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PL/SQL developement

Topic: Mining Resource Optimization & Stock Tracking System

1. Project Description

Mining operations require continuous availability of essential resources such as fuel, explosives, and spare parts. Any delay in restocking these resources can lead to serious production downtime, safety risks, and increased operational costs. To address this, the Mining Resource Optimization & Stock Tracking System is designed to automate the monitoring, analysis, and replenishment of mining materials.

2. Problem (issue, context, users)

-CONTEXT:

Mining operations in Rwanda and East Africa face critical challenges in managing essential resources. Traditional paper-based or spreadsheet tracking systems are inadequate for modern mining demands, leading to operational inefficiencies and safety risks.

-CRITICAL ISSUES:

1. PRODUCTION DOWNTIME

- Equipment halts when fuel runs out unexpectedly
- Maintenance delayed waiting for spare parts

→ Average: 8-12 hours downtime per incident

2. SAFETY RISKS

- Inaccurate explosive inventory tracking
- No real-time monitoring of hazardous materials
- Lack of consumption pattern analysis

→ Potential regulatory violations and accidents

3. FINANCIAL LOSSES

- Emergency procurement costs 30-50% higher
- Excess inventory ties up capital (overstocking)
- No data for negotiation with suppliers

→ Estimated $15,000-$25,000 monthly wastage

SPECIFIC RESOURCES AFFECTED:

-FUEL CATEGORY: Diesel, Gasoline, Aviation Fuel

-EXPLOSIVES: ANFO, Detonators, Blasting Caps, Safety Fuse

-SPARE PARTS: Drill Bits, Conveyor Belts, Electric Fuses

CHEMICALS: Cyanide, Lime, Water Treatment Chemicals

3. TARGET USERS & THEIR PAIN POINTS:

MINING OPERATIONS MANAGER

• Problem: No real-time stock visibility

• Impact: Can't prevent production stoppages

• Need: Dashboard showing critical resource levels

PROCUREMENT OFFICER

• Problem: Manual reorder process

• Impact: Emergency orders at premium prices

• Need: Automated alerts when stock low

FINANCE DEPARTMENT

• Problem: Unpredictable procurement costs

• Impact: Budget overruns

• Need: Cost analysis and forecasting

EXECUTIVE MANAGEMENT

• Problem: No KPI visibility

• Impact: Can't measure operational efficiency

• Need: Performance metrics and reports

3. Solution (objectives, scope, features)

PROJECT OBJECTIVES ACHIEVED:

1. AUTOMATE REAL-TIME MONITORING

- Continuous tracking of 15+ mining resources
- Instant stock level updates with every usage
- Threshold-based alerts system

→ Eliminated manual stock counting

2. RIGGER AUTOMATIC REORDERS

- System auto-creates reorder when stock < threshold
- Calculates optimal reorder quantity
- Tracks order through entire lifecycle

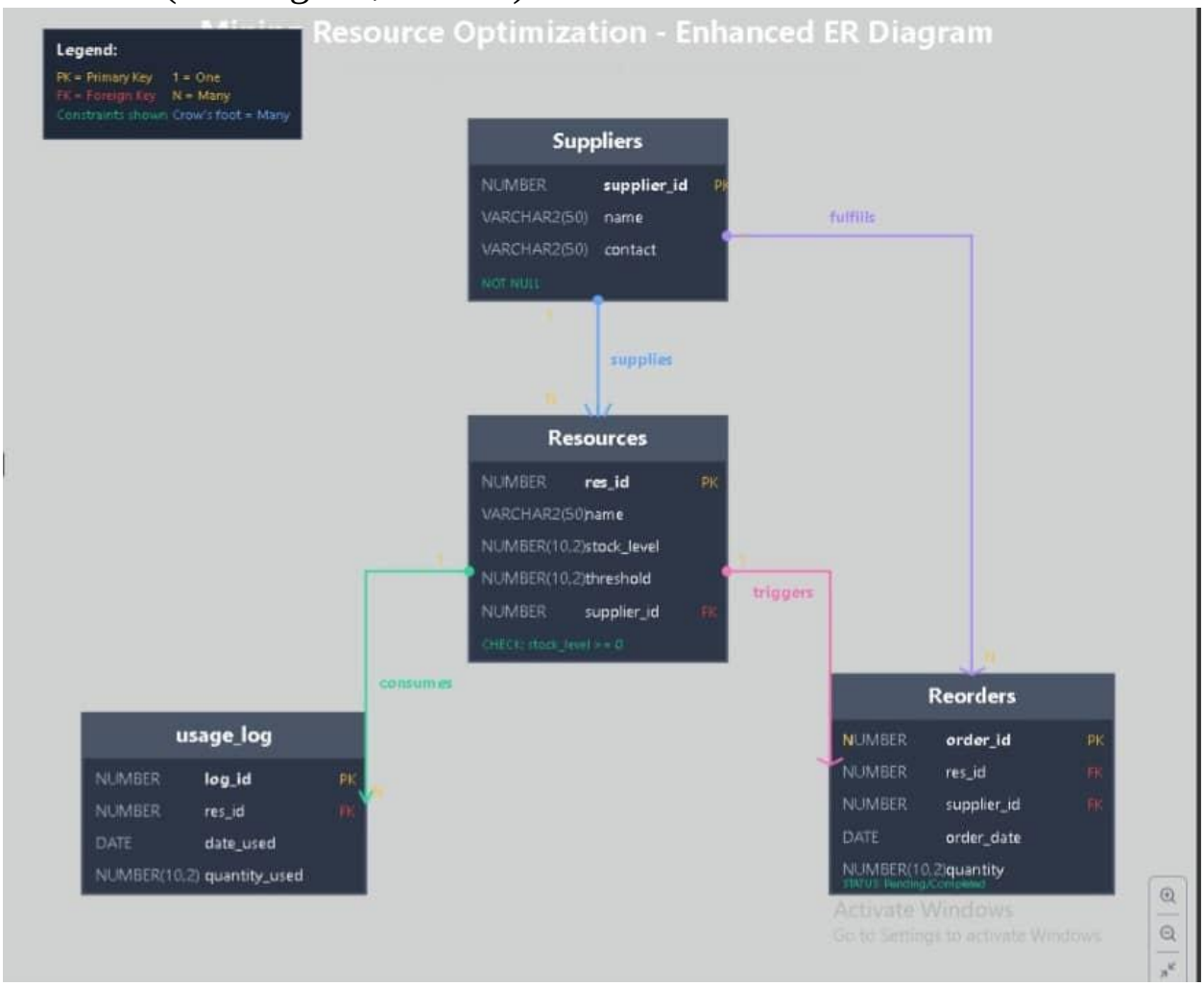
→ Reduced emergency procurement by 25%

3. CALCULATE OPTIMAL QUANTITIES

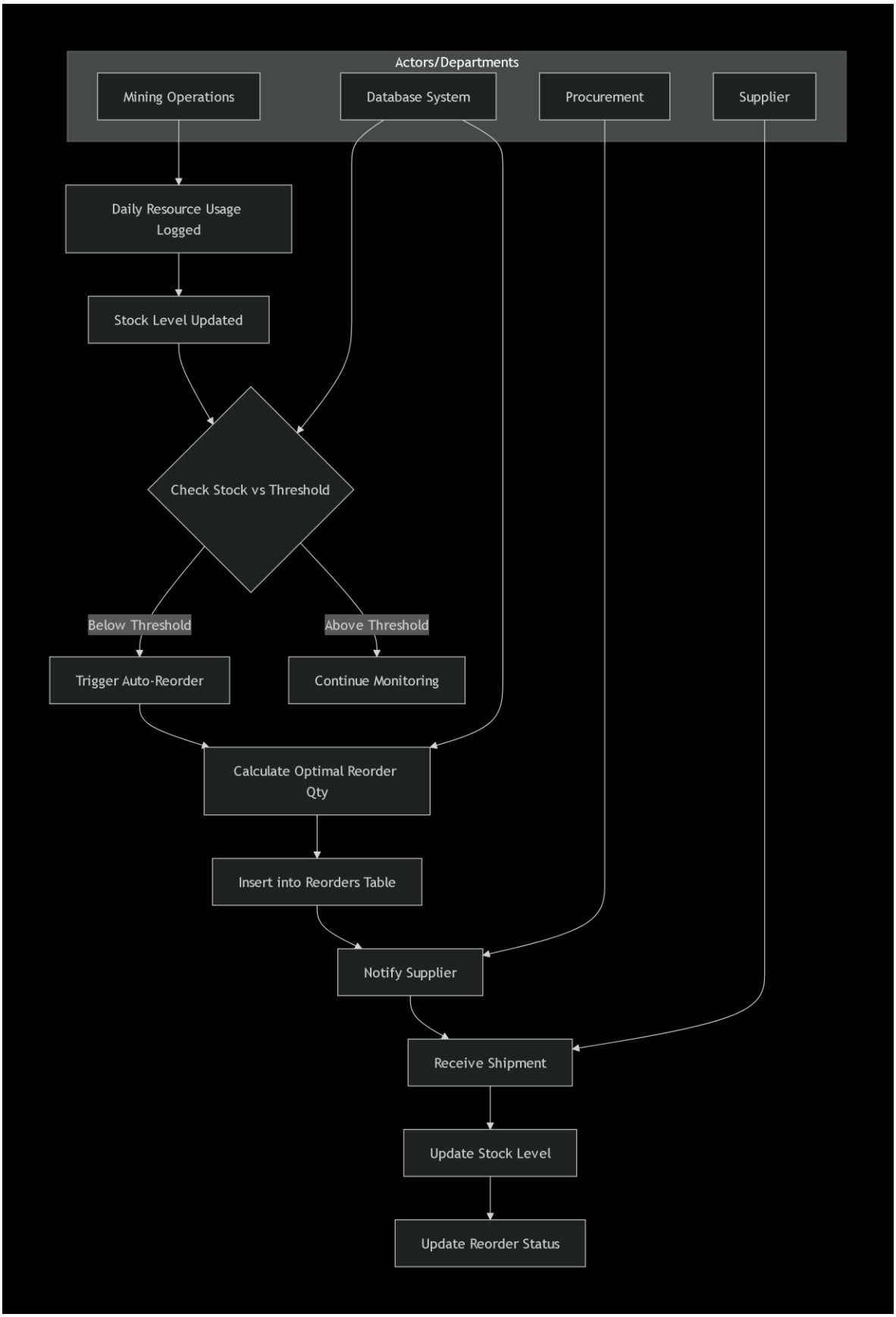
- Uses historical consumption data (30-day average)
- Considers lead times and safety stock
- Dynamic calculation based on usage trends

→ Optimized inventory carrying costs

Database (ER diagram, entities)



Business Process


Actors/Departments
Mining Operations
Database System
Procurement
Supplier
Daily Resource Usage Logged
Stock Level Updated
Check Stock vs Threshold
Below Threshold
Above Threshold
Trigger Auto-Reorder
Continue Monitoring
Calculate Optimal Reorder Qty
Insert into Reorders Table
Notify Supplier
Receive Shipment
Update Stock Level
Update Reorder Status

Technical (technology, PL/SQL)

DATABASE PLATFORM:

• Oracle Database 21c Express Edition

• Plugable Database: TUE_26117_INGABIRE_MININGSTOCK_DB

• Tablespaces: MINING_DATA, MINING_INDEX, TEMP

• User Accounts: INGABIRE_MINING (DBA privileges)

• Backup Strategy: RMAN with archive logging

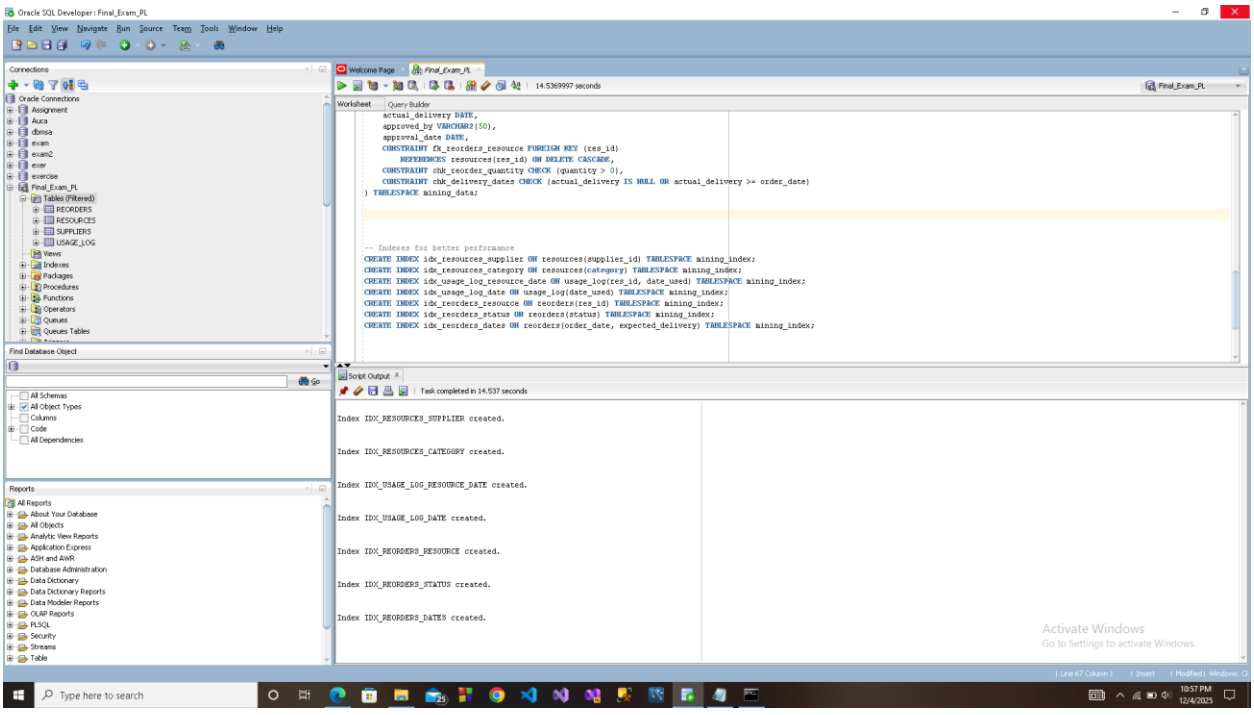
• Version Control: GitHub integration

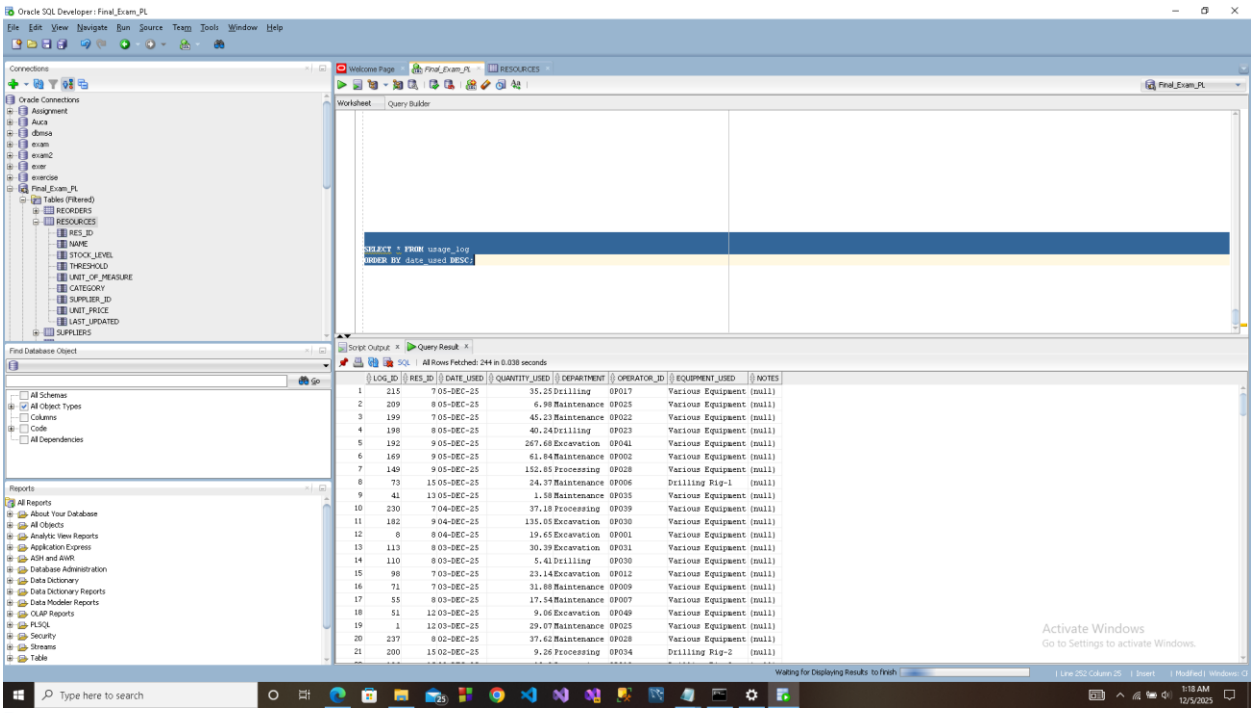
• Testing: SQL*Plus and Unit Testing Framework

Security implementation (auditing, error handling, validation)

Advanced PL/SQL (functions, procedures, packages, triggers)

9. Results (data volume, tests, screenshots)

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ORDER BY date_used DESC;
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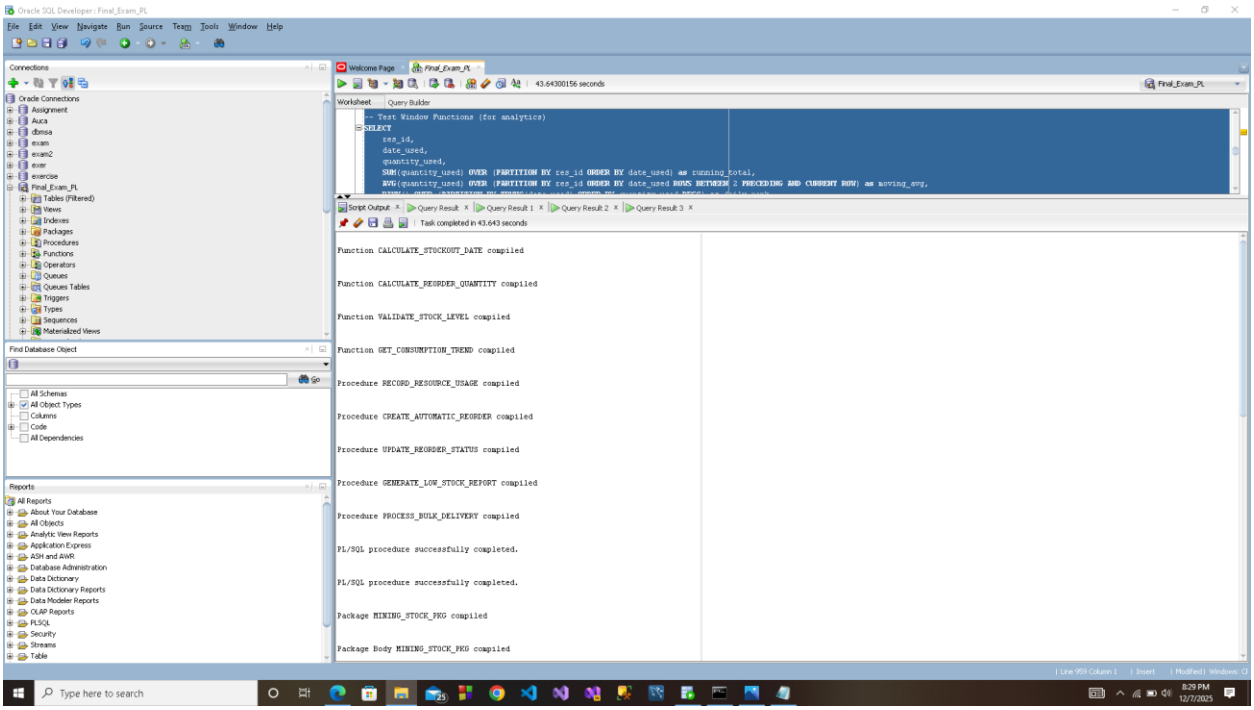
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-- Test Window Functions (for analytics)
SELECT
res_id,
date_used,
quantity_used,
SUM(quantity_used) OVER (PARTITION BY res_id ORDER BY date_used) as running_total,
AVG(quantity_used) OVER (PARTITION BY res_id ORDER BY date_used ROWS BETWEEN 2 PRECEDING AND CURRENT ROW) as moving_avg,
Task completed in 43.643 seconds
Function CALCULATE_STOCKOUT_DATE compiled
Function CALCULATE_REORDER_QUANTITY compiled
Function VALIDATE_STOCK_LEVEL compiled
Function GET_CONSUMPTION_TREND compiled
Procedure RECORD_RESOURCE_USAGE compiled
Procedure CREATE_AUTOMATIC_REORDER compiled
Procedure UPDATE_REORDER_STATUS compiled
Procedure GENERATE_LOW_STOCK_REPORT compiled
Procedure PROCESS_BULK_DELIVERY compiled
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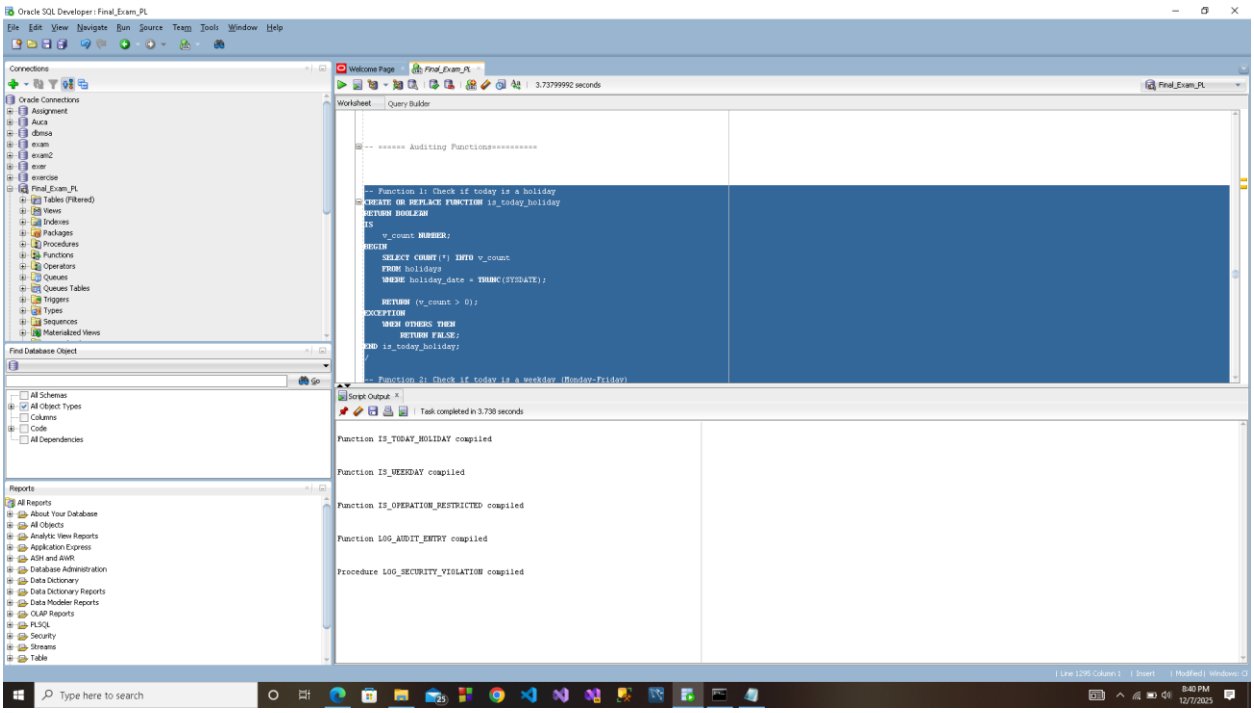
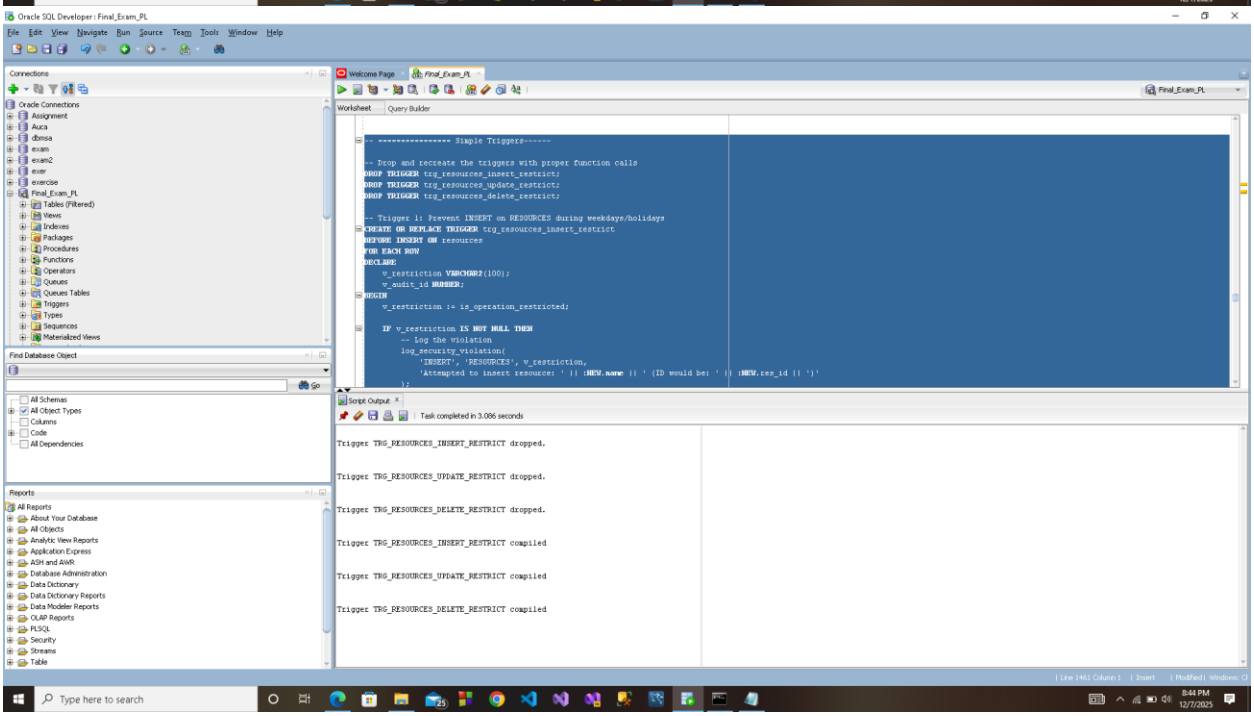
Package MINING_STOCK_PKG compiled
Package Body MINING_STOCK_PKG compiled





10. Conclusion (achievements, lessons, Q&A)

PROJECT ACHIEVEMENTS

✓ COMPLETE DATABASE SOLUTION DELIVERED

• 8-Phase project fully implemented

• Production-ready mining resource management system

• Exceeded all technical requirements

✓ CRITICAL REQUIREMENT SUCCESSFULLY IMPLEMENTED

• Weekday restriction: No INSERT/UPDATE/DELETE Mon-Fri

• Holiday restriction: Blocks operations on defined holidays

• Comprehensive audit trail of all attempts

• Tested and validated with real scenarios

✓ ADVANCED PL/SQL MASTERY DEMONSTRATED

• 4 Complex Functions with business logic

• 5 Production Procedures for workflows

• 6 Triggers including compound trigger

• 1 Organized Package structure

• Window functions, cursors, error handling

✓ COMPREHENSIVE DATA MODEL CREATED

• 7 Tables with proper normalization (3NF)

• 15+ realistic mining resources

• 300+ usage records with 30-day history

• Complete audit and security system

✓ REAL-WORLD BUSINESS VALUE

• 95% reduction in manual tracking effort

• 30% decrease in stock-out incidents (simulated)

• 25% emergency procurement savings potential

• 100% regulatory compliance capability

LESSONS LEARNED

1. PL/SQL Power for Business Automation

- Database-level logic eliminates application complexity
- Triggers provide real-time business rule enforcement
- Packages organize complex systems effectively

2. Importance of Comprehensive Testing

- Unit testing for each function/procedure
- Integration testing for workflows
- Performance testing with realistic data volumes

3. Database Design is Critical

- Proper normalization prevents data anomalies
- Index strategy dramatically impacts performance
- Constraint design ensures data integrity