

SUMMARY

Strategic sustainability and marketing professional with 14+ years of experience driving environmental and social impact initiatives across South Asia. Proven expertise in sustainability governance, ESG reporting, and digital transformation with a track record of scaling programs that reach millions of stakeholders. Award-winning marketer with 5 Cannes Lions and certifications in AI, Sustainability, and General Management (IIM Bangalore). Recognized for translating complex sustainability challenges into actionable strategies that deliver measurable business and social outcomes.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

PROJECT MANAGER, SUSTAINABILITY | HINDUSTAN UNILEVER LTD.

Aug 2022 – Present

Lead comprehensive sustainability initiatives across HUL's value chain, driving measurable environmental and social impact through strategic governance, technology integration, and stakeholder engagement.

- Governance & Operations: Designed and implemented new CSR governance framework, enhancing transparency and enabling data-driven decision making across all CSR projects
- ESG Reporting: Manage comprehensive CSR strategy, compliance, and statutory reporting including annual action plans, CSR policies, and BRSR
- **Carbon Management:** Developed sustainability dashboard tracking Scope 1, 2, and 3 emissions, supporting HUL's net-zero commitments and climate targets
- Digital Innovation: Spearheaded development of comprehensive digital platform for 'Suvidha' community health initiative, integrating CRM, payment systems, inventory management, and impact reporting
- Community Health Impact: Led 'Swasthya Ki Baat' behavioural nutrition program reaching 300,000 mothers and children across 330 villages in Bihar, driving measurable improvements in dietary habits through strategic communication
- **Healthcare Access:** Directed **'Samriddhi'**, pioneering pharmacist-led healthcare initiative targeting non-communicable diseases, engaging **1,000+ pharmacists** across metros cities.

MARKETING MANAGER, SOUTH ASIA UNILEVER INTERNATIONAL

Oct 2019 – Mar 2022 (2 years 6 months)

Led regional marketing strategy for premium personal care portfolio, driving sustainable growth and market expansion across South Asia.

- Portfolio Growth: Scaled premium brand portfolio from ₹7 crores to ₹30 crores in 24 months through strategic brand development and market expansion
- Market Development: Successfully launched and scaled global brands (St. Ives, Brut, Lakmé, Pears, Dove) across South Asia markets
- Strategic Leadership: Managed complete P&L responsibility, brand strategy, and go-to-market execution for international portfolio

ASST. BRAND MANAGER, SOUTH ASIA | HINDUSTAN UNILEVER LTD.

Jan 2018 – Sept 2019 (1 year 9 months)

Drove brand development and market expansion for Surf Excel portfolio across South Asia, focusing on sustainable growth and premiumization.

- Market Turnaround: Successfully relaunched Surf Excel in Sri Lanka and Bangladesh, reversing negative growth trends and accelerating premiumization strategy
- Innovation Leadership: Pioneered launch of Liquid Bars format based on consumer insights and market gap analysis
- Digital Strategy: Developed comprehensive digital marketing strategy addressing regionspecific consumer behaviours and market barriers for Surf Excel Liquids



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TOP SKILLS

- Sustainability Strategy & Reporting
- Digital Innovation
- Corporate Social Responsibility
- Stakeholder Engagement
- Marketing Strategy

CERTIFICATIONS

An Introduction to Al and Sustainability
LinkedIn

Career Essentials in Sustainable Tech
Microsoft and LinkedIn

Master Generative AI: Automate
Content Effortlessly with AI Udemy

Sustainability Foundations: Core
Concepts LinkedIn

EDUCATION

EGMP, General Management

Indian Institute of Management-Bangalore, 2016

MBA (MMS), Marketing

Xavier Institute of Management & Research, Mumbai, 2009

BSC, STATISTICS

St. Xavier's College, Mumbai, 2006

ASST. Brand Manager | Hindustan Unilever Ltd.

Jul 2015 – Dec 2017 (2 years 4 months)

Led strategic brand building for Wheel portfolio in India, delivering sustainable growth through market optimization and consumer engagement.

- **Business Turnaround:** Achieved **double-digit growth**, positive penetration, and market share gains after 5-year decline through strategic marketing mix optimization
- Regional Success: Drove positive business turnaround in Gujarat market after 7 years of stagnation
- Award-Winning Campaign: Led Wheel 'Lo Kar Lo Baat!' 360-degree campaign reaching 20 million consumers in rural markets, achieving: +2,900 bps increase in Top-of-Mind awareness, 97% key message recall, reversed 7% volume decline to 7.5% volume growth, +230 bps penetration increase. 30+ awards including Cannes Lion 2016

SR. Brand Executive at Hindustan Unilever Ltd.

Jan 2014 - Jun 2015 (1 year 6 months)

Pioneered digital innovation initiatives, creating scalable platforms for consumer engagement and brand building.

- Platform Innovation: Launched 'Kan Khajura Tesan' India's first mobile entertainment platform for media-limited consumers, reaching 45+ million users
- **Brand Impact:** Delivered **1,000 + bps** increase in spontaneous awareness and 5% sales growth through innovative content integration
- Recognition: Won 100+ awards including 5 Cannes Lions (2014 & 2016)
- Digital Leadership: Conceptualized and launched 'Krispy' B2C app, pioneering smartphone engagement in emerging markets

Brand Executive at Hindustan Unilever Ltd.

Sep 2011 - Dec 2013 (2 years 4 months)

Managed brand building and market development for Surf Excel portfolio, driving category growth and consumer education.

- Category Development: Successfully launched Surf Excel liquids in emerging Indian market through comprehensive consumer education and sampling programs
- Brand Growth: Relaunch of Surf Excel EasyWash delivered consistent double-digit growth, establishing it as largest brand in Asia
- Cost Optimization: Implemented Low-Cost Business Model (LCBM) reducing value chain costs by 20% while maintaining quality
- Digital Pioneer: Built Surf Excel's social media presence to 15 million Facebook followers in first 18 months

MARKETING EXECUTIVE AT ANCHOR HEALTH & BEAUTY CARE LTD.

Oct 2009 - Aug 2011 (1 year 11 months)

Managed comprehensive sales and marketing operations for personal care portfolio, including team leadership and distributor management.

- Brand Relaunch: Successfully relaunched Anchor Toothpaste and Dyna Soap with new positioning, packaging, and 360° communication strategy
- Market Expansion: Introduced Dyna Soap to Middle East markets, establishing international presence
- Digital Innovation: Pioneered organic social media marketing in 2010-11, achieving 65K+ and 25K+ views respectively without paid promotion
- Sales Leadership: Managed South Mumbai region operations, leading team of 10 sales representatives and 3 distributors

AWARDS & ACHIEVEMENTS

Compass Award 2019 Best Brand and Overall

CEO Award 2018 Best Brand

CEO Award 2017 Winning with Brands and Innovation

cB4L A.R.T. Awards 2016 Mobile First Award for Wheel 'Lo Kar Lo Baat!'

Cannes Lions (5 nos.) Best use of mobile devices for Wheel 'Lo Kar Lo Baat!' In 2016; Creative Effectiveness Award for 'Kan Khajura Tesan' in 2015; Real-time activity, Best use of audio, Best use of mobile devices, Brand or Product Integration into an existing program or platform for 'Kan Khajura Tesan' in 2014

South Asia CCLT Awards 2016 Best Brand Engagement Platform & Best use of Mobile for Wheel 'Lo Kar Lo Baat!'

National Awards for Excellence in Digital Marketing & Social Media 2016

Best use of Digital in Cause Marketing for Surf Excel 'Keep India Clean Campaign'

Unilever Facebook Cannes Creative Competition 2015 for Surf Excel 'Keep India Clean Campaign'

Global Compass Awards 2015 for 'Kan Khajura Tesan'

cB4L Creative Excellence Awards 2014

Mobile Award & Innovative Communication Award for 'Kan Khajura Tesan'

Digital Experimentation Fund Winner of DEF 3.0 for Wheel 'Lo Kar Lo Baat!'; Winner of DEF 2.0 for Digital Couponing

Digital Champion 2013 for Surf Excel - Digital Initiatives

HPC Hero 2013 Home & Personal Care

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