Task 8: Website Availability Checker

1. Create your list of websites:

nano sites.txt

https://google.com

https://openai.com

https://nonexistentsite.example

2. Create the script:

nano check_sites.sh

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#!/bin/bash
LOG_FILE="site_status.log"
DATE=$(date)
echo "Website check started at: $DATE" > $LOG_FILE
while read -r SITE; do
if curl -Is --max-time 5 "$SITE" | grep "200 OK" > /dev/null; then
echo "$SITE is UP" >> $LOG_FILE
else
echo "$SITE is DOWN or UNREACHABLE" >> $LOG_FILE
fi
done < sites.txt
echo "Check complete at: $(date)" >> $LOG_FILE
```

3. Run it:

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chmod +x check_sites.sh
./check_sites.sh
cat site_status.log
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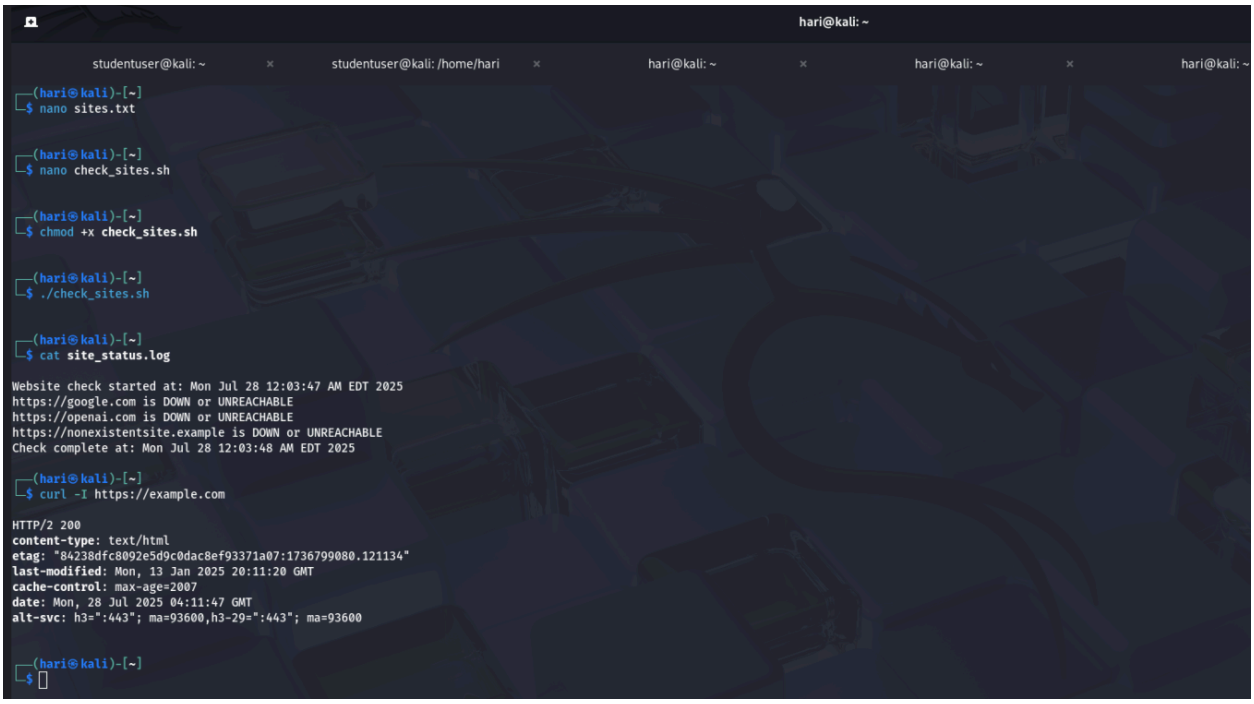

Conclusion: Task 8 focused on checking website availability by reading URLs from `sites.txt` and using `curl` or `ping` to test connectivity. The results were logged to `site_status.log`, helping automate uptime checks for multiple websites.