LAPTOP REQUEST CATALOG ITEM

Problem Statement:

Employees in the organization need a quick and efficient way to request laptops for work. The current process is manual and prone to delays, with no dynamic form behavior to guide users or ensure accurate data collection. To address this, a Service Catalog item needs to be created, allowing users to easily request a laptop, with dynamic fields, clear instructions, and additional functionality like resetting the form if needed. The solution should also ensure all changes are tracked for governance and deployment.

Introduction

In today's fast-paced work environment, ensuring employees have timely access to the necessary tools—such as laptops—is crucial for productivity and onboarding efficiency. However, the current laptop request process in the organization is manual, inconsistent, and often leads to delays due to incomplete or inaccurate submissions.

To streamline and modernize this workflow, a **Service Catalog item** will be developed within the IT Service Management (ITSM) platform. This catalog item will serve as a self-service interface where employees can easily and accurately request laptops. It will feature:

- **Dynamic form behavior** (fields that show/hide based on user input)
- **Clear instructions** and field validations for error-free submissions
- Reset functionality to quickly clear and restart the form if needed
- Lil Change tracking and deployment support for governance and auditability

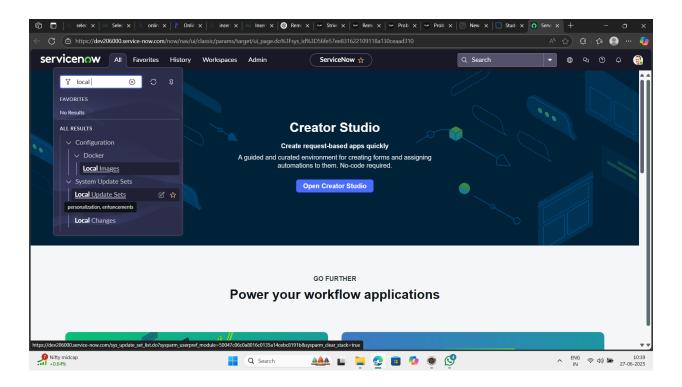
By implementing this solution, the organization will significantly reduce processing time, improve data accuracy, and enhance the overall user experience when requesting essential equipment like laptops.

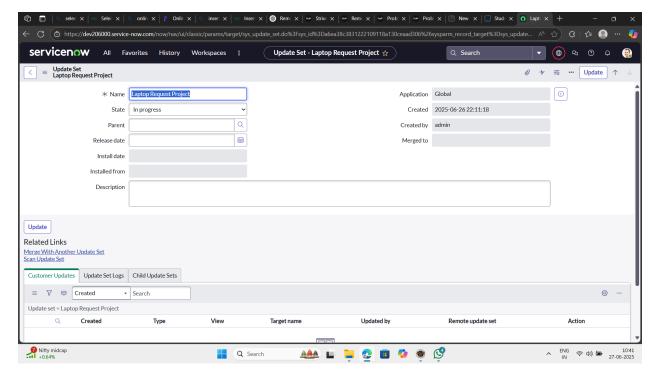
% Project Steps: Laptop Request Catalog Item

To ensure a successful and efficient implementation of the Laptop Request Catalog Item, the project is divided into the following key steps:

1.Create Local Update set

- 1. Open service now.
- 2. Click on All >> search for update sets
- 3. Select local update sets under system update sets
- 4. Click on new
- 5. Fill the following details to create a update set as: "Laptop Request"
- 6. Click on submit and make current
- 7. By clicking on the button it activates the update set .

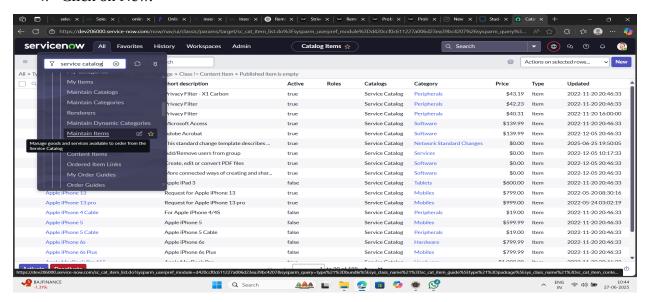




NOTE: Perform all actions under this newly created update set only.

2. Create Service Catalog Item

- 1. Open service now.
- 2. Click on All >> service catalog
- 3. Select maintain items under catalog definitions
- 4. Click on New.



5. Fill the following details to create a new catalog item

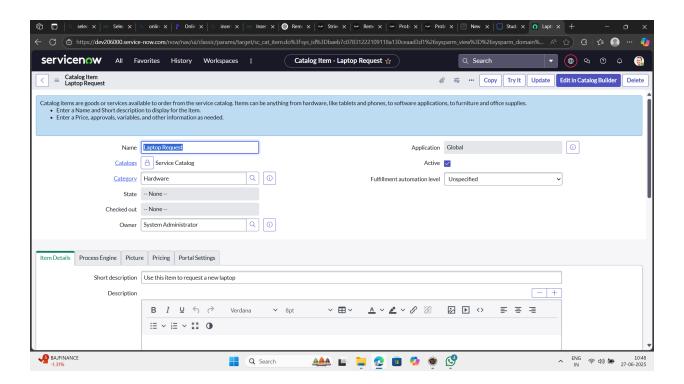
Name: Laptop Request

Catalog: service Catalog

Category: Hardware

Short Description: Use this item to request a new laptop

6. Click on 'SAVE'



Add variables

Step1:

• After saving the catalog item form scroll down and click on variable(related list)

• Click on new and enter the details as below

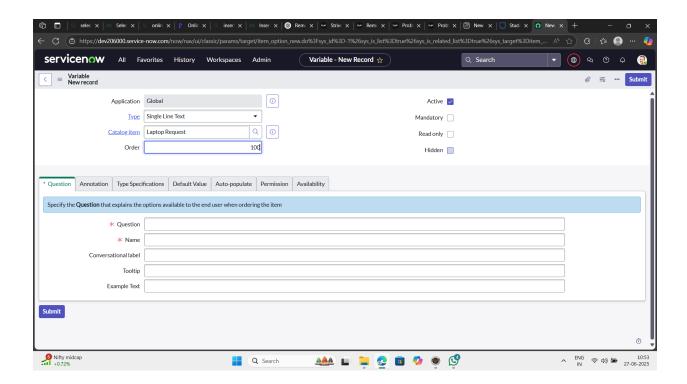
1. Variable 1:Laptop Model

Type: Single line text
Name: laptop_model

Order:100

Click on submit

• Again click on new and add Remaining variables in the above process



2. Variable 2: Justification

Type: Multi line text

Name: justification

Order:200

3. Variable 3:Additional Accessories

Type: Checkbox

Name: additional accessories

Order:300

4. Variable 4: Accessories Details

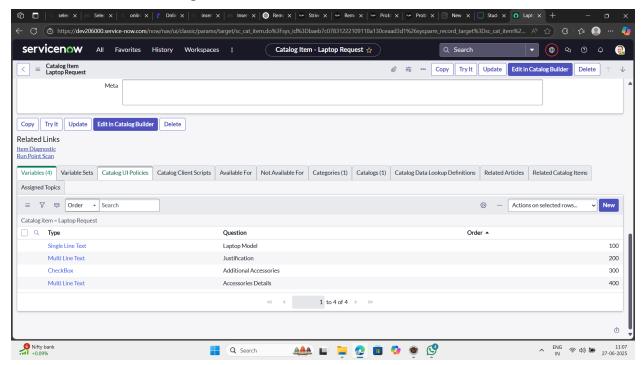
Type: Multi line text

Name:accessories_details

Order:400

Step2:

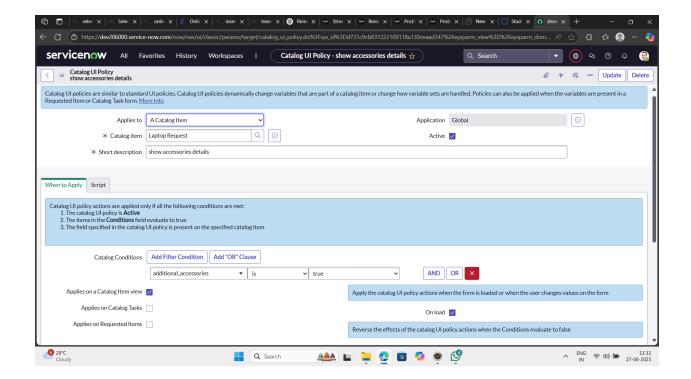
- After adding above variable which are added to newly created catalog item
- Then save the catalog item form



3. Create Catalog Ui policies

- 1. Click on all>> search for service catalog
- 2. Select maintain item under catalog definition
- 3. Search for 'laptop request' which is created before
- 4. Select 'laptop request' and scroll down click on "Catalog Ui policies"
- 5. In the catalog ui policies related list tab click on new
- 6. Give short description as: show accessories details
- 7. Set the Catalog Condition in the related list tab 'when to apply'

[field: additional_ accessories, operator: is, value: true]



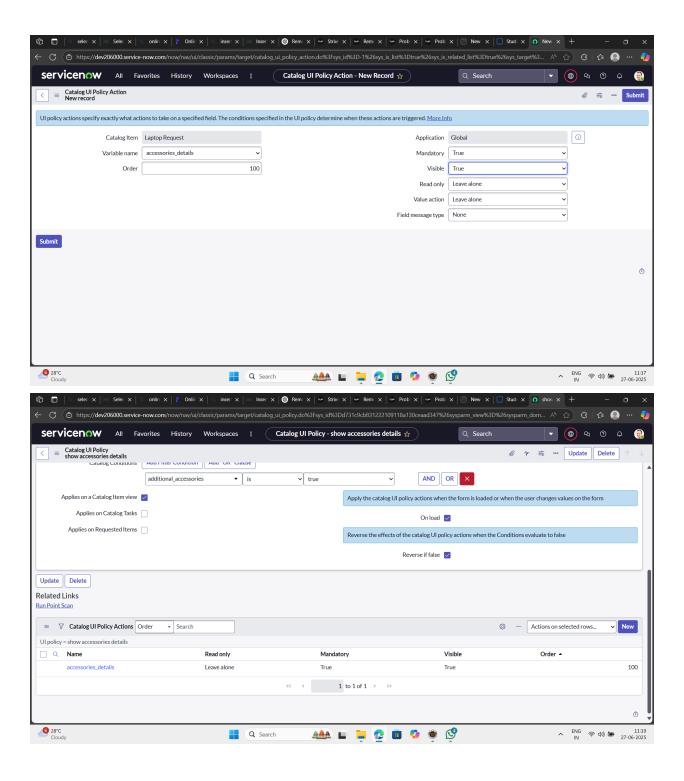
- 8. Click on save.(do not click on submit)
- 9. Scroll down and select 'catalog ui action'
- 10. Then click on new button
- 11. Select variable name as: accessories details

Order:100

Mandatory: True

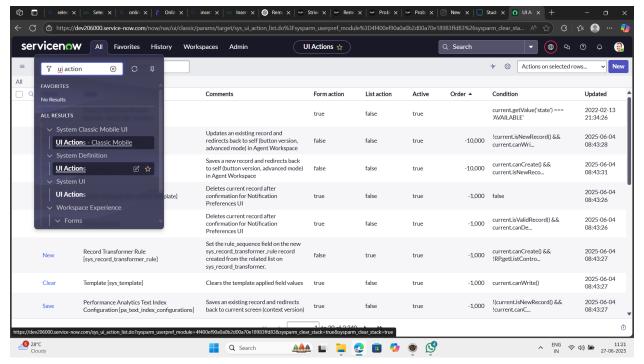
Visible: True

12. Click on save and again click save button of the catalog ui policy form



4. Create ui action

- 1. Open service now.
- 2. Click on All >> search for ui action
- 3. Select ui actions under system definition



4. Click on new

5. Fill the following details to create ui action

Table: shopping cart(sc_cart)

Order:100

Action name: Reset form

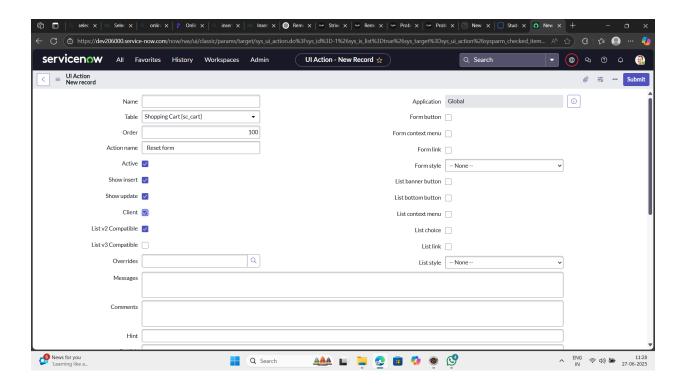
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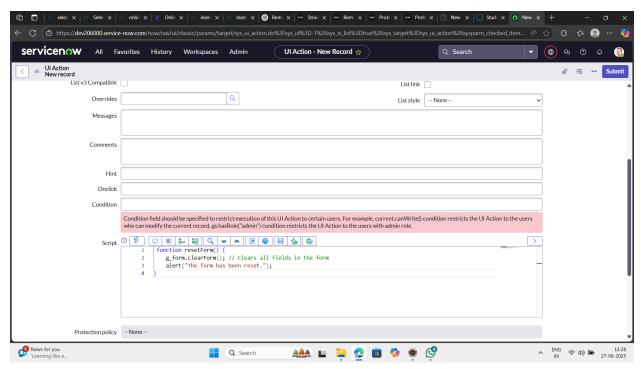
Script:

}

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function resetForm() {
g_form.clearForm(); // Clears all fields in the form
alert("The form has been reset.");
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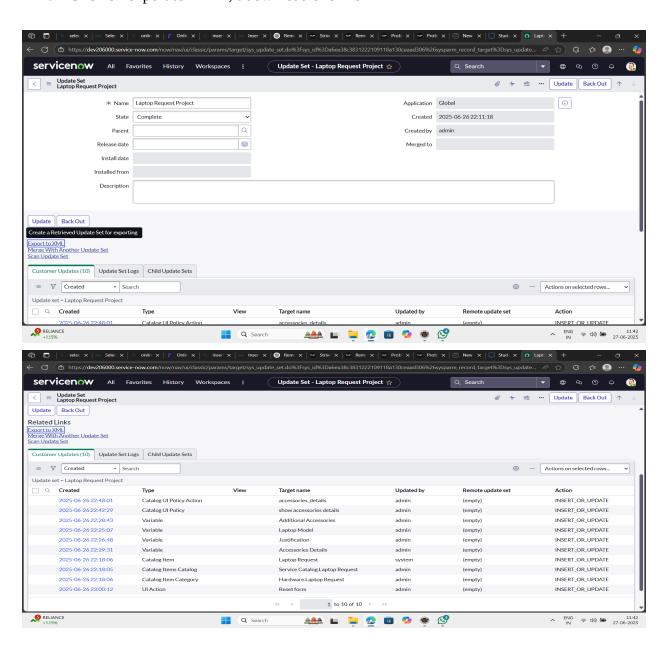
Click on save





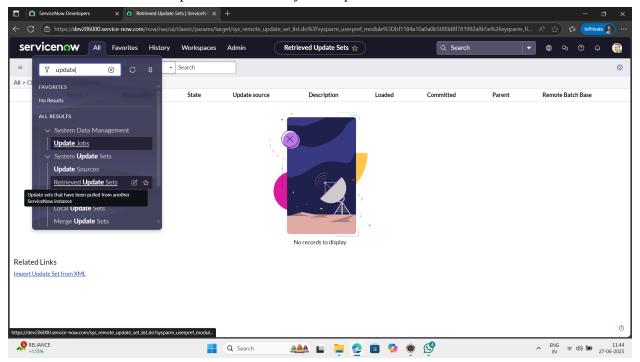
5. Exporting changes to another instances

- 1. Click on All >> search for update sets
- 2. Select local update set
- 3. Select created update set i.e. 'Laptop Request Project'
- 4. Set the state to 'Complete'
- 5. In the related list Update tab, updates are visible which we perform under this update set.
- 6. Click on export to XML ,it download one file

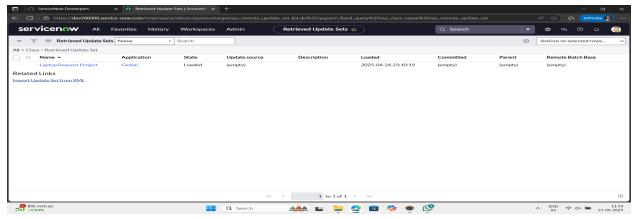


6. Retrieving the update set

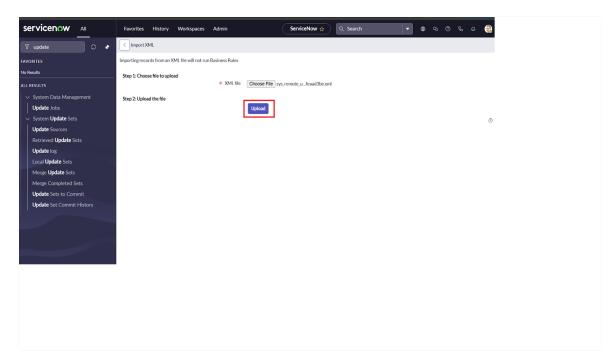
- 1. Open another instance in incognito window
- 2. Login with credentials
- 3. Click on all>> search for update sets
- 4. Select "Retrieved update set" under system update set



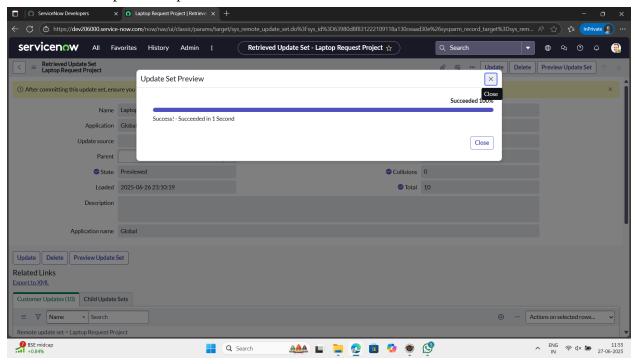
- 5. It open retrieved update set list and scroll down
- 6. Click on Import update set from XML



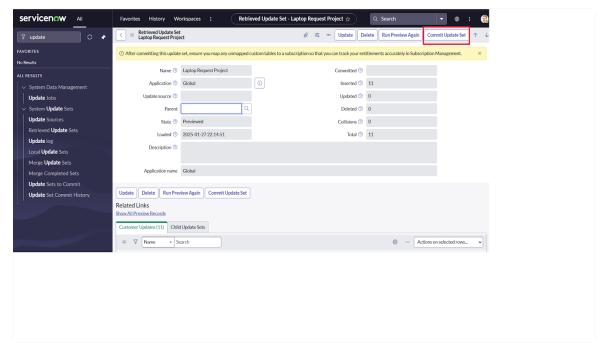
- 7. Upload the downloaded file in XML file
- 8. Click on Upload and it gets uploaded.

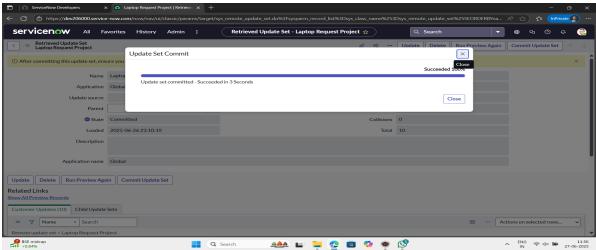


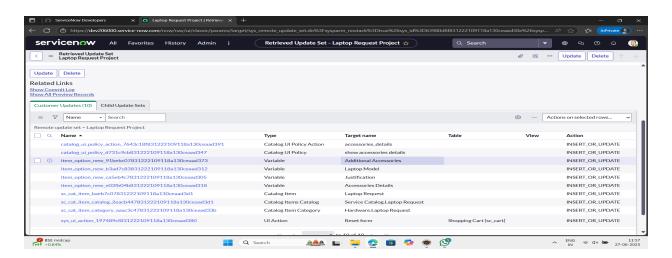
- 9. Open retrieved update set 'laptop request project'
- 10. Click on preview update set



- 11. And click on commit update set
- 12. And also see the related tab updates
- 13. After committing update set in this instance we get all updates which are done in the previous instance

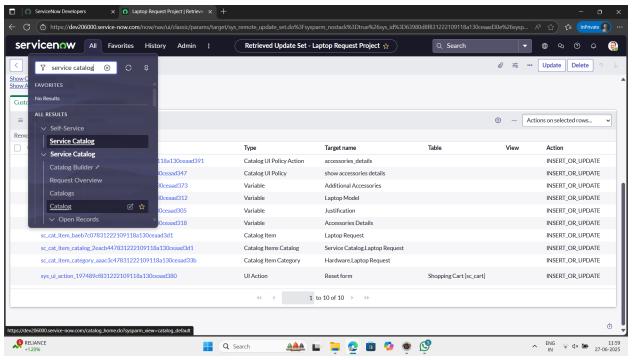




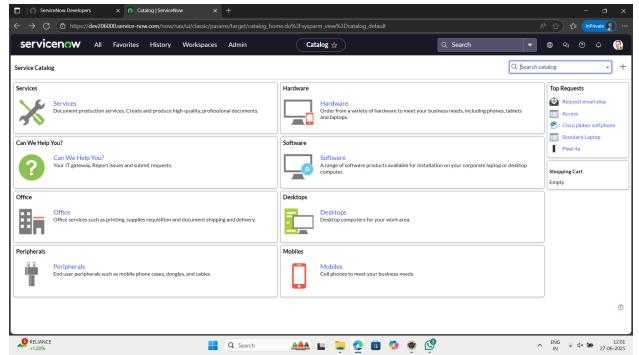


7. Test Catalog Item

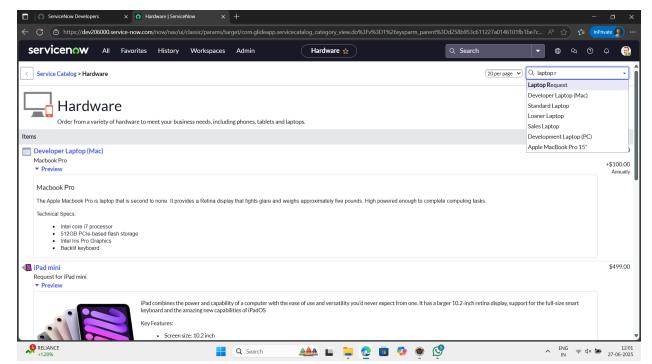
- 1. Search for service catalog in application navigator in target instance
- 2. Select catalog under service catalog



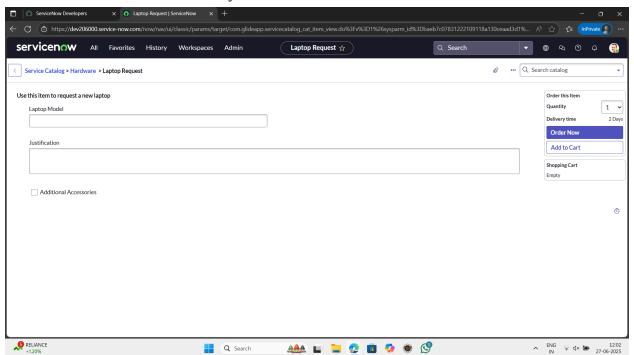
3. Select hardware category and search for 'laptop request' item



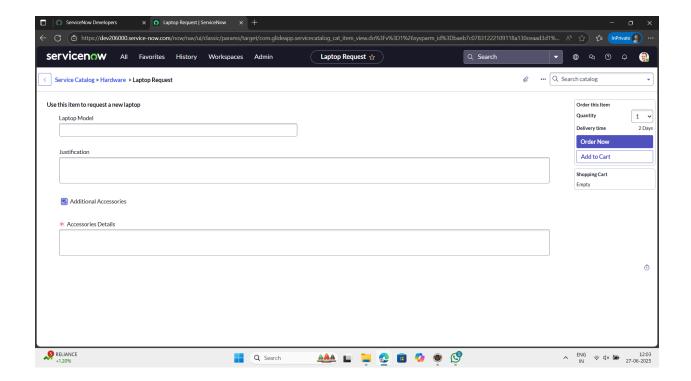
4. Select laptop request item and open it



5. It shows three variables only



- 6. As per our scenario, when we click on additional accessories checkbox then accessories details fields is visible and that should be mandatory
- 7. Now see the results, it fulfills our requirements.



Conclusion

The Laptop Request Catalog Item project successfully streamlines the process of requesting laptops within the organization by leveraging ServiceNow's Service Catalog capabilities. Through the implementation of a dynamic catalog item, the project ensures that users have an intuitive and user-friendly interface, reducing errors and improving efficiency. This project demonstrates how ServiceNow can be used to replace manual, error-prone processes with automated, efficient, and user-centric solutions. It not only improves service delivery but also enhances employee satisfaction by providing a modern and streamlined request experience.