E-Commerce Order Management with Salesforce CRM

Phase 1: Problem Understanding & Industry Analysis

This is where business needs are understood, pain points are identified, and goals are defined.

• Requirement Gathering:

- Customer registration & profile management.
- Shopping cart & checkout workflows.
- Order placement, cancellation, and return processes.
- Payment status updates.
- Salesforce sync for leads, accounts, opportunities, and orders.

Stakeholder Analysis:

- Customers → Smooth purchase and real-time order tracking.
- o Sales Team → Visibility into customer purchase history, ability to follow up.
- Management → Dashboards for revenue, top products, conversion trends.

Business Process Mapping:

- \circ Map the order lifecycle: Customer Signup \rightarrow Browse Products \rightarrow Add to Cart \rightarrow Checkout \rightarrow Order \rightarrow Salesforce Sync.
- Capture where CRM must intervene (lead creation, order tracking, upsell opportunity).

Industry Analysis:

- Most eCommerce systems lack native CRM → sales data and customer support often remain fragmented.
- Salesforce adds customer 360° view, enabling better cross-sell, upsell, and marketing campaigns.

AppExchange Exploration:

- Shipping & logistics connectors.
- Payment gateway integrations.
- Marketing automation (Salesforce Marketing Cloud).

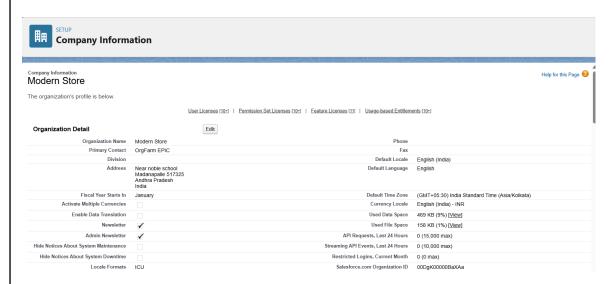
Phase 2: Org Setup & Configuration

Salesforce Editions

- Using Salesforce Developer Edition Org (free, permanent).
- Supports custom objects, flows, Apex, and dashboards.

Company Profile Setup

- Setup → Company Information → Edit.
- Company Name: Modern store
- Default Locale: English (India)
- Time Zone: Asia/Kolkata (IST) Currency: INR



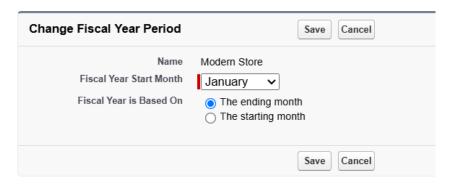
Saved changes for org-wide consistency

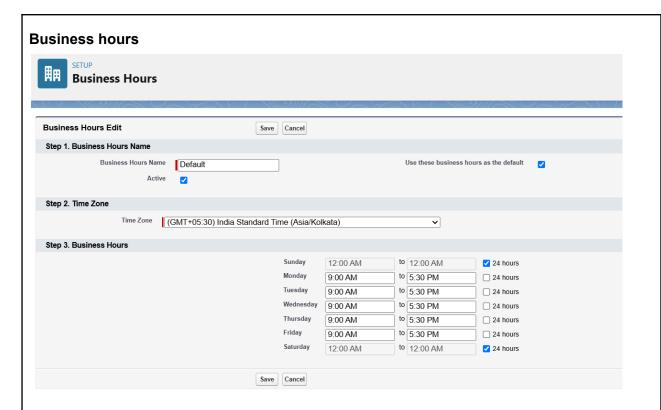
Business Hours & Holidays

- Setup → Business Hours → New Business Hours.
- Working Hours: 9:00 AM 6:00 PM (Mon–Sat).
- Setup → Holidays → Add national holidays (e.g., 15th August Independence Day).
- Ensures workflows/approvals don't trigger during holidays.

Fiscal Year Settings

- Setup → Fiscal Year → Standard (Jan–Dec).
- Useful for revenue and sales reporting.





Dev Org Setup

The development environment was prepared to facilitate project development.

- A Salesforce Developer Edition org was provisioned for building the application.
- A GitHub repository was initialized to manage source code versions.
- VS Code and SFDX were set up to develop Apex classes and future Lightning Web Components.

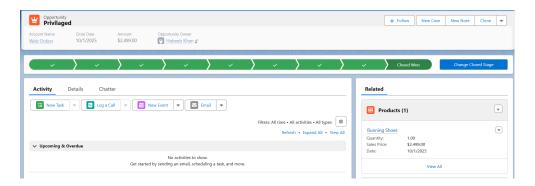
Phase 3: Data Modeling & Relationships

This phase defines the CRM data architecture.

- Standard Objects Used:
 - Lead → Captures potential customers signing up or leaving abandoned carts.
 - Account → Stores customer companies (for B2B).
 - Contact → Stores individual customers (for B2C).
 - Opportunity → Represents a potential deal (e.g., big cart order).
 - Product → Stores product catalog.
 - Order & OrderItem → Stores purchase details.

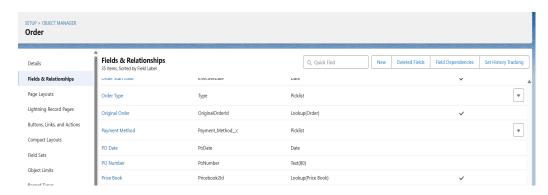
• Custom Objects:

- Cart_c → Temporary object for shopping cart.
- Payment__c → Tracks payment gateway status.



• Relationships:

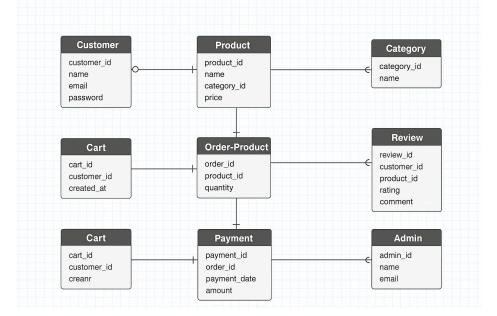
- $\circ \quad \text{One Account} \to \text{Many Orders}.$
- One Order → Many Products (via OrderItem).
- Lookup from Payment__c → Order.



• Record Types:

- Lead Types: Website Lead, Social Media Lead.
- Order Types: Normal Order, Bulk Order, Return Order.

• Schema Builder: Use Salesforce Schema Builder to visually map eCommerce flow.



Phase 4: Process Automation (Admin)

Automation ensures customer experience is fast and accurate.

Validation Rules:

- Prevent negative product quantity.
- o Order cannot be closed unless payment is confirmed.

Workflow Rules:

- Send order confirmation email.
- Notify manager when discount > 20%.

• Process Builder:

- Auto-convert a Lead into Contact + Account when first purchase happens.
- Update Opportunity Stage → "Won" when Order is placed.

Approval Process:

- Discount Approval workflow.
- Refund Approval for returns.

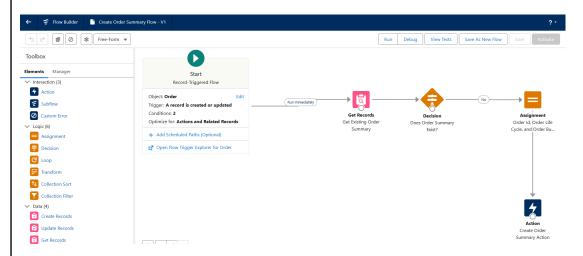
• Flow Builder:

Record-Triggered Flow: Auto-create Opportunity when cart > \$500.

- Screen Flow: Order cancellation form.
- o Scheduled Flow: Daily sync of abandoned carts into Leads.

Other Actions:

- o Email Alerts: Order confirmation, shipment, refund.
- o Tasks: Assign follow-up calls for high-value customers.
- Custom Notifications: Mobile push notifications for agents.



Phase 5: Apex Programming (Developer)

Custom code for scenarios beyond point-and-click tools.

- Classes & Objects: Handle order allocation and discount calculation.
- Apex Triggers:
 - Before Insert: Validate cart stock.
 - After Insert: Create Salesforce Order when payment received.
 - After Update: Update opportunity stage if order is shipped.
- SOQL & SOSL: Fetch customer purchase history.
- Collections (List, Set, Map): Store bulk product IDs during checkout.
- Batch Apex: Bulk sync orders every night.
- Queueable Apex: Payment reconciliation with external gateway.
- Scheduled Apex: Daily email report of new orders to managers.

```
File * Edit * Debug * Test * Workspace * Help * <
EcomHandler.apxc * 🗵
 Code Coverage: None + API Version: 64 ×
 1 ▼ public class EcomHandler {
             public static Decimal calcDiscount(Decimal amt) {
             return (amt > 1000) ? amt * 0.1 : 0;
 5 🔻
        trigger CartBeforeInsert on Cart_c (before insert) {
 6
            for (Cart__c c : Trigger.new)
                 if (c.Total_Items__c > 100)
 8
                     c.addError('Stock limit exceeded!');
 9
 10 ▼
        trigger PaymentAfterInsert on Payment__c (after insert) {
 11
             List<Order__c> ords = new List<Order__c>();
 12
             for (Payment__c p : Trigger.new)
                 if (p.Status__c == 'Paid')
 13
                     ords.add(new Order_c(Customer_c=p.Customer_c, Amount_c=p.Amount_c));
 15
             insert ords;
 16
         trigger OrderAfterUpdate on Order__c (after update) {
 18
             List<Opportunity> opps = new List<Opportunity>();
 19
             for (Order__c o : Trigger.new)
                 if (o.Status_c = 'Shipped')
 20
 21
                     opps.add(new Opportunity(Id=o.Opportunity_c, StageName='Closed Won'));
 22
             update opps;
 23
 24 ▼
         public static List<Order__c> getHistory(Id custId) {
 25
             return [SELECT Id, Amount_c FROM Order_c WHERE Customer_c = :custId];
 26
```

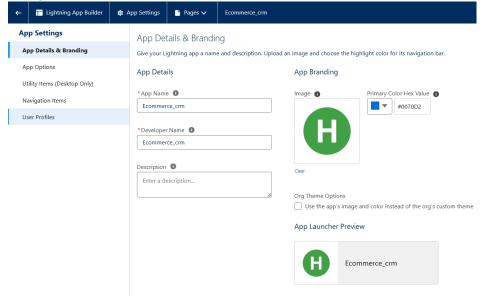
Future Methods: Async calls to external APIs (shipping, payments).

Phase 6: User Interface Development

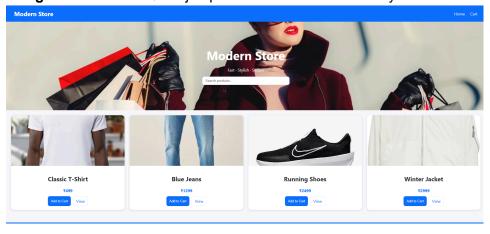
Front-end design inside Salesforce.

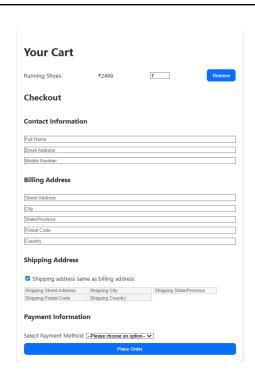
- Lightning App Builder: Create "ECommerce CRM App."
- Custom Tabs: Products, Orders, Leads, Payments.
- **Record Pages:** Customize Order page → show Product Items + Payment.

• Utility Bar: Quick order search.



- LWC (Lightning Web Components):
 - o Product Search & Filter.
 - o Cart component inside Salesforce.
 - Live order tracking view.
- LWC + Apex: Show "Recommended Products" (cross-sell/upsell).
- Events & Wire Adapters: Fetch stock availability.
- Navigation Service: Quick jump from Lead → Order → Payment.





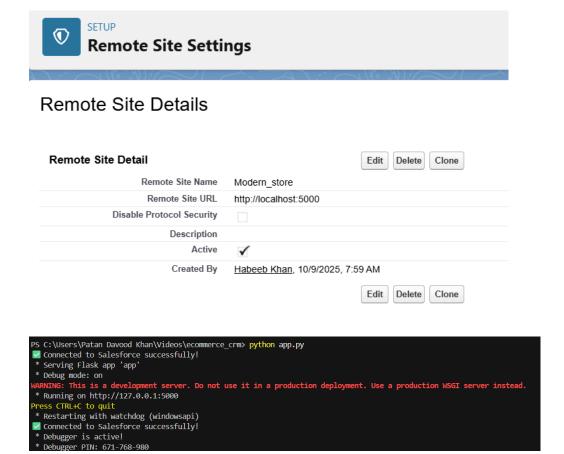
Phase 7: Integration & External Access

Bridge between Flask eCommerce App and Salesforce.

- Named Credentials: Store API keys securely.
- External Services: Integrate shipping APIs.

- Web Services:
 - REST → Sync orders & customers from Flask app.
 - SOAP → For older ERP integrations.
- Callouts: Payment gateway verification.

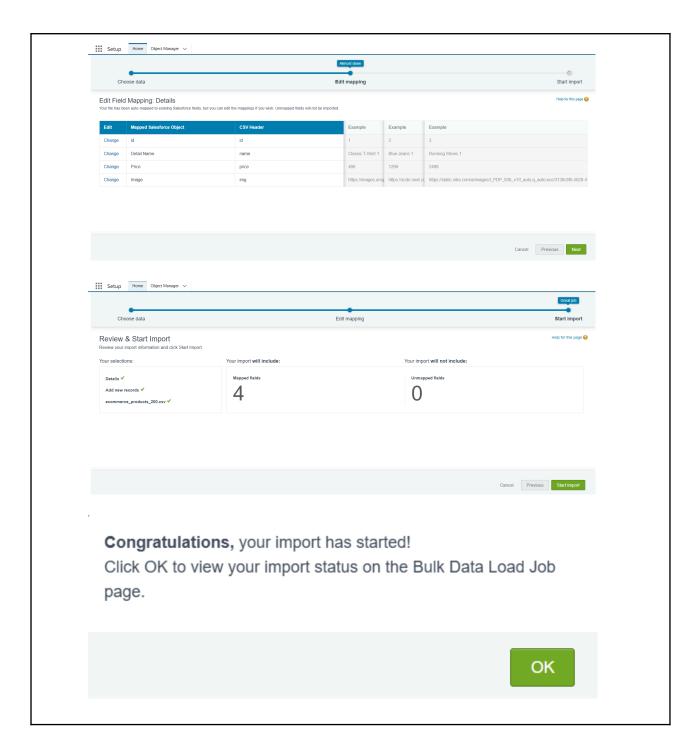
- Platform Events: Notify sales team when big order placed.
- Change Data Capture: Real-time sync for inventory.
- Salesforce Connect: If external product catalog is huge.
- API Limits: Monitor governor limits to avoid failures.
- OAuth & Authentication: Secure customer login.
- Remote Site Settings: Allow Flask app domain for API calls.



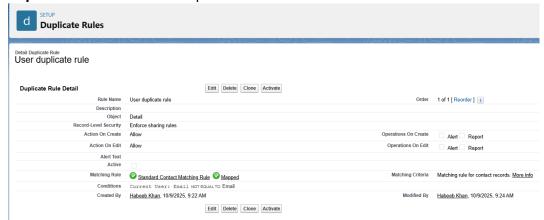
Phase 8: Data Management & Deployment

Ensures clean data & smooth migration.

- Data Import Wizard: Import small CSVs of products.
- Data Loader: Bulk import 10,000+ orders.



• Duplicate Rules: Prevent duplicate Leads & Accounts.

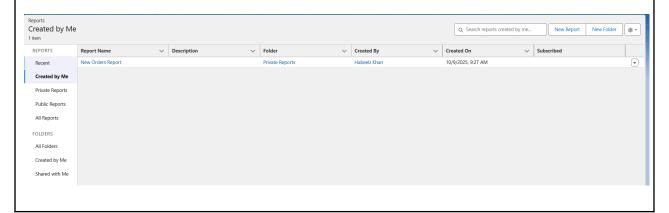


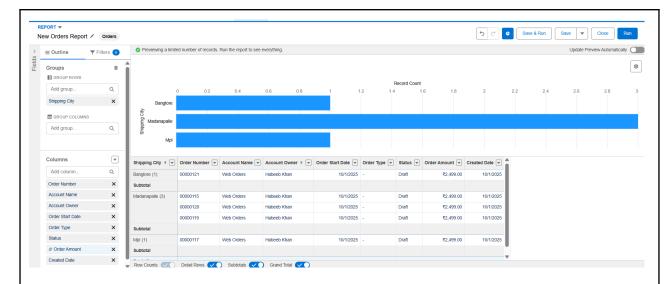
- Data Export & Backup: Weekly scheduled backup.
- Change Sets: Deploy flows, objects, and layouts.
- Packages: Managed for reusable components, unmanaged for internal.
- ANT Migration Tool: For DevOps CI/CD pipelines.
- VS Code & SFDX: Modern development & deployment.

Phase 9: Reporting, Dashboards & Security Review

For management insights.

- Reports:
 - Tabular → All orders placed today.
 - Summary → Sales by price.
 - Matrix → Orders by Region vs Sales Rep.
 - \circ Group by \rightarrow Shipping cities.



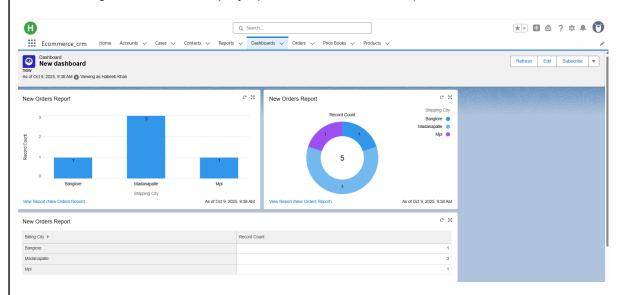


Dashboards:

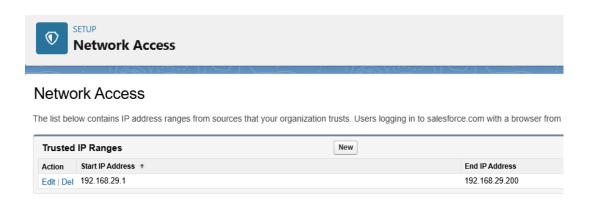
Visualize key metrics for quick insights.

Steps:

- Dashboards → New Dashboard.
- Add components (charts, tables) using saved reports.
- Configure filters and display options. Save & run in a public folder.



- Dynamic Dashboards: Different KPIs for Manager vs Rep.
- Security Settings:
 - Field-Level Security for payment info.
 - Session Settings for MFA.
 - Login IP Ranges for secure access.



Audit Trail → Track admin changes.

Phase 10: Final Presentation & Demo Day

Key Features of the System:

1. Custom Web Application

o Centralized platform for managing products, orders, customers, and returns.

2. Product & Inventory Management

Easy addition, update, and tracking of products, categories, and stock levels.

3. Role-Based Access

 Secure access for Admin, Seller, and Customer roles with appropriate permissions.

4. Order & Payment Handling

 Tracks customer orders from placement to delivery and integrates multiple payment options.

5. Complaint & Return Management

 Manages customer complaints, returns, and refunds efficiently to improve service.

6. Data Management

 Import, export, and maintain product, order, and customer data seamlessly using built-in database tools.

7. Automated Notifications

 Sends email/SMS alerts for order confirmation, shipping updates, and promotions.

8. Reports & Analytics

 Provides detailed reports on sales, top-selling products, customer activity, and revenue trends.

9. Dashboards

 Offers real-time insights into business performance, inventory levels, and sales analytics through interactive dashboards.