Step 1: Test Functionality

1. Define Objectives:

Start by understanding which feature or functionality you are going to test. For example, if you are working on a Contact Management System, you need to test functionalities like adding, updating, deleting, finding, and listing contacts.

2. Write Test Cases:

Create test cases for each functionality, for example:

- When adding a contact, the system should successfully add the contact if valid data is provided.
- When invalid data is entered, an error message should be shown.
- When updating a contact, changes should be reflected correctly in the system.

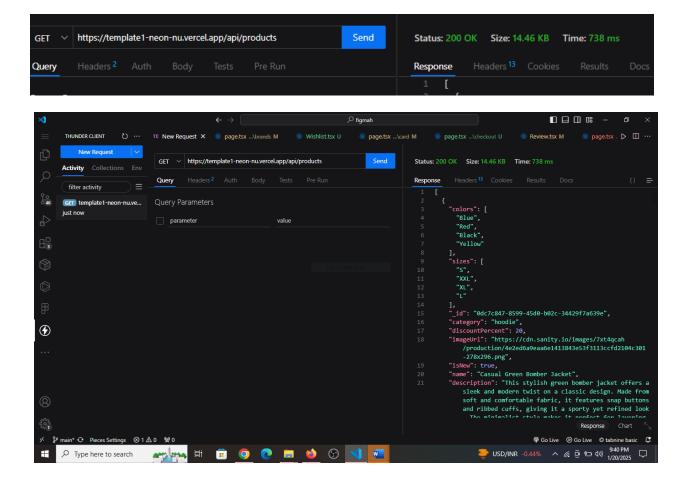
Test planning is all about defining the scope and creating a strategy for testing the functionalities thoroughly.

Step 2: Test Execution in Postman

1. Run the API Requests:

Execute the defined test cases for each API endpoint in Postman:

- o **POST**: Send data to add a contact, and check for a success response.
- o **GET**: Fetch data for an existing contact and verify the correct details are returned.
- o **PUT**: Update a contact's information and verify that the changes are reflected.
- o **DELETE**: Send a delete request and confirm that the contact is removed.



Step 3: Error Handling in Postman API Testing

1. Identify Common Errors:

When testing APIs, anticipate potential errors that can occur, such as:

- o **400 Bad Request**: Invalid input data (e.g., missing required fields).
- 404 Not Found: When the requested resource doesn't exist.
- 500 Internal Server Error: A server-side error indicating issues on the backend.
- 401 Unauthorized: When the user doesn't have proper authentication or permissions.

2. Test with Invalid Data:

To handle errors, test the API with invalid or missing data:

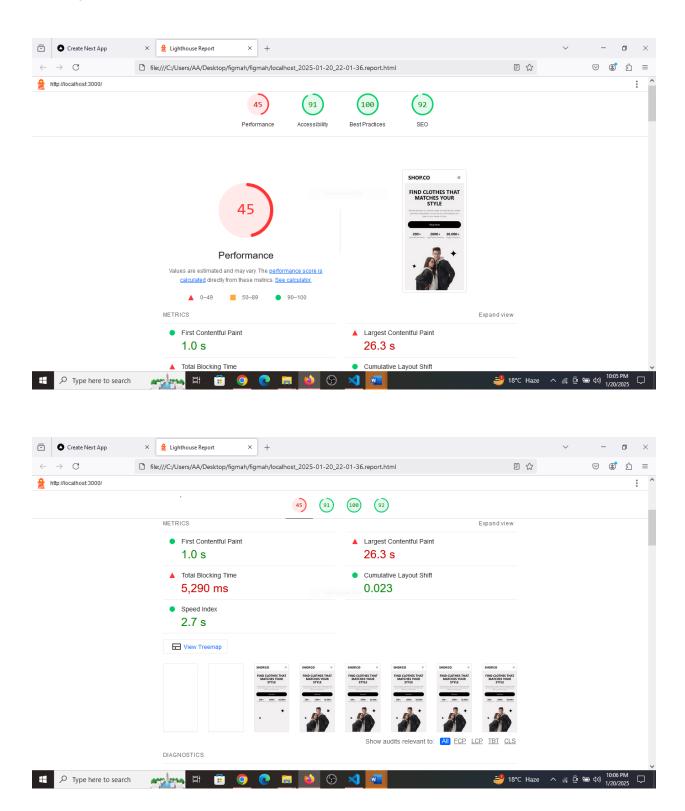
- Missing Parameters: For a POST request, try submitting a request without required fields (e.g., missing contact name or email).
- Invalid Data Types: Test APIs with incorrect data formats, like sending a string where a number is expected.
- Unauthorized Requests: For GET, PUT, or DELETE requests, test with missing or incorrect authentication tokens to check for 401 Unauthorized errors.

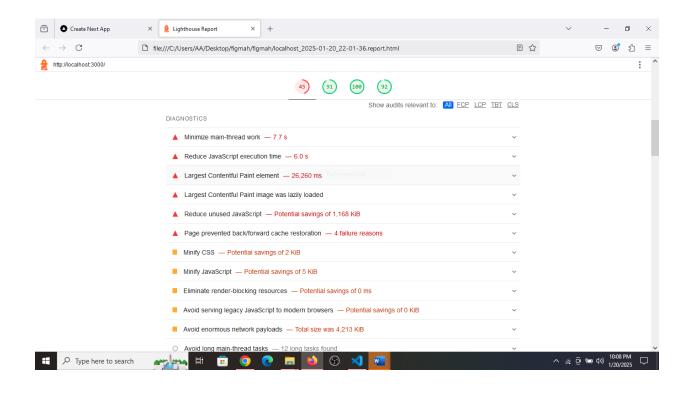
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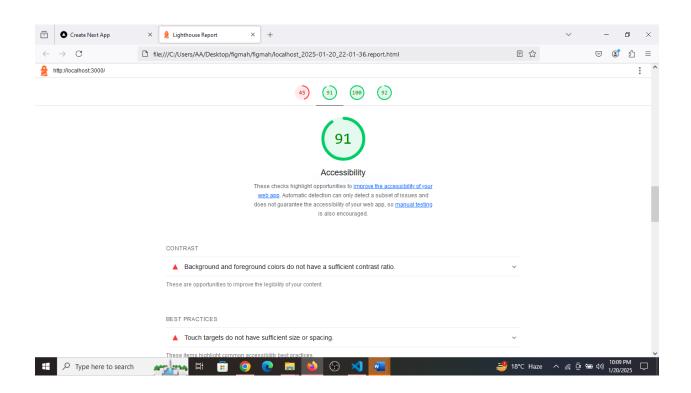
Ensure that the error messages and status codes returned by the API are correct. For instance:

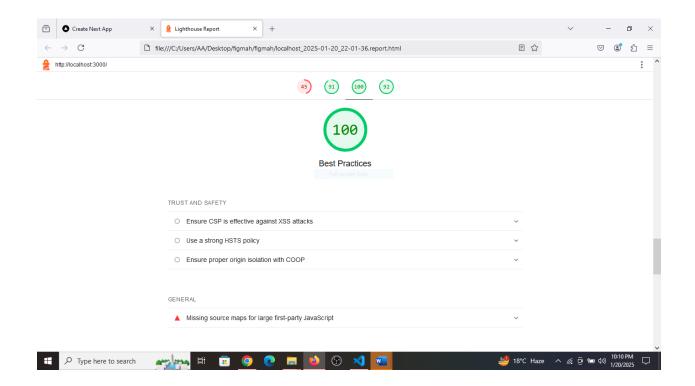
- 400 Bad Request should return a meaningful error message, like
 "Missing required field: name".
- 404 Not Found should indicate that the resource could not be found.
- 500 Internal Server Error should ideally log the error message or issue for developers.

Step 4: Performance

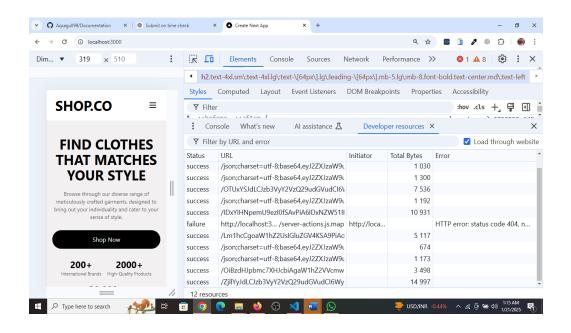




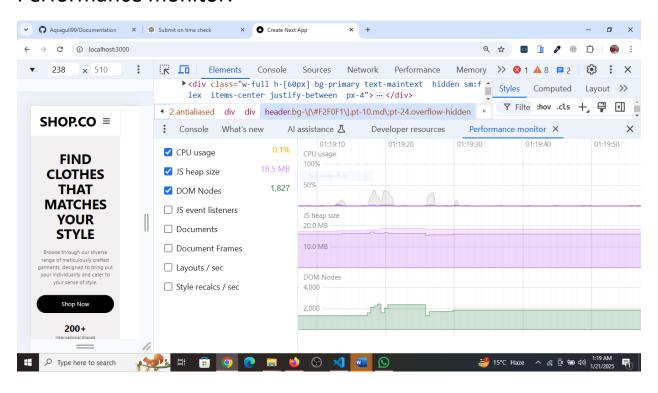




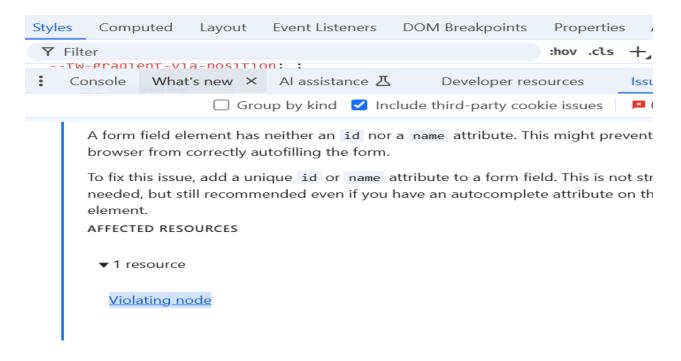
Developer Resources:



Performance monitor:



Issue:



Security:

