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PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

Results-driven finance professional with over 4.5 years of experience across financial analysis, internal and external auditing, budgeting, and compliance. Proven expertise in delivering strategic financial insights through detailed modelling and scenario analysis, with a strong track record in international expansion, investment project evaluation, and risk management. Adept at navigating GAAP and IFRS standards, ensuring regulatory compliance, and enhancing operational efficiency. Skilled in leading audits for high-profile clients and optimizing business processes to reduce risk and drive organizational success. Seeking to leverage strong financial acumen and analytical skills in a Business Analyst, Accountant, or Audit Executive role within the UAE.

KEY SKILLS

- **Financial Analysis:** Expertise in analysing financial data, creating detailed financial models, and deriving actionable insights for decision-making.
- **Internal & External Auditing:** Extensive experience in conducting audits, ensuring compliance, and performing risk assessments.
- **GAAP & IFRS Compliance:** Proficient in applying GAAP and IFRS principles for accurate financial reporting and regulatory compliance.
- **Budgeting & Forecasting:** Skilled in developing and managing budgets, performing financial forecasting, and conducting variance analysis.
- **Financial Valuations:** Adept at performing financial valuations to support investment decisions and strategic planning.
- **Risk Management:** Expertise in identifying, assessing, and mitigating financial and operational risks.
- **Taxation & Regulatory Compliance:** Experienced in handling tax-related issues and ensuring compliance with regulatory standards.

EXPERIENCE

Business Analyst - Star Garments Pvt Ltd | January 2024 – August 2024

- Spearheaded financial modelling and scenario analysis for international expansion projects, providing actionable insights that drove strategic decisions and increased the company's market presence in foreign regions.
- Successfully secured funding for high-value investment projects, ensuring compliance with international financial regulations and optimizing capital deployment.
- Led the entire product development 2+ projects, achieving on-time delivery while maintaining strict quality control, which improved client satisfaction and retention rates.
- Implemented KPI tracking systems that improved operational efficiency, enhancing overall business performance and cost management.
- Performed data-driven business process analysis, identifying bottlenecks and implementing improvements that resulted in reduction in process lead times.
- Collaborated across finance, operations teams to align project financials with business objectives, contributing to the success of strategic initiatives.

Accounts Executive - Ceylex Engineering Pvt Ltd | June 2023 – December 2023

- Prepared and presented accurate monthly and quarterly financial statements for 3+ subsidiaries and multiple projects, ensuring compliance with IFRS standards and internal controls.
- Streamlined financial reporting processes within SAP ERP, enhancing data accuracy and reducing reporting errors.
- Led VAT and corporate tax planning efforts, successfully minimizing tax liabilities, and ensuring adherence to all regulatory requirements.
- Conducted comprehensive cost analysis, driving improvement in cost management and budget adherence across projects.
- Optimized treasury management operations, improving cash flow forecasting accuracy and reducing borrowing costs.

Audit Trainee - Risk and Compliance - R I L Property PLC | March 2022 – May 2023

- Directed internal audits covering financial and operational departments, ensuring compliance with regulatory standards and mitigating potential risks.
- Assessed annual financial reporting disclosures for accuracy and adherence to IFRS standards, helping to avoid financial misstatements and ensuring transparency in reporting.
- Enhanced operational efficiency by conducting detailed process studies and recommending process improvements that reduced non-compliance issues .
- Compiled and presented detailed audit reports to senior management, offering actionable insights that improved internal controls and risk management frameworks.
- Identified high-risk areas through rigorous risk assessments, recommending effective control mechanisms that strengthened overall corporate governance.

Associate 1 - KPMG, Sri Lanka | March 2020 – April 2022

- Led statutory audits for high-profile clients, ensuring compliance with international audit standards (ISA) and regulatory requirements.
- Executed audit procedures, including the testing of internal controls and verification of significant financial statement items, improving audit efficiency and accuracy.
- Delivered financial statements that fully adhered to IFRS and other relevant standards.
- Conducted business process reviews and identified key operational inefficiencies, helping clients improve internal processes and strengthen risk management practices.
- Presented audit findings and strategic recommendations to clients' senior management, earning praise for clarity, depth of analysis, and practical advice that led to process improvements.
- Consistently achieved high levels of client satisfaction, fostering long-term client relationships and enhancing the firm's reputation for delivering top-tier audit services.

EDUCATION

- **Associate Chartered Accountant (ACA)**
Institute of Chartered Accountants of Sri Lanka, Colombo, LK
Membership Pending (Expected 2024)
- **Bachelor of Business Administration (B.B.A.) in Finance (Special)**
University of Colombo, Sri Lanka | Graduated with Second Upper Class Honors