Vimlesh Sonawane

PROJECT MANAGEMENT | BUSINESS ANALYSIS | OPERATIONS

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SUMMARY

Versatile project manager and business analyst with experience delivering creative programs, improving operations, and managing construction projects. Skilled in defining scope and requirements, planning schedules, budgets, and resources, tracking performance and risks, analysing data to identify bottlenecks, redesigning processes and SOPs, and coordinating cross-functional teams and stakeholders. MS in Project Management, Northeastern University (2024-2026), PMI GAC Scholar, pursuing the PMP. BE in Civil Engineering.

CORE SKILLS

Planning and Delivery: Scope, WBS, scheduling, budgets, risk management, Agile and hybrid delivery - 3 partner launches delivered on time at MadeINcubator, 6 new program concepts developed, one Asana tracker maintained across finance, content, and marketing.

Business Analysis: Requirements elicitation, stakeholder interviews, KPI and dashboard analysis to identify bottlenecks, root cause analysis - applied at Amazon to raise operational efficiency by 20%.

Operations and Process Improvement: SOP redesign (Lean Six Sigma), SLA tracking and workflow improvement - 5 SOPs redesigned, rework down 15%, 98% SLA accuracy across 500+ cases at Amazon; in construction, two projects delivered on time within $180K, 8 subcontractors and 35+ personnel coordinated, zero safety incidents, procurement costs down 8% on $110K+ in spend.

Stakeholders and Programs: Cross-functional coordination, partner launches, content and marketing coordination, venue and event planning, sponsorship development - Rooted & Rising planned for a two-floor, 250-seat venue; 5-tier sponsorship model built for a 350+ attendee summit.

Tools: Asana, Jira, MS Project, Primavera P6, Smartsheet, Procore, Excel, AutoCAD; KPI dashboards, Tableau, Power BI, R, Python

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Project Manager (Co-op) - MadeINcubator, Boston — Jan - Jun 2026

Creative field - Boston's first BIPOC-focused fashion incubator

- Delivered **3 partner launches on time** with JPMorgan Chase, GBH News, and the Museum of African American History, coordinating scope, timelines, and stakeholders for each launch.
- Ran weekly leadership reviews and maintained one Asana tracker across finance, content, and marketing, keeping priorities, owners, and deadlines visible.
- Planned a two-floor, 250-seat venue for Rooted & Rising, a Black History Month artist talk, and resolved setup, load-in, and accessibility risks before opening day.
- Built a 5-tier sponsorship model ($500-$10K) for a 350+ attendee summit, and developed **6 new program concepts** for leadership review.

Investigation Specialist, IP Infringement Prevention - Amazon, Bangalore, India — 2021 - 2024

- Used business analysis in role: analysed KPI dashboards to find bottlenecks in IP enforcement workflows, and the process fixes that followed raised operational efficiency by **20%**.
- Worked with Legal and operations teams to redesign **5 SOPs** through root cause analysis, cutting rework by **15%**.
- Held **98% SLA accuracy across 500+ cases**, and served as a point of contact for legal teams, brand partners, and rights owners.
- Contributed frontline case insights to an AI-powered IP detection model. Received the Most Valued Player Award.

Assistant Project Manager - Evolution Properties, Pune, India — To 2021

- Delivered two concurrent residential projects from initiation to handover, on time and within a **$180K budget** through COVID-19, managing scope, schedule, and cost across both sites.
- Directed **8 subcontractors and 35+ site personnel**, holding **zero safety incidents** through daily toolbox talks and stage-wise quality inspections.
- Cut procurement costs by **8% on $110K+ in spend** by renegotiating vendor contracts and sourcing locally during supply shortages, using sustainable materials while maintaining quality.

PROJECTS AND GRADUATE WORK

Portfolio and coursework projects - not employer work, and not a separate data analyst role. Case studies, demos, and code: vimleshsonawane.com.

Business Flow Improvement - Boston 311 (2024) Portfolio project

- Analysed **306,756** real Boston 311 requests (76.5% on time): Parking Enforcement and Pothole Repair were **54% of overdue work from 24% of volume**. Built a flow, intake, quality, and reporting plan with a roadmap and Smartsheet tracker.

Agile SaaS Onboarding Rollout Portfolio project

- Created a three-sprint Agile rollout plan, backlog, RAID log, and retrospective aimed at cutting onboarding from 21 days to a 10-day target, from kickoff to go-live readiness.

What Drives Prime Video's Share of US TV Time? - Analytics Project, Education and Portfolio Portfolio project

- Analysed five years of Nielsen data and **17,400+ Netflix titles** in Python and Tableau: new Prime Video share highs since 2023 came during live sports, game nights ran **68% above the monthly average**, and baseline share grew 31% outside sports months.

Regression Studies in R Northeastern coursework, 2025

- **Social media, mental health, and sleep:** survey of **705 students** - usage predicted addiction (r = 0.83); addiction tracked with worse mental health (R-squared 0.89) and ~30 minutes less sleep per point.
- **NYC restaurant inspections:** regression on about **269,000 inspections** across 5 boroughs - severity drove scores far more than location (about a 5-point gap for critical violations).
- **NYC motor vehicle collisions:** cleaned 100,000 crashes to **65,602 complete records**; vehicle count and hour were significant predictors, with only 1.8% of variation explained. Part of **13 R analytics projects**.

Costco Expansion - Schedule and Cost Plan Northeastern case study

- Built the complete WBS, schedule, and cost plan for a warehouse build: an **$11.98M cost baseline** over a 1,088-day critical path, a $2.2M contingency reserve, and a risk register.

EARLIER EXPERIENCE

Project Coordinator Intern and Co-founder - Pune, India To 2021

- **Project Coordinator Intern, Sai Enterprise:** Prevented 5 work stoppages by tracking deliveries across 6 trades.
- **Co-founder, Vastushree Developers:** Site feasibility, land acquisition, and joint development agreements; managed scope, schedule, and cost on three small projects to handover.

EDUCATION

MS in Project Management - Northeastern University, Boston 2024 - 2026
PMI GAC Scholar - selected by PMI's Global Accreditation Center. Analytics projects above were part of graduate study.

BE in Civil Engineering - Savitribai Phule Pune University 2016 - 2020
Sinhgad Institute of Technology and Science, Pune, India.

CERTIFICATIONS

- **Project Management Professional (PMP)** - Project Management Institute - in progress, expected 2026
- **Procore Certified Project Manager** - Procore Technologies - Financial Management, Quality & Safety, Resource Planning and Tracking
- **Lean Six Sigma White Belt** - Council for Six Sigma Certification; **Generative AI Overview for Project Managers** - PMI; **Data Visualisation: Empowering Business with Effective Insights** - Tata
- **Project Management: Preventing Scope Creep** and **Requirements Elicitation for Business Analysis** - LinkedIn Learning

AWARDS

- **GAC Scholar, 2026** - PMI Global Accreditation Center; **Most Valued Player Award** - Amazon

PUBLICATION

Utilization of Rice Husk Ash and Glass Fibre for Eco-Friendly Concrete - Int. Journal of Future Generation Communication and Networking, July 2020. Tested mixes at 7 and 28 days; optimum was 5% rice husk ash with 1% glass fibre, at 53.77 N/mm2.