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PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

Hi, I am John Gikundi — a QA/QE specialist and BSc Mechanical Engineering graduate with a passion for technology, innovation, and mentorship. I bring over 5 years of combined experience in customer support, entrepreneurial mentorship, technical operations, and digital services. My engineering background gives me a strong analytical edge, while my work in software quality assurance and quality engineering has sharpened my problem-solving and collaboration skills. I'm driven by continuous learning and committed to ensuring excellence in every project I take on.

CORE SKILLS

- IT Support & System Troubleshooting (POS, hardware, software)
- Git & GitHub (version control, collaboration, repo management)
- Virtual Assistance & Remote Collaboration (Google Workspace, MS Office, Zoom, Slack)
- Customer Support & Chat Moderation (Texting Factory, DataEQ, Fiverr)
- Data Entry, Record Management & CRM Systems
- Social Media Management & Digital Marketing
- Problem Solving, Team Training & Process Improvement
- Basic CAD, Welding, Fabrication & Technical Reporting

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Technical & Operations Assistant (Full-Time)

Chieni Supermarket – Nyeri, Kenya | Jan 2023 – Mar 2025

- Provided IT and technical support for POS systems, printers, and equipment.
- Trained staff on system usage, improving efficiency and reducing downtime.
- Coordinated maintenance checks, recorded logs, and handled minor repairs.
- Supported store operations and collaborated with external contractors.

Freelance Virtual Assistant & Chat Moderator (Remote, Part-Time)

Texting Factory | DataEQ | Fiverr | 2023 – 2025

- Handled structured customer chats and professional messaging.
- Managed client inboxes, digital calendars, and scheduling.
- Created and monitored social media content for small businesses.
- Delivered client reports and performance analytics.

Cyber Café Owner / Digital Services Operator (Part-Time, Evenings)

Nyeri, Kenya | 2019 – 2025

• Founded and managed a digital services café, assisting 1,000+ clients with document processing, online applications, and ICT support.

- Supervised assistants and maintained quality service delivery.
- Oversaw operations, financial tracking, and customer support.

Machine Operator – Factory Support (Full-Time)

Unilever Tea Kenya – Kericho | Dec 2020 – Dec 2022

- Operated and maintained tea processing machinery, ensuring >90% uptime.
- Logged production data and supported preventive maintenance routines.
- Participated in equipment risk assessments and safety drills.

Mechanical Maintenance Intern (Full-Time)

Nyeri Water & Sanitation Company (NYEWASCO) – Nyeri | 2017

- Assisted in maintaining pumps, motors, and treatment plant machinery.
- Supported diagnostics, lubrication, and repair activities.
- Ensured compliance with safety and maintenance procedures.

Mechanical Engineer Intern (Full-Time)

Chinga Tea Factory – Othaya, Nyeri | Jan 2016 – Dec 2016

- Supported troubleshooting of tea production equipment.
- Documented logs and assisted with machine setup and monitoring.

EDUCATION

Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering

Dedan Kimathi University of Technology, Nyeri | Graduated April 2016

CERTIFICATIONS & COURSES

- National Industrial Training Authority (NITA) Welding & Fabrication (Ongoing)
- Microsoft Office Specialist Expert
- LinkedIn Learning: Virtual Assistant Mastery, Excel for Professionals, Customer Service Foundations, Social Media Marketing, Digital Marketing Trends
- Digital Marketing Essentials (Meta & Google Basics)

TECHNICAL PROFICIENCY

- Development Tools: GitHub, AutoCAD (basic)
- Productivity Tools: Microsoft Office Suite, Google Workspace
- Collaboration Tools: Zoom, Google Meet, Trello, Slack
- Digital Tools: Canva, Meta Business Suite, QuickBooks Online
- Technical Skills: Welding & Fabrication, Use of Hand & Power Tools, Technical Reporting

AVAILABILITY

Full-time | Flexible with time zones | Equipped home office with high-speed internet, webcam, microphone, and backup power