

1] Users and Group :- In AWS IAM (Identity and Access Management) users and groups are fundamental concepts used to manage access to AWS resources.

Users :- An IAM user is an entity created in AWS to represent a person or application that interacts with AWS resources. Each user has unique credentials, username, password and optionally access keys for programmatic access.

Purpose :- Users are created to allow individual people or applications to access AWS resources separately. Each user can be granted specific permissions to perform actions on resources.

Groups :- An IAM group is a collection of IAM users. Groups are used to simplify the management of permissions for multiple users.

Purpose :- Groups allow you to assign permissions to multiple users at once rather than assigning permission to individual user. This is particularly useful for organizing users with similar access requirements.

- 2] IAM ÷ AWS IAM (Identity and Access Management) is a service that helps you securely control access to AWS services and resources. It enables you to manage users, groups and permissions to allow or deny access to AWS.

key features:-

- 1] User Management ÷ Create and Manage users and assign security credentials like keys.
- 2] Group Management ÷ Organize users into groups to manage permissions.
- 3] Policies ÷ Use policies to define permissions and specify what actions are allowed or denied. These policies are attached to users, groups or roles.
- 4] Multi Factor authentication (MFA) ÷ Enhance security by requiring users to provide additional authentication.
- 5] Identity federation ÷ allow external identities to access AWS resources.

Benefits

- 1] Security ÷ fine grained control over who can access what resources and actions.
- 2] Scalability ÷ Manage access for large no. of users and services.
- 3] flexibility ÷ Integrate with existing identity Management systems.
- 4] Compliance ÷ Help meet regulatory and compliance req. by managing access controls.

3] Role of IAM.

