MLM Registration & Upline Payout: Full Walkthrough

# 1. Setup: Payout Structure & Transaction Session

const payoutLevels = [200, 100, 50, 25, 15, 10, 10, 10, 10, 10];  
// Each index represents the payout for a level (0 = Level 1, 1 = Level 2, ..., 9 = Level 10)  
  
const session = await mongoose.startSession();  
session.startTransaction();  
// Begin MongoDB transaction for atomic operations (all-or-nothing)

# 2. Input Parsing & Uniqueness Check

const { name, email, phone, password, referredByCode, pin, ...profileFields } = req.body;  
  
if (await Member.findOne({ $or: [{ email }, { phone }] })) {  
 return res.status(400).json({ message: "Email or phone already exists" });  
}  
// Checks if user already exists (by email or phone).

# 3. Password Hashing

const hashedPassword = await bcrypt.hash(password, 10);  
// Hashes the password for secure storage.

# 4. Find Referrer and Build Uplines Chain

let referredByMember = null, uplines = [];  
if (referredByCode) {  
 referredByMember = await Member.findOne({ memberId: referredByCode });  
 if (!referredByMember) {  
 return res.status(400).json({ message: "Invalid referral code" });  
 }  
 // Build uplines: referrer first, then their uplines, up to 10 levels  
 uplines = [referredByMember.\_id, ...(referredByMember.uplines || [])].slice(0, 10);  
}

• Finds the referrer using their memberId.  
• Builds the uplines array: First is direct referrer’s ObjectId, then their uplines.  
• Level 1: Direct referrer; Level 2: Referrer's referrer; up to Level 10.

# 5. PIN Validation (if Provided)

if (pin) {  
 const pinDoc = await Pin.findOne({ pin, boughtBy: referredByMember?.\_id, used: false });  
 if (!pinDoc) {  
 return res.status(400).json({ message: "Invalid or already used PIN for this referrer" });  
 }  
 // Mark as used; actual usedBy set after member is created  
 pinDoc.used = true;  
 pinDoc.usedBy = null;  
 pinDoc.usedOn = new Date();  
 await pinDoc.save({ session });  
}

• Verifies the PIN (exists, unused, bought by correct referrer).  
• Prevents fraud: Only PINs bought by actual referrer can be used; one-time use.

# 6. Generate Unique Member ID

const memberId = await generateMemberId();  
// e.g., "MB10012" (always unique, auto-increment)

# 7. Create New Member

const newMember = await Member.create([{  
 memberId,  
 name,  
 email,  
 phone,  
 password: hashedPassword,  
 referredBy: referredByMember?.\_id,  
 uplines,  
 ...profileFields,  
}], { session });

# 8. Finalize PIN Usage (if Used)

if (pin) {  
 await Pin.findOneAndUpdate(  
 { pin },  
 { usedBy: newMember[0].\_id, used: true, usedOn: new Date() },  
 { session }  
 );  
}

# 9. Payout Loop to Uplines

for (let i = 0; i < uplines.length; i++) {  
 const amount = payoutLevels[i] || 0;  
 if (!amount) continue;  
 // Add commission to upline's wallet (atomic, inside transaction)  
 await Member.updateOne(  
 { \_id: uplines[i] },  
 { $inc: { wallet: amount } },  
 { session }  
 );  
 // Log the transaction  
 await Transaction.create([{  
 type: "payout",  
 from: newMember[0].\_id,  
 to: uplines[i],  
 amount,  
 level: i + 1,  
 note: `Level ${i + 1} commission for ${newMember[0].memberId}`  
 }], { session });  
}

• Loops through each upline (ObjectId).  
• Gets payout amount from payoutLevels by index (i=0: ₹200, i=1: ₹100, etc.).  
• Updates wallet using $inc—atomic and safe for concurrent signups.  
• Logs every payout to the Transaction collection.

# 10. Commit or Abort Transaction

await session.commitTransaction();  
session.endSession();  
return res.status(201).json({ message: "Member registered successfully", memberId });

• If every step is successful: Transaction is committed.  
• If any error occurs: Transaction is aborted. No partial data.

# Security and Data Integrity Features

• Atomicity: No partial payout, no member added unless everything is correct.  
• No duplicate commission: Each upline is credited exactly once per new member.  
• No fraud: Only valid, unused, referrer-bought PINs can be used.  
• Audit trail: Every wallet movement is logged in the Transaction collection.  
• Safe under load: Multiple concurrent signups do not cause any data loss or double payout.

# Example Scenario

New member signs up with referral code and PIN.  
1. Finds the referrer and builds uplines.  
2. Validates PIN is bought by referrer, unused.  
3. Creates new member, updates PIN.  
4. Credits wallet for each upline as per payoutLevels.  
5. Logs every payout.  
6. Commits transaction only if every step succeeds.

# Diagram

User signs up  
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[Input validated]  
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[Find referrer, build uplines]  
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[Validate PIN (if used)]  
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[Create member]  
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[Mark PIN as used]  
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[Credit uplines wallets & log transactions]  
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[Commit transaction]  
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 └─ Success!

# Summary Table

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| Step | Code Section | What It Does | Why It’s Safe |
| Start txn | session.startTransaction() | All-or-nothing DB ops | Prevents bugs |
| Validate input | Uniqueness check | No duplicates | Data integrity |
| Build uplines | uplines = ... | Sets up the tree for payout | No tree corruption |
| PIN check | Pin.findOne... | Only valid, unused PINs allowed | No PIN fraud |
| Member create | Member.create | Stores new member and links to tree |  |
| PIN mark used | Pin.findOneAndUpdate | PIN forever tied to member | Full audit trail |
| Payouts | for (let i...) | Each upline credited, every payout logged | No missed/double payout |
| Commit | commitTransaction() | Only if all steps succeed | No partial updates |

You can easily:

• Change payout amounts by editing payoutLevels  
• Audit every payout in Transaction logs  
• Prevent fraud by design (all paths checked, all steps atomic)