

Form validation using Django

Models.py

```
from django.db import models
# model named Post

class Post(models.Model):

    Male = 'M'

    FeMale = 'F'

    GENDER_CHOICES = (

        (Male, 'Male'),

        (FeMale, 'Female'),

    )

    # define a username field with bound max length it can have
    username = models.CharField( max_length = 20, blank = False,

                                null = False)

    # This is used to write a post
    text = models.TextField(blank = False, null = False)

    # Values for gender are restricted by giving choices
    gender = models.CharField(max_length = 6, choices = GENDER_CHOICES,

                              default = Male)

    time = models.DateTimeField(auto_now_add = True)
```

Forms.py

```
from django.forms import ModelForm

from django import forms

from formValidationApp.models import *

# define the class of a form

class PostForm(ModelForm):
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class Meta:

    # write the name of models for which the form is made

    model = Post

    # Custom fields

    fields=["username", "gender", "text"]


# this function will be used for the validation

def clean(self):

    # data from the form is fetched using super function

    super(PostForm, self).clean()

    # extract the username and text field from the data

    username = self.cleaned_data.get('username')

    text = self.cleaned_data.get('text')

    # conditions to be met for the username length

    if len(username) < 5:

        self._errors['username'] = self.error_class([

            'Minimum 5 characters required'])

    if len(text) < 10:

        self._errors['text'] = self.error_class([

            'Post Should Contain a minimum of 10 characters'])

    # return any errors if found

    return self.cleaned_data
```

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Urls.py

```
from django.contrib import admin

from django.urls import path, include

from django.conf.urls import url

from django.shortcuts import HttpResponseRedirect

from . import views
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urlpatterns = [

    path('', views.home, name='index'),

]
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Views.py

```
from .models import Post

from .forms import PostForm

from . import views

from django.shortcuts import HttpResponseRedirect, render, redirect
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def home(request):
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    # check if the request is post

    if request.method == 'POST':
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        # Pass the form data to the form class

        details = PostForm(request.POST)
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        # In the 'form' class the clean function

        # is defined, if all the data is correct

        # as per the clean function, it returns true

        if details.is_valid():
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            # Temporarily make an object to be add some
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        # logic into the data if there is such a need

        # before writing to the database

        post = details.save(commit = False)


        # Finally write the changes into database

        post.save()


        # redirect it to some another page indicating data

        # was inserted successfully

        return HttpResponseRedirect("data submitted successfully")

    else:


        # Redirect back to the same page if the data

        # was invalid

        return render(request, "home.html", {'form':details})

else:


    # If the request is a GET request then,

    # create an empty form object and

    # render it into the page

    form = PostForm(None)

    return render(request, 'home.html', {'form':form})
```

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Home.html

```
{% load bootstrap3 %}

{% bootstrap_messages %}

<!DOCTYPE html>

<html lang="en">
<head >
    <title>Basic Form</title>
    <meta charset="utf-8" />
    <meta name="viewport" content="width=device-width, initial-scale=1, shrink-to-fit=no">

    <link rel="stylesheet"
href="https://maxcdn.bootstrapcdn.com/bootstrap/3.3.7/css/bootstrap.min.css">
    <script src="https://ajax.googleapis.com/ajax/libs/jquery/3.2.1/jquery.min.js">
    </script>
    <script src="https://maxcdn.bootstrapcdn.com/bootstrap/3.3.7/js/bootstrap.min.js">
    </script>
</head>
<body style="padding-top: 60px;background-color: #f5f7f8 !important;">
    <div class="container">
        <div class="row">
            <div class="col-md-4 col-md-offset-4">
                <h2>Form</h2>
                <form action="" method="post"><input type='hidden' />
                    {%csrf_token %}
                    {% bootstrap_form form %}
            </div>
        </div>
    </div>
<!--This is the form variable which we are passing from the function
```

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of home in views.py file. That's the beauty of Django we don't need to write much codes in this it'll automatically pass all the form details in here

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        <div class="form-group">
            <button type="submit" class="btn btn-default ">
                Submit
            </button>
        </div>
    </form>
</div>
</div>
</div>
</body>
</html>
```

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Output

Form

Username

Gender

Text

Text