

# Bighnesh Samal

Financial Services Professional

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PGDM Finance (Major) &Marketing  
Work Experience in Total: 10 Years

Prior Experience in GAAP & IFRS Based auditing with multiple Big Fours'.  
Close understanding of Trade Finance with experience in US DTC & FED securities processing while working with one of the Independent US based Custodian Bank.  
SEBI (Securities and Exchange Board of India) – NISM Certified Mutual Fund IFA  
Credit Risk Analysis & Research on Digital Payment Systems -The Future of Money; during PGDM course  
Study on Competitive Indian Banking Sector, Credit Creation & Credit Risk Management, during PGDM course.

## Skills

Audit & Credit Risk Analysis	<div></div>
Usage of Digital tools in Audit	<div></div>
Creative Writing	<div></div>
Corporate Communications	<div></div>
Team Leadership	<div></div>
Interpretation of Financial Statements	<div></div>
TECHNOLOGY	<div></div>
Knowledge of Computer	<div></div>
NIIT Certified MS Office Professional (Word, Excel, PowerPoint, Outlook)	<div></div>
Knowledge of Alteryx, UI Path & Microsoft Power BI	<div></div>
Thomson One Usage	<div></div>
Usage of Bloomberg & Factiva Database	<div></div>
Maintenance & Installation of windows-based operating system.	<div></div>
Adobe Acro Pro/ DC	<div></div>

## Work History

2019-10 - 2024-04      **Assistant Manager (Senior Associate II)**

*PricewaterhouseCoopers (PwC) India Acceleration Center, IAC, Bangalore, India*

Working in the role of Assistant Manager (Senior Associate-II) for Financial Statements & Insurance, Asset Management under Assurance Service Line since 22nd October, 2019 till Date. (4 years, 6 months)

- Coordinating with engagement team members of onshore to resolve technical & resourcing issues
- Worked within Insurance Sector, under Financial Services managing bigger clients with more than 2000 billable hours.
- Presently moved into Project Management for Services under Specialized Service while continuing to assist on base engagement
- Rewarded with multiple performance recognition including Catalyst of positive business outcomes & Territory Spot Awards during tenure with present employer.

**Responsibilities:**

- Review of Financial Statements for clients from various sectors viz Mutual Funds, Hedge Funds & Private Equity as part of complete audit during different periods of year.
- Substantive Testing for multiple Insurance FSLs viz. Cash & Cash Equivalents, Investments, AR, Prepaid Expenses, PP&E, RGL, URGL etc.
- Usage of digital tools to facilitate Audit of financial statements viz. SOI, Notes to FS, SAL, SCNA, SOP, Income Statement, Cash Flow Statement from different duration to ensure accuracy.
- Test of details including areas such as Dividend, Capital etc.
- Working on statements from SEDAR & EDGAR.

**2018-05 - 2019-05**

**Associate II**

*State Street Corporation, Bangalore, India*

Worked as an Associate II for Financial Reporting (State Street Global Services) since 7th May, 2018 till 31st May, 2019 (1 Year 1 Month of experience)

**Responsibilities:**

- Review of Financial Statements including following:
- Portfolio/ Schedule of Investment (POI/ SOI), along with footnotes
- Statement of Assets & Liability (SAL)
- Statement of Position (SOP)
- Statement of Changes in Net Assets (SOC/ SCNA)
- Notes to Financial Statements
- Preparation & verification of statements with Fund Suite SX.S

**2014-12 - 2018-02**

**Lead Audit Associate**

*EY GDS, Formerly Ernst & Young LLP, Bangalore, India*

Served under Assurance Service line from 1st of December, 2014 till 9th February, 2018 (3 Years 2 Months of experience)

**Responsibilities:**

- Interim & Year-end auditing of Canada & US based clients which includes preparation & updating of Financial Statements such as Excel based Lead-sheets, Trial Balances, SOI, SFP, and SCF
- Performing Substantive audit, worked on Asset Management Industry which included US Hedge funds and mutual fund, review of financial statements, Capital activity testing and capital allocation, Various Income and Expenses and account level testing.
- Usage of data from Thomson One & Bloomberg database.
- Audit activities also include Tie-out of Confirmations, Financial Statements, and rolling forward PY documents, Auditing of Employee Benefit Plans/ Pension including Defined Benefit (DB), Defined Contribution (DC), and Health & Welfare (HW) Plans
- Good command over .pdf & excel based Financial Statements/ Reports, Documents.
- Major clients include Transamerica Mutual Fund, Man- AHL Investments, Morgan Stanley Funds, and American Beacon Advisors, Dreyfus Corporation, Next Edge Capital Corp etc.

**2013-07 - 2014-11**

## **Finance Analyst**

*Northern Trust Corporation, Bangalore, India*

Worked as Finance Analyst for the Trade & Settlements Department from 30th July, 2013 till 28th November, 2014 (1 Year 4 Months experience).

### **Responsibilities:**

- Processing of Debt, Equity & MBS securities of US Federal Reserve & Depository Trust Company (DTC)
- Processing of excel macro-based trade status reports
- Working on applications like IBM Electronic Document Management (EDM), Fundmaster etc. for resolving trade processing requests of major clients of Northern Trust like Wells Fargo, J P Morgan, Lockheed Martin, Merrill Lynch, Neuberger Berman, BNY Mellon.
- Settled approx. \$2 USD daily for some critical clients.

**2012-05 - 2012-09**

## **Summer Intern**

*Mirae Asset Global Investments India Pvt. Ltd, Bangalore, India*

Worked as Summer Intern from 14th May, 2012 to 11th Sep, 2012

### **Responsibilities:**

- Research on right segment of investors & channels to promote the sales of financial products especially varieties of Mutual Fund Products
- Study on operating norms of Asset Management Companies in India
- Facilitating interaction between different entities viz RTA, Custodian, Sponsor & Investor, of a Mutual Fund Organization.
- Brought in business up to INR 10 lakh for employer during summer intern.

## **Education**

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**2011-04 - 2013-05**

## **PGDM: Finance & Marketing**

*Indus Business Academy (IBA), Bangalore - Bangalore*

CGPA: 6

**2006-04 - 2009-03**

## **B. COM: Accounting**

*Ravenshaw University - Cuttack, Odisha*

GPA: 52%

Second Class honors with Distinction

**2003-04 - 2006-03**

## **HSC: Commerce Stream with Financial & Cost Accounting**

*Ravenshaw Junior College - CHSE, Odisha*

GPA: 83%

**2001-04 - 2003-03**

## **SSC**

*Orissa Govt. P.C. High School - BSE, Odisha*

GPA: 74%

Awarded best essay writer consecutively for 3 years i.e., 2001-02-03, in the essay competition conducted by Ministry women & child welfare, Govt. of India, during High School.

## **Accomplishments**

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- Archish'13 (Management Annual Fest) B-Quiz Vertical Head: Planning, Structuring & organizing Business & Corporate Quiz, a National management Fest of IBA, Bangalore
- Core & Active member of Finance Club of Institute i.e The Navigators: Conducted class room sessions on Money Market & Instruments
- Macro Economics (Prof Prashant Kulkarni): Research on Competitive Indian Banking Sector & Impact on Public Sector Banks. Accomplishment: Questionnaire, Online research data, Real view of public, Data analysis, Report Preparation
- Managerial Communication: Study & Presentation on Energy Economics- Conserving energy applying Economics
- Management skills: Kalakshetra – Project management Assignment (Coordinating 15 min Stage Play project on Professional & Personal Relations)
- Advertising & Sales promotion: Study & Presentation on Public Relation as a present Advertising Strategy
- Financial Derivatives By (Prof Kiran Bindu): Hedging, Securities Analysis & Portfolio Management, Valuation of Debts
- Product & Brand management (Prof. Harish Bijoor) Brand Management, Brand Value, Brand aging curve
- Sales & Distribution management (Prof. Mohan Kuruvilla): B2B & B2C Sales, Distribution & Promotion