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CAREER SUMMARY

- Certified project management professional with expertise in Agile and Business Operations across diverse industries. 6+ years of relevant experience handling projects and client relationships.
- ✓ Skilled communicator and original content creator, sharing insights on project management, strategy, and professional growth through a dedicated personal blog.

PROFESSIONAL CERTIFICATIONS

Project Management Professional (PMP)

PMI, 2024

Agile Certified Practitioner (PMI-ACP)

PMI, 2025

Google Data Analytics Professional **Google, 2025**

Certified Professional SQL Developer **W3Schools**, **2025**

GenAl Practical Application for PMs **PMI, 2025**

Generative AI & Prompting Essentials

Google Cloud, 2024

Jira, Trello, Confluence: Work Management

Atlassian, 2023

EDUCATION

Degree: PGDBM

Specialization: Marketing Institute: NMIMS Mumbai

Year: **2019 – 2021**

Degree: B.Com.

Specialization: **Business**Institute: **Delhi University**

Year: 2012 - 2015

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE (6 Years)

Project Manager – ADP (Fortune 500)

07/2025 to Present

- Lead end-to-end client migration projects from legacy ADP products to upgraded platforms, ensuring seamless transitions within defined scope, time, and quality parameters.
- Apply an Agile approach within a waterfall environment to align leadership expectations with adaptive delivery, enhancing project visibility, accountability, and stakeholder satisfaction.
- Structure large, unfiltered task lists into actionable deliverables, milestones, and tasks – improving cross-functional collaboration.

Project Management Consultant – Fortune Prints **11/2022 to 10/2023**

- *Contractual role*. Led business growth strategy and cross-functional execution, enabling expansion into 3 new industries.
- Streamlined workflows and optimized operations across 60+ product categories, improving overall efficiency.
- Managed client relationships through proactive communication.

Quality & Operations Lead – ByteDance (Fortune500) 08/2020 to 08/2021

- Led quality oversight for Helo ensuring alignment with global standards in content operations.
- Trained internal and partner teams across locations, improving performance via KRA governance and structured audits.
- Standardized APAC back-office operations, optimizing processes for a 250+ member team.

Category Management Associate – PayTM 10/2016 to 04/2019

- Managed vendor relations for 3,000+ theatres, optimizing partnerships and operational workflows.
- Directed partner site (Aegis) management, conducting audits and implementing quality control measures.

- Automated reporting using Advanced Excel, CRM & SQL, saving 20+ hours per week in manual effort.
- Achieved two promotions, progressing from customer service to quality audit to category management.

SKILLS & STRENGTHS

Project Management

- ✓ Agile Project Management
- ✓ Predictive (Waterfall)
- ✓ Workflow Optimization
- ✓ Cross-functional Collaboration
- ✓ Quality Assurance
- ✓ Risk Mitigation
- ✓ Change Management

Technical Knowledge

- ✓ Disciplined Agile
- ✓ Scrum, Kanban, Scrumban
- ✓ Lean Philosophy, Six Sigma
- ✓ Data Analytics & Visualization
- ✓ Reporting Automation
- ✓ Dashboarding, KPI Tracking

Digital Solutions

- ✓ Jira, Asana, Trello, ClickUp
- ✓ MySQL, Advanced Excel
- ✓ PowerBI, Tableau
- ✓ MS Office, Google Workspace
- ✓ Confluence, Notion, SharePoint
- ✓ Salesforce, Certinia, Bitrix24

Core Strengths

- ✓ Adaptability
- ✓ Empathy
- ✓ Business Writing
- ✓ Strategic Thinking

ENTREPRENEURIAL PROJECTS

Project Mgmt. Coach & Blogger – <u>The Lion Among Sheep</u> 01/2025 to Present

- Offering own expertise to those enthusiastic about building their career in project management.
- Developed and launched a personal brand platform offering structured mentoring, coaching, and consulting services across project management, career development, and business strategy.
- Applied project management frameworks to build service breakdown structures, define pricing models, and streamline client engagement through clear workflows and outcome-based deliverables.
- Published original long-form articles across themes like systems thinking, strategic leadership, and personal growth to establish thought leadership and attract organic readership.

Business Manager, Educator – Soulful Creative Academy **04/2016** to **10/2024**

- Built and scaled an independent music education venture from the ground up, reaching 250+ students and ₹6L annual revenue through structured curriculum design and strategic planning.
- Led operations, pricing, and budgeting to create a sustainable, cost-efficient model that reduced student expenses by 50% while maintaining high-quality instruction.
- Designed and implemented organic marketing and customer acquisition strategies, generating 15K+ monthly impressions and establishing a consistent student pipeline.