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Experienced business analysis professional with experience in various functional areas including logistics, FP&A, planning, and customer success. Creative thinker with strong analytical skills and equipped with work ethic and a strong passion to learn.

**Professional Experience** (5+ years)

**Merilytics Pvt. Ltd** (Oct-2019 – Present)

**Data Scientist (Manager)**

* Manager at Project Management Office
  + Provides **senior managerial oversight** for three projects (two in FMCG and one in digital marketing space)
  + **Root cause analysis** for oversights in client deliverables to ensure adoption of preventive measures across organization
  + Ensures adherence to company guidelines on data security, client interaction and client deliverables
  + Designs and reviews **development action plan for the team members (~16)** in the projects
* Managing a team of 4 for delivering revenue reports for a logistics leader in Americas
  + **Forecasts** shipment & revenue for multiple business units using tailor-made rules and creates ***Tableau* & *Excel*** reports for the executives
  + Supports the Accounts Receivables team with daily alerts & insights on unbilled amounts and revenue receivables
  + Helped contracts management team accurately estimate distances between geographical locations by **automating API requests to Google & Bing maps**.
* Managing a team of 2 for providing insights on labor utilization for an apparel rental business in USA
  + Prepares weekly reports to showcase labor hour utilization trends across multiple warehouses spread across US
  + Compares actuals, forecasts and past year trends to highlight inefficiencies and bottlenecks
* Single point of contact for BI Implementation Project for a SAAS modelproduct company based out of Australia
  + Managed a team of 5 members for delivery of end-to-end solution within the budget & timeline constraints
  + Finance
    - **Automated financial statements** (Balance Sheet, Cash Flow Statement, P&L Statement) on *Power BI* by loading data from *NetSuite* using *Saved Searches*
    - Designed and built department & region specific KPIs using data from Salesforce, JIRA & NetSuite
  + Customer Success
    - **Formulated custom surveys** in *Qualtrics*, analyzed customer feedback & provided actional insights for the Product and Marketing teams
    - Developed ***Customer Health Scorecards*** to enable easy monitoring of customer satisfaction
    - Performed **competitor analysis and market study t**o identify the risks and opportunities
  + Product Development
    - Designed ***Monte-Carlo Simulations*** in *Python* to estimate, with better accuracy, module completion time
    - Identified data issues in *JIRA* & *Nikabot* and illustrated the same on dynamic dashboards on *Power BI*
    - Estimated total costs associated with modules and compared with the expected incremental revenues to help the team better prioritize the development work
  + Successfully converted client relationship into retainership model of long-term nature
* Additional Responsibilities – In addition to managing client projects, part of various internal initiatives and governance activities
  + Part of *Core Team* (**key governance body**). The team is responsible for formulating, communicating and implementing key policy/process changes across the organization
  + Worked as part of ***Innovation Team*** to promote and foster process and tool innovations within the company. This included publishing blogs, defining best practices and organizing knowledge sharing sessions
  + Responsible for Excel & SQL on-boarding for new campus hires. This include managing on-boarding instructions and evaluating assignment solutions
  + Selected member of Internal Complaints Committee for administering sexual harassment issues at workplace
  + Overhauled the employee onboarding process for *Business* team to implement an effective and shorter alternative
* Won **Knowledge management Award** twice in the previous year for contributing towards knowledge sharing

**Coats** (June 2018 – Oct 2019)

**Manager - Supply Chain**

* Logistics Manager at S&P Threads
  + **Handled forecasts of finished goods** (100+ SKUs) for three warehouses (covering entire North India) using market inputs and historic trends
  + Translated the Finished Goods forecasts into raw material requirements and supervised the local purchase of consumables
  + Played a key role in **automation and centralization of daily production planning**. This involved correction & optimization of SAP master data and changes in business rules.

**Nagarro Softwares Pvt. Ltd.** (Nov 2015 – June 2016)

**Senior Associate - Operations Management**

* + Calculated infrastructure overheads of individual projects by mapping software and hardware resources
  + Reduced software licensing fee by designing optimal bundles and purchase frequencies
  + Initiated **organizational risk assessment** & business impact analysis and helped prepare risk management plans
  + Optimized operations across departments **by redesigning process flows and creating custom excel templates**
  + Designed and conducted *Excel* & *VBA* training sessions for various support functionaries within the organization

**ODL Engineering Pte. Ltd.** (Dec 2014 – Sept 2015)

**Naval Architect**

* + **Automated structural analysis** in SACS using Java Script reducing run time and manual intervention
  + Performed stability and hydrostatic analysis for a mobile offshore production unit. Conducted local strength analysis using first principles and *Mathcad*
  + Conducted **non-linear structural analysis** for the design of blast doors for a petrochemical facility

**Pipavav Shipyard Pvt. Ltd.** (Aug 2010 – Oct 2011)

**Management Trainee - Planning and Control**

* + Worked as Core Group Member of Project Vikrant with **BCG for production process improvements**
  + Analyzed dimensional errors at BMS to identify the root causes and to design production allowances
  + Played key role in the design of MIS at the shipyard in order to drive data-based decision making

**Education**

2016 –2018 Indian Institute of Management, Kozhikode (**IIM-K**) Master of Business Administration (MBA- **Finance, Operations**)

CGPA – 3.45/4.33; Top 15 percentile.

2011 – 2014 Indira Gandhi National Open University (IGNOU) Master of Arts (MA) – **Economics**

2006 – 2010 Indian Institute of Technology, Madras (**IIT-M**) Bachelor of Technology (B.Tech) – Ocean Engineering with minor in **Industrial Engineering**

**Skills and Certifications**

Tools Alteryx, Power BI, Tableau, MS Excel

Working knowledge of Salesforce, Qualtrics, NetSuite, SAP, JIRA

Languages Python, VBA, SQL, PowerShell

Certifications Alteryx Designer Advanced Certified by Alteryx

Six Sigma Green Certification by KPMG

Udacity Nanodegree Program - Predictive Analytics for Business using Alteryx & Tableau

MOOC Certificates – Model Thinking, Digital Transformation

Others Received **Rashtrapati Scout Award** from the President of India

Achieved a national rank of 111 in the **National Cyber Olympiad**, India   
 Qualified National Eligibility Test (UGC-NET) for **Junior Research Fellowship in Economics**   
 Top 0.25 percentile in nation-wide Common Admission Test (CAT) 2015

Top 0.5 percentile in nation-wide Joint Entrance Exam (JEE) 2006