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Master Mariner | Maritime Operations Leader | Supply Chain & Logistics
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Seeking a leadership role as Head – Jamnagar Marine Operations / National Head – Marine Operations, where I can drive efficiency, safety, and operational excellence in shipping and logistics.

A results-driven **Master Mariner** with over **30 years of experience** in the maritime industry, specializing in **marine operations, fleet management and logistics**. Proven leadership in optimizing efficiency, ensuring compliance, and driving cost-effective solutions. Proven expertise in **leading Gas Carrier operations, strategic planning, safety compliance, and new vessel deliveries**. Adept at stakeholder management, safety leadership, and strategic planning in the shipping .Currently pursuing an **MBA in Maritime Management, Logistics & Supply Chain** at **IIM Mumbai** to complement a deep operational understanding with advanced management skills.

KEY COMPETENCIES

- Marine Operations & Fleet Management
- Chartering & Commercial Shipping
- Marine Logistics & Supply Chain
- **HSSEQ & Risk Management** – Ensuring industry-leading safety and environmental standards.
- **Regulatory Compliance** – Well-versed in **SOLAS, MARPOL, ISM Code, OCIMF, and vetting inspections**.
- Crisis Management & Emergency Response
- Cost Optimization & Performance Improvement
- Leadership & Team Development- Leading multi-national staff, fostering a high-performance culture.
- New Ship Delivery .
- Terminal Operations - Expertise in leading operations at LPG terminals.
- Vendor & **Stakeholder Management** – Strong experience in working with ship owners, operators, and regulators.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Anglo Eastern Ship Management | Master on VLGCs | 2003 - Present

- Led the operation of Very Large Gas Carriers (VLGCs) for global Owners and charterers such as **Petreddec ,Shell, Equinor, Yo Yo Line, NYK and Kumiai Navigation** and more.
- Ensured regulatory compliance, optimized voyage planning, and enhanced safety measures onboard.
- Spearheaded new vessel deliveries, coordinating with shipyards and classification societies.
- Conducted crew training, safety drills, and audits, maintaining high standards of operational excellence.

TERMINAL OPERATIONS LEADERSHIP

Expertise in leading operations at LPG terminals.

Managed VLGCs stationed at China for LPG supply to Northern China, ensuring

safe and efficient cargo handling. Coordinated with terminal authorities, regulators, and logistics teams for smooth operations and made milestones/records of safe operations like 100,000 hrs without a case of days away from work and 100,000 tons cargo flow in a week's time.

The Shipping Corporation of India | Second Mate to Master | 1990 - 2002

- Managed marine operations across **bulk carriers, general cargo, oil, chemical, and gas tankers**.
- Oversaw cargo operations, navigational safety, and compliance with international maritime regulations.
- Led crisis response efforts, ensuring minimal downtime and operational efficiency.

EDUCATION & CERTIFICATIONS

- **MBA in Maritime Management, Logistics & Supply Chain** | IIM Mumbai | 2024-2026 (Ongoing)
- **B.Sc. in Nautical Sciences** | Mumbai University (T.S. Rajendra) | 1987-1990
- Master Mariner (FG) Certification (unlimited)
- ISM, ISPS, MLC Training & Certifications
- PPI Leadership (next level)

ACHIEVEMENTS & LEADERSHIP

- Successfully managed the **safe and efficient operation of VLGCs, Oil, Chemical, General Cargo and Bulk Carrier** ensuring compliance with international regulations.
- Led **new ship delivery projects**, overseeing shipyard inspections, testing & trials and acceptance procedures.
- Implemented **cost-saving initiatives** in fuel efficiency, reducing operational expenses without compromising safety.
- Conducted **marine audits and training**, fostering a safety-first culture across fleets.
- Built and managed **cross-functional teams**, enhancing operational effectiveness and stakeholder collaboration.

TECHNICAL & DIGITAL PROFICIENCY

- Fleet Management Systems (FMS)
- Voyage Planning & E-Navigation Tools
- Risk Assessment & Compliance Software
- Microsoft Office Suite, Data Analytics Tools

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- Nautical Institute (NI)
- Institute of Chartered Shipbrokers (ICS) (Pursuing)
- Maritime Professional Network Groups

REFERENCES

Available upon request.