

An accomplished result driven marketing expert with **nearly 5 years** of experience; expertise in marketing excellence, proficient in streamlining approach to connect with target consumers possessing strong knowledge of effective **Retail Penetration & Digital Marketing strategies on both the B2B & B2C fronts.** 

Aim to apply my marketing expertise at a progressive organization meeting top / bottom-line objectives utilizing my real time marketing experience with a highly reputed brand like ICICI.

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

- Innovative Marketing & Digital Communications Professional with experience in steering marketing campaigns with focus on rapidly improving online B2B & B2C lead generation as well as on ground marketing for retail penetration.
- Spearheading creation & promotion of on-demand marketing campaigns including design, marketing content, web development, web marketing to boost the brand value.
- Proficient in performing ongoing customer/market research and demographic profiling to identify and capitalize on unmet market needs ahead of the curve.
- Proven track record of devising ATL/BTL & web marketing strategies that have elevated brands from relative obscurity, forging strategic alliances, driving revenue and growing profits in competitive markets.
- Have experience in leveraging market research industry analysis, and customer insights to anticipate and counter competitive actions, build customer loyalty, and position brand for enhanced market share.
- Acumen in growing business footprint and improving revenue & market penetration by setting up marketing channels and turning around capabilities of operations in rapidly changing environments





# **Core Competencies:**

Marketing Communication Planning | Digital Marketing | Media Campaigns | Strategic Planning | Brand Management & Building | Advertising Activities | Business Development | Social Media/Digital Campaigns | Digital Strategy & Thought Leadership | Vendor Development & Management | Team Management | Creative Intellect/Insight|Engagement | Marketing Strategy | Marketing Automation | SEO/SEM | Content Marketing | Analytics | Wordpress | Google Analytics | Adwords | Facebook Analytics/Blueprint | Lead Generation | Hubspot | Hootsuite | PPC/CPC Campaigns | Email Marketing | Twitter Marketing | YouTube Marketing | Linkedin Marketing | Instagram Marketing | Trade Marketing | ATL / BTL Marketing

# **ORGANIZATIONAL EXPERIENCE:**

Since May'16: ICICI Prudential Asset Management

## Growth Path /Deputation:

May'16- Jun'18- **Zonal Marketing Manager** (South India-Andhra Pradesh, Telangana, Karnataka, Tamil Nadu & Kerala) Since Jul'18- **Marketing Manager** (Karnataka, Andhra Pradesh & Telangana)



## **Key Result Areas:**

Maintain and strengthen company's brand presence, visibility & awareness, handle all the marketing & branding activities in the assigned zone/region on all fronts (Digital & ATL/BTL) in consultation with the corporate office

- Strategizing, planning and executing digital/Social Media marketing communication campaigns through Google Adwords, Twitter, Facebook, Instagram & Linkedin primarily for external and internal audiences & for identifying new customers
- Sales Support- Conducting BTL activities focusing on increasing Brand Visibility & Lead Generation for pure retail penetration for channel partners as well as in-house to generate new customers, also make strategic decisions to ensure high effectiveness & efficiency of all ATL activities in consultation with corporate office
- Creating & drafting key messages, content, communications programs and routes
- Conducting **market research** through industry contacts, publications, trade, competitor analysis and tracking business news to identify ideas for growth
- **Digital Services on-boarding** Digital Marketing propositions for IFAs for their websites, customized emailers, email marketing, sales team trainings
- New Product Launches: Developing marketing campaigns during new product launches/NFOs, build up visibility & own their implementation from ideation to execution in the zone/region
- Strong Brand Presence in Trade- Build strategic relationships with key industry players through unique support propositions, ensure all distributor offices in the zone/region are branded with our products' key communication creative & durable collaterals, developing new ways of increasing distributor preference (lead generation/BTL support, goodies
- Formulating strategies & reaching out to identify new touch points for branding & engagement with customers & intermediaries as well as identifying unexplored market segments/customer groups in towns for business expansion
- Build local level communication to suit individual market requirements & get the same approved from corporate office post
- **Compliance** Ensuring adherence to brand & corporate brand/industry guidelines across the company's websites, print and electronic publications, conducting audits timely at branch locations
- Spearheading the design and implementing a complex yet workable marketing communications strategy
- Planning & conducting distributor meets, industry events like round tables, exhibitions, trade shows, mall activities, road shows, RWA engagements & ensuring organizational branding & collateral availability
- Frequent visits to all branch locations to identify new opportunities of building & strengthening brand visibility & awareness most synchronous with the local geography & sentiment
- **Collaterals** Providing Collateral development inputs based on on-ground feedback, stake holding in designing & development, production of product collaterals & ensuring the brand is highly engaged in the market. Also, developing vernacular versions of all
- Promoting use of **co-branded collaterals** including visiting cards & digital content by distributors & endorsing our app for in-house co-branded collaterals creation for heightened Brand Preference
- Handling public relation efforts in consultation with the PR team timely creating opportunities and promoting content marketing (social Media) in the zone/region among sales team & distributors
- Building a trusted vendor network PAN South ensuring timely production and distribution of tangible collaterals
  & on-ground campaign execution

# PRE-MASTERS ORGANIZATIONAL EXPERIENCE:

Oct'12 – Sep'13- Technical Support Analyst with C3i Private Limited

Apr'10 - Aug'11- Process Associate with Apollo Health Street



Research Paper: Impact

of Pre and Post event

Analytics as a part of the

**ICOMBS 2015** 

international conference



#### **INTERNSHIP:**

Feb'15 - May'15: Digital Marketing Manager [Intern] with Client Curve Info Systems Private Limited

## **ACADEMIC CREDENTIALS:**

**Post-Graduation:** Masters in Business Administration (**Core Marketing**) from ICFAI Business School, Hyderabad, (ICFAI Foundation for Higher Education)- Among the top tier 2 business schools in India & among the top 25 overall.

**Graduation:** Bachelor of Technology (Electronics & Communications) from Jawaharlal Nehru Technological University, Hyderabad

Higher Secondary: Class 12th from Board of Intermediate Education (A.P) Secondary: Class 10th from Central Board of Secondary Education

Technical Skills: C++, java, MS Dos, Windows, Linux, MS Office (Word, Excel & PowerPoint)

## Career Highlights:

- Helped ICICI Bank Wealth Management Channel- Hyd to record the highest ever mobilization for a New Fund Offer- Rs 33 Cr/-.
- Consistently helped the zonal/regional sales team **achieve the assigned mobilization targets** successively through **marketing campaigns focused on increasing distributor preference**.
- Proven track record of having increased the market share in all sales channels for the zone/region through diverse marketing strategies.
- **Nominated for multiple sales contest meets** held in Mumbai & Goa as the marketing vertical is eligible only based on nomination including Alpha Vanguard-Mumbai.
- Proactively assisted & supported admin vertical in developing promotional items during festivities & owned ideation, execution & successful procurement.
- Development of multiple compliance approved sales collaterals zonally/regionally with the help of regional product specialist.
- Explored & introduced **whattsapp marketing** as a digital marketing avenue in the organization, planned multiple initiatives around it.
- Fomulated the amplispot activity which involved sending links to our **distributors for self-download of co-branded creatives & clips.**
- Devised multiple avenues for **cost control** on durables procurement like standees, etc including the introduction of automated standees.
- Devised & pushed mechanisms to track zonal/regional campaign output.
- Pushed dispatch of collaterals directly to Growth Markets instead of routing through nearest brarnch locations resulting in operational ease & higher efficiency.
- Acknowledged with:
  - o "Rising Star of the Month" title at Apollo Health Street Limited
  - "Runner up for the best new trainee" at C3I S.S.P.L

#### **EXTRAMURAL ACTIVITES:**

- Handled management of multiple yearly AOP meets in association with the zonal/regional HR on multiple occasions.
- Successfully represented:
  - Army Public School in Soccer
  - o VBIT (Vignan Bharathi Institute of Technology, Hyderabad) at University level in soccer
  - o As Captain of the Shivalikh house during high school for a period of 3 years
  - o Apollo Health Street in the game of soccer at different occasions
  - o C3i S.S.P.L. in the game of soccer at different occasions
  - As a musician, a vocalist and a guitarist pursuing grades from Trinity College of Music, London, part of a band named The Eternal Shade and have performed at various tech fests.
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- Efficiently developed a prototype for an automated garbage collector as part of a technological fest.
- **Presided Freshers and organized technical fests** as well as farewell events at Vignana Bharathi Institute of Technology as well as Sri Chaitanya Junior Kalasala.
- Hosted flagship events along with other duties and responsibilities as a part of the Official Finance Club of IBS Hyderabad, Money Matters Club, from July 2014-December 2014.

## **Professional Certifications:**

Google- Fundamentals of Digital Marketing Udemy- Mega Digital Marketing Course NISM VA- Association of Mutual Funds in India

### **PERSONAL DETAILS:**

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