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WordPress Developer

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Professional Summary

Detail-oriented WordPress Developer with over 5 years of experience in building scalable, performant, and reusable WordPress themes and plugins. Proficient in PHP, MySQL, and front-end technologies including HTML5, CSS3, JavaScript, and React.js. Adept in collaborating with design teams, performing QA, and adhering to deployment standards. Strong experience working with REST APIs, version control systems, and hosting environments like AWS and WPEngine. Known for delivering high-quality code and resolving bugs efficiently.

Core Skills

Languages/Backend: PHP, MySQL, REST API (JSON, XML)

Frontend: HTML5, CSS3, JavaScript, React.js

WordPress: Custom themes & plugins, ACF, CPTs, hooks & filters, Gutenberg

Performance: Accessibility, Lighthouse, Core Web Vitals, CSS methodologies (BEM, SMACSS)

Tools: Git, Bitbucket, Jira, WP CLI, SSH, cPanel

Hosting: WPEngine, Bluehost, AWS (EC2, RDS, S3)

Deployment: CI/CD (GitHub Actions, FTP), Staging workflows

Soft Skills: Strong communication, proactive problem-solving, agile collaboration

Professional Experience

Senior WordPress Developer

E42.AI – Remote / Pune, India / Apr 2022 – Present

- Built and maintained reusable Elementor-based templates and custom blocks.
- Integrated RESTful APIs for dynamic content rendering and third-party app tracking.
- Developed custom plugins for lead capture, form customization, and conditional content display.

- Implemented QA cycles, bug fixes, and optimization recommendations provided by senior engineers.
- Collaborated in daily standups, sprint planning, and stakeholder demos.
- Managed Git-based deployments to AWS EC2 environments with environment-specific configs.

Key Achievements:

- Reduced site load time by 35% by optimizing assets and implementing lazy loading.
- Migrated legacy theme to modern Gutenberg blocks while ensuring full backwards compatibility.

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Neurosofttech –Pune, India / Oct 2020 – Feb 2022

- Translated UI/UX designs from Figma to responsive WordPress layouts.
- Built and maintained custom plugins for CRM integrations and advanced contact forms.
- Performed cross-browser QA, accessibility audits, and performance optimizations.
- Managed deployments on Bluehost and WP Engine environments.
- Wrote documentation and created reusable component libraries.

Key Achievements:

- Built 15+ high-traffic marketing websites with SEO and performance best practices.
- Created a plugin that reduced manual content entry by automating REST API sync.

Web Developer

Pangea ITES Pvt. Ltd –Pune, India / Jan 2019 – Sep 2020

- Developed and maintained company websites using WordPress, ensuring responsiveness and SEO optimization.
- Customized themes and plugins based on client requirements.
- Worked closely with designers and backend developers to integrate APIs and dynamic content.
- Handled deployments and version control using Git.

Key Achievements:

- Successfully delivered 10+ client websites with custom functionalities and high performance.
- Reduced page load times by optimizing images, scripts, and using caching plugins.

Education

Diploma in Computer Engineering

Dnyanganga Polytechnic, Pune | 2015 – 2018

Projects

Custom WordPress Plugin for Dynamic API Forms

- Created a plugin that pulls form fields from a REST API and dynamically renders them in the front-end. Enabled JSON/POST response handling and conditional UI rendering.

WooCommerce Custom Checkout Module

- Customized checkout flow with conditional fields and third-party logistics tracking integration.

Certifications

- WordPress Theme Development – Udemy
- Advanced JavaScript – FreeCodeCamp
- Git Version Control – LinkedIn Learning