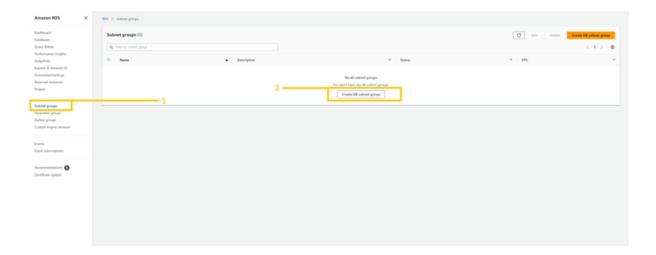
◆ RDS and Route 53

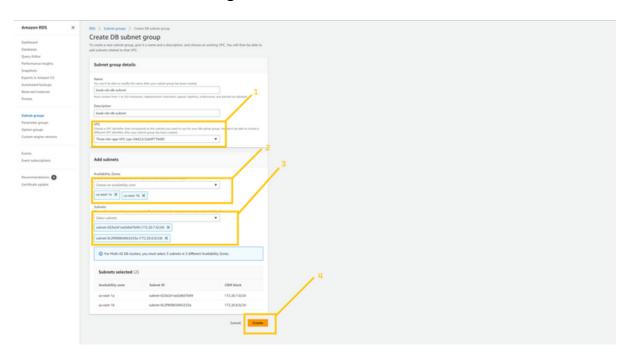
Now we are going to set up a database for our application. And for that, we are going to utilize the RDS service of AWS. So let's head over to the RDS dashboard. Just search RDS in the AWS console. And click on the service.



Now first we need to set up a subnet group. It specifies in which subnet and Availability zone out database instance will be created. So click on the subnet group button on the left panel. And click on the button Create database subnet group which is in the middle of the web page.



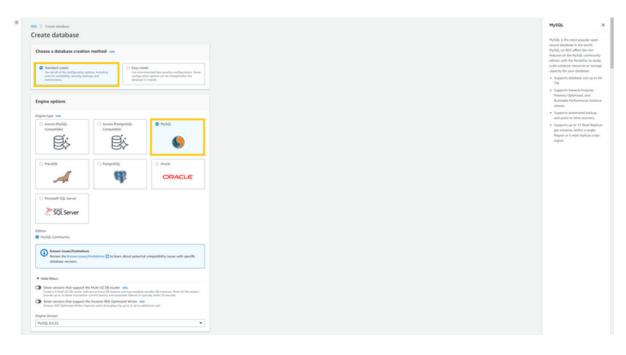
Here we can configure our VPC, subnet, and availability zone. Give any name to your subnet but make sure you select the correct VPC. and select Azs **useast-1a** and **us-east-2b**. According to the architecture that I have shown you, our database will be in private subnet **pri-sub-7a** and **pri-sub-8b**. so please select as I have shown in the below figure. And then click on the create button.



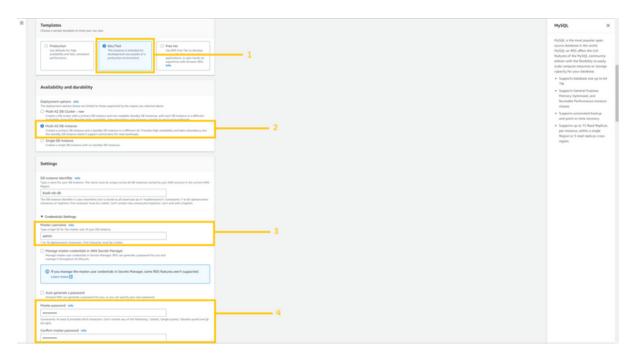
Now come to the **N. virginia** region and here we are going to create a database. So click on the database button on the left panel and then click on the created database button.



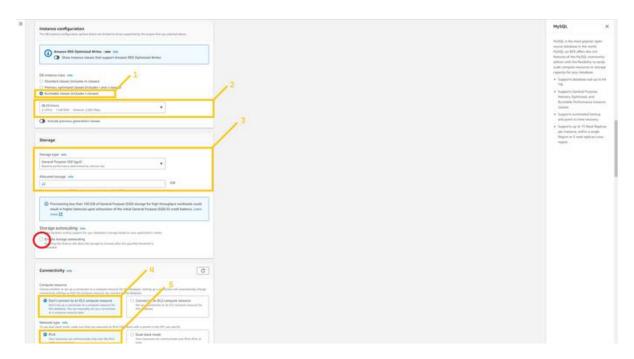
On this page, we can configure our database. Select stander create because I'm going to show you each and every step. select MySQL in the engine option because our application runs on MySQL database. If your app runs on other engines, you can select that one. Furthermore, you can select the engine version my application is compatible with MySQL version. But you can select according to the developer guild.



Scroll down, and select Dev/test as template. If you select the free tier then you won't be able to deploy RDS in a multi-availability zone. Select Multi-AZ DB instance from availability and durability option. In settings give any name to your database. In the credential setting give the username of the database in the Master username field and give the password in the Master password field. And then confirm the password below. Please do remember your username and password.



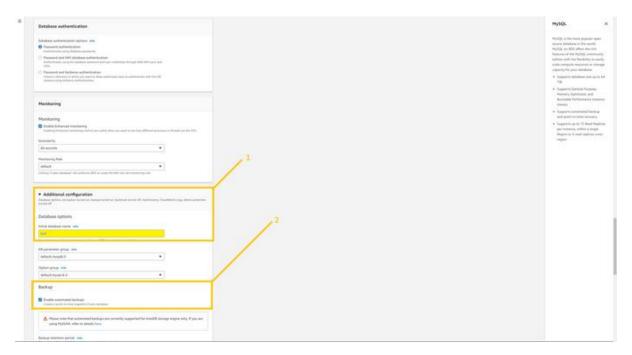
Again scroll down, select Brustable class in the instance setting and select the instance type. Actually, it depends on your application uses. But for learning purposes, I am selecting t3.micro. now in storage type select General purpose (GP2) and allocate 22 GiB for database. Please uncheck the auto-scaling option to keep our costs low. And In the connectivity option please select the option according below screenshot.



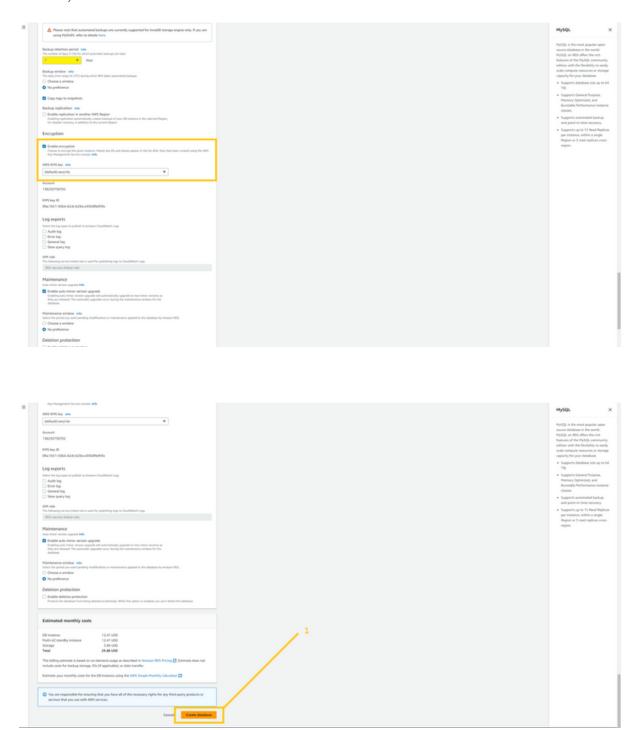
In VPC, select VPC that we created earlier and in DB subnet group select the group that we just created, In the public access option please select No, choose existing security, and select security group **book-rds-db**.



Scroll down, click on Additional Configuration, and in the database option give the name **test** because we need a database with the name of the **test** in the application. Enable Automated Backup. Note: you have to enable automated backup otherwise you won't be able to create a read replica of the RDS instance

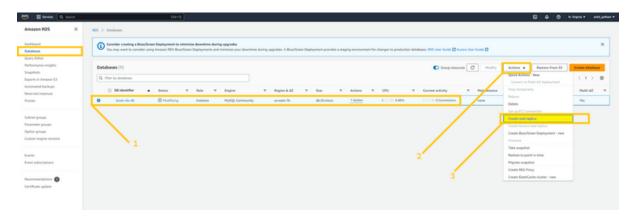


Scroll down, mark on enable encryption checkbox to make the database bit more secure, and click on Create database button below.



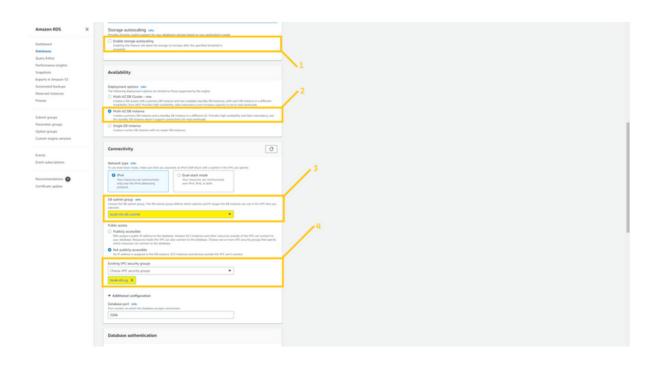
Note: RDS take 15-20 minute because it creates a database and then take a snapshot. So please have patience and wait for it to be ready.

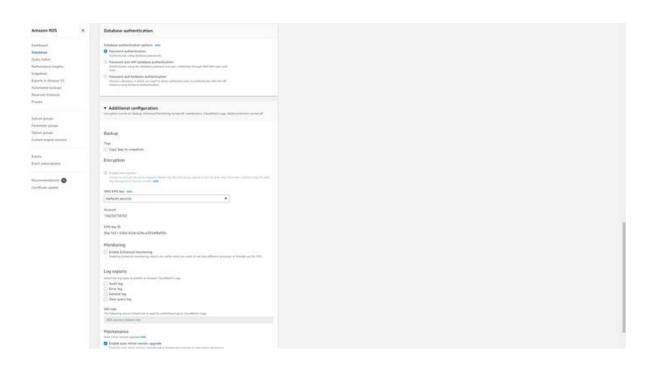
After your database is completely ready and you see the status Available then select the database and click on the Action button. There you can see the drop-down list. Please click on created read-replica.

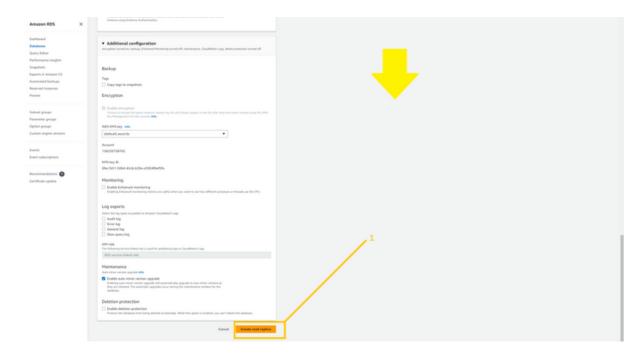


This page is similar to creating a database. In the AWS region select the region where you want to create the read replica. In my case, It is **Oregon (us-west-2)**. Give a name to your read replica, and select all the necessary configurations that we did before while creating the database. For your reference, I have shown everything in the below images.









Once you click on the button create replica. It will start creating that



You can check your read replica on the specified region's RDS dashboard. So let me head over to **Oregon** and show you the read replica.



Note: we can't write anything into a read replica. It is just read-only database. So when a disaster happens we just have to promote read replica so that it becomes the primary database in that region.

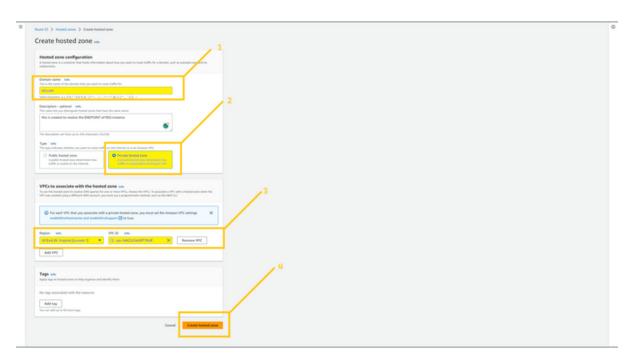
Now we are going to utilize route 53 service and create two private hosted zone. One for **north Virginia**(**us-east-1**) and another one for **Oregon region** (**us-west-2**) with the same name. you may think Why Two hosted zone with the same name? don't worry I will answer it later. So head over to Route 53. Type route 53 in the AWS console. And click on the service.



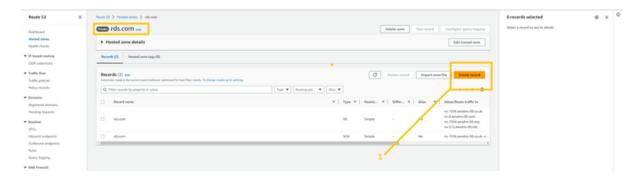
Firstly, we are gonna create a hosted zone for **us-east-1**. Click on the Hosted Zones button on the left panel and click on the created hosted zone button on the top right corner.



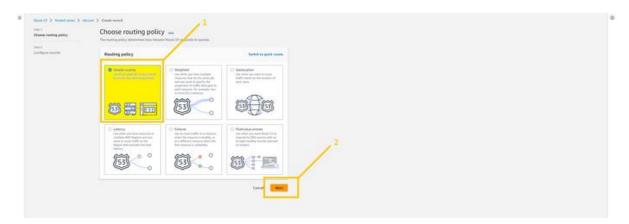
Give any domain name because anyhow it will be private hosted zone but it would be great if you give the name same as mine (**rds.com**). Please select the private hosted zone and Select the region. In my case, it is **us-east-1**. And then select VPC ID. Make sure you select VPC that we created earlier. Because this hosted zone will resolve the record only in specified VPC. and then click on the Create hosted zone.



Now we are going to create a Record that points to our RDS instance which is in **us-east-1**. So click on create record button on the top right corner.



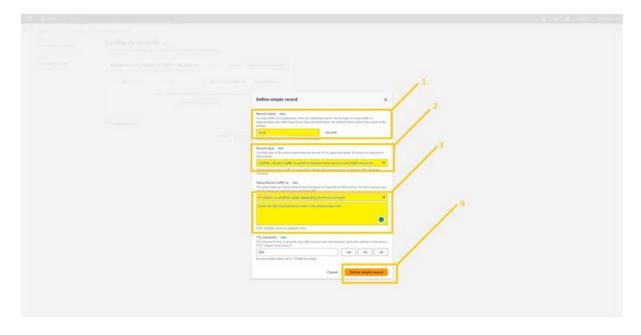
Select simple routing,



Click on the defined record button in the middle of the box.



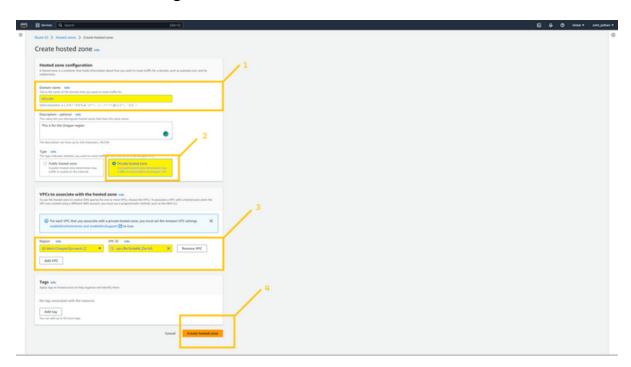
Here types book in the record name field. In the record type select CNAME. In the value field paste **endpoint of the RDS which is in us-east-1**. Then click on the defined record button.



Click on create record button.



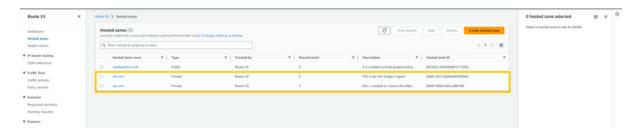
Now we are going to create a new hosted zone with the same name. but for **disaster recovery region** and that is **us-west-2 (Oregon)**. While creating hosted zone please keep in mind that you need to choose the **us-west-2** region and select VPC that you have created in the **the us-west-2** region. Again you can utilize the below image for reference.



Our next step is to set up a **simple record** that points to the **read replica** (database) which is in the **us-west-2** (**Oregon**). So select the hosted zone that was created for **us-west-2** and defined a simple record in that. Everything is the same as we defined the record in the us-east-1 hosted zone.



After successfully completing the above steps your Route 53 console look like this.



You may think that We can connect two regions and VPC in one hosted zone then why two private hosted zone with the same name? And the answer is Endpoint of both databases will be different and we can't implement a health check coz we attached a security group that allow traffic from **3306 port from only backend SG**. So route 53 can't check the health of databases and because of that we can't implement a Failover record here but we will do that with the application server (backend-server).

And here we successfully completed our RDS setup. Let's go ahead and explore more services