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### **O**BJECTIVE

As an energetic and self-motivated person, my goal is to obtain a role that will provide me challenging opportunities to display my abilities and take me a step beyond my current skill level.

ACADEMIC QUALIFICATIONS			
YEAR	DEGREE	INSTITUTE, CITY	<b>GRADES</b>
2017	Master of Arts (Political Science)	University of Mumbai	63.5%
2007	PG Diploma- Journalism (Print Stream)	Manorama School of Communication, Kottayam	67%
2005	Masters of Arts (English literature)	University of Mumbai	62%
2003	Bachelor of Arts (English literature)	St. Xavier's College, Mumbai	60%
2000	HSC	St. Xavier's College, Mumbai	67%
1998	SSC	Auxilium Convent High School, Mumbai	83%

#### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

### **International News Editing**, (September 2016-Present)

Remote editor, Newsdesk of The Global New Light of Myanmar, Times of Oman, WAM (Emirates News Agency), Vietnam News, Antara News (Indonesia)

- ✓ Copy editing and rewriting news stories, including political stories
- ✓ Formatting stories to ensure it adheres to the style sheet provided
- ✓ Extensive rewriting of feature stories on culture
- ✓ Working on the CMS of news websites
- ✓ Work on the Google Suite to coordinate and liaise with various newsrooms

# The Asian Age, Mumbai, India (June 2014-December 2016)

Senior Sub-Editor, Newsdesk

- ✓ Coordinating and managing the city edition in the absence of the Newseditor
- ✓ Copy editing and rewriting articles for city pages, including Page 1, of Mumbai
- √ Ideating, designing and making pages using QuarkXPress
- ✓ Sourcing and selecting pictures and other infographics for stories
- ✓ Coordinating, designing and writing for weekly culture pages (art, dance)
- ✓ Responsible for content generation for the culture pages

#### Cactus Communications, India (May 2014-June 2014)

Independent Content Writer

- ✓ Was part of a project that involved creating a dictionary for ESL students.
- ✓ Writing meanings and example sentences for each entry word in the dictionary for a word list supplied by the client.

## Serendipity Authors and Editors (SAE), India (February 2014-March 2015)

Independent Academic Content Writer and Story Writer

- ✓ **Study Abroad**: Editing content for students applying abroad for MBA, MS and UG programmes. These included editing and rewriting essays, SOPs, letters of recommendation and resumes.
- Fiction: Creative writing for children's books of all genres; folklore, fables, magical and fairy tales.
- ✓ **Content Creation and Editing:** Preparing activity lessons for school children, study exercises (History, Civics, EVS and English), encyclopaedias and GK books

DNA, Bangalore, India (January 2012-September 2013)

Senior Sub-Editor, Sports

✓ Covering local, national and international sporting events in Bangalore

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- ✓ Copy editing, giving headlines and making local sports pages in Adobe InDesign
- ✓ Covered ODI, Chennai, and T20, Bangalore, between India and Pakistan
- ✓ Covered Ranji matches held in Bangalore

## mid-day, Mumbai, India (May 2010-December 2011)

Senior Sub-Editor, Newsdesk

- ✓ Copy editing and rewriting articles for city pages of Mumbai, Pune and Bangalore
- ✓ Giving attractive headlines, writing captions and providing value addition
- ✓ Making pages in QuarkXPress

## The New Indian Express, Chennai, India (August 2007- February 2010)

Sub-Editor, Sports Desk

- ✓ Copy editing, writing captions, headlines and making sports pages in Indesign
- ✓ Making pages for sports supplement Maxsports in Adobe InDesign and writing articles
- ✓ Covered Chennai Open 2009
- ✓ Covered APRC in Hokkaido, Japan 2008
- ✓ Contributed articles for the features desk

## Compare Infobase Pvt Ltd, Mumbai, India (September 2005-May 2006)

Content Writer

✓ Briefly worked as a content writer for the web development company

## **ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENTS, LANGUAGES & IT SKILLS**

- ✓ Worked on the college lab newspaper 'The Fourth Estate' in various capacities, such as Editor, Subeditor and Reporter
- ✓ Trained in reporting, news editing and speed writing
- ✓ Interviewed then union minister for overseas Indian affairs Vayalar Ravi and Kerala Congress president Ramesh Chennithala
- ✓ Compiled a dissertation on 'Role of Religion in Media' as part of academic project for post graduate diploma (rated the best dissertation within 'English' specialisation)
- ✓ Conducted an investigative project on 'Decline of Football in Kerala'
- ✓ Well-versed in English, Hindi, Malayalam, Tamil and Marathi
- ✓ Proficient in Microsoft Office, touch typing in English, InDesign, Photoshop, and QuarkXPress

## **CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES**

- ✓ Professionally trained in Carnatic music, Bharatnatyam and Nattuvangam
- ✓ Volunteered for 'Akanksha' and taught street children English grammar and Mathematics for a year
- ✓ Volunteered for 'Project Care' organised by our college a programme that entailed adopting a child for two days
- ✓ Volunteered for 'Project Malaria', which involved spreading awareness about the disease in the slums of Mumbai