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### PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

Dynamic and passionate hospitality professional with 38+ years of diverse culinary experience across 5-star hotels, cruise lines, hospitals, restaurants, and catering services. Adept at kitchen operations, cost control, large-scale event catering, and team leadership. Recognized for culinary excellence, consistent quality, and innovative menu development. Seeking to leverage expertise in a leadership role that values creativity, operational excellence, and guest satisfaction.

#### **CORE COMPETENCIES**

- Continental & Indian Cuisine Expertise
- Menu Development & Kitchen Setup
- Cost Control & Resource Optimization
- Large-scale Event & Banquet Management
- Team Training & Staff Development
- Food Hygiene, HACCP, and Crowd Management Certified
- Excellent Butchery & Sauce-Making Skills
- Strong Leadership & Communication

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

# **Executive Chef Consultant** Fern Shelter Resort, Palghar

May 2024 – Present

- Oversee operations of two signature restaurants: Saffron (vegetarian) & Flavour (multicuisine), each with 150 covers.
- Lead culinary planning and execution for weddings and events with up to 1000 guests.
- Design menus, manage costs, train staff, and ensure high-quality guest experiences.

**Executive Chef Consultant** Delilah - Kitchen & Bar, Pune

August 2023 – February 2024

- Spearheaded kitchen setup, menu creation, inventory organization, cost control, and staff training.
- Played a key role in brand positioning and culinary innovation.

#### **Executive Chef**

# Unwind, Koregaon Park, Pune

*April* 2017 – *August* 2023

- Managed a 16,000 sq. ft. multi-cuisine venue with multiple dining concepts and a 1200pax banquet hall.
- Developed custom menus for regular dining, private parties, and special events.
- Instrumental in establishing the brand's culinary identity from inception.

#### **Executive Chef**

## Doppio Restaurant, Mumbai

November 2015 – February 2017

- Elevated the restaurant to become the 3rd Best in Mumbai (as per reviews).
- Created a Modern European menu with Indian influences.
- Full kitchen management, staffing, costing, and culinary direction.

### **Executive Sous Chef**

### Sun-n-Sand Hotel, Juhu, Mumbai

September 2007 – September 2015

- Managed restaurants, room service, and banquets up to 2000 guests.
- Collaborated with celebrity chefs and led numerous food festivals and theme-based menus.

#### **Executive Chef**

## Encore Hotels - Aditya Birla Memorial Hospital, Pune

November 2006 – September 2007

- Designed nutritional menus for patients and staff in a 400-bed hospital.
- Maintained stringent hygiene standards while ensuring food quality and taste.

#### **Executive Chef**

# Radhakrishna Hospitality – Hiranandani Hospital, Mumbai

*June* 2006 – *November* 2006

- Led a multi-cuisine kitchen catering to hospital clientele, staff, and VIP guests.
- Managed food cost, hygiene, staffing, and vendor coordination.

#### **Chef de Partie**

Carnival Cruise Lines, USA

October 1996 - April 2006

- Handled preparation of Grand Buffets and Executive Parties aboard 5-star cruises.
- Worked under renowned international chefs in high-volume kitchens.

# Indian Chief Cook GMMOS, UAE

November 1995 – June 1996

 Provided executive-level dining to British staff, specializing in Indian and Continental cuisine.

#### **Chef de Partie**

## Kamat Plaza, Mumbai

November 1994 – September 1995

• Focused on quality control, menu planning, cost management, and guest satisfaction.

#### Commi I

# Ambassador Flight Kitchen, Mumbai

*April 1994 – February 1995* 

• Worked in premium-flight catering under culinary experts, specializing in first-class meal prep.

## $Commi \; II \to I$

## Revival Restaurant, Mumbai

June 1991 – September 1992

• Gained early career experience in fine dining and culinary execution.

## **Apprenticeship**

# **Welcome Group Sea Rock Sheraton**

March 1986 – May 1989

• Completed extensive training in multiple culinary sections under leading chefs.

### **ACHIEVEMENTS**

- Awarded **3rd Best Restaurant in Mumbai** Doppio
- Twice won **Times Food Award** for *Best Food Restaurant* Unwind, Pune
- Multiple-time **Best Executive Employee of the Month** Sun-n-Sand, Juhu
- Letter of Appreciation from VP of Carnival Cruise Lines
- Mentored and trained numerous successful chefs
- Certified in Crowd Management and HACCP

# **EDUCATION & CERTIFICATION**

# 3-Year Apprenticeship Program

Sea Rock Sheraton, Mumbai – 1986 to 1989

## Certifications:

- HACCP
- Crowd Management

## PERSONAL DETAILS

• **Date of Birth:** 15 January 1965

• Gender: Male

• Marital Status: Married

• Languages: English, Hindi, Marathi

# **HOBBIES & INTERESTS**

- Culinary experimentation
- Traveling & exploring cultures
- Fitness (walking, sports)

## **REFERENCES**

Available upon request.