CLOUD APPLICATION DEVELOPMENT

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PROJECT:

E-Commerce Application On IBM Cloud Foundry

<u>PHASE-1:</u> Development Part 1

ABSTRACT:

** This project aims to create an artisanal E-Commerce platform hosted on IBM Cloud Foundry. ** The platform will support the sale of handmade and unique products.

**This initiative leverages the power of cloud computing to enable artisans and small businesses to reach a global customer base.

OBJECTIVES:

1. *Platform Development*:
Develop a user-friendly
eCommerce platform that allows
artisans to showcase their
products and customers to
browse, select, and purchase
items.

2. *IBM Cloud Foundry Integration*:

Host the platform on IBM Cloud Foundry, leveraging its scalability and reliability.

3. *User Authentication*: Implement a secure user authentication system to protect user data and transactions.

4. *Product Database*:

Create a database structure to store detailed product information, including product name, description, price, and images.

- 5. *Search and Navigation*:
 Implement search and navigation features to help customers easily find and explore products.
- 6. *Payment Processing*:
 Integrate secure payment
 processing to facilitate online
 transactions.

7. *Vendor Dashboard*: Provide artisans with a dashboard to manage product listings, inventory, and order fulfillment.

Development of E-Commerce
Application On IBM Cloud
Foundry:

1. *Setting up IBM Cloud Foundry:*

First, make an IBM Cloud account and have the IBM Cloud CLI installed. Then, target the Cloud Foundry service and create an app.

Log in to IBM Cloud
ibmcloud login
Target the Cloud Foundry service
ibmcloud target --cf
Create an app
ibmcloud cf create-service
<service-name> <service-plan>
<service-instance>

2. *Create a Basic Platform Layout:*

For the platform layout, can use HTML, CSS, and JavaScript to create a simple web page.

```
</header>
<main>
<!-- Product listings will be displayed here -->
</main>
<footer>
&copy; 2023 Artisanal eCommerce
</footer>
</body>
</html>
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3. *Create a Database to Store Product Information:*

Can use a database service like IBM Cloudant to store product information.

Create a Cloudant service instance ibmcloud cf create-service cloudant lite my-cloudant-db

Bind the service to app ibmcloud cf bind-service <app-name> my-cloudant-db

4. *Design the Database Schema:*

Define the structure of database to store product information, e.g., product name, description, price, image URL, etc. Can use JSON documents for this purpose.

5. *Develop Backend API:*

To need a server-side application to interact with the database and serve product information to an eCommerce platform. Can use a web framework like Node.js with Express for this. Create API endpoints to perform CRUD operations on the product data.

6. *Connect Frontend and Backend:*

Use JavaScript and AJAX or a frontend framework (e.g., React) to fetch and display product data from the backend API.

7. *Deploy and Scale:*

Finally, deploy the web application to IBM Cloud Foundry:

bash
ibmcloud cf push
<app-name>

SUMMARY:

***This project seeks to build an artisanal eCommerce platform on IBM Cloud Foundry. It will support artisans in selling their unique products to a global audience. The platform will include a user-friendly interface, secure authentication, a comprehensive

product database, efficient search functionality, and secure payment processing. Artisans will have access to a vendor dashboard to manage their listings and orders. This project combines cloud technology with eCommerce to empower artisans and small businesses in the digital marketplace.