

Marketplace Technical Planning - Day 2

Project Overview

This is a technical plan for the eCommerce marketplace focused on selling products such as bridal suits, casual wear, and party wear. The project involves a user-friendly, responsive frontend using *Next.js*, a backend powered by **Sanity CMS* for dynamic product management, and third-party API integrations for features like shipment tracking and payment gateways.

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Frontend Requirements

1. *User-Friendly Responsive Site:* The site should be mobile-friendly and easy to navigate, providing a seamless shopping experience across devices.
2. *General eCommerce Products for All Genders:* The marketplace should cater to products for both men and women.
3. *Pages:*
 - *Home*
 - *About*
 - *Shop*
 - *Team*
4. *SEO Optimization:*
 - Using *Next.js* ensures good SEO performance due to Server Side Rendering (SSR), which is fast and helps the site rank better on search engines.

Sanity CMS As Backend

1. *Product Data Management:* Sanity CMS will be used to dynamically manage product information, including details like name, description, price, and images.
2. *User and Order Details:* Sanity CMS will also manage user details and order information.
3. *Data Fetching Using GROQ Query:* Products and order details will be fetched dynamically using *GROQ queries* in Sanity CMS to be displayed on the frontend.

API Setup (Third Party)

1. *Third-Party APIs:*
 - APIs will be used for shipment tracking and payment gateways.
2. *Sanity Data Fetching:*
 - We will fetch data from Sanity CMS using API calls to display product details dynamically in the UI.
 - For example, a product's API might return data like { name: 'Black Trouser For Men', title: 'Black Trouser', description: 'A stylish black trouser' }. The product details will be fetched and displayed on the UI.

Dynamic Routing

1. *Dynamic Routing for Products:*

- We will use dynamic routing for product pages. For instance, a product title like "Black Trouser For Men" will have a slug like /black-trouser-for-men.
- We can also use id or name in the URL like /productdetails/1 or /productdetails/blacktrouser.

2. *Best Practice for SEO:*

- *Slug-based routing* is preferred as it is SEO-friendly, making the URL more readable and keyword-rich.

General eCommerce Example

1. *Endpoint Name:*/shop

2. *Explanation:*

- When a user visits the /shop route, it fetches all product data either from the API or Sanity CMS.

3. *Example Response:*

- Data for a product might look like: { productName: 'Black Trouser', productId: '1', productPrice: 3000 }.

Data Schema

Even if you have an API, you still need to define schemas in the Sanity folder to structure your data.

1. *Example Data Schema for Product:*

```
```javascript
{
 name: 'product',
 title: 'Product',
 type: 'document',
 fields: [
 { name: 'productId', title: 'Product ID', type: 'string' },
 { name: 'productName', title: 'Product Name', type: 'string' },
 { name: 'productDescription', title: 'Product Description', type: 'text' },
 { name: 'productPrice', title: 'Product Price', type: 'number' },
 { name: 'productImage', title: 'Product Image', type: 'image' }
]
}
```

### 2. Example Data Schema for Order:

```
{
 name: 'order',
 title: 'Order',
 type: 'document',
 fields: [
 { name: 'orderId', title: 'Order ID', type: 'string' },
 { name: 'customerName', title: 'Customer Name', type: 'string' },
 { name: 'orderDetails', title: 'Order Details', type: 'array', of: [{ type: 'string' }] }
]
}
```

## **API Endpoints**

### 1. /products Endpoint

Method: GET

Description: Fetches all product data from Sanity CMS, returning fields like id, name, description, price, quantity, etc.

## 2. /orders Endpoint

Method: POST

Description: Creates a new user order in Sanity CMS, including customer information and order details.

## 3. /shipment Endpoint

Method: GET

Description: Tracks products using a third-party API and returns shipment details like shipment ID, status, and expected delivery date.

## Payment Methods

### 1. Worldwide:

Stripe and PayPal will be used for international payments.

### 2. In Pakistan:

Payment methods like Alfa Payment Gateway, HBLPay, JazzCash Merchant, and EasyPaisa Merchant will be implemented for local payments.

### Sign In & Sign Up (Authentication)

Authentication is yet to be implemented, but we will update this section once we learn about handling sign-in and sign-up functionality.

