

Kolitha Jayasekara

Accounting Professional – Member of ACCA (UK), B.Sc. (Accounting) Sp. (USJ) (Sri Lanka)

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Profile

I have 8+ years of experience in the field of accounting and finance, with expertise in financial and management accounting, budgeting and forecasting, taxation and compliance. I hold a BSc in Accounting from the University of Sri Jayewardenepura (Sri Lanka) and a member of ACCA (UK). I am passionate about finance business partnering to add value to the decision making and strategy setting process of the business. I have also obtained a certification in strategic planning foundations from LinkedIn to enhance my skills in this area.

Career Snapshot

Assistant Manager – Audit & Assurance B.A.C.K. Balasuriya & Co – Colombo Sri Lanka	01/2016 - 08/2019
Assistant Accountant NKAR Travels & Tours (Pvt) Ltd – Colombo Sri Lanka	08/2019 – 09/2020
Senior Executive Finance MAS Holdings (Pvt) Ltd- Colombo Sri Lanka	09/2020 – 03/2022
Senior Accountant 247 Techies (Pvt) Ltd – Colombo Sri Lanka	04/2022 – present
Education	
Association of Chartered Certified Accountants ☐ Associate member - ACCA (UK)	2021 United Kingdom

2017 | Sri Lanka

2019 | Sri Lanka

Institute of Chartered Accountants of Sri Lanka

Strategic Level - ICASL

University of Sri Jayewardenepura

Skills and Competencies

B.sc (Accounting) Sp

Microsoft Office (Excel, Word, PowerPoint) | ERP Systems (SAP, Oracle) | IFRSs and GAAP

Financial Statement Preparation | Consolidation and Cash flows | Budgeting & Forecasting

Financial Analysis | Leadership and Teamwork | Problem solving

Assistant Manager - Audit & Assurance

B.A.C.K. Balasuriya & Company

01/2016 - 08/2019 | Colombo, Sri Lanka

Auditing

- Carrying out external audits of different industries including healthcare, service sector, retail, manufacturing.
- Carrying out internal audit functions of industries including hydro power, real estate etc.
- Preparing audit plans and maintaining proper coordination between the client, the engagement manager and partner.
- Identifying internal control deficiencies of companies and developing recommendations to overcome them & suggesting constructive ways to upgrade internal controls.
- Resolving judgmental and technical matters including IFRS issues.
- Preparation / review of financial statements, auditors' reports, and other reports in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standard (IFRS) and legislations.

Accounting

- Maintained ledgers and preparation of financial statements of different industries and providing management reports.
- Carrying out of stock weekly stock verifications and preparation of related reports.

Taxation

- Calculation, preparation, and submission of corporate and individual income tax returns for different industries and clients.
- Handling CIT, PIT, VAT, NBT and PAYE tax calculations, payments and returns in different industries.
- Liaison with Inland revenue department regarding different tax matters.
- Preparation and submission documents relating to income tax and VAT assessments issued by Inland revenue department.
- Possessing extensive expertise in utilizing Sri Lanka's online tax platform, the Revenue Administration Management Information System (RAMIS).

Secretarial Practices

- Maintaining relevant statutory documents according to the companies act of Sri Lanka.
- Preparation and submission of annual statutory documents to registrar of company's Sri Lanka.

Assistant Accountant

08/2019 - 09/2020 | Colombo, Sri Lanka

NKAR Travels & Tours (Pvt) Ltd

One of the leading inbound and outbound tour operators in Sri Lanka.

- **Management Reporting** Providing financial statements, management accounts, management reports, reconciliations of the companies in the group on weekly/monthly basis to the management. Checking monthly financial accounts prepared by financial accounting team.
- **External Audit** Liaising with external audit team (BDO Partners) to perform and finalize annual financial audit on time.
- **Payments and Treasury -** Performing payment approvals & treasury management function of the companies of the group.
- **Budgeting & Forecasting -** Preparing annual financial & operational budgets.
- **AP & AR** Monitoring accounts receivable and payable function, conducting recovery meetings in order to ensure timely recovery of receivables with finance and sales teams.
- **Coordination with External Stakeholders -** Liaison with banks, Inland Revenue department, government institutions and suppliers.
- **Taxation & Regulatory Payments** Bearing responsibility to ensure the statutory payments are made on due dates.

Senior Executive Finance

09/2020 – 03/2022 | Colombo, Sri Lanka

Aqua Trading Global (Pvt) Ltd - MAS Holdings (Pvt) Ltd

A strategic business unit of MAS Holdings – One of the largest apparel manufactures of South Asia.

- **Group reporting** Providing information to the group financial reporting. Liaising with group finance team with regards to implementing group financial policies and procedures
- **Financial reporting** Handling month-end financing activities including intercompany revenue reconciliations, Customer reconciliations, and bank reconciliations finalization.
- **Capex** -Overlooking the area of capital expenditure of the company and preparing relevant reports on a monthly and ad hoc basis.
- **Taxation and regulatory** Working with central tax teams to ensure the payments and relevant documents are submitted on time.
- **Insurance** Liaising with insurance companies regarding the employee and property insurances. (Addition of employees, Payments, claims handling)
- Budgeting & Forecasting Providing information to group LRP (Long Range Planning) reporting.
- **Risk & Control** Working with group risk & control teams to conduct internal audits & to implement relevant key controls.
- **External Audit** Liaising with external audit teams (PWC Sri Lanka) to perform and finalize annual financial audit on time.

Senior Accountant

04/2022 – present | Colombo, Sri Lanka

247 Techies (Private) Limited

Tech service provider incorporated in Hong Kong, serving consumers in US, UK, Canada, and Australia.

- **Financial Reporting** Finalizing monthly and quarterly individual and group financial statements ensuring on time information is provided to the senior management and board of directors.
- **Treasury & Cash** Handling companies' treasury functions including preparation of monthly cash flow forecast and revenue forecast.
- **Payroll** Managing payroll functions and consultancy service payments of the company. Overlooking submission of EPF & ETF forms on time.
- **Taxation and Regulatory Compliance** Preparation and submission of all tax returns in Sri Lanka, Hong Kong, Australia (GST).
- **Management reporting** Finalizing intercompany revenue and costs. Checking and finalizing performance incentives of technical and sales teams.
- **Engagement with External Stakeholders** Liaison with banks, Inland Revenue department, Government institutions and suppliers.
- **Financial Audit** Coordination with external audit teams (KPMG Sri Lanka & Abacus CPA HK) to perform and finalize annual financial audit on time.

Further Career History & References

Available upon request