Project Samarth - Complete Setup & Deployment Guide

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1. Prerequisites

Before starting, ensure you have the following installed:

Required Software

- Python 3.9+ (Python 3.10 recommended)
- Node.js 16+ and npm
- Git
- VS Code or any code editor

API Keys Required

- data.gov.in API Key: Register at https://data.gov.in and get API key from "My Account"
- Groq API Key (FREE): Register at https://console.groq.com and get API key
 - OR **OpenAl API Key**: From https://platform.openai.com (requires payment)

2. Project Setup

Step 1: Create Project Directory

Open your terminal and run:

Create main project directory
mkdir project-samarth
cd project-samarth

```
# Create subdirectories
mkdir backend frontend notebooks deployment scripts
```

Step 2: Initialize Git Repository

```
git init
echo "*.pyc" >> .gitignore
echo "__pycache__/" >> .gitignore
echo "*.env" >> .gitignore
echo "node_modules/" >> .gitignore
echo "vector_store/" >> .gitignore
echo ".vscode/" >> .gitignore
```

3. Backend Setup

Step 1: Create Virtual Environment

```
# Navigate to backend directory
cd backend

# Create virtual environment
python -m venv venv

# Activate virtual environment
# On Windows:
venv\Scripts\activate
# On macOS/Linux:
source venv/bin/activate
```

Step 2: Create Backend Structure

```
# Create all backend directories
mkdir data_fetcher embeddings chatbot utils

# Create __init__.py files
touch data_fetcher/__init__.py
touch embeddings/__init__.py
touch chatbot/__init__.py
touch utils/__init__.py
```

Step 3: Create requirements.txt

Create backend/requirements.txt:

```
flask==3.0.0
flask-cors==4.0.0
```

```
python-dotenv==1.0.0
requests==2.31.0
pandas==2.1.4
numpy==1.26.2
langchain==0.1.0
langchain-community==0.0.10
groq==0.4.1
sentence-transformers==2.2.2
faiss-cpu==1.7.4
chromadb==0.4.22
cachetools==5.3.2
aiohttp==3.9.1
```

Step 4: Install Dependencies

```
# Make sure venv is activated
pip install --upgrade pip
pip install -r requirements.txt
```

Step 5: Create Environment Variables

Create backend/.env:

```
# API Keys
DATA_GOV_API_KEY=your_data_gov_api_key_here
GROQ_API_KEY=your_groq_api_key_here

# Application Settings
FLASK_ENV=development
FLASK_PORT=5000
DEBUG=True

# LLM Configuration
LLM_PROVIDER=groq
LLM_MODEL=mixtral-8x7b-32768
EMBEDDING_MODEL=sentence-transformers/all-MiniLM-L6-v2

# Cache Settings
CACHE_DURATION=3600
```

Important: Replace your_data_gov_api_key_here and your_groq_api_key_here with your actual API keys.

Step 6: Copy All Backend Code Files

Copy all the backend Python files from the provided code documentation into their respective directories:

- config.py → backend/
- app.py → backend/

- All files in data_fetcher/ → backend/data_fetcher/
- All files in embeddings/ → backend/embeddings/
- All files in chatbot/ → backend/chatbot/
- All files in utils/ → backend/utils/

4. Frontend Setup

Step 1: Initialize React App

```
# Go to frontend directory from project root
cd ../frontend

# Create React app
npx create-react-app .
```

Step 2: Install Additional Dependencies

```
npm install axios recharts react-markdown lucide-react
```

Step 3: Create Frontend Structure

```
# Create component directories
mkdir src/components src/services src/utils
```

Step 4: Create Environment Variables

Create frontend/.env:

```
REACT_APP_API_URL=http://localhost:5000
REACT_APP_API_TIMEOUT=30000
```

Step 5: Copy All Frontend Code Files

Copy all the frontend React files from the provided code documentation:

- $src/index.js \rightarrow Replace default$
- src/index.css → Replace default
- src/App.js → Replace default
- src/App.css → Replace default
- src/services/api.js → Create new
- All component files → src/components/

5. Running Locally

Step 1: Start Backend Server

Open Terminal 1:

```
# Navigate to backend directory
cd project-samarth/backend

# Activate virtual environment
# Windows:
venv\Scripts\activate
# macOS/Linux:
source venv/bin/activate

# Run Flask server
python app.py
```

Expected Output:

Note: First run will take 5-10 minutes to download models and index data.

Step 2: Start Frontend Server

Open Terminal 2:

```
# Navigate to frontend directory
cd project-samarth/frontend

# Start React dev server
npm start
```

Expected Output:

```
Compiled successfully!

You can now view project-samarth-frontend in the browser.

Local: http://localhost:3000
On Your Network: http://192.168.x.x:3000
```

Step 3: Access the Application

Open your browser and go to: http://localhost:3000

You should see the Project Samarth interface with:

- Chat interface
- Statistics panel
- · Example queries

6. Deployment

Option A: Deploy Backend to Render

Step 1: Create Render Account

- Go to https://render.com and sign up
- Connect your GitHub account

Step 2: Push Code to GitHub

```
cd project-samarth
git add .
git commit -m "Initial commit"
git remote add origin YOUR_GITHUB_REPO_URL
git push -u origin main
```

Step 3: Create Web Service on Render

- 1. Click "New +" → "Web Service"
- 2. Connect your GitHub repository
- 3. Configure:
 - Name: project-samarth-backend
 - · Region: Choose nearest
 - Branch: main

- Root Directory: backend
- **Runtime**: Python 3
- Build Command: pip install -r requirements.txt
- Start Command: gunicorn app:app
- 4. Add Environment Variables:
 - DATA_GOV_API_KEY
 - GROQ_API_KEY
 - FLASK_ENV=production
 - DEBUG=False
- 5. Click "Create Web Service"

Step 4: Note Your Backend URL

After deployment, you'll get a URL like: https://project-samarth-backend.onrender.com

Option B: Deploy Frontend to Netlify

Step 1: Build Production Files

```
# Update .env for production
echo "REACT_APP_API_URL=https://project-samarth-backend.onrender.com" > .env.productio
# Build
npm run build
```

Step 2: Deploy to Netlify

Option 1: Drag & Drop

- 1. Go to https://app.netlify.com
- 2. Sign up/Login
- 3. Drag the build/ folder to the deploy area

Option 2: Netlify CLI

```
npm install -g netlify-cli
netlify login
netlify deploy --prod --dir=build
```

Step 3: Configure Environment Variables

In Netlify dashboard:

- 1. Go to Site Settings → Environment Variables
- 2. Add: REACT_APP_API_URL with your Render backend URL

7. Testing the Application

Test Sample Queries

Try these queries in the chat interface:

1. Simple Query:

```
What are the top 5 crops produced in India?
```

2. Comparison Query:

Compare the average annual rainfall in Punjab and Haryana for the last 5 years

3. Trend Analysis:

Analyze the production trend of wheat in Uttar Pradesh over the last decade

4. Correlation Query:

What is the relationship between rainfall and rice production in West Bengal?

8. Troubleshooting

Issue 1: "Module not found" errors

Solution:

```
# Backend
cd backend
source venv/bin/activate # or venv\Scripts\activate on Windows
pip install -r requirements.txt

# Frontend
cd frontend
rm -rf node_modules
npm install
```

Issue 2: Backend won't start - Port already in use

Solution:

```
# Windows
netstat -ano | findstr :5000
taskkill /PID <PID&gt; /F

# macOS/Linux
lsof -ti:5000 | xargs kill -9
```

Issue 3: CORS errors in browser

Solution: Check that flask-cors is installed and backend is running on correct port.

Issue 4: No data indexed

Solution:

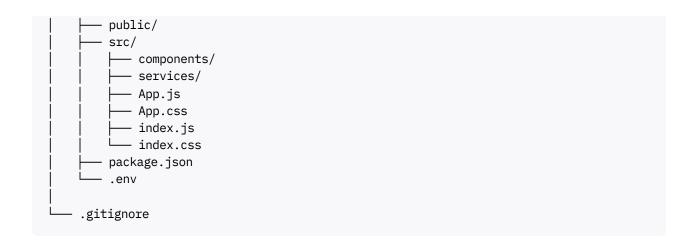
```
# Make sure DATA_GOV_API_KEY is set
# Delete vector_store folder and restart
cd backend
rm -rf vector_store
python app.py
```

Issue 5: Model download fails

Solution:

```
# Run this separately to download models
python -c "from sentence_transformers import SentenceTransformer; SentenceTransformer('se
```

9. Directory Structure Summary



10. Performance Tips

Backend Optimization

1. **Use caching**: The cache manager is already implemented

2. Limit vector store size: Adjust limit parameter in data fetching

3. Use smaller models: Switch to smaller embedding models for faster response

Frontend Optimization

1. **Enable production build**: Always use npm run build for deployment

2. Lazy loading: Implement code splitting for components

3. **Optimize images**: Compress any images used

11. Free Resource Limits

data.gov.in

• Rate Limit: 1000 requests/day

• Cost: FREE

Groq

• Rate Limit: 30 requests/minute

• Cost: FREE

Render (Free Tier)

• Instance: 512 MB RAM

• Sleep: After 15 mins inactivity

• Build Minutes: 500/month

Netlify (Free Tier)

• Bandwidth: 100 GB/month

• Build Minutes: 300/month

• Sites: Unlimited

12. Next Steps

After successful deployment:

- 1. Test thoroughly with various queries
- 2. **Document** any issues encountered
- 3. Create Loom video demonstrating:
 - Dataset exploration
 - Code walkthrough
 - System design decisions
 - Live demo of Q&A functionality
- 4. Submit your Loom video link

Support & Resources

- data.gov.in API Docs: https://data.gov.in/help
- Groq Documentation: https://console.groq.com/docs
- Flask Docs: https://flask.palletsprojects.com/
- React Docs: https://react.dev/

Good Luck with Your Project!