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KEY ACHIEVEMENTS

Business Diversification, Investments and Mergers & Acquisitions

Worked directly with CEO in evaluating new business models, financial forecasts, as well as due diligence work. Lead the presentation to the Board regarding new investments as well as financial advisory role to the Board.

Corporate Proposals – Capital Reduction Exercise and Fund Raising

Lead the finance division and worked with the corporate dept, cossec, legal, auditors and various advisors in completing the capital reduction as well obtaining Bursa and other regulatory bodies for fund the raising.

Business Recovery, divestment

Spearhead the finance team to develop solutions preventing potential PN17 condition. Successfully executed divestment of business and drive the turnaround plan and implementation of cost-saving initiatives from thereon.

Team Leader for Data Collection, Accrual Accounting in MoF

Was a team leader for the data compilation across ministries, provide project management as well as training in accrual accounting.

Audit Committee Report for PLCs and Review of Financial Processes

Was involved as key team members in preparation of Audit Committee Report to the Board of listed companies, such as Maxis and TNB.

WORK EXPERIENCE

Group Financial Controller – PDZ HOLDINGS BHD. [since 2015]

Financial Management and Bursa Reporting, Business Development, Corporate Finance, Treasury and Risk Management.

Manager, Risk Assurance Services – PwC (Advisory) [2012-2015]

Accounting Advisory & Data Collection, Project Management Office & Change Management, Training and Development.

Audit Manager – PwC Malaysia (Assurance) [2008-2012]

Audit Committee reports to Board of Audit Committee, Statutory Financial Audit, Corporate Advisory Services and System & Process review.

EDUCATION

Chartered Accountants Australia and New Zealand [CA ANZ]

University of Adelaide. South Australia [2005-2007]

Bachelor of Commerce (Accounting & Corporate Finance)

INTEC, UiTM [2003-2004]

Australian Matriculation – TER score 94.5

Kolej Yayasan Saad Melaka [2001-2002]

Sijil Pelajaran Malaysia – 9As

PROFILE

Independent, resourceful, finance leader with over 10 years of experience in a publicly listed conglomerate. Proven record in handling Board reporting and successfully driving the implementation of various initiatives. My aim is to create and deliver value to any organisation that I work in by being honest, agile, open minded and to encourage teamwork and high performing culture within the organisation.

SKILLS

Microsoft Excel, Word, PowerPoint
Analytical thinking, Teamwork
Strategic thinking, Risk management

HOBBIES

Gardening
Cycling

REFERENCE

Available upon request

JOB SCOPE

- Leadership role over all accounting operations including billing and revenue recognition, A/R, A/P, GL, inventory & cost accounting. Work with internal auditor to ensure quality control over financial transactions and accurate financial reporting. Key person in development and documentation of business processes and accounting policies to maintain and strengthen internal control.
- Oversee and direct the preparation of the budget/financial forecasts and variance report, preparation of monthly financial reports, quarterly reporting and preparedness for year-end audit.
- Responsible for all regulatory reporting to Bursa, GST/SST filing, and annual income tax filings. Key officer in monitoring compliance for all legal and regulatory documents.
- Plays advisory role to the Board on decisions about financial policy and strategy, including any risk governance issues and ESG matters. Key person in reviewing financial reports and any initiative for cost reduction identification of revenue leakages.
- Lead the finance function in M&A projects (deal sourcing, due diligence) which also include corporate exercises and liaising with financial institutions/bankers and other advisors. Identify and address financial risks and opportunities for the company.

HIGHLIGHTS OF PROJECT INVOLVEMENTS

CORPORATE EXERCISE & BUSINESS TRANSFORMATION

Party : PDZ Holdings Bhd
Role : Leadership team
Team size : 5 to 7

In 2021, I led the finance function in completing the prospectus for the Company to raise RM43 million cash via issuance of new shares through listing at Bursa Malaysia. In 2017, I led the finance team in the planning and execution of the divestment of the legacy business which included the staff retrenchment program, as well as closure of nation-wide branches all over Malaysia, with the aim to consolidate all finance and administrative processes back to Headquarters.

JANM: ACCRUAL ACCOUNTING

Party : Jabatan Akauntan Negara, MOF
Role : Project Leader
Team size : 6 to 18

The key objective was to act as the subject matter expert to JANM in their transition journey towards accrual accounting. The main project scope involved performing gap analysis and developing the overall strategy to collect data for the first set of financial statements under the accrual basis. During the execution stage, the team was providing project management assistance, performing data collection and verification across 6 pilot ministries for selected areas such as fixed assets, inventories, financial assets and financial liabilities.

PROJECT DAISY: ACCOUNTING ADVISORY

Party : Maxis Berhad
Role : Project Manager
Team size : 4

The project involved advising client on the accounting and financial impact on restructuring and refinancing of their RM6.7 billion long-term debt "Sukuk Musharakah". Other deliverables included the review of pro-forma Statement of Financial Position and Statement of Comprehensive Income for the alternatives refinancing options.

BURSA REPORTING & STATUTORY AUDIT

Parties : Maxis Berhad, Tenaga Nasional Berhad & Mesiniaga
Role : Audit Manager
Team size : 8-10

The audit entailed a thorough review and understanding of the business and finance processes across financially significant areas such as treasury, procurement, payment processing, payables as well as asset management. Other area normally covered under financial audit is verification of the cash flow forecasts which comprised of checking the reliability of data and challenging the key assumptions used in the cash flow model. All the financial information was also audited to be in compliance with the Malaysian Financial Reporting Standard (MFRS).