Example: Let us create a dream that will be used as Default Dream

Default Dream will be used to show Home Page, Contact Page, and other pages of the main website. Mentioned below is the Screen shot of the desired Home Page that will be created through

the Page Builder.



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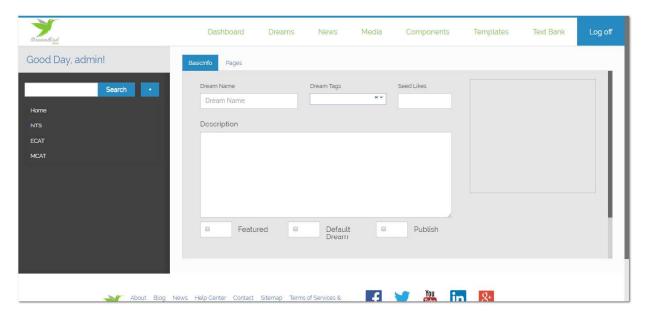


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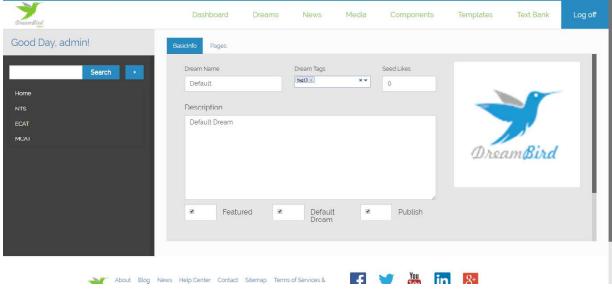
Creation of Default Dream

By Default, default dream will be selected when home page of admin control panel will be opened. When there is no default dream, (rootdirectory)/Admin/Default.aspx will be shown like the screen given below. All the fields are cleared with no data.



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Enter Basic Info



To create default dream, care should be taken that there is no default dream already in the system, if it is so, default dream will not be created and message will be shown telling that default dream already exists. Check box of default dream as shown in the image above should be checked and the dream must be published. Media selection for creation of default dream has already been explained in previous tutorials. Refer to "Media Selection" tutorial for Selection of Media Item and "Create Dream" for creation of dreams and pages.

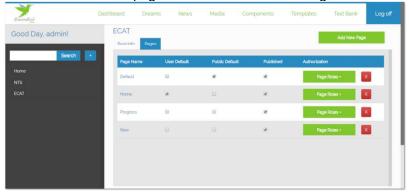
Enter all the required values in respective fields and click on the save button to save the default dream. By clicking on the save button default dream will be created but no change will come to the main website unless a default page is created under that dream. Process of creating a page and designing it per the earlier given snap is given here as under

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Add Home Page For Default Dream

Step 1: Creation of Page

Click on the green "Add New Page Button". This will show the Fields for creation of page as shown in the next image.



Enter Page Name, select user default, select public default, select published and click on blue "Add" button to add the page to the dream. After page is added, it will be shown in the page list that will be populated just after page is finished saving, as shown in the image below.

Red Color Cross Button is for deleting that page, care should be taken in this regard as pressing this button shall permanently delete all the contents that have been entered in that page so far.

Step 2: Design the Page

Clicking on the page name ("Home" in this case) will show the page builder which will be used to dynamically design the home page. as shown in the next image.



Flow for designing the page has already been explained in the Introduction to Admin Control Panel, for understanding the functionality of the page builder, please refer to "Page Design Builder" chapter of this tutorial.

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Step 3: Add a Top Navigation Bar

First, drag a "container" column in the page builder.

No change in css properties required, take the mouse pointer on the right corner of "container" column, a plus (+) sign will be shown, click on it and component selection window shall appear as shown in the image below.

Click on the category ("Dream" in this case) to show the list of controls.

Click on the image of "Top Menu Bar" to add it into the Page Builder, after clicking, the page builder shall look simiar to the following image.

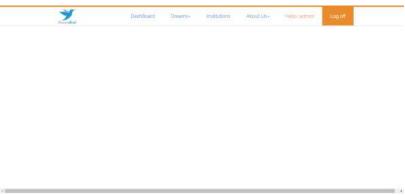


Click on the blue "Save" button to render the page. After saving an alert message shall appear on screen telling us the resultant scenerio. If the message is "Page has been saved successfully" and control name (currently in white color) shall turn to blue, it means that page has been rendered. as shown in the below image.

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Clicking the "OK" button of the alert shall turn the control name to blue, it means that the control is ready to be configured or display.

Now, as the page is saved, it can be previewed by clicking on the name ("Home" in this case). When clicked, user will be navigated to the New Tab and will be previewed the page as shown in the image below. (Note: Previewing the page may take a while as the code is being re-compiled each time the page content is changed, so nothing to worry about)



Step 4: Add Search Bar and Banner Image

Now we shall add "Search" control that will consist of banner image and search bar to search through the website. for this, drop a "1" column from the column grid, change its padding to 0 (procedure described in the introduction to css editor document), select the "Search" control from the controls list by repeating the same steps as top navigation bar, click on save and go to page to see the implementation. images shown below.



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as it could be seen, search bar with default banner image is now displayed on the page.

Step 5: Add Navigational Links

now we shall add wrapper for featured institutions / other links. All the steps are same as above.



At first, drag "1" column, this will act as a row for proposed control.

Change the padding for this column to 0, and add a class "featured_wrapper" in "Custom Class" field. Basically, the class "featured_wrapper" has already been added in the style.css file. Click on "Save Changes" to add styles.

Add a "Container" column to contain and center align the control on the page.



Select "Featured Dreams" component from components list, as it will be placed in the parent column, click on "Save" button, and click on the page name to view the rendered page as shown below.



Step 6: Add a grid layout to display Dreams

Now we shall add Grid to display dreams. Procedure is same as above as shown in the images below.

Add "1" column.

Set padding to 0 and give class "content_wrapper". As told earlier, this class is also added in the style.css file that can be viewed from "style.css" tab.

Drag a container column in the page and place it inside the "1" column for which the css has been recently modified.

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Select the "DreamView" control, click on "save" button and when the color of control name turns blue, click on the Page Name to view the rendered control.





Step 7: Add News Section

Now we shall add the news component as shown in the sample image. Steps are mentioned below.

Add a "1" column

change the padding to 0 and add class "news_wrapper".

Add a "Container" column

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Select "General News" from the components list, click on "Save" and upon the component name turning blue, click on the Page name to view the rendered control.







Step 8: Add Section for Registration of Email Address

Now we shall add a component for registration of email for

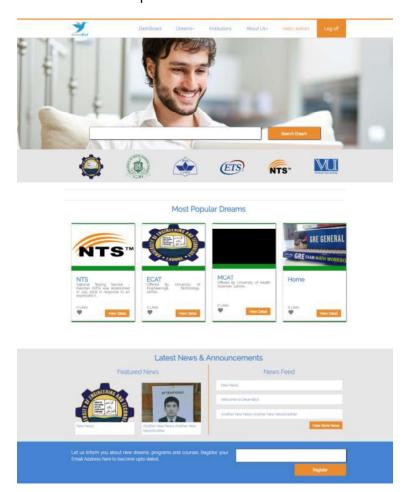
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sending newsletter and latest updates to subscribed users. process is given as under.

Add a "1" column, change its padding to 0 and give class "registration_wrapper" and click on "Save Changes"

Add "Container" column, select "Register Email" component from Component List, click on "Save" button and then click on the Page name to view the implementation.



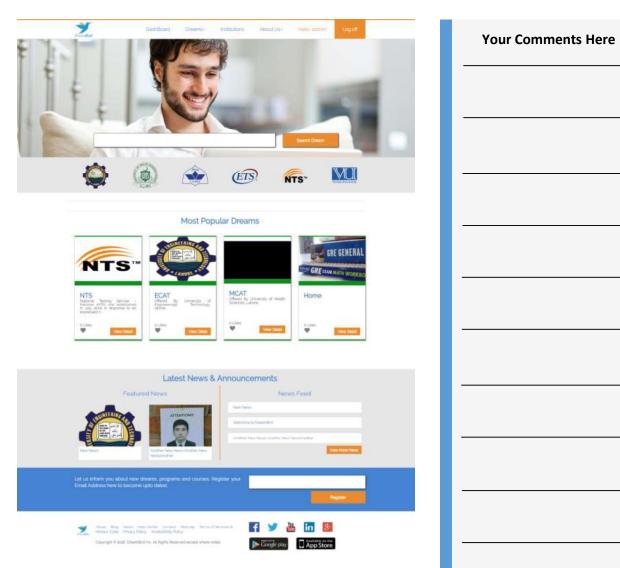
Registration wrapper has been added to the page.

Step 8: Adding a footer

Now at the end, we shall add a footer to the page and this will conclude the process of Creating the Default Dream and Home page for the website. Steps are given here as under

Add "1" column, change the padding to 0, give class "footer_wrapper" and save the styles.

Add "Container" column, select "footer" from controls list, and click on "Save" button and then click on the page name to view the implementation.



Awwww yeah!!! Your Home page is completed and it's pretty much like the one we shown as Sample. Try it again and again for crystal clear understanding of the framework.