Automating Code Deployment Using Jenkins CI/CD Pipeline

Objective: Set up a CI/CD pipeline using Jenkins to build, test, containerize, and deploy a Node.js web app automatically.

Tools Used:

- 1 GitHub code repository
- 2 Jenkins CI/CD automation server
- 3 Node.js application runtime
- 4 Docker containerization
- 5 DockerHub image registry

Step-by-Step Process:

- 1 1. Created a simple Node.js web application with Express (server.js, package.json).
- 2 2. Wrote a Dockerfile to containerize the app using Node:18 base image.
- 3 3. Pushed the project files (server.js, Dockerfile, Jenkinsfile, package.json) to GitHub.
- 4 4. Installed and configured Jenkins on the server, including Git and Docker plugins.
- 5 5. Added DockerHub credentials in Jenkins under Manage Jenkins → Credentials → Global.
- 6 6. Created a Jenkins Pipeline job and linked it to the GitHub repository (main branch).
- 7. Wrote a Jenkinsfile that defines stages for Checkout → Build → Docker Build → Push → Deploy.
- 8 8. Jenkins automatically triggered the pipeline on code push and built the Docker image.
- 9 9. Jenkins pushed the image to DockerHub using secure credentials.
- 10 10. Jenkins deployed the latest container version automatically on port 3000.

Sample Jenkinsfile:

```
stage('Push Docker Image')
{
    steps
    {
        sh 'docker push manikanta0404/nodejs-demo-app'
    }
}
stage('Deploy')
{
    steps
    {
        sh 'docker stop nodejs-demo || true'
        sh 'docker rm nodejs-demo || true'
        sh 'docker run -d -p 3000:3000 --name nodejs-demo-app manikanta0404/nodejs-demo-app:latest'
    }
}
}
```

Explanation:

When code is pushed to GitHub, Jenkins automatically pulls the latest changes and runs the pipeline. It installs dependencies, runs tests, builds a Docker image, pushes it to DockerHub, and finally deploys the app container. This achieves full CI/CD automation using Jenkins.