GAURAV CHORDIA

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Seeking Assignments in INTERNATIONAL MARKETING, NEW BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT,
STRATEGIC MARKETING, OVERSEAS MARKET RESEARCH & BUSN. INTELLIGENCE, LOGISTICS &
SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT, PROJECT MANAGEMENT,

Market Expansion, Initiating Tie ups, Strategy formulation, Container & Bulk logistics handling

With double Masters in International Business & Strategic Management (UK) offering around 8 years of Global & Domestic - Marketing & Business Development experience in different commodities mainly minerals including Bentonite, Quartz, Feldspar, Marble, Granite, Wood, Metal Scrap with Market Leaders / Established

Companies / JV

CAREER -AT A GLANCE

- Marketing Strategy & Business Development Specialist: Adept in conceptualising & implementing competitive strategies for generating sales, developing and expanding market share towards the achievement of revenue & profitability targets in line with the broader policy & Objectives from the Top management.
- > Global Marketing experience Visited Australia, NewZealand, Ukraine, Brazil, China, Germany, Belgium South Africa, Kuwait, Qatar, Singapore, South Korea, Ghana, Cote D'Ivoire, Vietnam, Hongkong, Oman, Bahrain, Thailand, Philippines, Uzbekistan etc for Business development
- > Logistics both Domestic & Exports Containerised Cargo & Bulk Shipping Negotiations to handling
- Consistent record of delivering results in terms of Market growth, Target marketing for specific segment, Initiating Tie-ups
- Effective communication & Relationship management: build a solid base of customers through astute planning & A relationship based approach, Gifted with the vision, determination & skills needed for high-level market-building strategies

OCCUPATIONAL CONTOUR

<u>General Manager – Sales, New Business Development & Marketing</u> - Since April 2019 to Present Regional In charge (April 2016 – March 2019) for GIMPEX-IMERYS INDIA PVT LTD, (Joint Venture Co. between Gimpex Ltd, India & IMERYS, France) based at Ahmedabad

Significant Highlights

- → Heading the Marketing & Sales Development for rapidly expanding organization with phenomenal growth from early 2016 for both Domestic & Exports market
- ightharpoonup Handling the sales team to generate higher sales from same platform with new portfolio of products
- → Establishing the credibility of fresh products in existing markets & positioning ourselves as best alternative option

- -- Continuously involved in promotion of new products since last 1 year with quantifiable success
- → Developed & added more than 20 new clients with 60% in export markets
- → Added the biggest clients in industry by volumes
- → Created a chain of agents & distributors in various territories including South East Asia
- → Successfully concluded long term supplies contract in competitive Markets
- → Visited various overseas markets including Australia, NewZealand, Ukraine, South Korea, Vietnam, Hongkong & Thailand for New business development & generating new leads
- → Conceived, Organized & Coordinated the idea of Vibrant Stall in Exhibitions with concept of branding & more market visibility to target clients
- → Extensive market research for designated territories & allocated products for new market penetration & exploration especially South East Asia & Oceania
- → Continuous communication with clients regarding the performance of our material & in case of any issues ensuring a response within 3 days by involving concerned departments
- → Working on to find new applications of our present product portfolio thereby further pushing the boundaries of our market segments to generate higher revenues
- → Coordinating the efforts of technical team to successfully convey their message to the desired clients / leads in case of new innovative products
- → Analysing customs data for various countries to get insights about market potential including top players, cargo volumes & demand forecasting

April 2015 to March 2016 as Senior Sales Coordinator (Exports & Business Development) for Premier Info Assists Pvt Ltd, Mumbai (Part of Gemini Corporation, Belgium)

Significant Highlights

- → Working in diversified products including wood logs, timber, MDF, steel second choice steel, sealed units Compressor scrap, Aluminium scrap Used Beverage cans
- → Formulating strategy for generating new business leads from targeted markets & planning to analyze & acquire business from competitors
- → Visited European countries (Belgium, Germany) & African Countries (Cote D'Ivoire, Ghana) on Business Visa for New Business Development in virgin territories & sales coordination with proven results
- → Developed chain of Agents & networks in the visited countries to work on behalf of us for further expanding our business & also provide us with local market situations on timely basis
- → Coordinating & Working with Suppliers to ensure consistent supplies of our portfolio are maintained & delivered as per agreed schedule & terms
- → Handling Complete Coordination between Clients, Documentation, Logistics & Suppliers from taking purchase orders to actual payment realization
- → Internal following up with Documentation Team for timely submission of documents including Non Negotiable sets to clients for approval & final documents to Bank for payment realization
- → Following up with Logistics team for loading plan of standing purchase orders & loading details after loading for providing shipment details to clients
- → Following up with both supplier & Accounts team for ensuring that supplier invoices are received in time & paid on time
- → Working on cost reduction aspect including customs clearing, THC, warehousing costs, LC discounting, inspections charges, specific instructions in purchase order & sales order etc.

November, 2013 to April 2015 Asst. Manager (Exports & Business Development) for GIMPEX - S&B INDIA PVT LTD, Bhuj (A Joint Venture Co. between Gimpex Ltd, India & S&B Industrial Minerals S.A, Greece)

Significant Highlights

- Export Marketing Making the brand presence felt in target Client segment in International market through Client visits, technical discussions, conferences, expanding geographical reach.
- → Visited ASEAN countries & Middle East region for Export Marketing & brand promotion with proven results.
- → Strategic marketing Identifying major competitors, analysing their modus operandi , then selectively concentrating on viable customers from their pool of clients
- Strategy Initiating Tie-ups with overseas customers and companies, targeting specific companies with similar capabilities to encourage Tie-ups, encouraging clients for contract supplying, Logistical edge etc
- New Business Development moving in unchartered territories, working on newer applications with clients, targeting particular set of clients in each sector with best reputation, exploring lesser known markets
- → Logistics working for various modes of transportation including Road, Rail & Sea Negotiating & Handling 100-150 containers per month, with bulk cargo ranging from 5000 to 25000 tons lot.
- E-Marketing Popularizing our brand with major B2B sites, presence in all top E-trading platforms including Alibaba.com to Indiamart.com, registering with relevant regional trading websites etc.
- Client visits Receiving clients & Delegation from Abroad for visiting our establishment & managing their complete schedule including presentations and spot explanations
- Overseas Market research Have maintained & analysed the available customs data on products deemed important, for compiling export data, major importing countries, product applications etc
- Diversification of customers from 1 segment to more than 7 segments as present, increasing market share by diversifying market from concentration on one segment to approaching various segment
- → Market segmentation based marketing approach, by dividing market into segments and preparing a separate strategy to deal with each segment accordingly.

Since February 2010 - October 2013: Asst. Manager (Marketing) for Gunjan Minerals Private Limited, Bhuj

Significant Highlights

- → Identifying prospective clients, generating new business from the existing clientele in line with business targets. Mapping client's requirements & providing best products to suit their requirements, generating business from probable accounts and achieving sales growth.
- Increased Market share from 7800 tons to around 12000 tons Annually, increasing market share through better networking and online marketing coupled with direct and indirect promotion strategies
- →Online marketing and net promotion for the firm including popularizing our product and website with all the Major B2B sites in the market including Indiamart, Exportersindia etc
- → Accounted for Export Marketing, Domestic sales, Logistics, Customer specific product development, providing a monthly report regarding dispatch schedules, marketing plans, demand forecasting, export promotion measures etc

ACADEMIC CREDENTIALS

MSPME: Master in Strategic Project Management European (UK) 2007-2009

Masters in Strategic project management European (On Scholarship from European Union) under a consortium of 3 reputed Universities including - :

Herriot Watt University (UK)
Politecnico Di Milano (ITALY)
Umea School of Business (SWEDEN)

Areas of focus - Strategy Formulation, Strategic Marketing, Project management etc

MIB: Master of International Business - 2005-2007

Master of International Business from MLSU, Rajasthan (Secured first position in University)

Specialised masters course dealing with International Business, Marketing & Trade.

Main areas of focus are Overseas Marketing Research, International Trade, Global Marketing, Global Logistics

BBM: Bachelor in Business Management - 2002 -2005

Bachelors degree in Business Management from Pacific college of Commerce, MLSU with an overall understanding of Business including Finance, Operations, Marketing, Human resources, Accounting etc

Other degrees Diploma etc

Diploma in Business Entrepreneurship (DBE)

Class 12th from Higher Secondary School Exam from Central Board of Sec. Education, in 2002 / Scored 79%.

Class 10th from Secondary School Exams from Central Board of Secondary Education in 2000 Scored 72%.

CERTIFICATIONS & COURSES

Certificate course in Innovation & Knowledge Management (MIP, ITALY)

BEYOND CURRICULUM

-Won prestigious Erasmus mundus scholarship from European Union
-Completed level B (Intermediate level) in French Language course
-Completed Intermediate Level in Portuguese Language course
-Secured first position in the university
-Captain of college football team

TECHNICAL KNOW-HOW

Well Conversant with MS Office and all major Internet Applications.

Consistently following technical developments helping market promotion

PERSONAL SNIPPETS

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