Akhter Hussain

Backend Developer | PHP & Laravel | Team Lead | 5+ Years of Experience

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PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

Results-driven Backend Developer with **5+ years of experience** in PHP and Laravel, currently leading a development team. Specialized in building clean, secure, and scalable REST APIs and complete admin panels for web and mobile applications across healthcare, on-demand services, logistics, and e-commerce. Delivered production systems live on Google Play and the web, with third-party integrations including Razorpay, Stripe, PayPal, Firebase, WebSockets, Twilio, and JotForm. Strong in code quality, testing, deployment, and cross-team coordination.

CORE SKILLS

Backend: PHP, Laravel, REST API Development, MVC Architecture, Admin Panel Development, Caching Optimization

Frontend & JavaScript: JavaScript, jQuery, Ajax, React.js, Node.js

Integrations: Razorpay, Stripe, PayPal, Twilio, Firebase Push Notifications, WebSockets, JotForm, PDFtk

Tools & Practices: Git, GitHub, VPS and Shared Hosting Deployment, Unit / Integration / End-to-End Testing, Code Review, Technical Documentation

AI-Assisted Development: Claude, Claude Code, ChatGPT, AI Coding Agents, Prompt Engineering

Leadership: Team Leadership, Project Planning, Delivery Management, Mentoring

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Software Engineer (PHP Team Lead)

Excent Solutions, Mohali, Punjab | June 2024 – Present | excentsolutions.com

- Lead the design, development, and maintenance of backend applications using PHP and Laravel.
- Architect and deliver secure, scalable REST APIs and complete admin panels for all client applications.
- Deploy and manage projects on shared and VPS hosting environments.
- Monitor project progress, ensure on-time delivery, and coordinate with the development team.
- Independently manage long-term production projects: Waayzy (built from scratch, since 2023), Ori (since 2023), and Baisakhi Open WCG (since 2022).
- Delivered live products on Google Play and the web, including Waayzy, Ori, DTF Books, and Athviq.

Software Engineer (Senior Developer)

Excent Solutions, Mohali, Punjab | July 2023 – June 2024

- Implemented clean, well-structured backend logic using PHP and Laravel.
- Performed unit, integration, and end-to-end testing to ensure code quality and reliability.
- Managed code repositories with Git and version control best practices.
- Documented application designs, code structures, and development processes.

Jr. Software Engineer

Excent Solutions, Mohali, Punjab | July 2021 – June 2023

- Collaborated with the team to understand project requirements and objectives.
- Wrote clean, maintainable code following industry best practices.
- Built responsive, user-friendly interfaces from design specifications.
- Participated in code reviews and applied feedback to continuously improve code quality.

KEY PROJECTS

Waayzy – On-Demand Service Booking Platform (Customer App, Partner App, Website) | 2023 – Present
Built from scratch in 2023 and independently managed since. All-in-one platform for booking trusted everyday services, connecting users with verified professionals nearby in real time using WebSockets and Firebase push notifications. Built the Laravel backend with REST APIs, Razorpay payments, caching optimization, and the complete admin panel.
Website: waayzy.com | Google Play – Customer App | Google Play – Partner App

Ori – Child Emotional Wellbeing App (MaxisHealth Inc, USA) | 2023 – Present
Long-term project since 2023, independently managing the backend and admin. Science-backed app helping parents and caregivers manage children's emotional challenges with real-time coping tools, personalized strategies, progress tracking, and sleep and diet logs. Built the Laravel backend with secure REST APIs and developed the complete admin panel to manage users, content, plans, and child progress.
Live on Google Play: Ori – MaxisHealth

DTF Books – E-Commerce Store (Birmingham, UK)
Online store for books, turbans, and cultural gifts with extensive category management, product catalog, cart, and order handling. Developed the backend and complete admin panel to manage products, categories, orders, and content.
Website: dtfbooks.com

Athviq – Gym & Athletic Wear E-Commerce Store
Online store for premium gym and athletic apparel with product catalog, cart, and order handling. Developed the backend and complete admin panel to manage products, orders, and content.
Website: athviq.com

Truck, Driver & Company Management System
Management system for trucking operations covering drivers, trucks, companies, license applications, and IRP/IFTA processing. Implemented dynamic, database-driven DMV PDF generation and editing using PDFtk. Developed the complete Laravel backend and admin panel.

Baisakhi Open WCG – Golf Tournament Platform | 2022 – Present
Long-term project since 2022, independently managed and updated for the tournament held every year. Platform with online player registration. Built the Laravel website and admin panel to manage registrations, groupings, scoreboards, and announcements; integrated JotForm for registration and PayPal for secure payments.
Website: baisakhiopenwcg.com

EDUCATION

B.Tech, Computer Science
Rayat Bahra University, Mohali, Punjab | Graduated July 2021 | CGPA: 8.05