Nitesh Harjilawala

Full Stack Web Developer | Strong Backend Experience | 5+ Years in Web Apps

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Professional Summary

Software Developer with 5+ years of experience building scalable web applications using PHP, JavaScript, and MySQL. Proficient in designing RESTful APIs, integrating third-party services, and optimizing backend performance. Hands-on expertise in MVC frameworks (CodeIgniter, Prado), frontend tools (jQuery, React), and relational/non-relational databases (MySQL, MongoDB). Known for delivering robust solutions in Agile teams with strong focus on collaboration, code quality, and timely delivery. Open to full-time opportunities in Canada.

Skills & Competencies

- Backend & Databases: PHP, MySQL, MongoDB, CodeIgniter, Prado, REST APIs, Payment Gateways, Smarty.
- Frontend: HTML, CSS, JavaScript, jQuery, Bootstrap, ReactJS, Angular, Ajax.
- Tools & Version Control: Git, GitHub, MVC, SDLC, Agile, Google Analytics, Google Calendar API, Postman.
- Compliance & Others: PCI-DSS, GDPR, Release Management, Data Security.

Experience

Senior Software Developer

Staah Hotel Software Pvt. Ltd. | Mar 2022 - Oct 2023

- Collaborated with senior developers to create a high-performance environment and onboard new team members.
- Led product training sessions and supported technical guidance for junior developers.
- Oversaw application development and testing efforts, including specification review, test preparation, and integration testing coordination.
- Maintained and enhanced applications by recommending improvements in technology, policy, and processes.
- Developed reusable widgets compatible across browsers and front-end frameworks.
- Collaborated with testing, design, and support teams to ensure smooth internal communication.
- Monitored server status and optimized backend code and MySQL queries to improve system performance.
- Designed and developed RESTful APIs for system integration.

PHP Developer

UPQOR Pvt. Ltd. (Previously PK Infosys) | Feb 2021 - Dec 2021

- Managed sub-projects "Jewelry" and "Diamond Hub," handling backend development and API integration.
- Coordinated closely with project manager, frontend designers, and QA teams for timely delivery.
- Demonstrated comprehensive understanding of the development lifecycle, including specification, documentation, implementation, and testing.
- Developed backend components and maintained APIs.
- Explored Angular and supported frontend development efforts.

Associate Software Engineer

eZee Technosys Pvt. Ltd. | May 2018 - Feb 2021

- Contributed to a robust Property Management System (PMS) in the hospitality sector, participating across the full SDLC and aligning technical goals with quarterly and annual roadmaps.
- Collaborated cross-functionally with Product, Architecture, System Analysis, QA, and Operations teams to ensure smooth and secure system delivery.
- Owned and continuously improved core modules in an Agile environment, proactively reporting risks and suggesting recovery plans.
- Conducted peer code reviews and security audits, ensuring clean, efficient, and secure code practices.
- Developed and integrated internal and third-party APIs; enhanced backend system monitoring and ensured data security compliance.
- Acted as Release Manager for deployment cycles, ensuring compliance with PCI-DSS and GDPR standards.
- Spearheaded a dynamic OTA integration tool during an internal hackathon (H₃), reducing onboarding time from 4–6 months to under a week by automating development, code review, and QA processes.
- Designed a reusable module that minimized team dependencies and significantly accelerated integration of new OTA partners.
- Took initiative to lead a cross-functional team in hackathon (H4), delivering the project successfully
 under tight deadlines in the absence of the assigned leader.

Education

Master of Arts in Leadership (Sep 2023 – May 2025) Trinity Western University, Vancouver, Canada.

Master of Computer Applications (2015 – 2018) Indira Gandhi National Open
University, Surat, India.

Awards & Recognition

- Awarded by Staah Hotel Software Pvt. Ltd. for successfully delivering a high-priority project on time with outstanding performance.
- Recognized by eZee Technosys Pvt. Ltd. with the 'My eZee Reward' and 'Innovation Reward' for contributing valuable ideas and improvements to key systems.