APALA AGARWAL

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SUMMARY

Experienced Project Manager with a Master's in Project Management and over 5 years of experience leading complex, high-value projects across Agile, Hybrid, and Waterfall methodologies. Expertise in risk management, SDLC, API integration, and change management, with a proven ability to drive strategic initiatives, optimize workflows, and align technology solutions with business objectives. Demonstrated success in managing cross-functional teams, enhancing stakeholder engagement, and delivering projects on time, within scope, and on budget.

WORK EXPERIENCE

GBS (Global Banking School)

Noida, India

Project Manager

December 2024 – Present

- Develop data-driven project roadmaps integrating Agile, Hybrid, and Waterfall methodologies to optimize software integration workflows and ensure seamless system interoperability
- Implement structured risk assessment frameworks using RAID logs and predictive analytics to proactively mitigate potential RISK integration challenges and ensure 100% project continuity
- Drive continuous improvement by embedding developer feedback into integration strategies, enhancing API performance, and standardizing middleware communication protocols to enhance system efficiency and reliability by 90%
- Streamline cross-functional collaboration through structured stakeholder meetings and real-time status reporting using Excel, ensuring transparent project tracking in JIRA and alignment with business goals
- Standardize technical documentation in Confluence for system-to-system integrations, API management, and SDK developments to empower third-party developers and accelerate onboarding

The Contact Company

Birkenhead, United Kingdom

January 2024 – November 2024

Project Manager

- Enhanced workflows and software integrations for 20 enterprise projects, resulting in an 85% increase in project efficiency
- Leveraged data insights using Tableau to streamline customer interactions and improve database integrity by 95%
- Increased account expansion by 80% through BT/EE product uptake by automation CRM processes via APIs
- Boosted project visibility across internal teams by 50% through Power BI enabling real-time data tracking and enhanced decision-making
- Conducted regular review meetings with end -users, assessing service performance and aligning future objectives resulting in a 60% increase in user satisfaction, a 50% reduction in support tickets

Lybrate (known as Pristyn Care)

Gurgaon, India

Project Manager

May 2022 – July 2022

- Achieved 100% milestone completion project delivery phase by optimizing team performance and aligning goals with project objectives
- Documented and managed customer requirements in JIRA to ensure smooth development processes and 80% bottleneck reduction
- Negotiated with clients and team members to establish clear project scopes and deliverables ensuring alignment with business objectives and enhancing stakeholder satisfaction
- Resolved projects conflicts and challenges through effective problem-solving and negotiation techniques leading to 50% reduction in project delays
- Designed detailed product roadmap using Microsoft Project ensuring alignment with stakeholders and goals
- Integrated feedback loops into strategic service processes, enhancing efficiency and meeting KPIs by 90% successfully
- Developed and applied preventative measures to control risks, cutting unplanned projects costs by 95% while delivering within scope
- Achieved 90% reduction in operational costs while maintaining project quality and timelines implementing process automation, optimizing resource allocation, renegotiating vendor contracts
- Automated processes using SQL and MS Excel and implemented compliance measures to enhance project delivery by 90%

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Noida, India

Project Analyst April 2018 – October 2018

- Designed and implemented domain acquisition strategies by leveraging valuation models and predictive analytics, aligning investments with market demand and ROI potential.
- Collaborated with cross-functional teams to integrate competitive intelligence, SEO trends, and monetization metrics into acquisition frameworks.

EDUCATION

University of Liverpool

Liverpool, UK

Master of Science in Project Management; Degree 2:1

Bachelor of Technology in Computer Science

September 2022 – September 2023

Courses: Project Management, Risk Management, Operations Modelling, Supply Chain Management, Leading and Managing Project Teams,
Strategic Purchasing Management, Business Simulation and Analysis and Benchmarking

Galgotias University

Greater Noida, India

September 2014 – June 2018

SKILLS

Key Skills: Project Lifecycle Management, Software Development Life Cycle (SDLC), Project Planning, Project Scheduling, Agile Methodology, Risk Management, User Documentation, Project Budget Management, Performance Management, Stakeholder Management, Conflict Resolution, Project Documentation, Governance & Assurance

Technical Skills: Jira, Microsoft Excel, Asana, Zoho, MS Project, Confluence, SQL, Python, Google Analytics, MS Azure, D365, Microsoft Copilot