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RESUME OBJECTIVE

- † 16 years of rich & extensive experience in the Aviation & Shipping Industry.
- Presently working as Process Manager Africa Operations in Maersk Global Service Centre.
- → Handles E2E Shipping for Africa Cluster.
- Manages a team 104 which comprises of 5 team managers, 17 Senior Specialists & 82 Specialists, Sr Process Experts, Process Experts& Process Associates.
- Worked as Duty Manager Customer Services / Ramp services / Hub Control in Jet Airways.
- ♣ Lead and Managed a team of 49 direct employees & 137 Contractual employees (GHA's) in Chennai International Airport.
- Adept in managing Airport functions & Customer Service functions.
- An enterprising leader with proven abilities in leading teams towards the achievement of organisational goals and industry best practices.
- Proven abilities in generating additional revenue by Cost Effective measures, Upselling, Bottle neck mitigation procedures to avoid human errors & Revenue Leakage.
- An effective communicator with excellent relationship building, interpersonal skills, Strong analytical, problem solving & organizational abilities.

AREAS OF EXCELLENCE

E2E shipping process - Client Relationship - Process Enrichment - Personal Development Coaching - Personal Development mentoring - Airport Operations - Revenue Optimisation - Manpower Planning - Team Management - Strong People Leadership Skills - Training Skills - Safety Champion

& E2E Shipping

- Manages 4 areas of Africa Region (CWA, EAA, NWA & SWA).
- 4 Handles the E2E shipping process right from Booking, Documentation, Customer emails, Chats, Outbound calls, ROFO (Rolling Forecast), Haulage Instructions, VGM coordination, Uptake Management, CRVR, Export / Import Customs Manifest, Delivery Orders and so on.
- → Manages a team of 104 colleagues who are working as per Africa Time Zone in order to provide a hassle free, best-in-class customer experience to the African trade partners.
- Driving SLA / TAT performance through continuous monitoring, process enrichments, Automation through constant team engagement and effective Coaching.
- Drive ownership with every individual by allocating key customers to each care business partners and enable them to own the customers to create a strong bonding in the day to day business activities.
- Drive Maersk's Vision of Customer Loyalty & Team Engagement by regular brain storming sessions, casual meetings, Team outings etc.
- Rigorous focus on NPS by valuing customer's VOC feedback and reach out to them to hear them out so as to evaluate the existing process and shift SOP if needed.
- Constant efforts in improving the Invoice quality, SI-Resubmission SLA by proactive follow ups with Customers.
- 4 Have created a personal touch by calling up customers if there are more than 2 emails in a case and also for abandoned chats.
- Played a major role in introducing Chatbot facility to Africa Region (English & French).
- Managed to reduce the email / chat inflow by Automation of few processes which does not need human intervention. By means of this, we have saved approx 10 workforce for the Organisation without impacting customer satisfaction.

❖ AIRPORT HANDLING

As a Manager, making vital decisions during flight delays, cancellations & diversions are crucial part of the job which is a make or break situation especially in front line customer facing industry.

- † Ensuring smooth functions and monitoring all areas such as check-in counters, boarding gate, arrivals, Baggage makeup area, Ramp, Hub Control, Immigration and Customs coordination etc...
- † Ensure the OTP of the Aircraft is always maintained without compromising on Safety & Security of the Aircraft, Personnel, Passengers or to Equipments.

*** REVENUE OPTIMISATION**

- Ensuring maximum upliftment of cargo on the flights so as to maximize revenue.
- 4 Encouraging the team to maximize ancillary revenues which is a direct revenue for the airline.
- To monitor excess check in baggage and hand baggage & boost excess baggage target collection for the airline.
- notivate the load & trim team to plan well their flight in order to minimise difference in EZFW & AZFW and aim for preferred MAC % to save fuel consumption.
- Gain ground time by quick turnaround to save fuel& parking costs of the Aircraft.
- Proactive approach in handling disruptions & misconnections in order to cut down the costs.

*** MANPOWER PLANNING**

- Rostering Effective utilisation of available manpower through proper planning and staff allocation.
- ♣ Conducting Safety briefing & SOP's for Contractual & 9W staff.

***** TEAM MANAGEMENT

- † Ensure proper delegation of work among the supervisors to utilise available time effectively & to maintain the 9W standards.
- † Ensure proper team motivation at regular intervals to keep the spirit high.
- Motivate team to achieve Performance targets at all times without discrepancies.
- P Delegate post flight allocations to the team members and make them responsible to maintain the data in their individual KRA.
- Motivate every individual member of the team as a Leader to bring up their individual proficiency in turn to award Station excellence.
- ♣ Monitor the data updation & reports to have a monthly comparison and to know the achievement of the station & team.

ACHIEVEMENTS

- Proud to be a part of MAA team in achieving 100% OTP in category 2 Base Flights in the entire network for the consecutive months.
- Proud to be a part of MAA team in achieving minimum MHB for the year 2013-14. Achieved outstanding performer award for the year 2007-08, 2010-11 & 2016-17 Certified SMS trainer as per ICAO Standards.
- Nominated as Safety Champion for Chennai Airport by the Head Office.
- ♣ Train the trainer for Safety Management system Pan India.
- ♣ Train the trainer for soft skills (Guest First) Pan India.
- Qualified Load controller for B737 / 777 / Airbus 330 / ATR 72-500, 600 aircrafts (load sheet licence to be renewed).

CERTIFICATES

- ♣ Holds a certificate for IATA DGR handling.
- 4 Holds a Train the Trainer certificate for BRS (SITA).
- Hold a Train the Trainer certificate for Safety Management System.
- Hold a Train the Trainer certificate for Airside Safety Awareness.
- Train the Trainer for Customer Service Excellence, Coaching, Posh etc ...

CAREER CONTOUR

Since Jul'19 - till date

Roles & Responsibilities:

Process Manager - Maersk Global Service Centre, Chennai. Africa Cluster (NWA, EAA, SWA, CWA)

- Manages a span of 104 people team which comprises of 5 team managers, 17 Senior Specialists & 82 Specialists, Process Experts & Process Associates.
- Manages the End to End shipping process for Africa Cluster.
- Stakeholder management Constant engagement with Front Office / Sales stakeholders in Africa for a hassle-free customer experience in shipping.
- Driving Net Promoter Score (NPS) for the Africa Region through continuous Customer Engagement through F2F / Virtual meetings, seamless process initiatives and enhancement, driving excellent customer centricity workflow and evaluating Voice of Customers (VOC) as a learning in view of innovating business methodologies / policies in order to ensure a hassle business experience for Customers.
- Monthly connect with Front Office Customer Service Manager to align with the policies and procedures, issue raised by customers by tracking their behaviour through E-Channels.
- Weekly connect with Front Office focal through MOS/Granular calls.
- Process enrichment, driving opportunities to simplify the existing process in view of Customer Experience.

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- Organising Around Customers (OAC) through monthly service calls to customers.
- Ensure the productivity of the agents, metric threshold is always met.
- Ensure the TAT for case management, chats, booking documents, export & import process, calls are always meeting the set standards.
- ₱ Weekly coaching to Team Managers through one to one connect.
- Staff engagement through Monthly meeting / Employment Engagement Surveys (Gallup).

Since Jul'14 - Jul'19

Roles & Responsibilities:

Duty Manager - Jet Airways, Chennai Hub Control/Ramp operations (Domestic/International) Airport services

- Manages a team of 200 employees (Direct & Contractual).
 Handle day to day operations.
- Managing a team of Supervisors, Load and trim staff to ensure smooth ramp operations.
- Create accident/incident free work environment by creating awareness about the safety norms.
- † Encourage the team to report hazards in order to maintain the safety standards. Conduct regular safety orders.
- The Cost efficiency: Achieve maximum revenue optimisation by uplifting cargo, fuel consumption, effective utilisation of stationeries and professional handling of baggage and cargo.
- † Crisis handling during Flight delays, Cancellations & Diversions.
- To plan the next day's flight routings effectively.
- Plan the best bays for aircraft parking to ensure smooth ramp transfers.
- † Ensure effective planning of bays to save fuel cost to the company.
- Pre-alert inbound / outbound stations to allocate proper seating for ramp transfer passengers and load their bags in the front.
- Monitor and escalate flight block times if requires any amendment.
- Help the company to save costs due to unwanted fuel consumption & misconnections.
- → To liaise regularly with External agencies such as Immigrations, Customs, Airport Authority, CISF etc. → Participated in all quality assurance and safety audits.
- **†** Satisfaction.
- Preparing staff roaster to ensure proper distribution of manpower on monthly basis.
- ♣ Handling customers professionally.
- Assisting supervisors and customers to resolve difficult issues or problems pertaining to airport related activities.
- To supervise staff and ensure quality of work meets the airline standards. To set objectives to the supervisors & this needs to be measurable.
- ♣ Conduct performance review for the supervisors/staff and rate them for their individual performance.
- † Encourage up-selling to maximize revenue for the airline.
- To ensure that the staff meets the grooming standards of the airline.

- To closely monitor station ratings and to actively participate in meetings and discuss issues pertaining to station targets / ratings etc.
- To participate in Airports Authority meetings and pen down the points which helps to improve airline Safety Standards & Quality.
- † To maintain statistical data of flight / operations related aspects
- To compare and analyse the performance of each staff and take it up positively in their appraisals.
- To work well with the Ramp Manager in order to maintain high safety standards.

Sep'07 - Jul' 14 Roles & Responsibilities:

Ramp Supervisor/Customer service supervisor, Jet Airways, Chennai

- † Holding A Valid Load & Trim license to load the BOEING777-300ER,737-400, 737-700, 737-800,737-900, ATR 72-500 and AIRBUS A330-200 approved by the Directorate General of Civil Aviation Of India (DGCA) the Highest Governing Body of the Civil Aviation in India.
- Proposible for co-coordinating with different departments like catering, cabin appearance, engineering and to ensure on time performance
- 4 Monitoring loading and boarding functions and to ensure safety standards are followed at all times by individuals working at ramp area.
- ♦ Handling DNB guests at check-in counters.
- † Handling delays and performing boarding functions.

Mar' 05 - Sep' 07

Customer Service Asst / Sr. Customer Service Asst. Jet Airways, Chennai

Roles & Responsibilities:

- Performing airport check-in functions, tele-check-in etc ...
- Preparing load and timesheets.
- Assisting passengers with queries and responsible for informing flight schedule changes and delays.
- [†] Customer service during a period of phenomenal company growth.
- † Complete airport exposure, handling both domestic and international ticketing.

HIGHLIGHTS

- * Was deputed in Cochin airport during November 2007 for Load & Trim Functions during inaugural Bahrain & Kuwait operations.
- ♦ Was on deputation to Colombo for Load & Trim Functions.
- Appreciation Letters from Guests as well as the Management for Customer Service Excellence.
- Nominated as Safety Champion for Chennai Airport by the Head Office.
- → Was part of the HO project IROPS (Irregularity Operations) and successfully implemented this tool for Pan India
- ♦ Visited West African Counties (Nigeria, Onne, Benin, Togo, Ghana) as part of Business Meeting & Customer Visit.

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EDUCATION	
2012–2013	Master of International Business Management University of Madras, Chennai.
2005–2009	Bachelor of Commerce D.G. Vaishnav College, Chennai
TRAINING & CERTIFICATION	
	 Basic Airport Handling. Reservations (SABRE). Customer Service Excellence Skills. Supervisory Skills. Telephone Etiquette. Advance Check-in System International (ACSI) & Sabre Qik. Basic Load & Trim (Manual & computerized – steady state & Load Manager). Airside Safety Training. Train the Trainer for BRS (Baggage Reconciliation System -SITA). Train the Trainer for Soft Skills (Certified by Etihad Airways Training Department). AVSEC. Safety Management System (SMS). DGR (Passenger Handling & Load Controller). E2E Shipping Methodology Booking Process through EDI / Intranet / Internet ICoach by Maersk Care Pro
PERSONAL DETAILS	
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