management (AGPM) in our domain to enhance the management, delegation, version control, and auditing of Group Policy objects.

Contact : Chandresh Arvind Shah (My Manager) - +91-9619355579

SKILLS

- Active Directory
- Powershell
- Azure AD
- AD Replication
- Domain Controller Upgrade
- DC Promotion and Demotion
- SCOM
- SPLUNK
- Solarwinds
- AGPM
- Group Policy Management
- FSMO
- DNS & DHCP Configuration

CERTIFICATION

Microsoft Azure Fundamentals AZ 900
(06/2021)

Microsoft Server Professional (MCP)
(08/2017)

MCSA & CCNA (09/2015)

WORK EXPERIENCE

○ Windows Server Administrator Capgemini (Manufacturing Client based in Europe)

10/2015 - 05/2022

Pune, India

Roles and Responsibilities

- Core Active Directory tasks include managing FSMO roles, server migration beginning with pre-staging the server, joining it to the domain, and associating the necessary GPOs as required.
- Creating and managing DNS records and zones.
- Managing GPOs in the domain.
- Managing DHCP role, including DHCP scope allocation, reservation IPs if needed.
- Managing all the backups (Daily, Weekly, Monthly) using various tools viz. Arc Serve, Avamar, HP Data Protection Manager.
- I monitor daily alerts/events on tools such as SolarWinds and the Microsoft SCOM console, managing these alerts by muting them as necessary during maintenance or raise an incident based on the alert's criticality.
- I perform the Project Quality Leadership (PQL) role, which encompasses planning and executing suitable procedures, documentation, inventory assessment, and ITIL processes and procedures pertinent to IT.
- Incidents/ Change/ Service Requests track and record to be maintained using Service Now tool. Keep an eye on the SLA of every task.

Contact : Ninad Umrotkar (My Manager) - +32490669589

EDUCATION

○ Bachelor of Electronics and Telecommunication Engineering

RCPIT Shirpur - North Maharashtra University Jalgaon

06/2011 - 06/2015

First Class (Aggregate)

○ Diploma in Electronics and Telecommunication Engineering

SSPIT Chopda, Jalgaon - MSBTE

06/2008 - 06/2011

First Class with Dist (Aggregate)

○ Secondary School Certificate (S.S.C.)

P.B.A. English Medium School, Amalner Dist. Jalgaon

03/2008

First Class with Dist

HONOR AWARDS

Automation & Hackathon (06/2024)

Recognized for successful completion of the Automation course.

Spot Award (07/2021)

Recognized for receiving positive feedback from customers.

Pat on the Back Award (03/2021)

Recognized for the successful completion of server migration activities.

Xtra Mile Award (06/2019)

Recognized for the successful completion of the ISO audit of my project.