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With over 12 plus years of experience in the IT industry, I have extensive expertise in managing Oracle, Microsoft SQL Server, and PostgreSQL databases. Throughout my career, I have primarily focused on Oracle and Microsoft SQL Server Database Administration, overseeing various Oracle database versions from 9i to 19c Including High availability RAC, Data guard advanced security implementations, upgradation and migrations, and managing Microsoft SQL Server databases including WFCI and Always on availability groups implementation of Transparent Data Encryption. Additionally, I have significant experience in PostgreSQL database management, complementing my proficiency in Oracle and SQL Server. This includes expertise in Stream replication, high availability Cluster using PGpool and BARMAN for backup and point in time recovery. My experience spans across different operating systems such as Linux, AIX, Windows, and Solaris servers. I have a proven track record of efficiently managing and optimizing databases, ensuring their smooth performance and reliability

INDUSTRIES: Banking and Finance

TECHNICAL SKILLS

• ORACLE Database	12 years & 6 months
• RMAN Backup & Recovery	12 years & 6 months
• Performance Tuning	10 years & 11 months
• CLUSTERING	8 years
• database security	8 years & 5 months
• MS SQL DBA	6 years & 3 months
• PostgreSQL	2 years & 3 months

PROJECT DETAILS

• SQL Server Always on — November-2023 - January-2024

Project Description: Configured SQL Server Cluster with Always on availability Group.
Responsibilities: Responsibility Include, Configuring SQL Server High Availability Cluster with Always on availability group for several critical databases in our bank.
Technologies: Microsoft SQL Server 2019
Industry: Banking and Finance

• Oracle RAC Implementation — January-2016 - February-2016

Project Description: Configured 2 Nodes Oracle Real Application Cluster 11g Version on IBM Power 8 Machines on AIX Operating System.
Responsibilities: Design, Deploy, Implemented Oracle RAC as an Oracle Consultant and also provide support after implementation.
Technologies: 11g
Industry: Banking and Finance

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

• Senior DBA — July-2020 - May-2024

Description: Database administrative tasks, Implementation of High availability, Performance & Tuning, Backup and Recovery, Disaster Recovery and other day to day administrative tasks.

• Lead DBA July-2020 - March-2024

Dubai Islamic Bank Pakistan

Description: • Manage DBA team to ensure smooth operations of banking services • Coordination with Database vendors for Database related services according to the SLAs. • Responsible to maintain data confidentiality and cascade to the team members. • Keep vigilant eyes on team members for day-to-day activities. • Ensure uptime of core database availability 24/7. • Ensure systems are compiled as per the banks policy and regulatory compliance. • Coordinate with external and internal auditors and ensure proper compliance. • Ensure database availability at DR site all times. • Ensure backups are kept in fireproof cabinet with all system passwords as well under sealed envelopes. • Ensure backup restoration process testing periodically. • Coordinate with Head of IT Operations for infrastructure upgrades proactively. • Recommend proactively for Database server/storage enhancement. • Ensure timely upgrades of core Database versions with latest security patches. • Be part of budget activity and share the road map of servers and it upgrades based on business growth. • Ensure that changing done on the core are documented and tested before moving into production. • Ensure change request are duly signed by all stakeholders. • Primary role is to protect database from loss or corruption, to make data easily ACCESSIBLE when required. • Backup all data and produce plans of recovery that best suit industry techniques. • A Database Administrator can work to reduce the risks posed to the security of a system if they recognize the initial weaknesses of the database software. • Capacity planning for databases. • Working closely with IT project managers, database programmers.

CERTIFICATION

• Microsoft Certified: Azure Database Administrator Associate. by Microsoft 2023

• Postgres Database Administration by Koenig Solutions pvt LTD 2023

• Oracle Autonomous Database Cloud 2019 Certified Specialist by Oracle Corporation 2020

• Oracle Cloud Infrastructure 2019 Certified Architect Professional by Oracle Corporation 2020

EDUCATION

• Masters degree in Science and Information Technology from PIMSAT 2013 - 2015

LANGUAGES

• English - intermediate

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