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Dire Dawa, Ethiopia

To: **Ethio-Djibouti Railway Share Company**

Subject: Application for the Position of Junior Train Captain

Dear Sir/Madam,

I am writing to express my keen interest in the position of Junior Train Captain at Ethio-Djibouti Railway Share Company. As someone born and raised in Dire Dawa, the first city in Ethiopia connected by rail, I grew up admiring the trains that passed through my hometown. That childhood fascination has now matured into a deep professional ambition to contribute meaningfully to the railway that inspired me and generations before me.

I hold a Bachelor's Degree in Mechanical Engineering, supported by a second degree in Information Technology. This unique combination equips me with both the technical proficiency needed in mechanical systems and the digital literacy increasingly essential in modern rail operations. Throughout my education and career, I have consistently been drawn to the intersection of machinery, automation, and service delivery.

In line with that passion, my final year IT project was dedicated to your very institution. I led the design and development of an Online Train Ticket Booking and Reservation System tailored for the Ethio-Djibouti Railway. The project gave me deep insight into the company's operations and helped me appreciate the technical and logistical excellence required to serve passengers efficiently. Though the project was in the IT domain, it was born out of my long-standing admiration for your company and reflects my desire to contribute in any way I can.

Professionally, I have worked as a Junior Technician at Elauto Engineering P.L.C, where I contributed to vehicle assembly, identified mechanical issues, and maintained high quality standards. I also served as a Machine Operator at Dire Dawa Roofing Steel Industry, gaining practical experience in running and maintaining industrial equipment under strict safety protocols. These experiences have sharpened my mechanical instincts, precision, and ability to work in high-stakes environments, all vital qualities for a Junior Train Captain.

Joining Ethio-Djibouti Railway Share Company would not just be a career step, it would be the realization of a long-held dream. I am deeply motivated to contribute to the legacy and future of a company that has been a symbol of national pride and regional progress. I am confident that my background, commitment, and cross-disciplinary experience make me a strong fit for the Junior Train Captain role.

Thank you for considering my application. I look forward to the opportunity to speak with you and share more about how I can serve and grow within your esteemed organization.

Sincerely,

Yohans Astray



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WORK EXPERIENCE

[
25 Sep 2021 – 29 Oct 2021]

apprenticeships

National cement share company(NCSC)

City: Dire Dawa

Country: Ethiopia

- Shutdown maintenance activity on VRM grinding roller pressure yuck replacement.
- Oil Station main components, working principle, inspection & maintenance.
- Raw material preparation area(Lime stone & Gypsum area)
- De-dusting material, its equipment & working principle.
- Compressor, different types of fan and blower were studied.
- Basic safety rules, hazards in the plant

[
10 Apr 2023 – 17 Oct 2023]

Junior Mechanic

ELAUTO ENGINEERING AND TRADING PLC

City: Dire dawa

Country: Ethiopia

- Assemble Arizo30 car model
- Undergo maintenance
- Perform preventive maintenance
- Train junior technicians

[20 Oct 2023 – Current]

Machine operator

DIRE DAWA ROOFING PLC

City: Dire dawa

Country: Ethiopia

- Coordinate and direct workers who set up and operate machines.
- Monitor the production process and the flow of materials,
- Make sure that the products meet the requirements.

EDUCATION AND TRAINING

[Oct 2018 – 30 Jun 2022]

BSC in Mechanical Engineering

Dire Dawa University <https://www.ddu.edu.et/>

Address: Dire Dawa,1362, 1362, Dire Dawa, Ethiopia

LANGUAGE SKILLS

Mother tongue(s): Amharic

Other language(s):

English

LISTENING C2 **READING** C2 **WRITING** C1

SPOKEN PRODUCTION B2 **SPOKEN INTERACTION** B2

Levels: A1 and A2: Basic user; B1 and B2: Independent user; C1 and C2: Proficient user

DIGITAL SKILLS

Computer skill

Microsoft Excel | Microsoft Powerpoint | Outlook | Microsoft Word

Software and Programming skill

AutoCAD 2D e 3D | C, C++ C#

COMMUNICATION AND INTERPERSONAL SKILLS

Communication skill

- clear communication skills
- collaborating and working well together with others
- empathy for others
- public speaking and presentation skills

HOBBIES AND IN- TERESTS

Hobbies

Reading Academics and fictitious books

RECOMMENDATIONS

Lecturer in Thermal,Energy and Automotive Engineering Chair

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which is given from Dire Dawa University Lecture