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ABSTRACT

Reading books is considered as one of the best hobbies one could have. Number of people reading books are increasing exponentially today. Books are sometimes really expensive and not everybody is willing or able to pay. For this, traditional system of exchanging books is solution but it is not an efficient in today's world. It is a hectic process to find someone or some shop that are willing for the exchange. Therefore, a better solution is to build a platform through which people can exchange books with each other by just accessing the platform through internet with ease. This process is not time consuming like traditional way as this will not take hours to find what you are looking for instead it will just take seconds to do the same task.

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Chapter 1 Introduction

1.1 Background

This will allow users to exchange books with those who are willing to do the same. It will mitigate the time consuming activities that were found in traditional way of book exchange process. That process involves users to perform tasks that are not feasible today. However, that won't be the case with this platform. Users just need to enter some details on the platform and it's done.

1.2 Problem Definition

Many individuals want to sell the books they no longer need. Traditionally, they can either talk to their friends or sell the books back to the bookstore for a tiny sum or can exchange with other books. These activities are time-consuming and garner little revenue. It is the goal of the system to bring those people together who want to sell or exchange the books and simplify the process.

1.3 Motivation

Motivation behind this topic is to provide free literacy and education in the society. With the help of this platform the people with low income and with real needs can get benefited. In today's time the cost to produce a single book has increased and also a large number of trees are shredded for it, so this platform will help to overcome those problems.

1.4 Objective

The overall objective is to develop a platform for book exchange. The aim is to provide a single platform to those users who do not want to spend or do not have sufficient amount of money to spend on books. This website will provide an inexpensive way for such people to exchange books, find out about new books and obtain a new book to read.

1.5 Scope

The website hopes to have an audience who are in search of books. Anyone can access the platform. Person who already have fond of reading or who want to begin to read the books can access.

Someone who intends to sell the books or someone who wants to explore and buy books provided on the webs are also welcomed on the platform.

1.6 Applications

This platform can be used worldwide by anyone who are having fond of reading books, who want books for educational purpose , the main application of this web app is to exchange and donate books as per needs.

Chapter 2 System Planning

2.1 Project Development Approach

Each project need to be developed with software model which makes the project with high quality, reliable and cost effective.

- **Name of model:** Incremental Model
- **Explanation**
 - Incremental Model is a process of software development where requirements are broken down into multiple standalone modules of software development cycle. Incremental development is done in steps from analysis design, implementation, testing/verification, maintenance.
 - Each iteration passes through the requirements, design, coding and testing phases. And each subsequent release of the system adds function to the previous release until all designed functionality has been implemented.

Characteristics of an Incremental module includes:

- System development is broken down into many mini development projects
- Partial systems are successively built to produce a final total system
- Highest priority requirement is tackled first
- **Justification**
 - As the characteristics mentioned above, our project is broken into different modules like Feed, Inbox, Homepage and many more which can be developed independently.
 - Thus those modules were built parallel and separately with testing the accuracy of individual modules, then performing integration, as these modules can be tested individually, making changes is easy and faster to develop.

- **Advantages**

- The software will be generated quickly during the software life cycle
- It is flexible and less expensive to change requirements and scope
- Through the development stages changes can be done
- Errors are easy to be identified

2.2 System Modules

The below mentioned modules are included in the entire project.

2.2.1 Authentication

The primary role of this module is to authenticate users who are accessing the platform. It is necessary so that anyone who is not authenticated cannot access the platform. Here the new users can register whereas existing users can login and logout.

2.2.2 Homepage

This module will let users to upload or save the posts, search the books directly by entering the book name or can select different genres.

2.2.3 Inbox

The primary goal of this module is to allow users to send and receive messages to each other. This can be performed once both users are in each other's friends list.

2.2.4 Feed

In this module, user is able to view the posts uploaded by the other users. The entire feed is generated based upon the posts uploaded by different users. Feed is unique for every users. Also. User can like and comment on the posts.

2.2.4 User Dashboard

This module is unique for every users. Her users are able to view their profile and could update it. Number of followers along with the posts they have uploaded can be viewed. If there are any friend request that is also displayed over here.

2.2.5 Admin Panel

This module can only be accessed by Admin. Admin manages all the user related details their posts, followers, profile and much more along with the database. Admin is the highest authority.

2.3 Functional Requirements

Table 2.1: Functional Requirements

ID	Title & Description
FR1	Title: Signup Desc: New users will have to register to use the website.
FR2	Title: Login Desc: Registered users are able to log on to the website.
FR3	Title: Home Desc: On the homepage the general layout along with features such as filter, search, post, DMs and many more will be offered.
FR4	Title: About Desc: On this page, the information regarding the website and their makers are provided.
FR5	Title: User Dashboard Desc: Users will be able to see their profile, followers, and their posts. They can also update, delete their posts as well as certain information in this section.

FR6	<p>Title: Admin Dashboard</p> <p>Desc: In this section, only the admin can enter and can remove users, posts, and inappropriate information across the website.</p>
FR7	<p>Title: Contact</p> <p>Desc: Here, information about contacting the website makers is given.</p>

2.4 Non Functional Requirements

- Security: User credentials details are safe which comes from users or from cookies to the database. Prevents malware attacks.
- Performance: The website will load smoothly and in a fast manner.
- Portability: A website can be accessed from any computing device with the internet.
- Availability: Website will be available 24x7 and in case of any failure of hardware, database corruption backups of the database should be retrieved from the server.
- Scalability: If demands of these user increases website would be capable to handle it and remain stable.
- Reliability: If any problem or situation arises then still site can run without failure of the system or elements.
- Regularity: A website should be updated regularly to improve and give the user the best interface.
- Storage: User Information is stored in a database so that it can be easily retrieved whenever needed.
- Access: Only authorized users can enter into the admin dashboard by proving his/her authentication using the correct username and password.
- Understandability: The website interface should be less complex as it includes more categories so users can understand easily.

2.5 Hardware and Software Requirements

Hardware Requirements:

- Processor: Dual-core i3 or more
- RAM: 2 GB
- Hard Disk: 10 GB

Software Requirements:

- OS: Windows/Ubuntu/MacOs
- Browser: Google chrome/Microsoft Edge/ Mozilla Firefox or any other

2.6 Timeline Chart

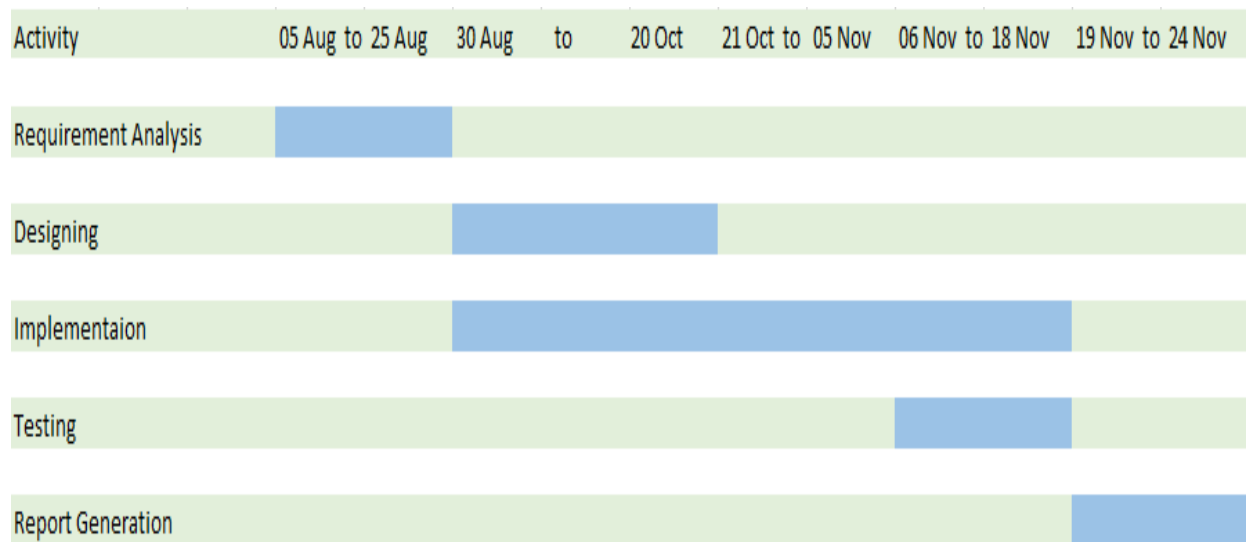


Fig: 2.1: Timeline Chart

Chapter 3 System Design

3.1 Database Schema

Table 3.1: Database Schema

Table Name	Description
Feed_comments	It store comments done in pots.
Feed_like	It stores the like details of the post.
Feed_post	It store posts.
Users_friendrequest	It stores details about friend request sent, accepted, and rejected.
Users_profile	It stores user profile information.
Users_profile_friends	It stores the list of friends in a users profile.
Feed_messagemodel	It stores messaging information
Fees_threadmodel	It stores current sender and receiver ID

3.2 Use Case Diagram

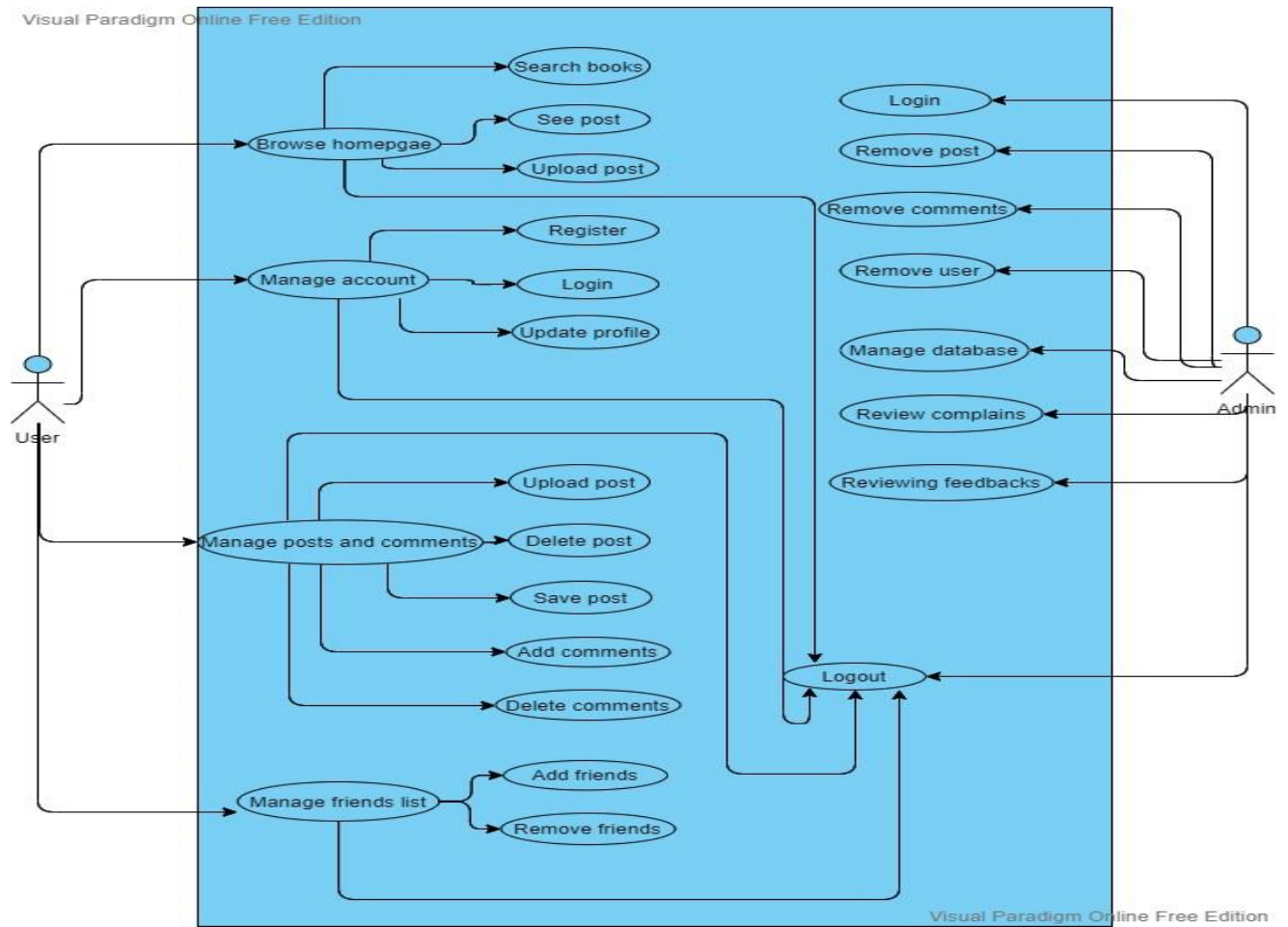


Fig: 3.1 Use case Diagram

3.3 Sequence Diagram

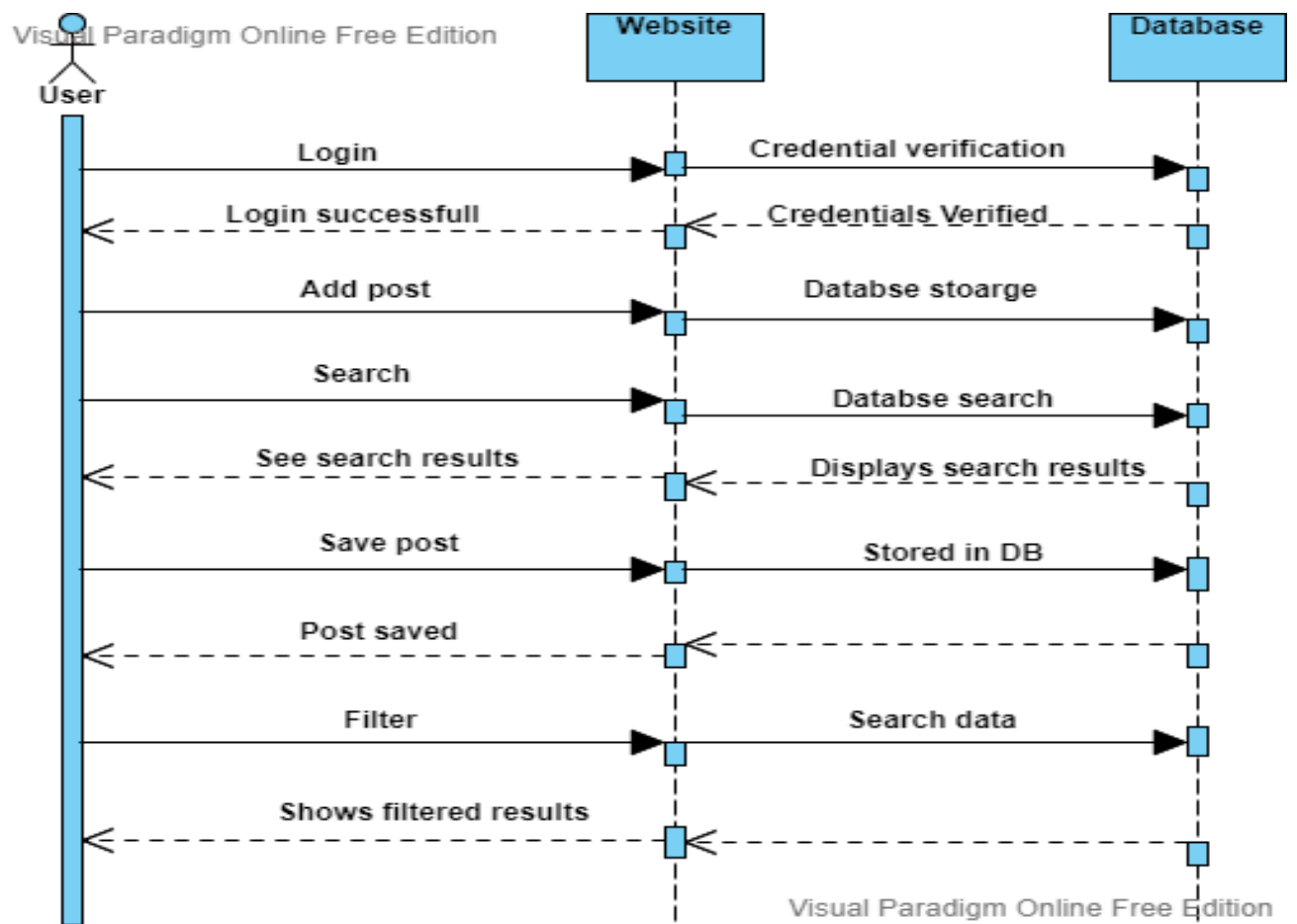
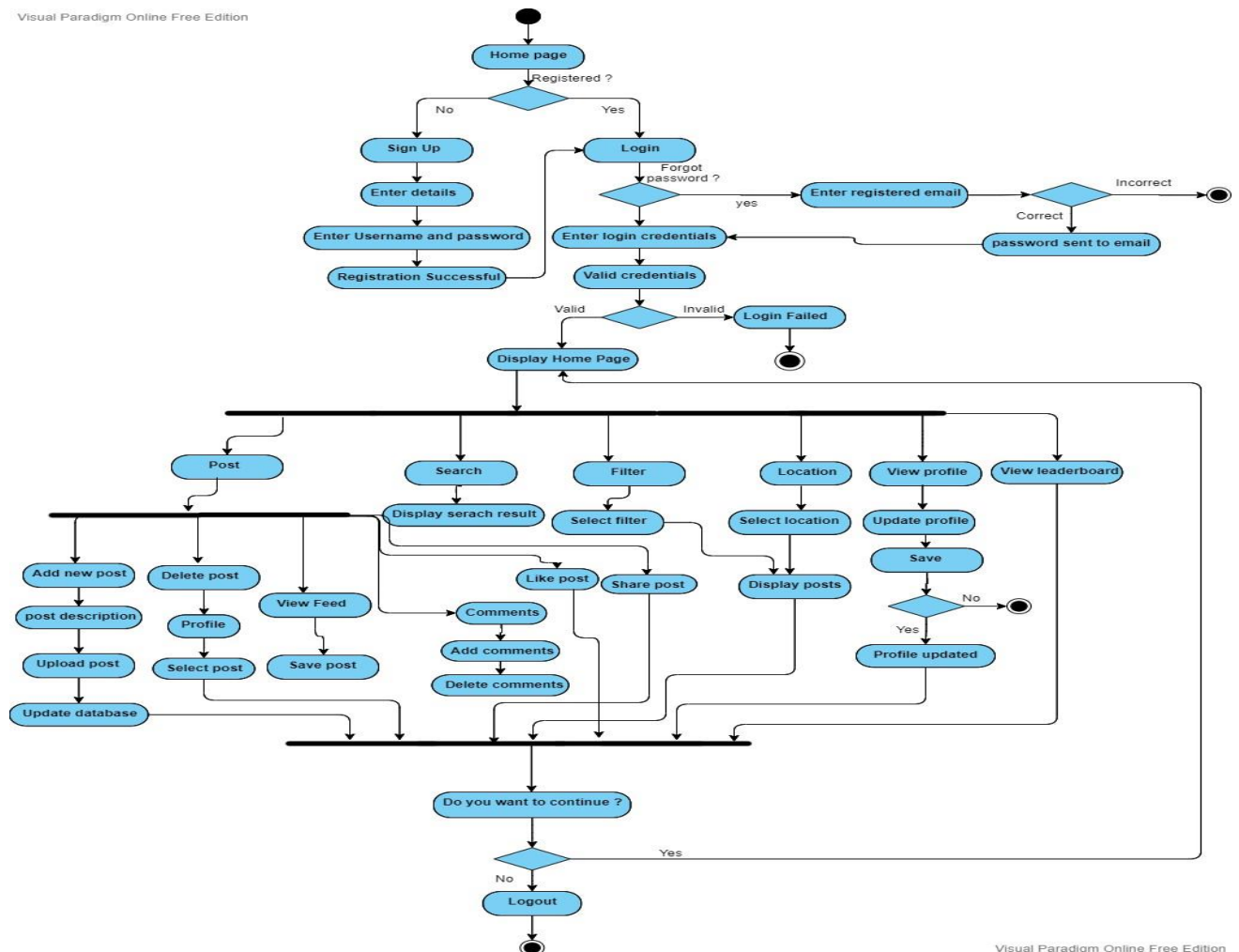


Fig 3.2: Sequence Diagram

3.4 Activity Diagram

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Fig 3.3: Activity Diagram

3.5 Class Diagram

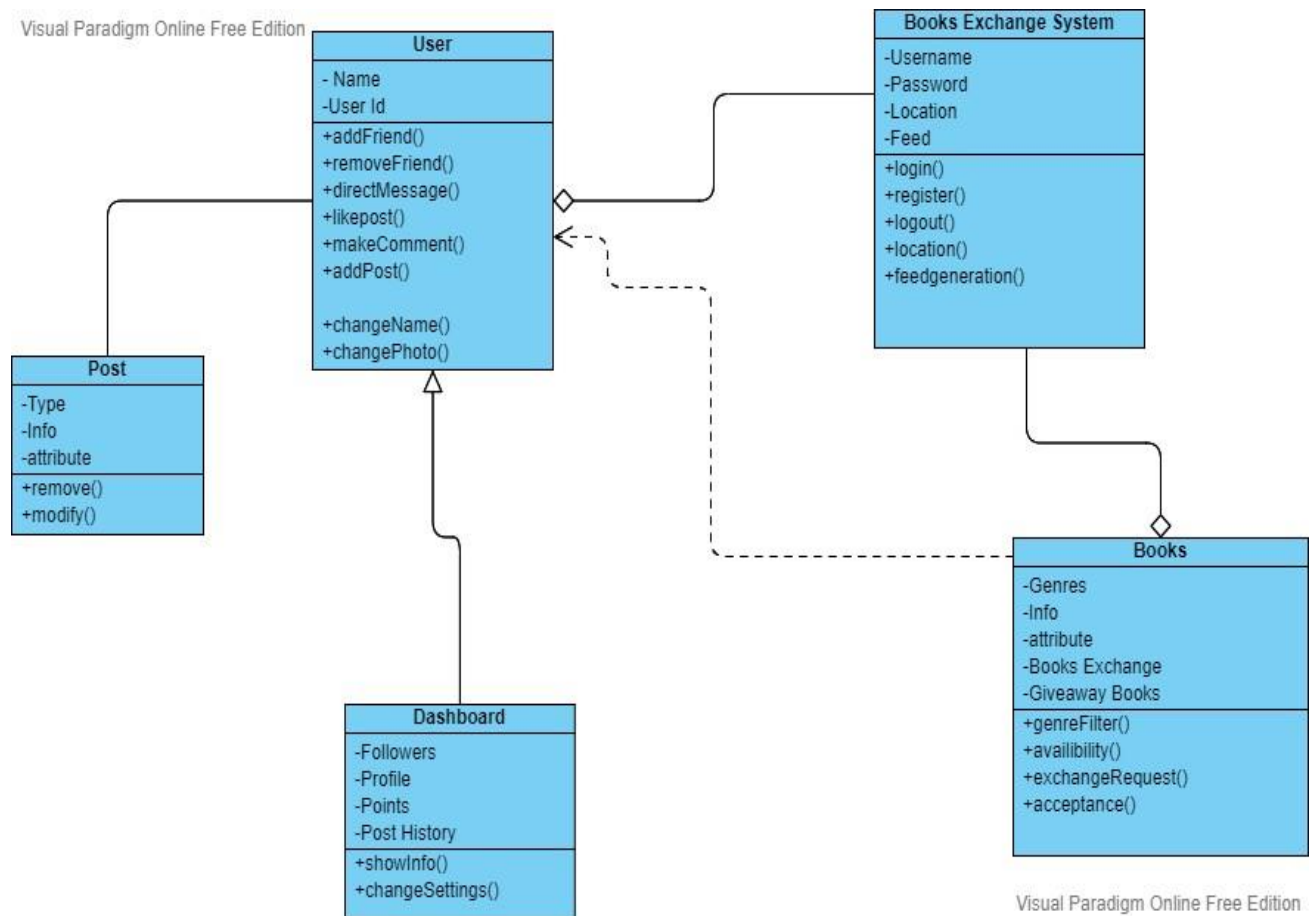


Fig 3.4: Class Diagram

3.6 Data Flow Diagram

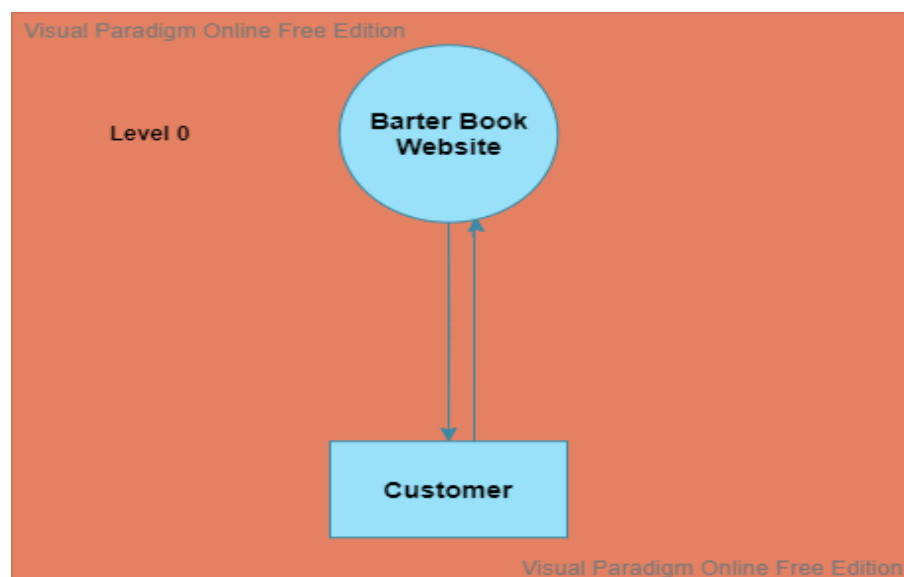


Fig 3.5.1: DFD Level-0

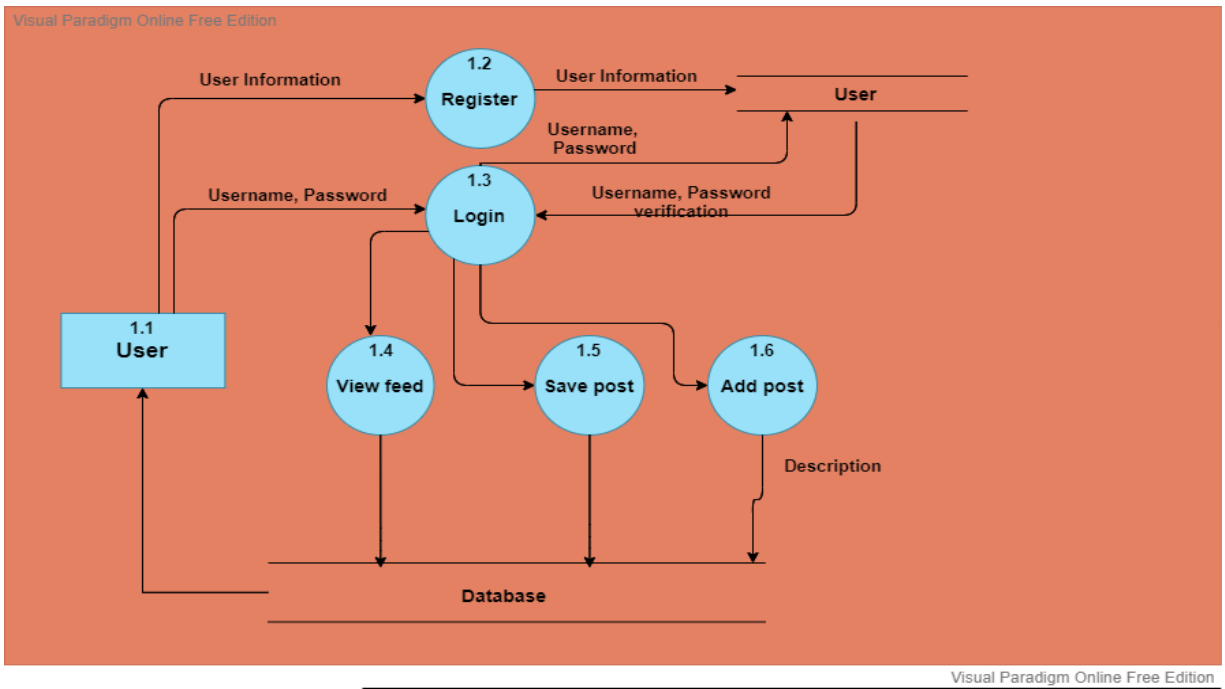


Fig 3.5.2: DFD Level-1

Chapter 4 Implementation and Testing

4.1 Snapshots

➤ Home Page

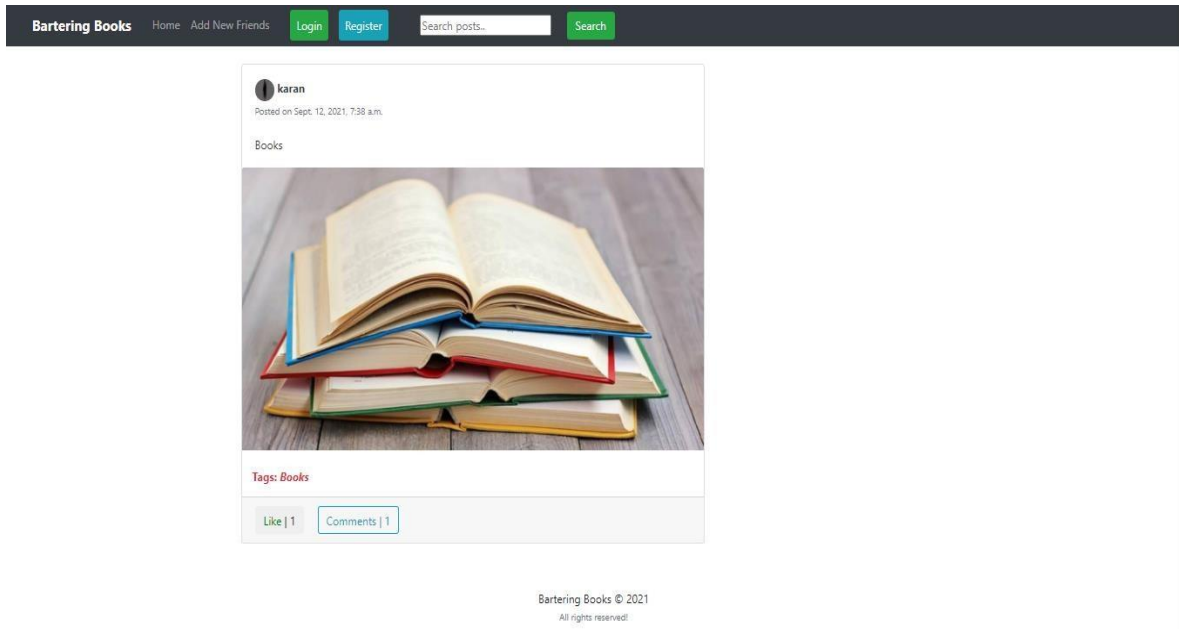


Figure 4.1: Home Page before login

This is layout of the homepage before login.

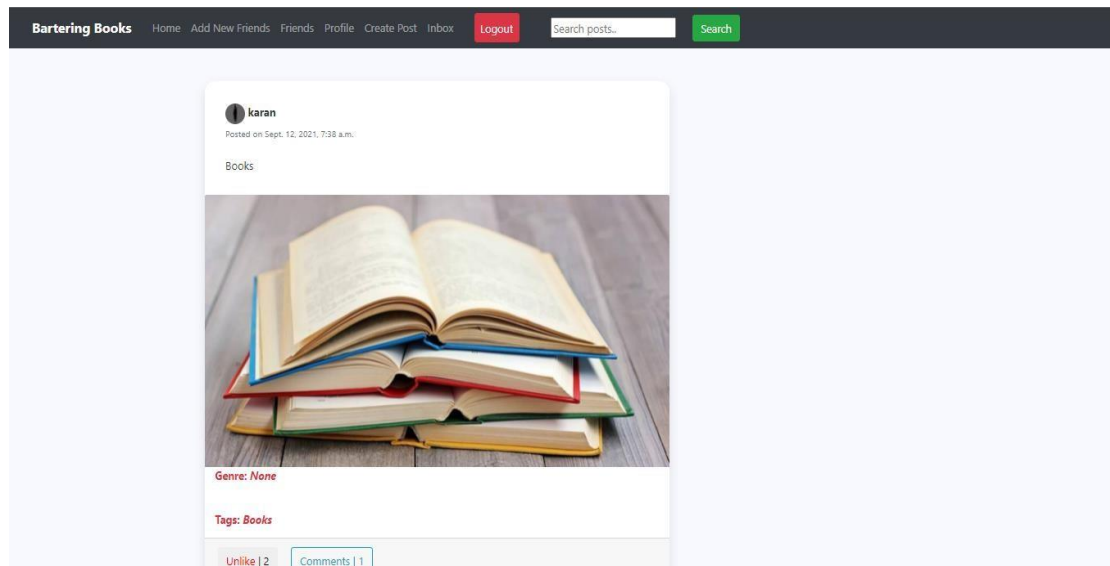


Fig 4.2: Home Page after login

This layout is visible to user after login.

➤ Mobile View

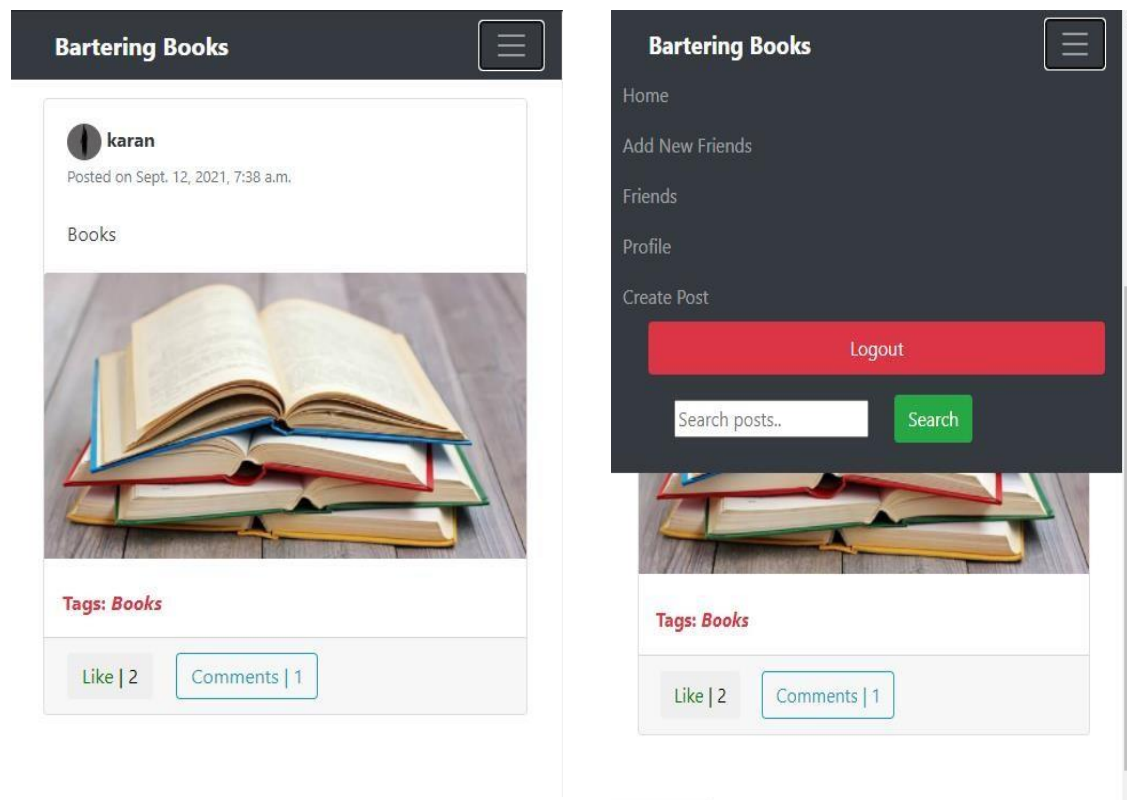


Figure 4.3: Mobile View

This is how website looks when opened in mobile.

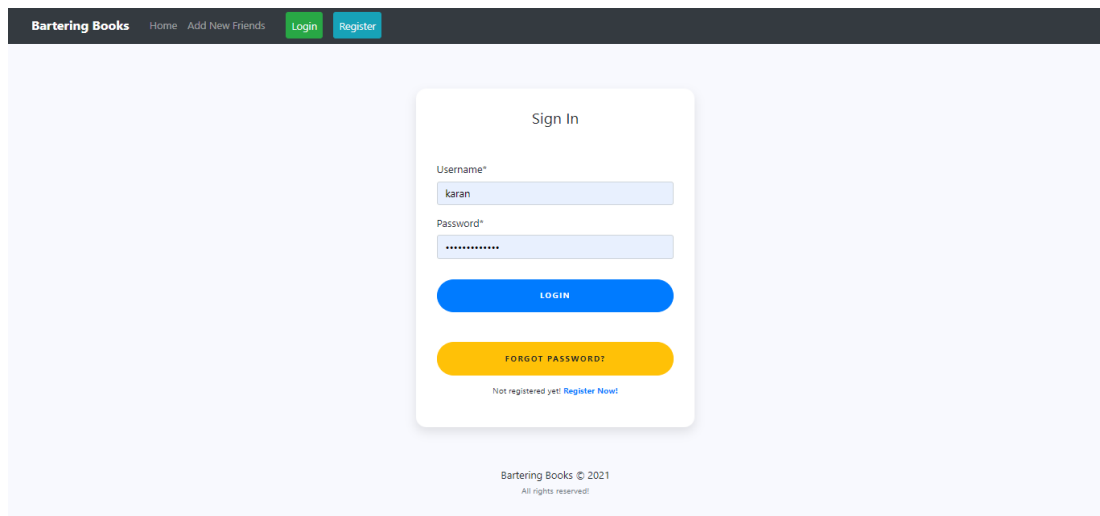
➤ Register

The image shows the 'Register' page of the 'Bartering Books' application. At the top, there's a dark navigation bar with the app name and links for Home, Add New Friends, Login, and Register. The main area is a light blue gradient. In the center, there's a white card containing the registration form. The form has five input fields: 'Enter Username', 'Enter Email ID', 'Enter Password', 'Enter Confirm Password', and 'Enter Address'. Below these fields are a 'Clear Form' button and a large blue 'SIGN UP' button. Under the sign up button, there's a link that says 'Already Registered? Login Now!'. At the very bottom of the page, it says 'Bartering Books © 2021'.

Figure 4.4: Register Page

This page shows the sign up form that user needs to fill when visiting the website for the first time.

➤ Login

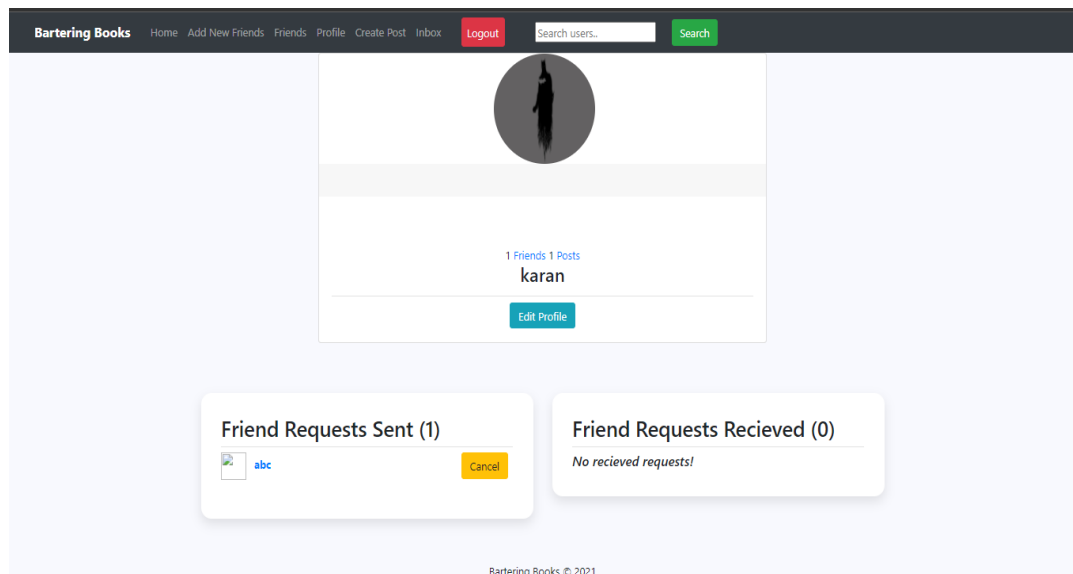


The screenshot shows the login page of the Bartering Books application. At the top, a dark navigation bar contains the site name 'Bartering Books' and links for 'Home', 'Add New Friends', 'Login', and 'Register'. The 'Login' link is highlighted in green. The main content area features a white 'Sign In' form with a blue border. The form includes fields for 'Username*' (containing 'karan') and 'Password*' (masked with dots). Below these fields are two buttons: a blue 'LOGIN' button and a yellow 'FORGOT PASSWORD?' button. A link for 'Not registered yet? Register Now!' is positioned below the password field. At the bottom of the page, a small copyright notice reads 'Bartering Books © 2021 All rights reserved!'.

Figure 4.5: Login Page

This is the login page where user is required to enter credential details in order to login.

➤ Profile



The screenshot displays the profile page for a user named 'karan' in the Bartering Books application. The dark navigation bar at the top includes links for 'Home', 'Add New Friends', 'Friends', 'Profile', 'Create Post', and 'Inbox', along with a 'Logout' button and a search bar. The profile section features a circular profile picture placeholder, the username 'karan', and statistics for '1 Friends' and '1 Posts'. An 'Edit Profile' button is located below the username. Below the profile section, there are two boxes for friend requests: 'Friend Requests Sent (1)' showing a request from 'abc' with a 'Cancel' button, and 'Friend Requests Recieved (0)' with the message 'No recieved requests!'. The footer contains the text 'Bartering Books © 2021'.

Figure 4.6: Profile Page

This is profile page of user where their username, friends, followers and friend request is visible.

➤ Profile Update

The screenshot shows the 'Update Profile' form in the Bartering Books application. The form is centered on a light blue background. It contains the following fields and elements:

- Username***: A text input field containing 'karan'. Below it, a small note reads 'Required: 150 characters or fewer. Letters, digits and @/./_/- only.'
- Email***: A text input field containing 'bhattkaran172@gmail.com'.
- Bio**: A text input field.
- Image***: A section showing 'Currently: default.png' and a 'Change:' label. Below it is a 'Choose File' button and the text 'No file chosen'.
- Buttons**: Two buttons at the bottom: a blue 'UPDATE' button and a yellow 'GO BACK' button.

The top navigation bar includes 'Bartering Books', 'Home', 'Add New Friends', 'Friends', 'Profile', 'Create Post', 'Logout', and a search bar with 'Search users...' and a 'Search' button. The footer at the bottom reads 'Bartering Books © 2021 All rights reserved'.

Fig 4.7: Profile Update

This page shows the information that can be updated by the user in their respective profile section.

➤ Upload Post

The screenshot shows the 'Post' form in the Bartering Books application. The form is centered on a light blue background. It contains the following fields and elements:

- Description**: A text input field.
- Pic***: A section with a 'Choose File' button and the text 'No file chosen'.
- Tags**: A text input field.
- Genre***: A dropdown menu with '-----' selected.
- Buttons**: A blue 'POST' button at the bottom.

The top navigation bar includes 'Bartering Books', 'Home', 'Add New Friends', 'Friends', 'Profile', 'Create Post', 'Inbox', 'Logout', and a search bar with 'Search posts...' and a 'Search' button. The footer at the bottom reads 'Bartering Books © 2021 All rights reserved'.

Fig 4.8: Uploading Post

Here, the shown details are supposed to be entered by the user when uploading the post.

➤ Post Uploaded

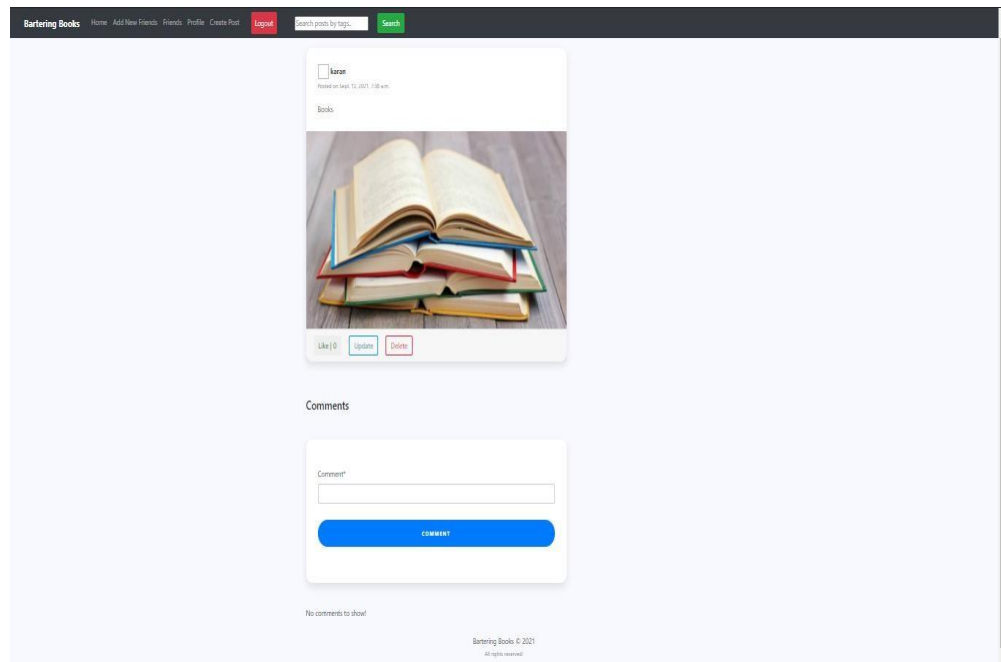


Fig 4.9: After post is uploaded This page shows the layout after the post is uploaded by the user.

➤ Comments

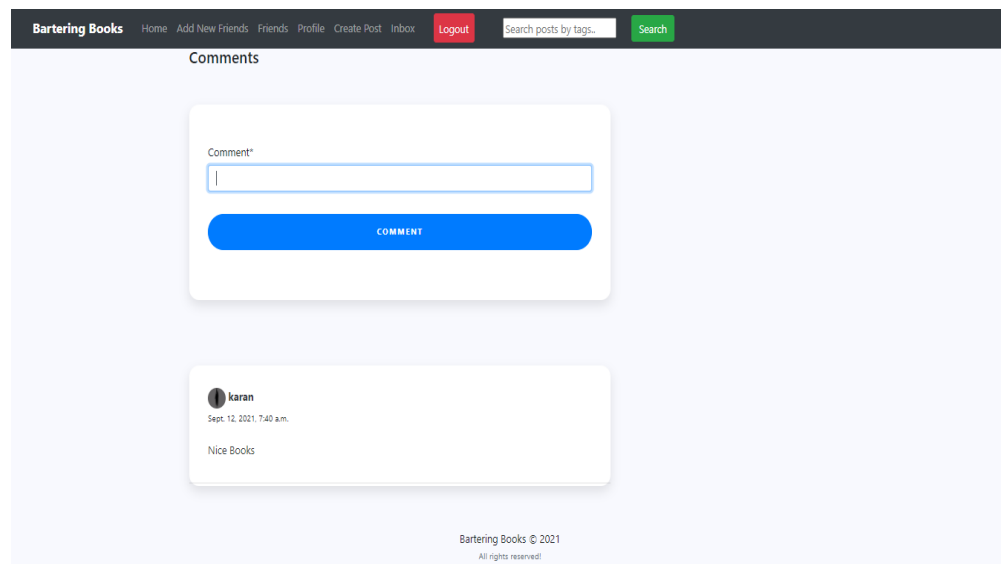


Fig 4.10: Commenting on post
This page shows the comment section where user can make comments on the post.

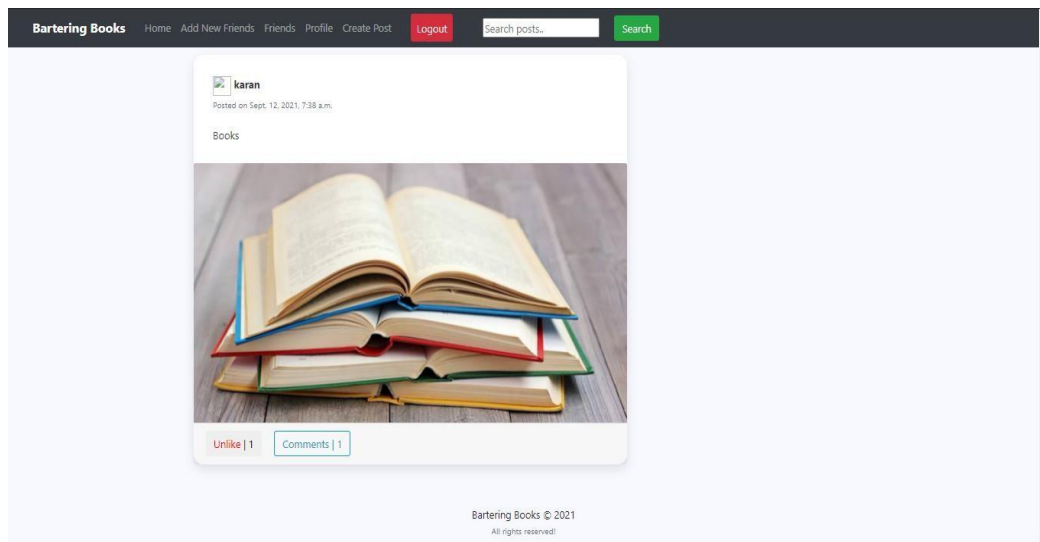


Fig 4.11: After Comment

This picture shows the post on which a comment has been made.

➤ Add Friends

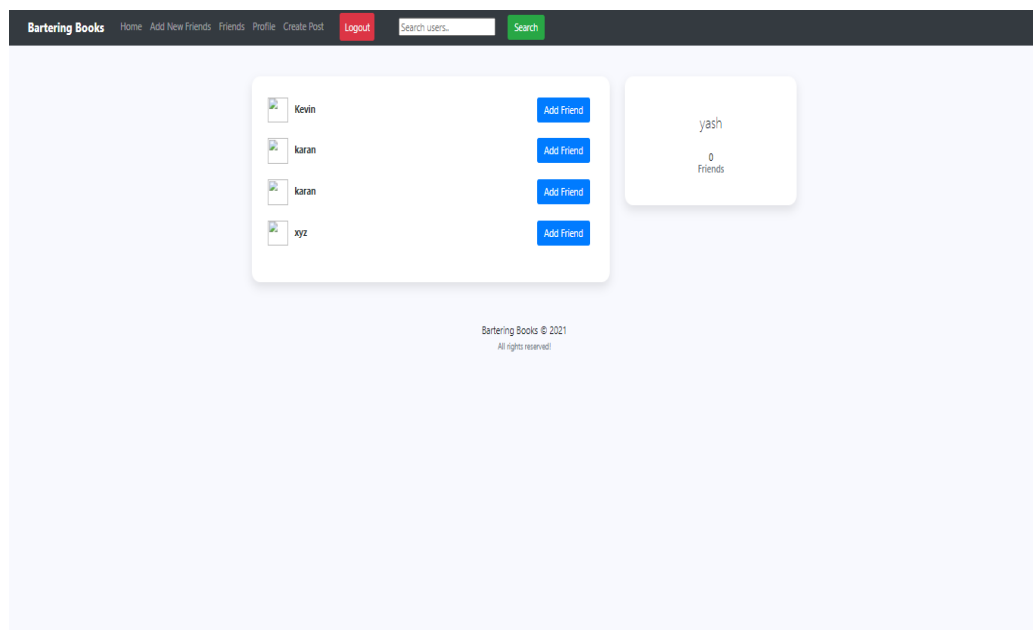


Fig 4.12: Add Friend

This section allows user to add friends and can connect with them.

➤ Friend requests

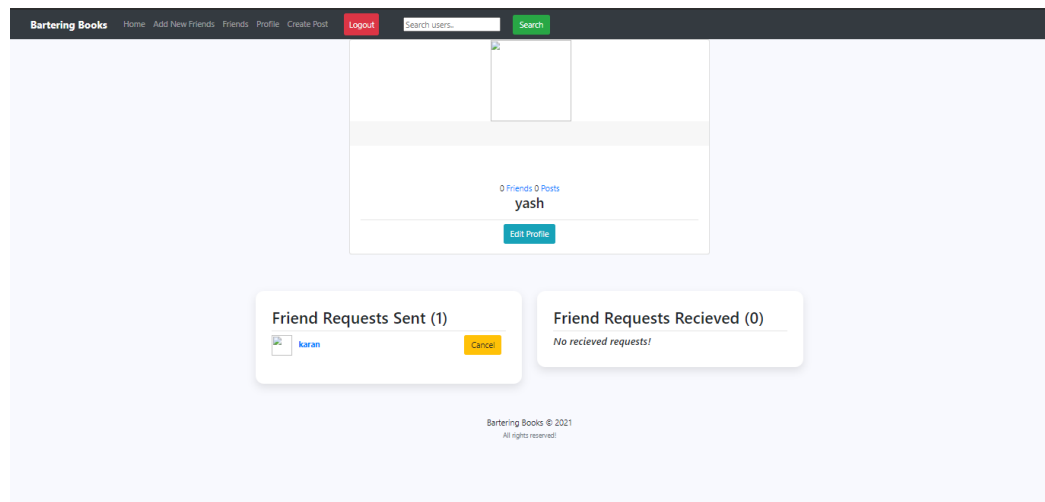


Fig 4.13: Sending Friend Request

Users could send a friend request from add friend section which was shown in previous picture.

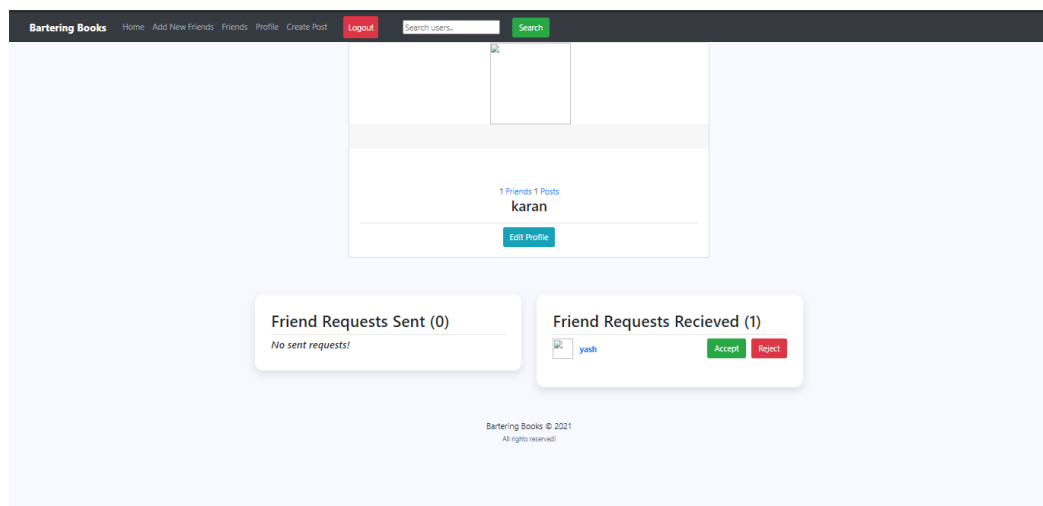


Fig 4.14: Received Friend request

This picture shows the friend request which is received by a user and user could either accept the request or reject it.

➤ Friends List

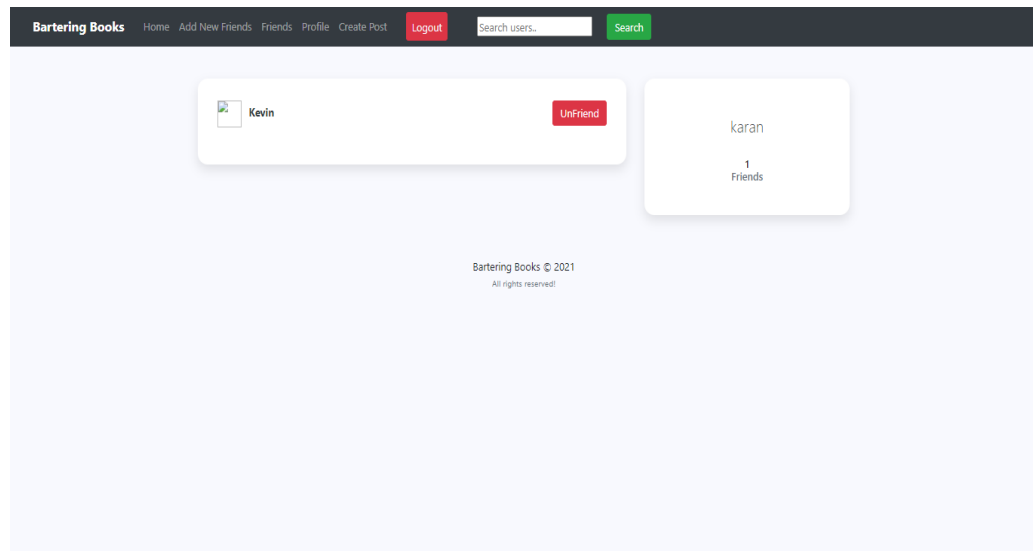


Fig 4.15: Friend List

Here is the friend list of a user. This is where all the friends of a particular is displayed.

➤ Inbox

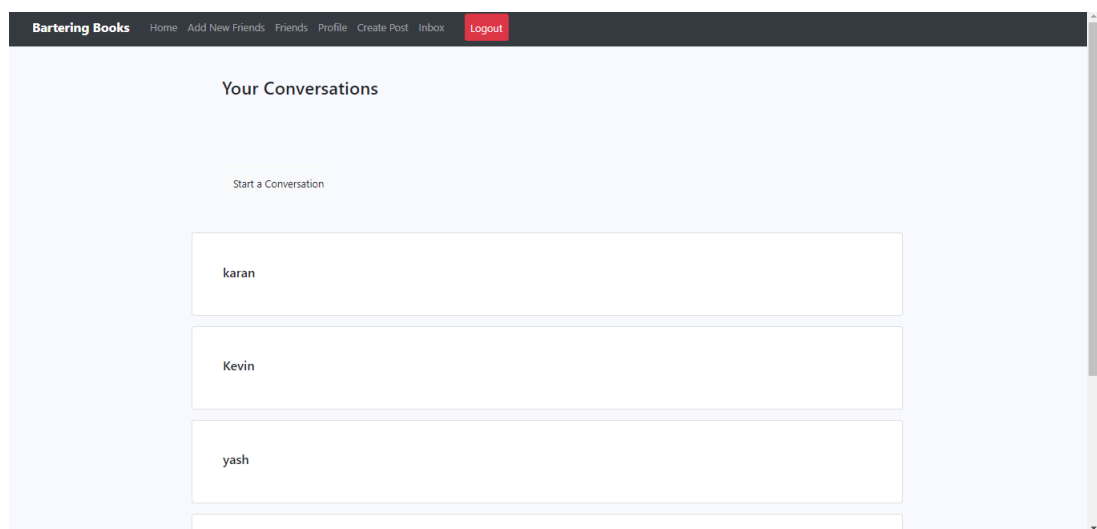


Fig 4.16: Selecting a user for a conversation

Here, user will select the user with whom he/she wants to communicate.

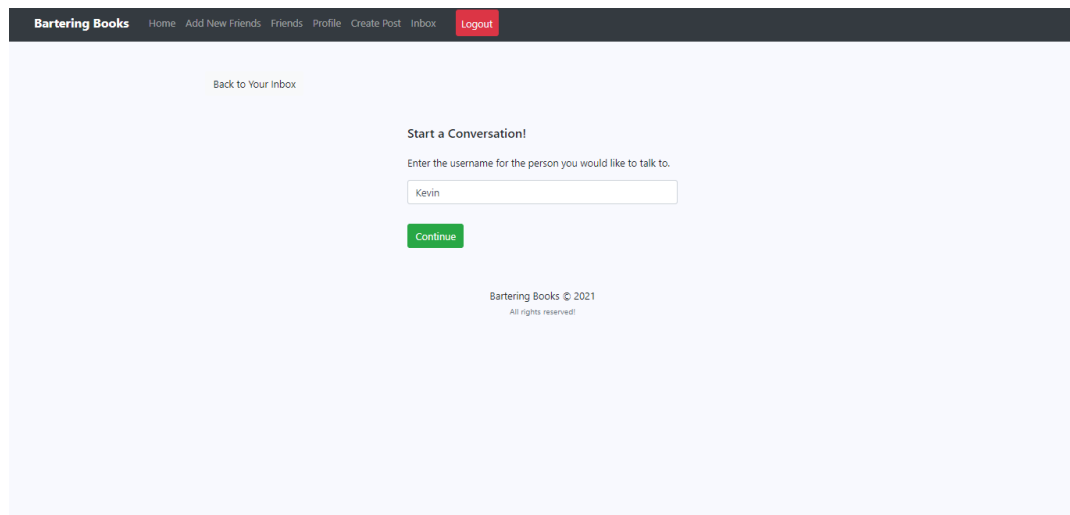


Fig 4.17: Begin the conversation

After selecting the user with whom one wants to begin a conversation one can continue and can communicate.

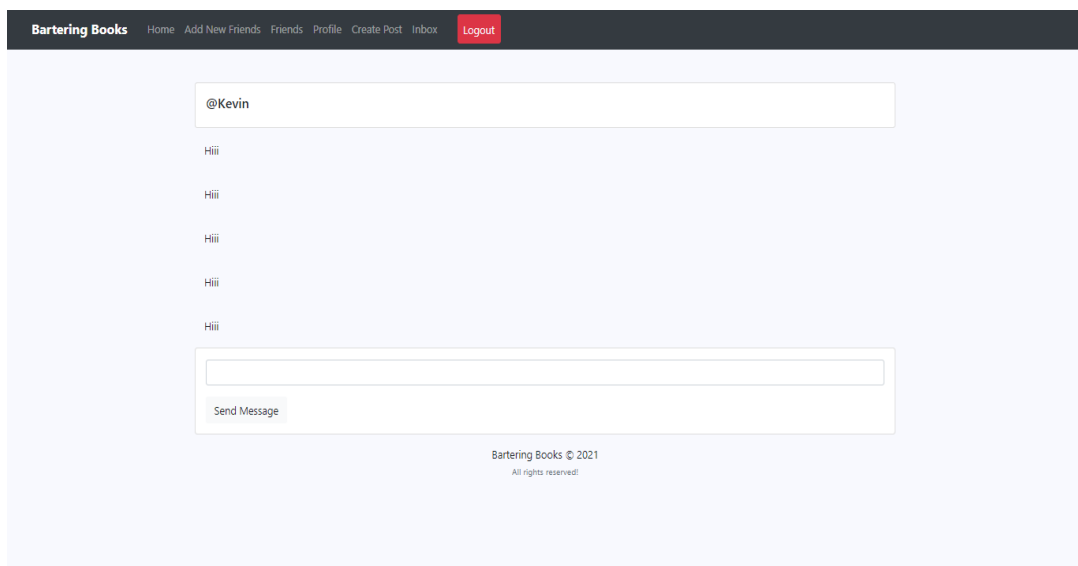
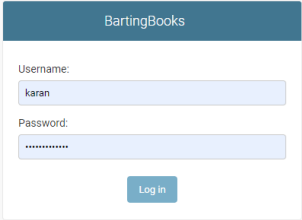


Fig 4.18: Inbox

The above picture shows the inbox section where 2 users can make a conversation with one another.

➤ Admin Panel Login



The image shows a login form for the BarteringBooks Admin Panel. The form is titled 'BarteringBooks' and contains two input fields: 'Username' with the value 'karan' and 'Password' with masked characters. A 'Log in' button is located below the password field.

Fig 4.19: Admin Panel Login

The Admin will login through this page by entering his/her login credentials.

➤ Admin Panel



The image shows the Admin Panel dashboard for BarteringBooks. The dashboard has a dark blue header with the 'BarteringBooks' logo and a welcome message for 'KARAN'. The main content area is divided into three sections: 'AUTHENTICATION AND AUTHORIZATION', 'FEED', and 'USERS'. Each section contains a table with 'Add' and 'Change' buttons. A 'Recent actions' sidebar on the right shows a list of actions performed by users.

AUTHENTICATION AND AUTHORIZATION	
Groups	+ Add Change
Users	+ Add Change

FEED	
Commentss	+ Add Change
Likes	+ Add Change
Posts	+ Add Change

USERS	
Friend requests	+ Add Change
Profiles	+ Add Change

Recent actions
My actions

- [k11 Profile](#)
- [k12 Profile](#)

Fig 4.20; Admin Panel

This is the layout of admin panel which can only be accessed by Admin.

➤ Admin Profiles

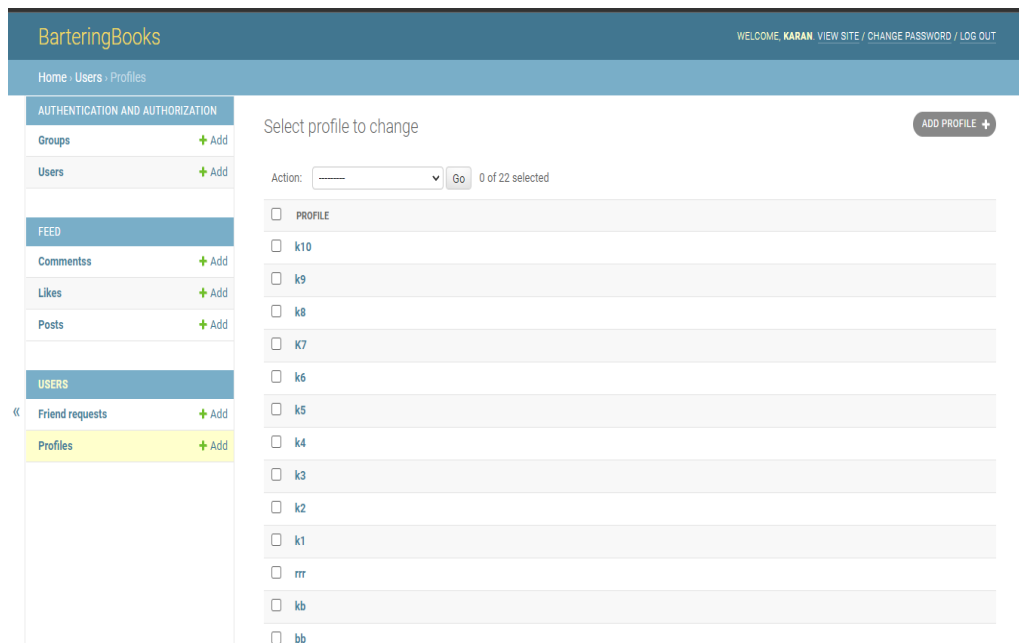


Fig 4.21: Admin Profiles

There can be more than one Admin so there can be more than one admin profiles as shown above.

➤ Users

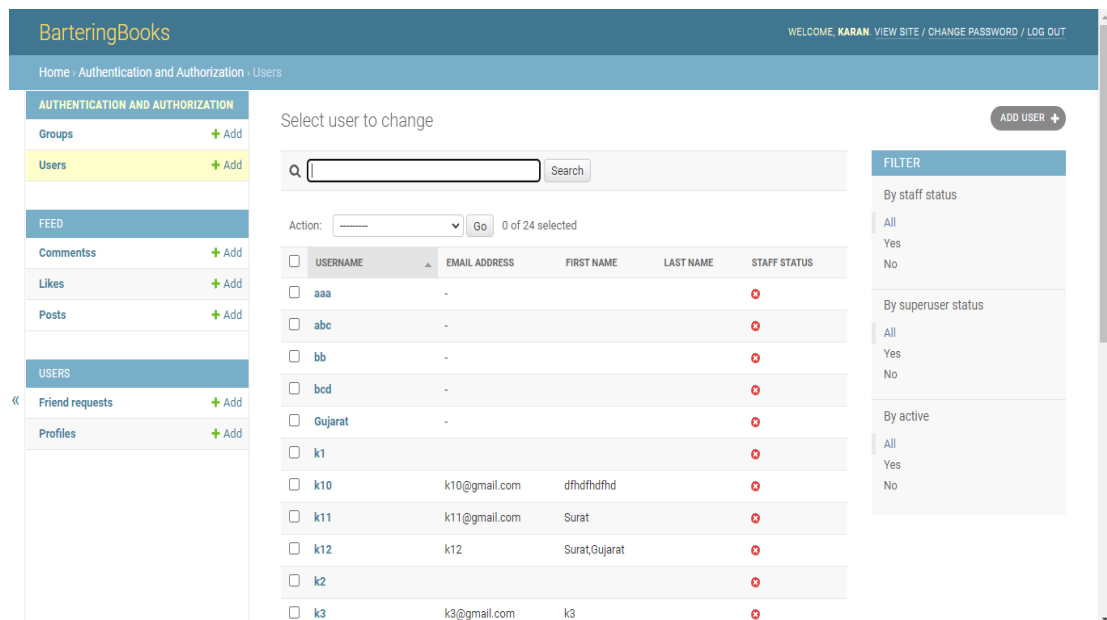


Fig 4.22: Users

All the users are visible to Admin who can remove users,

➤ User Likes

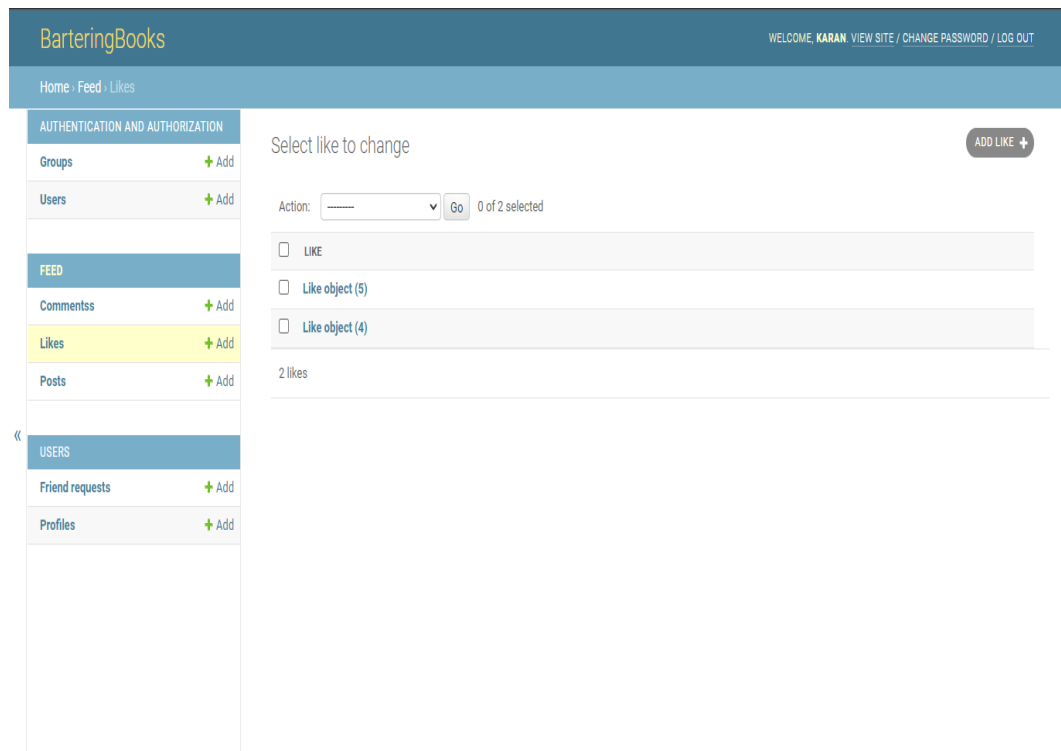


Fig 4.23.1: User Likes

Admin can manage likes on the post of the users.

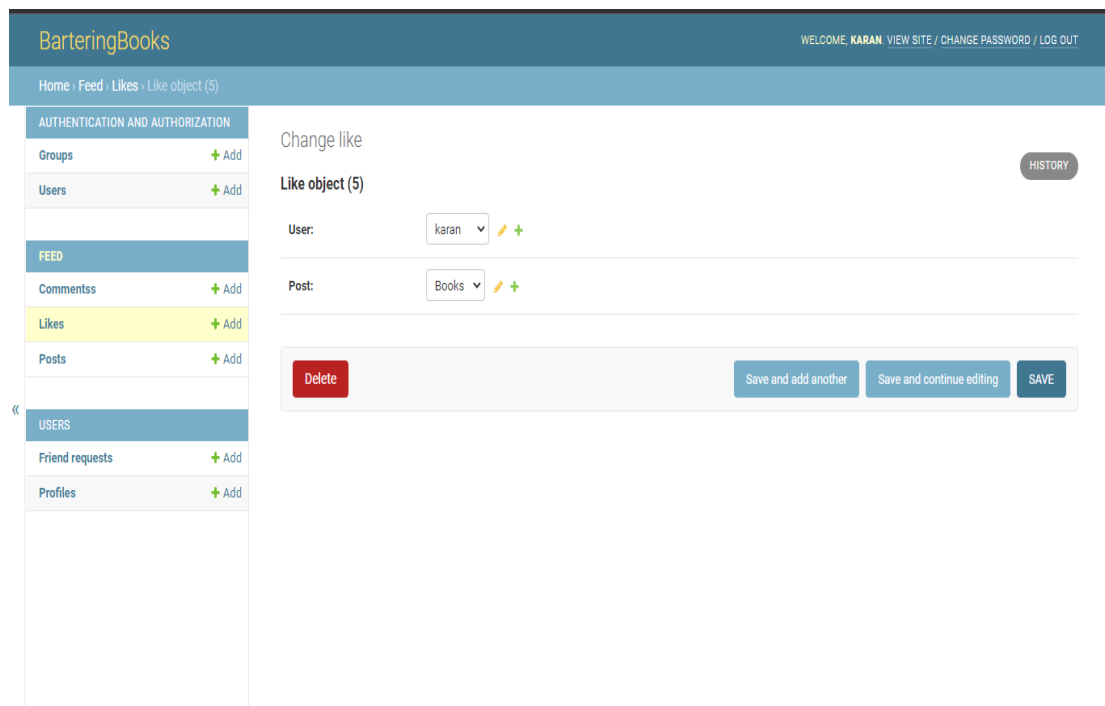


Fig 4.23.2: Removing User Likes

Admin can remove the likes on the user's post.

➤ User Comments

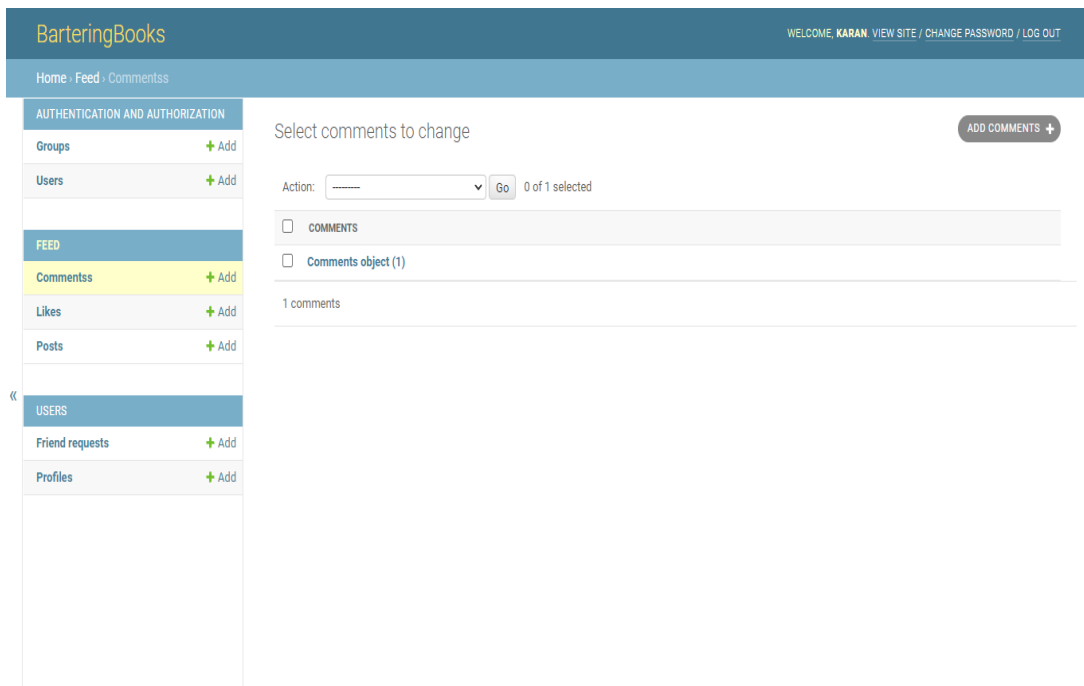


Fig 4.24.1: User Comments

User comments are visible to the admin in their admin panel.

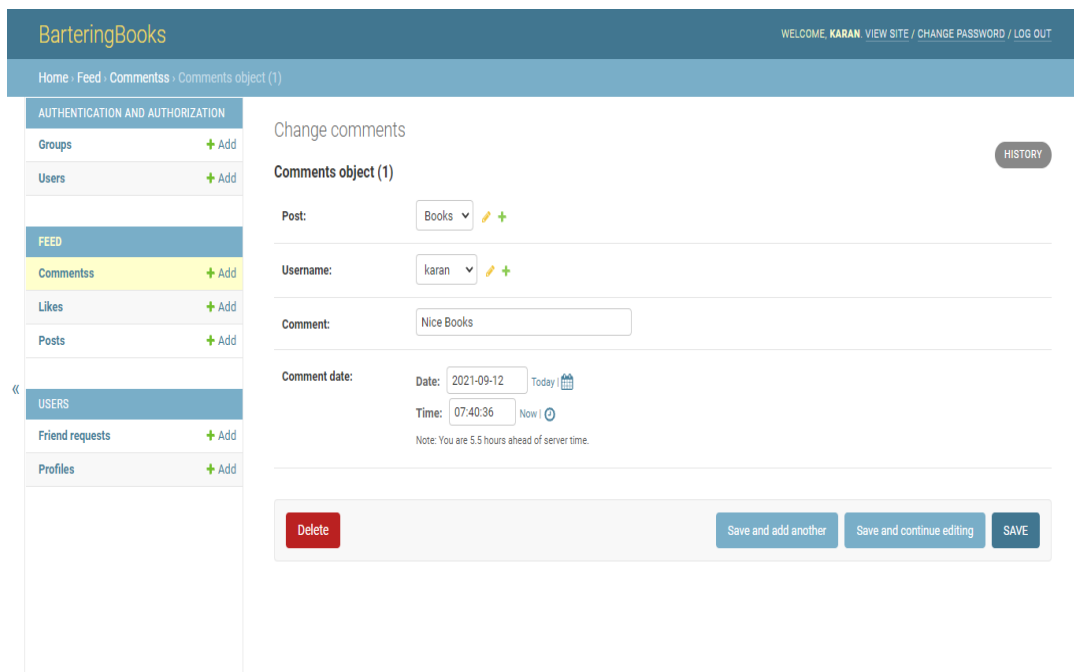
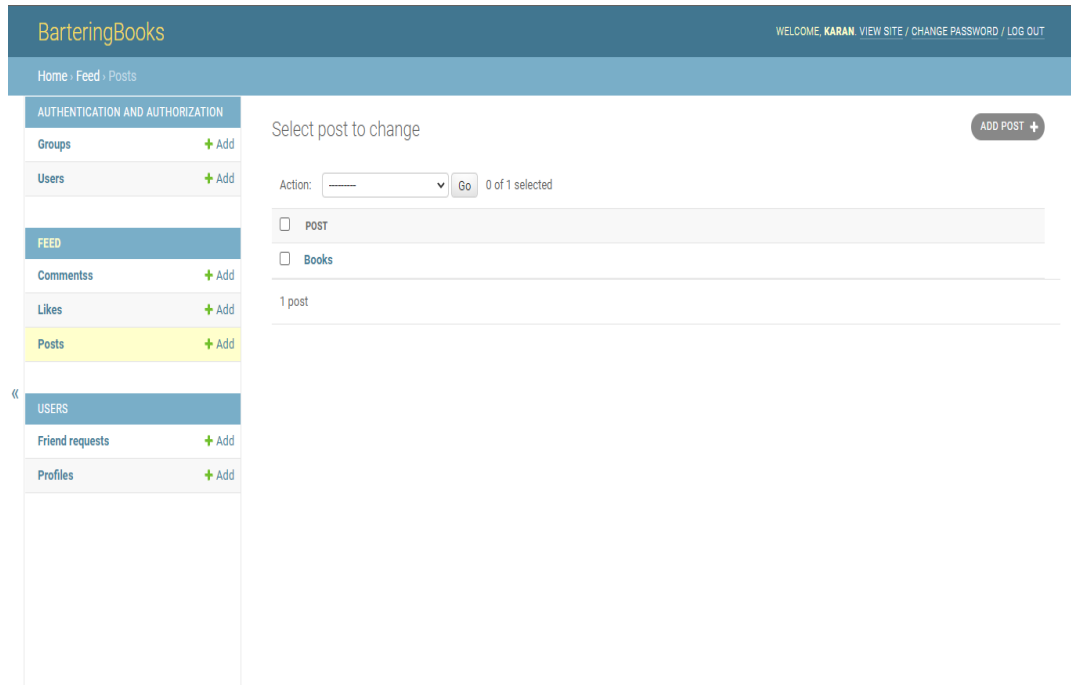


Fig 4.24.2: Removing Comments

Admin has right to remove the comments from the post of the users and can do so as shown above.

➤ User Post



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Select post to change

Action: Go 0 of 1 selected

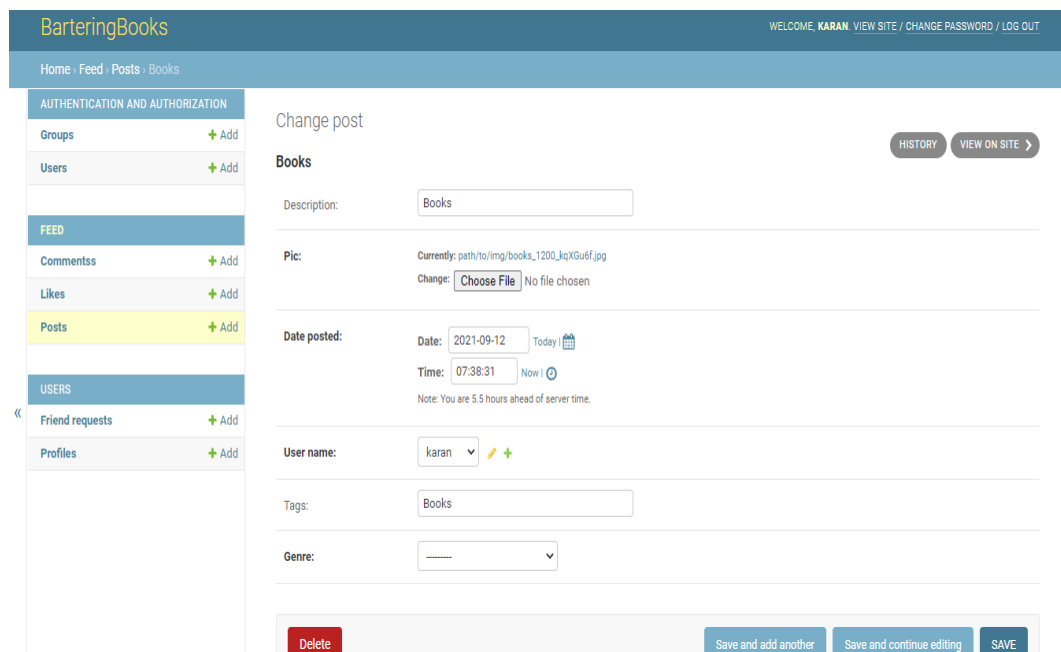
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1 post

Fig 4.25.1: User Post

All the posts uploaded by the user is visible in the admin panel that is managed by admin.



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Change post

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Description:

Pic: Currently: [path/to/img/books_1200_lqXGu6f.jpg](#)
Change: [Choose File](#) | No file chosen

Date posted: Date: Today [📅](#)
Time: Now [🕒](#)
Note: You are 5.5 hours ahead of server time.

User name: [✎](#) [+](#)

Tags:

Genre:

Delete Save and add another Save and continue editing SAVE

Fig 4.25.2: Removing User's Post

Admin can remove the post uploaded by the user if found inappropriate as shown in above picture.

4.2 Test Cases

Sample test cases are given as below:

Table 4.1: Test Case

Test ID	Case	Test Data	Expected Result	Actual Result	Pass/Fail
1	Login	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Internet Connectivity - Login ID - Password 	If Login ID & password is empty or invalid and No Internet connectivity then display Error message otherwise Login successfully	If Login ID & password is empty or invalid and No Internet connectivity then display Error message.	Pass
2	Home (Without login)	Swipe down for synchronization	First time Synchronization. When swipe down, post uploaded by users will refresh.	First time Synchronized. When swipe down, post uploaded by users will refresh.	Pass
3	Home (With login)	Register, login	Shows the functionalities that can be performed by users.	Shows the functionalities that can be performed by users.	Pass
4	Profile	User's details (name, profile photo, posts, etc.)	Display's the user details, can edit the profile, request sent details and request received details.	Display's the user details, can edit the profile, request sent details and request received details.	Pass

5	Create Post	Enter post details (description, picture, tags, genre)	Post is uploaded on the feed.	Post is uploaded on the feed.	Pass
6	Add Friends	Send friend request from available users.	Friend added after request accepted.	Friend added after request accepted.	Pass
7	Friends	Can unfriend from existing friends.	See the list of friends and unfriend them.	See the list of friends and unfriend them.	Pass
8	Inbox	Send message	Send message to another user.	Send message to another user.	pass
5	Logout	Select Logout	User should logout and redirected to login again message.	User should logout and redirected to login again message.	Pass
6	Exit	Select Exit	Application should be closed.	Application is closed.	Pass

Conclusion and Future Scope

While working on this project we have learned 2 different technologies namely Django and PostgreSQL for frontend and backend respectively. We have implemented many functionalities such as Login, Feed, Search, Post and many more in our project which is showed in above slides. In addition to this, we learned how actually frontend is integrated with backend so that the data entered in frontend is stored into database residing at the backend.

There are some more features upon which we would be working in future like Location based feed generation and Leaderboard.

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