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Summary

Chief Controller with South Central Railway, experienced in large-scale operations across one of the country's busiest rail networks. Managed freight supply chain and planned traffic for passenger trains and maintenance blocks. Responsible for ₹300 crore in annual freight revenue across the coal and cement sectors over one thousand five hundred kilometres of rail route. Strong focus on safety compliance and cross-functional leadership, with a proven ability to anticipate disruptions and troubleshoot bottlenecks for seamless operations. Bridged operational excellence with digital transformation of the control centre, overseeing digital integration into daily operations.

Professional Experience

Chief Controller | South Central Railway | Hyderabad

- Effectively led railway operations across multiple sections of Secunderabad division over 1,500 km of rail route, ensuring passenger safety and freight efficiency. Oversaw operations for originating revenue of ₹300 crores per annum in cement and coal sector adding 25% efficiency in wagon turn around time
- Streamlined coordination between control office and field units by digitizing rolling block planning from offering and granting to monitoring.
- Drove adoption of predictive maintenance practices and safety trials, embedding them into day-to-day operations. Oversaw Ministerial visits to the field, ensuring operational readiness for new train flag-offs and inaugurations of crew lobbies and sheds.
- Managed contingency planning during cloudbursts and track washouts for freight and passenger traffic, and prevented bottlenecks during wagon loading, unloading, and derailments at industrial sidings through dynamic planning.
- Staff matters of controllers and chief controllers in control office. Advocated for and was instrumental in getting women's resting rooms at the control office.
- Enhanced organizational strength in executing operations of scale highlighting the importance of employee morale in challenging working conditions. Counseled station masters, crew controllers to drive safety compliance and oversaw surprise inspections.

Section Controller | South Central Railway | Hyderabad

- Oversaw round-the-clock daily train operations, balancing freight and passenger priorities in real time over a 500 km section. Utilized in house data extensively for revenue generation to optimize freight loading.
- Negotiated and resolved operational conflicts with adjacent railway zones, preventing disruptions.
- Reduced operational time of complicated shunting. Streamlined multi-department communication under time-sensitive constraints. Leveraged controller's reach to update real-time train tracking for all trains in section.
- Responsible for traffic planning and managing slots for electrification of Vikarabad–Parli route (270 km) and Khanapur–Kalburgi route (100 km). Achieved completion in one year, ahead of expected timeline.
- Accurate planning of manpower to run freight preventing wastage during passenger, mail, and express convoy timings freeing up 10 percent crew wastage.

Assistant coordinator | Ignis Careers | Hyderabad

Trained teachers at partner schools to deliver participatory activity-based life skills programs. Developed curriculum for STEM subjects. Liaised with other organizations to plan training strategies. Drafted reports on engagement and assisted in drafting grant proposals.

Project Fellow | I.I.Sc | Bangalore

Studied samples for determining crystal structure in Central Facility Laboratory, Department of Physics.

Education

M.Sc (Physics) – University of Hyderabad, *Hyderabad* | *India*

Accomplishments and Awards

- Received Railway week award 2022, for meritorious services.
- Received Railway week award 2021, for outstanding services.
- Presented paper in national seminar on English language education, University of Hyderabad, 2018.
- Fast track promoted to Chief Controller in Dec 2021.

License & Certifications

Alliance Francaise, elementary certificate course, Jun-Oct 2007.
Excel for business: Advanced, Coursera, March 2026

Co/Extra-curricular

- Member Junior science club, Quizzes, documentary screening, talks, 2007-2010.
- Theatre, lead actress and asst screenplay for 2 annual university plays. 2007-2008
- Bird watching: documented 308 species and reported 180 checklists in Cornell-ebird as part of citizen science 2016- present.
- Best student award in work experience for all year 2003, Bhavan's Ramakrishna Vidyalaya
- Sports: University Throwball Runners up 2008.