# ARAFAT AL-GOHARY

## **Marketing & Sales Manager**

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An established Marketing & Sales Manager with 19+ years of experience in the Advertising, FMCG, and Cosmetics fields. With a proven track record of success looking to lead or join an innovative and dynamic team. Selfmotivated, I approach each challenge with an open mind Innovative thinking, often thinking outside the box, having deep knowledge in the marketing space position me to deliver sought-after results while utilizing multiple marketing channels. Capable of efficiently expanding companies' market shares through developing, executing, and measuring strategic marketing & sales. As well as driven management in marketing campaigns /generating new products/digital marketing, improving brand awareness successfully from conception to completion

# Experience:-

### National Marketing & Sales Manager

Saudi Mais Medical co. (FMCG + Cosmetics)

03/2019 - Present

Dammam, Saudi Arabia

#### ► Responsibilities: -

- ✓ Overseeing and Developing implementation of the marketing strategy, and brand strategy for new and existing products targeting both offline and online consumers
- ✓ Execute and Develop online campaigns, events, automated digital marketing, and PR and tracking campaign effectiveness and adjusting strategies accordingly
- ✓ Maintaining a strong online company voice through social media to improve the reputation and recognition of the brand
- ✓ Planning, executing and improving Web, SEO/SEM, Email, and advertising campaigns with appropriate keywords
- ✓ Experience in handling (Google Analytics, WebTrends, Google Adwords, etc.) with internet marketing tools according to internet marketing trends.
- ✓ Generating the creative content idea, and advertising for digital and traditional marketing efforts to increase public awareness of the brand.
- ✓ Negotiated new contracts with vendors, saving the marketing budget 650.000 S.R annually
- ✓ Develop sales and marketing plans to raise the company's market share in the target markets
- ✓ Forming various departments and assisting the projects.
- ✓ Participation and preparation in new feasibility studies and estimated budgets and balance sheets
- ✓ Conducting marketing research for the company's current items and new items
- ✓ Create new items (Private Label) from idea to completion
- ✓ Improved Marketing ROI and website performance including bounce rate, visitors on site, and conversions. And performance indicators (KPIs)
- ✓ Interacted regularly with stakeholders and customers.

### Marketing & Sales Manager

11/2011 - 03/2019

Sweet Water Ltd. Co. (FMCG)

Dammam, Saudi Arabia

### ► Responsibilities: -

✓ Undertake continuous analysis of the competitive environment and consumer trends, making adjustments as needed to be nimble with an ever-changing market.

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- ✓ Recruited and trained 36+ marketing and sales specialists, empowered and motivated my team (RSM/ASM /SV/SM)Working closely with the company's sales and marketing team, enabling them to meet their objectives by providing them with opportunities and ensuring better coverage, higher levels of distribution
- ✓ Improving overall sales targets by 40% while maintaining 88% in employees with balanced the costing
- ✓ Directed the launch of 5 new products lines, with total annual revenue of 3M SR
- ✓ Developed the promotional campaign by bundling products together, increasing sales revenue 40% on average.
- ✓ Analyses, Plan, and implement marketing & sales strategy in line with sales target and production forecast and determine it annually and monthly effectively to achieve the company's goals
- ✓ Establish the marketing and sales budget and marketing plans, follow up on it
- ✓ Design, plan and execute effective marketing campaigns, and establish the appropriate media and advertising to achieve marketing objectives
- ✓ Organizing and following Conferences, Festivals, and Exhibitions sections
- ✓ Use CRM systems (Customer Relationship Management), Maintain relations with customers and Identify target customers and their classification and understand their requirements
- ✓ Follow competitors' prices, promotions, and advantages and have a vision of any new threats, challenges & competitors' activities
- ✓ Make the reports that are useful to the work (contracts with customers monthly sales proposal the proposed development of the area in full -the development of customer sales customer sales Report classification customer sales comparisons and ratios developed)
- ✓ An ongoing follow-up to ensure credit limit, aging & days of credit per customer.
- ✓ Pay periodical visits to key accounts to maintain good business relationships and represent a positive image of the company.
- ✓ Develop a manual of policies and procedures for sales and marketing

### Regional Sales Manager

05/2011 - 11/2011

Crystal Arabian Group. (FMCG)

Dammam, Saudi Arabia

- ✓ Manage the Branch for sales, warehouse, personnel, procurement, and accounts
- ✓ Hire, coach, and empower my team to achieve their objectives for sales
- ✓ Creation and execution of the annual, and monthly sales plan in line with forecasted growth targets
- ✓ Determine the monthly demand and annual demand is expected (Forecast).
- ✓ Make the reports that are useful to the work
- ✓ Achieve the annual and the monthly company target in terms of Sales, coverage, and distribution according to the annual & monthly plans
- ✓ Ongoing follow up to ensure credit limit, aging & days of credit per customer
- ✓ Setting the optimum pricing levels and discount rates.

#### Sales Supervisor Retail & S-M

06/2004 - 05/2011

Danya Foods Ltd. (Arla Foods Co.) (FMCG) (Lurpak –puck –Dano Milk..)

Dammam, Saudi Arabia

- ✓ Direct supervision of salesman and provide the necessary support to enable them to develop the company's sales
- ✓ Setting sales targets for the sales supervisors to achieve and follow-up
- ✓ Manage all the staff in the branch, and merchandiser team and develop their skills
- ✓ Follow up on the market daily and work on the Status of competing product reports
- ✓ Setting sales targets for the sales team to achieve and follow-up
- ✓ Preparation of annual, monthly, and daily plans for marketing, sales, and field visits and goals required for company customers and supervising and participating in the implementation

#### Supermarket Representative

05/2003 - 05/2004

Mansour Distribution Co (FMCG)

Cairo, Egypt

• Retail Representative

07/2002 – 05/ 2003

Mansour Distribution Co (FMCG)

Cairo, Egypt

# **Education:**-

• - Master of Business Administration, MBA

2019 - 2022

EBU University – Entrepreneurship & Business

• - Bachelor of Commerce, Accounting

1997 - 2001

Cairo University

# Personal Skills:-

| <ul> <li>Negotiation / Communication / Interpersonal</li> </ul>    | <ul> <li>Supervisory &amp; Management</li> </ul>          |
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| <ul> <li>Creating or changing business environment</li> </ul>      | <ul> <li>Problem-solving &amp; Decision making</li> </ul> |
| <ul> <li>Building high-performance teams.</li> </ul>               | <ul> <li>Work under pressure</li> </ul>                   |
| <ul> <li>Effectiveness in the workplace and Flexibility</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Vision, Development, Guidance</li> </ul>         |
| <ul> <li>Ability to lead and motivate sales staff</li> </ul>       | <ul> <li>Self-confidence, ability to convince</li> </ul>  |
| <ul> <li>Entrepreneurial spirit</li> </ul>                         | <ul> <li>Tact and good-looking</li> </ul>                 |
| <ul> <li>Dynamic personality</li> </ul>                            | <ul> <li>Organizational and time management</li> </ul>    |

# Certificates:-

| Date | Certificate                           | Place                  |
|------|---------------------------------------|------------------------|
| 2010 | English Business conversations        | Direct English Academy |
| 2016 | leadership and supervisory skills     | Electronic University  |
| 2016 | E-Marketing skills                    | Electronic University  |
| 2016 | Sales skills                          | Electronic University  |
| 2020 | Customer Service - Know your Customer | Electronic University  |
| 2020 | Preparing media campaigns             | Ethrai - KSA           |

# Personal Information:-

• Knowledgeable with MS Office: (Word, Excel, PowerPoint....)

Best regards,

Arafat Al Gohary