

Rail Watch Backend Documentation

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1 Overview

Rail Watch is a backend system developed using Node.js, Express, and MongoDB to manage railway divisions, coach status reporting, and user authentication. The backend includes features such as:

- User and Admin Authentication (JWT-based)
- OTP verification for secure access
- Division and train data management
- Email alerts for chain pulled status
- RESTful APIs

2 Technologies Used

- Node.js
- Express.js
- MongoDB + Mongoose
- Nodemailer (SMTP via Brevo)
- JSON Web Tokens (JWT)
- dotenv

3 Project Structure

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RAIL_WEB_SERVER/  
  config/                → Nodemailer configuration  
    nodemailer.js  
  conn/                  → MongoDB connection setup  
    conn.js  
  controller/            → All route logic  
    AdminController.js
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    AuthController.js
    DivisionController.js
    TrainController.js
    UserController.js
middleware/           → JWT token validator
    UserAuth.js
models/               → Mongoose schemas
    Division.js
    Train.js
    User.js
routes/               → Route definitions
    authRoute.js
    divisionRoute.js
    trainRoute.js
    userRoute.js
app.js                 → Main entry file
.env                   → Environment variables
package.json

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4 Environment Variables (.env)

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PORT=1000
URI="mongodb+srv://<credentials>"
JWT_SECRET='your_secret'
NODE_ENV='development'
SMTP_USER='smtp_user@brevo.com'
SMTP_PASS='smtp_password'
SENDER_EMAIL='youremail@example.com'

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5 API Endpoints

Base URL: <http://localhost:1000>

Method & URL	Description	Auth Required
POST /api/auth/register	Register a new user	No
POST /api/auth/login	Login user via email/phone	No
POST /api/auth/logout	Logout current user	No
POST /api/auth/forgot-password	Send OTP to reset password	No
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Method & URL	Description	Auth Required
POST <code>/api/auth/reset-password</code>	Reset password via OTP	No
POST <code>/api/auth/verify-email</code>	Verify user email via OTP	No
GET <code>/api/auth/getuserbyid</code>	Get current user info	Yes
POST <code>/api/auth/is-auth</code>	Check authentication validity	Yes
POST <code>/api/auth/admin/login</code>	Admin login (generate OTP)	No
POST <code>/api/auth/admin/verify-otp</code>	Verify admin OTP	No
GET <code>/api/auth/admin/data</code>	Get admin data (header: <code>id</code>)	Yes
POST <code>/api/division/add-division</code>	Add a new division	Admin Only
POST <code>/api/division/delete-division</code>	Delete division (header: <code>division-id</code>)	Admin Only
GET <code>/api/division/get-all-division</code>	Get all divisions	No
GET <code>/api/division/recent-division</code>	Get 4 recent divisions	No
GET <code>/api/division/division-id/:id</code>	Get division by ID	No
POST <code>/api/coach/add-coach-data</code>	Add train/coach sensor data	No
GET <code>/api/coach/get-coach-data</code>	Get train details via query params	No
POST <code>/api/coach/get-coach</code>	Get available coaches for a train	No
GET <code>/api/user/data</code>	Get current logged-in user data	Yes

6 Security Notes

- JWT-based access protection
- OTP verification for password reset and admin login
- Role-based route protection (admin vs user)

7 Deployment Tips

- Host MongoDB on Atlas or managed cluster
- Use platforms like Render, Railway, or Heroku for deployment

- Store all environment variables securely