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Certified Azure professional with 8 Years of hands-on experience on Operation, Security, Governance, DevOps Support and other modernization projects on Microsoft Azure.

Key Technical Skills

- ✦ Governance, Administration and Support of Enterprise sized Azure cloud infrastructure
- ✦ **PowerShell** Scripting for Reporting, Management and Automation of Azure Resources
- ✦ Deployment of cloud resources and code using **Azure DevOps CI/CD** Pipelines
- ✦ Azure **Defender for Cloud** Recommendation, **Cost Analysis** and **FinOps**

Work History

Senior Associate @ PwC Service Delivery Center, Bengaluru, India

Duration: April 2022 till Present | Customer Domain – Finance/Insurance and Internal Business

- Collaborated closely with senior architects to develop comprehensive design and configuration documentation for a cutting-edge GenAI solution. This solution integrated advanced services such as Power Platform and OpenAI's ChatGPT hosted on Azure.
- Spearheaded the deployment of a wide array of IaaS and PaaS resources, including VM, Storage Accounts, Service Bus, Function Apps, and Key Vault, utilizing Azure DevOps CI/CD pipelines, ARM and Terraform templates.
- Executed multi-stage C# code deployments into Function Apps, enabling seamless API functionality, while also managing Python code deployments into Web Apps to support diverse AI related project requirements.
- Led the implementation of new repositories and devised strategic branch policies. Orchestrated the creation of fully automated CI/CD pipelines using the classic editor as well as yaml.
- Participated in a proof of concept to demonstrate the build and release pipeline for deploying Docker images into an AKS cluster

Cloud Analytics Sr Analyst @ Accenture Solution Pvt. Limited, Mumbai, India

Duration: April 2020 to March 2022 | Customer Domain – Finance/Insurance/Re-Insurance

- Engaged in Azure Operation BAU, ensuring adherence to ITSM processes for Azure resource governance.
- Utilized pre-configured Azure DevOps Release Pipelines to deploy cloud resources and associated AAD Groups.
- Collaborated with customer's internal Platform Architects on cloud enhancement and governance, conducting comprehensive assessments and impact analyses.
- Remediated over 5000 non-compliant resources using PowerShell Scripts.
- Identified and retired 100+ redundant Azure resources, resulting in a total cost savings of \$40k USD.
- Facilitated the transition of project work to the BAU team and documented new procedures and improvement activities.

Senior Software Analyst/ Engineer @ Capgemini Technology Services India Ltd. Mumbai, India

Duration: May 2018 to April 2020 | Customer Domain – Logistic, Retail & Government

- Engaged as a member of L2 Azure Administrator Team that are responsible for handling incidents and change Request for dozens of Enterprise size customers covering 100+ Subscriptions and Management Groups.
- Also administered Users, Groups, IAM, Devices & Reporting at Azure AD and Intune level.
- Responsible for monitoring Azure security recommendations and worked closely with Offshore security team in order to fix all severities of ASC recommendation & vulnerabilities.

Pre-Sales Executive / Cloud Solution specialist @ Shivaami cloud Services Pvt. Ltd. (A Microsoft Gold partner company & Google Premier Partner), Mumbai, India

Duration: June 2017 to May 2018 | Customer Domain – All

- Supported sales productivity and deal flow by securing the “technical close” in almost every accounts.
- Proactively provided the technical solutions and standard recommendations to senior business decision makers such as IT heads & CXO's
- Worked with Microsoft pre-sales team to design technical training materials for internal sales team to simplify the understanding of Microsoft Cloud products.
- Played a key role in discussing migration procedures & security features about Microsoft cloud products among most of our potential and existing customers.

Technical Support-O365 Engineer @ TechGyan (Microsoft Gold Partner company), Mumbai, India

Duration: July 2016 to May 2017 | Customer Domain – Legal and Media

- Planned, designed, implemented and configured all office 365 components such as SharePoint online, Teams, OneDrive for Business for new and existing business need.
- Administration and troubleshooting support in collaboration with Microsoft support team to all our existing clients.

- Also involved in Training, Pre-sales consulting, requirement gathering, gap – analysis for our potential customers. In addition to this, discovered prospects, demonstrated technical features to the client regarding “How to Increase Your Productivity using Microsoft Cloud SaaS solution”.

Tools Used

- Service Now
- Azure DevOps
- Visual Studio Code
- PowerShell ISE

Awards & Recognition

- Recognized for two consecutive quarters at Shivaami Cloud Services Pvt. Ltd. for achieving outstanding and expeditious technical closures within the sales cycle.
- Promoted from level 11 to level 10 at Accenture within one year, based on exceptional customer feedback highlighting my performance excellence.

Other Skillsets and Portfolio

- RBAC, Azure AD & App Registration
- Azure Policy
- Cost Analysis and FinOps
- Azure Migration discovery
- Integration of CrowdStrike, Dynatrace and Turbonomics with Azure
- Power BI
- Monitoring tool such as Log Analytics Workspace, Logic Monitor, DataDog etc
- IaC such as Terraform, ARM and configuration file such as YAML

Education & Certification

Bachelor of Engineering (Computers)

2008 – 2015

Mahatma Gandhi Mission College of Engineering & Technology
(University of Mumbai), Navi Mumbai, India

AZ-104 : Microsoft Azure Administrator

Valid till September 2023

AZ-400 : Designing and Implementing Microsoft DevOps Solutions

Valid till June 2025

AZ-500 : Microsoft Azure Security Technologies

Valid till June 2025