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IT Specialist · Automation

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IT specialist with nearly five years inside UAE companies, from site networks, CCTV and biometric systems to building web systems for the office. I build CRMs, HR and IT portals and approval workflows with AI as my coding partner (Node.js and PHP), and I keep the IT behind them running. I am looking for IT and automation roles in the UAE, Saudi Arabia and beyond.

EXPERIENCE

IT Specialist (sole IT person)

Sep 2026 – Present

Property development company, UAE

- Run all IT for the company and its residential projects as the only IT person: network, devices, email, and day-to-day support for staff.
- Developed and maintain the sales CRM: unit inventory, offers, reservations, payment plans, approvals and PDF documents.
- Prototyping a digital payment-certificate approval route to replace hard-copy signing (demo stage).

Founder, custom engraved gifts business

Jul 2025 – Aug 2026

Own business, UAE

- Made personalised engraved and printed gifts with fiber laser, UV laser (EzCad), heat press and sublimation: more than 350 custom products.
- Sold online through Amazon, Noon, Etsy, Temu, TikTok, Instagram and an own website, and opened a mall kiosk.
- Handled listings, orders, customers and branding from start to finish.

Site IT and Operations (started as Office Clerk)

Oct 2020 – Jul 2025

Contracting company, UAE

- Moved from the office to the site team. Installed and looked after CCTV, biometric attendance and sliding-door systems, network cabling and IT racks.
- Set up new staff with their IT and guided users on the company ERP.
- Ran site operations: labour attendance, material requests and inventory, supplier follow-up, daily reports to management, labour and quality control.
- Looked after labour accommodation and followed up with the document controller.
- Built the company's online presence: website, hosting and business email, company profile, logo and QR code, social media and site walkthrough videos.

Maintainer

Before moving to the UAE

Pakistan

- Building and office maintenance work. Good practical knowledge of office renovation and fit-out.

SELECTED PROJECTS

Sales CRM Node.js · SQLite	Unit inventory, offers, reservations, payment plans, approvals and PDF output. In daily use by the sales team.
HR and IT portal PHP · MySQL	Visa, Emirates ID and passport expiry tracking, role-based access, IT assets and email-to-ticket support.
Payment certificate approvals Workflow · demo	Digital route Purchase, Site, QS, Operations, MD, CEO, Accounts, with a notification at each step. Sample data.
Windows utilities Small tools	LAN file sharing setup, Autodesk and Office deep-clean uninstaller, AI comparison tool.

SKILLS

Hands-on IT

Networking and cabling · CCTV · Biometric access control · Hosting and business email · WordPress sites · Windows setup and support

Built with AI as my coding partner

Node.js apps · PHP portals · SQLite and MySQL · Automation workflows · AI-assisted development

Also

Fiber and UV laser engraving · Sublimation printing · Office renovation and fit-out · E-commerce selling