ANIKET KULKARNI

To leverage 19 years of leadership experience in administration and facilities management, driving operational excellence, strategic growth, and organizational success in a senior leadership role.

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Strategic Planning & Execution

Facilities & Administration Leadership

Vendor & Procurement Management

Cost Optimization Strategies

Leadership & Team Development

IT Domain Knowledge

Compliance & Contract Negotiation

Stakeholder Management



ACADEMIA | CERTIFICATIONS

Law | LLB: Symbiosis Deemed University 2005 PUNE, INDIA (2005)

B Com: Symbiosis College of Arts and Commerce (2002)

Intermediate: Maharashtra Board (1999) **Matriculation:** Maharashtra Board (1997)



AWARDS

Award for Professional Excellence in Facilities Management & General Administration

Facility Management Leadership Association (FMLA)

Honored with the Award for Professional Excellence in Facilities Management and General Administration for outstanding leadership and performance in February 2023 and January 2024.



PERSONAL DETAILS

Date of Birth: 11 August 1981 Languages Known: English & Hindi

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A PROFILE SUMMARY

- ❖ A powerhouse with **19 years** of unmatched Administration and Facilities Management expertise, recently led operations as **Senior Manager of Administration & Facilities** at **Avalara Technologies Pvt Ltd, Pune**.
- ❖ With a stellar track record spanning leadership, strategic planning, and operational excellence, redefined the standards of corporate facilities, procurement, and administrative strategies across multiple organizations and geographies.
- A master strategist renowned for driving **cost optimization**, implementing innovative **emergency preparedness plans**, spearheading seamless **office relocations**, and managing multi-million-dollar vendor partnerships with precision and foresight.
- Instrumental in achieving a 15%-20% reduction in expenses without compromising quality, while enhancing workplace environments to foster productivity and employee well-being.
- Awarded the prestigious Award for Professional Excellence in Facilities Management & General Administration by FMLA, a testament to transformative leadership, strategic vision, and unwavering dedication to operational performance.
- A proven leader adept at managing teams, ensuring safety protocols, executing highimpact projects, and aligning cross-functional goals with organizational success.
- Equipped with an LLB and B Com, alongside expertise in stakeholder management, compliance, logistics, cost-saving strategies, and administrative transformation.
- A visionary poised to leave an indelible mark on dynamic and forward-thinking organizations.



WORK EXPERIENCE

Senior Manager (Administration and Facilities) | Avalara Technologies Pvt Ltd, Pune, India | November 2019 - May 2024

Roles & Contributions:

Led a high-performing team of 5 employees in managing all facets of facilities administration, including office maintenance, security, and comprehensive office services across multiple locations, including Pune, Chennai, Hyderabad, and Noida, supporting over **1500+ employees**.

- Strategic Leadership: Directed end-to-end facilities management operations focusing on optimizing efficiency, ensuring employee well-being, and maintaining a safe and secure work environment.
- Emergency Preparedness: Designed and implemented proactive emergency response plans to safeguard employees and visitors during critical incidents, ensuring business continuity and adherence to safety protocols.
- **Event Management:** Successfully planned and executed corporate onsite and offsite events, managing logistics, arrangements, and timely communication to ensure seamless experiences for employees and stakeholders.
- **Travel Coordination:** Managed domestic and international travel for over 1000 employees, ensuring cost-efficiency while delivering hassle-free travel experiences.
- Cost Optimization: Introduced strategic cost-saving initiatives that led to a 15%-20% reduction in overall facilities expenses, while sustaining and improving the quality of services provided.
- Vendor & Procurement Oversight: Strengthened vendor partnerships by implementing effective vendor management strategies and overseeing procurement to ensure timely service delivery and operational excellence.
- Cross-functional collaboration: Worked closely with leadership and cross-functional departments to align operational goals, streamline processes, and implement innovative administrative solutions.
- Workplace Environment Enhancement: Prioritized employee satisfaction by upgrading infrastructure and implementing workplace wellness programs that improved overall employee productivity and morale.

Manager, Administration and Facilities | Druva Data Solutions Pvt Ltd, Pune, India | April 2016 - November 2019

Roles & Contributions:

Managed a dynamic team of 2 administrative staff members, ensuring smooth day-to-day office operations and timely task execution, while fostering an environment of collaboration and accountability.

- Office Renovation Leadership: Successfully planned and executed comprehensive office renovation projects that modernized workspaces, improved employee productivity, and optimized operational workflows.
- Office Relocation Project: Played a pivotal role in overseeing the end-to-end relocation of the office to a new location. This included identifying suitable office spaces, partnering with a design firm, and finalizing office designs and layouts. Through meticulous planning and strategic execution, the relocation was completed within three months, with the entire office moved over a weekend without any operational disruption.
- **Vendor & Procurement Management:** Managed vendor relationships and procurement activities, ensuring seamless service delivery and cost-effective purchasing strategies while maintaining quality standards.
- Process Optimization: Streamlined administrative processes, improving operational response time and contributing to a well-organized, productive work environment.
- Cross-functional Coordination: Collaborated with various departments to ensure alignment with organizational goals during major projects and day-to-day operations.
- **Workplace Environment Enhancement:** Implemented workplace wellness initiatives and workspace upgrades to ensure employee well-being, job satisfaction, and productivity.

Assistant Manager, Administration and Facilities | IP Access India Pvt Ltd, Pune, India | August 2014 - March 2016

Roles & Contributions:

Successfully managed the complete transition and setup of company operations to new premises at Giga Space. Oversaw end-to-end relocation tasks, including vendor contracts, supplier coordination, interior design execution, and ensuring the workspace was ready for business activities.

- Office Relocation & Setup: Led the move to new premises by coordinating contracts, engaging suppliers, managing interior design, and ensuring readiness for operations. Received numerous accolades for timely execution and aligning with organizational expectations.
- Vendor & Supplier Coordination: Managed relationships with key vendors to ensure all requirements were met on time and within hudget.
- Daily Administration: Oversaw daily office operations, transport management, inventory, and logistics.
- Contract Renewals & Compliance: Handled contract renewals, ensuring legal compliance while maintaining strong vendor partnerships.
- Process Optimization: Streamlined workflows and introduced cost-saving strategies to improve administrative efficiency.

Senior Executive, Administration | Zensar Technologies Pvt Ltd, Pune, India | May 2005 - July 2014

Roles & Contributions:

Oversaw comprehensive administrative functions, ensuring efficient daily operations and cost savings for the organization. Managed employee transportation, vendor negotiations, client logistics, and government liaison while maintaining strict budgetary controls.

- Employee Transportation: Managed daily transportation for over 5,000 employees, ensuring timely and cost-effective commutes.
- Guest House Operations: Supervised company guest houses, addressing maintenance and guest needs.
- Vendor Management: Negotiated contracts and assessed vendor performance to achieve significant cost savings.
- Financial Coordination: Processed purchase orders and liaised with finance to streamline payments.
- Global Client Logistics: Coordinated travel and accommodation for clients worldwide during corporate events.
- Government Liaison: Ensured compliance by coordinating licenses and approvals with relevant authorities.
- ❖ Budget Preparation: Managed departmental budgets, ensuring optimal resource allocation.
- ❖ Daily Administration: Directed daily office functions and streamlined administrative workflows.