NICHOLUS KIPROTICH CHERUIYOT

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QUALITY ASSURANCE MANAGER

- Experienced Tea Taster for the last 9 years with distinguished performance and proven results in Tea tasting and Tea Quality Production.
- Lead Auditor in Food Safety Management Systems-ISO 22000:2005.
- Innovation and new product development in tea with major in Tea related products CTC and Specialty/Herbal Teas.
- Extensive background knowledge in flavored teas, black and Instant tea, Tea Aroma and Leaf Quality Analysis.
- Instrumentation experience HPLC, UV Photometer, Turbid meter and colorimeter especially in tea analysis.
- Microbial analysis, Moisture, Particle size Analysis in tea for Tea grading.
- Member of Tea Technical committee East Africa Standard 'KEBs.
- Trained on Eco mark-ecolabelling by ARSO Africa on Sustainable agriculture for producers.
- Food safety Team leader and Environmental conservation champion.
- Extensive knowledge on Procurement of raw and packaging materials.

PROJECTS

- New product development tea related-flavored and instant tea.
- HACCP PLAN builder through USAID and East Africa Trade Hub.
- Packaging Design.
- Strategic focus and champion on Innovations.
- FSSC 22000.

QUALITY ASSURANCE ASSISTANT/ANALYST

- Professional quality assurance analyst with 9-year career distinguished by commended performance and proven results through sales in export market.
- High level of leadership skills demonstrated through my role as a Shift Team leader in the Technical Department
- Maintains a comprehensive understanding of all products manufactured as well as the raw materials, packaging materials, and operations required in the manufacturing process including quality specifications and standards
- Extensive background in instant tea production, including wealth of experience in quality assurance, analysis, trouble shooting and data logging
- Demonstrated success in product development and ring tests that are conducted globally.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

MELVIN MARSH INTERNATIONAL LIMITED-NAIROBI KENYA.

Committed to the production of the best quality blended teas that compete with global and local brands through cost effective manner that exceed customer expectations with excellent tea experience.

TEA EXPERT-QUALLITY ASSURANCE MANAGER

Achievements:

- Chief Tea taster with proven and excellent quality tea through taste.
- SOP compliance during production of tea products and other foods HACCP as per product category.
- Compliance to certifications standards related to tea. Tea code of conduct, terms, HACCP, ISO 22000 and lead Auditor FSSC 22000.
- ◆ Product development and innovations (AFRICAN CLASSIC TEA, PURPLE TEA, BOABAB HERITAGE)
- Continuous improvements of existing product to meet quality standards,
- Design thinking for visual management within premises and on packaging with marketing objectives.
- Product knowledge and Training of staff.(Trainer of Trainers)

JAMES FINLAY, TEA EXTRACTS PLANT — KERICHO, KENYA.

Committed to the production of safe soluble teas and Tea aromas that meet customer, regulatory and health requirements

Quality Assurance Analyst, 2011 to 2018

Key Results:

- Occupational Safety & Health (OHS) representative for the Technical department
- Shift Team leader which involves supervision of the shift staff
- Ensuring all the quality parameters desired are within specifications and planning for appropriate action in case of a deviation in the parameters
- Training of new personnel on food safety management systems, 5S, Health and safety.
- Participation in tea tasting session with the panelists
- Implementing of WCO (World Class Operations) for customer satisfaction
- Analysis, trouble shooting and data logging
- Particle size analysis of finished batches of instant Green tea and Black tea samples using sieve test machines
- Record keeping of analytical results; periodic check of critical control points
- Controlling chemicals and reagent stocks and maintaining good re-order level
- Responding to customer complaints
- Inspect all incoming raw materials and ensure compliance

- Maintains a comprehensive understanding of all products manufactured as well as the raw materials, packaging materials, and operations required in the manufacturing process including quality specifications and standards.
- Coordinating handling of non-conforming raw materials, product in process as well as the final product.
- participate in continuous improvement initiatives as applicable
- Preparation and dispatch of pre-shipment and other samples as required
- Carry out routine calibration and maintenance of lab equipment in accordance with the documented laboratory quality management system so as to ensure integrity of the results.
- Implement and maintain good lab practices(GLPs) and Good Manufacturing Practices (GMPs)
- Drafting and circulation of final product approval sheet.
- Participate in new product development trials
- Participate in Ring Tests
- Quality approval of finished products in HIT & FPFQ

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE (CONTINUED)

KENGEN DIESEL PLANT- KIPEVU, MOMBASA KENYA

Laboratory Technician, AUGUST - DECEMBER 2011

Analysis of Heavy Fuel Oil, Process Water and Dosing of boiler Chemicals.

Professional Experience (CONTINUED)

TEA EXTRACTS SAOSA PLANT - KERICHO KENYA

Industrial Attachment, January- April 2011

Was able to successfully conduct a research on the effects of Staphylococcus aureus in teas (microbial contamination) through tea handling.

EDUCATION & CERTIFICATIONS

- ◆ **Project Management for Executives-**Strathmore University-2019
- ◆ Diploma in Leadership and Management for Impact-Amani Institute.
- ◆ **Diploma in Industrial Microbiology and biotechnology:** The Mombasa National Polytechnic 2009-2011
- ISO 9001:2015 Transition on implementation & Auditing Training: Intertek Academy (12th June 2017)
- ◆ FSSC 22000:2013 Lead/ Internal Auditor Course: Mara Mara Club (25th 26th October 2010
- OHS Committee Initial Training: Chebululu Club (15th 18th August 2016)
- Risk assessment & confined space training: TEX Technical Training Centre (29th 31st March 2016)

Ecomark Training on Eco labeling by ARSO Africa-Kenya school of law.

OF NOTE

Computer Skills:

- Office 365
- MS Office (Word, Excel, PowerPoint, Access, Outlook)

REFEREES

JAMES MUNENE PRODUCTION MANAGER, MELVINS MARSH INTERNATIONAL LIMITED, P.O.BOX 40270, NAIROBI. MOBILE:0721799682	JULIUS YEGON PRODUCTION MANAGER, SIOMO TEA FACTORY, P.O BOX 667-20200, KERICHO MOBILE: 0705 296 577
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