Mini Project: Hosting a Website on AWS EC2

1. Introduction

This mini project demonstrates how to host a static website on an AWS EC2 instance using Apache web server. The project includes connecting to the EC2 instance using SSH, setting up a web server, placing an HTML file, and accessing the site using the public IP address.

2. Steps Performed

- 1. 1. Launch an EC2 instance (Ubuntu) from AWS Management Console.
- 2. 2. Download the private key (.pem) file and set permissions using: chmod 400 <key-name>.pem
- 3. Connect to EC2 instance using SSH: ssh -i <key-name>.pem ubuntu@<public-ip>
- 4. 4. Update package manager and install Apache: sudo apt update && sudo apt install apache2
- 5. 5. Start Apache server: sudo systemctl start apache2
- 6. 6. Ensure Apache runs on boot: sudo systemctl enable apache2
- 7. Navigate to the web root directory: cd /var/www/html
- 8. 8. Create or edit index.html: sudo nano index.html
 - (Paste the HTML code here)
- 9. 9. Save and exit. Ensure file is readable and Apache is running.
- 10. 10. Open browser and go to: http://<your-ec2-public-ip> to view the hosted website.
- 11. 11. Make sure the Security Group allows inbound HTTP (port 80) traffic from 0.0.0.0/0.

3. Important Notes

- Ensure the HTML file is named index.html and placed in /var/www/html.
- Always use http://<your-public-ip> (not https).
- The Apache service must be running, and security groups must be properly configured.

4. INDEX HTML CODE

```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html lang="en">
<head>
 <meta charset="UTF-8">
 <title>My First Mini Project - Hosted Website</title>
 <style>
   body {
     font-family: Arial, sans-serif;
     background: #f4f4f4;
     color: #333;
     text-align: center;
     padding: 50px;
   }
   header {
     background: #0077cc;
     color: white;
     padding: 20px 0;
     margin-bottom: 40px;
   }
   section {
     background: white;
     padding: 30px;
     border-radius: 10px;
     width: 80%;
     max-width: 800px;
     margin: auto;
     box-shadow: 0 4px 10px rgba(0, 0, 0, 0.1);
   }
   footer {
     margin-top: 40px;
     color: #555;
   }
 </style>
</head>
<body>
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```
<header>
   <h1>Welcome to My First Hosted Website</h1>
   Mini Project - Web Hosting on AWS EC2
 </header>
 <section>
   <h2>About This Project</h2>
   This is my first mini project where I learned how to host a static website using an
AWS EC2 instance with Apache web server.
   I connected via SSH, uploaded this HTML file, and configured everything
myself!
 </section>
 <footer>
   Created by AMAN | © 2025
 </footer>
</body>
</html>
```

5.OUTPUT

