

Professional Django OTP Integration Guide

Professional Step-by-Step Guide for Django OTP Integration

1. **Install and Configure Django**:

- A virtual environment was created to ensure package dependencies are managed separately.
- Django was installed using ``pip install django``, and a new project was initiated with ``django-admin startproject mysite``.
- Basic configurations were set in ``settings.py`` including setting up the database and static files.

2. **Django OTP Integration**:

- Two-factor authentication was added to the project by installing ``django-otp`` (``pip install django-otp``).
- In ``settings.py``, ``django_otp`` and ``django_otp.plugins.otp_totp`` were included in the ``INSTALLED_APPS`` section to enable Time-based One-Time Password (TOTP) functionality.

3. **Configuring URLs for OTP**:

- The Django admin interface was secured by overriding the default admin site with ``OTPAdminSite`` from ``django_otp.admin``. This ensures that all logins to the admin panel require an OTP token in addition to the username and password.
- ``urls.py`` was updated to reflect the new OTP-secured admin site.

4. **Database Migrations**:

- Migrations were applied using ``python manage.py migrate`` to ensure all required database tables were created.
- This step ensured that all configurations, including OTP, were properly integrated into the database.

5. ****Create a Superuser****:

- A superuser was created using ``python manage.py createsuperuser``. This superuser account is necessary to access the Django admin panel.
- After setting up the superuser, access to the admin panel was secured with two-factor authentication (username/password and OTP).

6. ****Setting Up OTP Devices****:

- After accessing the admin panel, the superuser was prompted to set up an OTP device, such as Google Authenticator or Authy.
- A QR code was generated for the OTP device, which is then used to scan and register the OTP token generator.
- The admin panel now requires an OTP from the configured device in addition to the username and password for login.

7. ****Final Verification****:

- The system was thoroughly tested to ensure that OTP is functioning as intended. Each login attempt to the admin panel now requires an OTP token, confirming that two-factor authentication is successfully integrated.
