

Software Requirements Specification (SRS)

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1. Introduction

1.1 Purpose

This document is a Software Requirements Specification (SRS) for a Micro Donation Platform. It defines the functional and non-functional requirements, system architecture, interfaces, and verification criteria. The platform is designed to facilitate small-scale donations from users to charitable organizations via a secure and scalable digital infrastructure. This document serves as a reference for developers, testers, integrators, and evaluators involved in the system's design, implementation, and assessment.

1.2 Scope

Covers user interactions through the micro-donation platform's web and mobile interfaces, integration with payment gateways and donor management systems for transaction processing and fund allocation, platform maintenance functions, and operational monitoring.

Excludes internal financial institution operations beyond exposed APIs, third-party fundraising activities, and external donor engagement channels not managed by the platform.

1.3 Audience

Developers, QA Engineers, System Integrators, Maintenance Technicians, and Assessment Evaluators.

1.4 Definitions List of acronyms:

- **UI** – User Interface
- **API** – Application Programming Interface
- **OTP** – One-Time Password
- **TLS** – Transport Layer Security
- **RTO** – Recovery Time Objective
- **RPO** – Recovery Point Objective
- **DB** – Database
- **PG** – Payment Gateway
- **Replica Server** – Backup server mirroring the primary server

- **Client** – End-user application for donation interaction
- **Bank Server** – External system for account verification and transaction settlement
- **MDP**-Micro donation platform

2. Overall description

2.1 Product perspective

The Micro-Donation Platform is a distributed client-server system that connects donors, a central server, and financial institutions(bank server, payment gateway).It enables micro-level donations to verified causes with minimal transaction costs.

The architecture consists of:

- **Client Application** (web/mobile) for users to register, authenticate, and donate.
- **Central Server** managing donations, maintaining donor and ensuring synchronization with a replica server for redundancy
- **Bank Server Integration** for account verification, fund transfers, and settlement.
- **Payment Gateway** for secure processing of small transactions.
- **Databases:**
 - One for server & replica (donation records, donor profiles).
 - One for bank server (account balance, transaction validation).

2.2 Major Product Functions

- User registration and authentication.
- Browsing campaigns/causes
- Micro-donation transaction initiation.
- Secure communication with payment gateway and bank server.
- Transaction confirmation and receipt generation.
- Synchronization between server and replica.
- Administrative monitoring and reporting.
- Real-time donation status and history for users.
- Fraud detection and duplicate transaction prevention.
- Database backup and recovery support.

2.3 User Roles and Characteristics

- **Donors:** Basic digital literacy, mobile/online banking familiarity.
- **NGOs/Beneficiaries:** Need transparency and access to reports.

- **System Administrators:** Manage campaigns, monitor transactions, ensure replica sync.
- **Bank Operators:** Oversee settlements and compliance.

2.4 Operating Environment

- Web clients accessed via modern desktop browsers (Chrome, Firefox, Edge).
- Local development Server & replica.
- Secure internet connectivity.
- Database servers with backup/recovery.

2.5 Constraints

- Must comply with **RBI guidelines** for payment systems.
- PCI-DSS compliance for cardholder data.
- High availability requirement (99.9% uptime).
- Low latency (<5 seconds per transaction).
- Cost-effective transactions suitable for micro-donations.

3. External interface requirements

3.1 Client-Side Features

These are the features accessible to end users (donors, NGOs, admins):

- **User Registration & Authentication**
 - Secure login and sign-up
 - Role-based access (Donor, NGO, Admin)
- **Initiate Donation**
 - Select donation amount and recipient
 - Trigger transaction request to the server
- **Transaction Status Feedback**
 - Real-time success/failure notifications
 - Confirmation receipts or logs
- **Receive Donations**
 - NGOs or recipients get notified of incoming funds
 - Option to view donation history
- **Audit & Admin Controls**
 - Admin can validate transactions
 - Auditor can access logs for compliance

3.2 Payment Gateway Integration

Handles actual financial transactions:

- **Transaction Request Handling**
 - Accepts payment initiation from platform server
 - Communicates securely with bank server
- **Security Validations**
 - Fraud detection, encryption, and compliance checks
 - Ensures PCI-DSS or similar standards

3.3 Bank Server Interaction

Finalizes the transaction:

- **Transaction Processing**
 - Verifies account details and fund availability
 - Sends success/failure response to platform
- **Database Logging**
 - Stores transaction records for audit and rollback

3.4 Replica Server (Passive)

Supports fault tolerance:

- **Passive Updates**
 - Mirrors platform server data for recovery
 - Ensures high availability and reliability

4. Detailed System Features (Functional Requirements)

4.1 User Authentication & Registration

Description: The platform shall authenticate donors, NGOs, and administrators securely and allow account creation with proper role-based access.

Req ID	Requirement (shall...)	Type	Priority	Source/Stakeholder	Acceptance criteria / Test case ref	Comments / Dependencies
MDP-F-001	The system shall allow users to register using email, phone, or social login (Google/FB).	Functional	High	Donor/NGO	AC-MDP-F-001: Registration succeeds with valid inputs. Test: TC-Auth-01	Depends on OAuth APIs
MDP-F-002	The system shall authenticate users via password or OTP.	Functional	High	Security	AC-MDP-F-002: Login succeeds with valid credentials. Test: TC-Auth-02	Requires SMS/Email OTP gateway
MDP-F-003	The system shall provide role-based access (Donor, NGO Admin, Platform Admin).	Functional	High	Compliance	AC-MDP-F-003: Role permissions enforced. Test: TC-Auth-03	RBAC framework

4.2 Donation Management

Description: The platform shall support one-time and recurring micro-donations, track history, and provide confirmations.

Req ID	Requirement (shall...)	Type	Priority	Source/ Stakeholder	Acceptance criteria / Test case ref	Comments / Dependencies
MDP-F-010	The system shall allow donors to make micro-donations starting from ₹1.	Functional	High	Donor	AC-MDP-F-010: Donation succeeds with valid payment. Test: TC-Donate-01	Payment Gateway API
MDP-F-011	The system shall support one-time and recurring donations.	Functional	Medium	Donor	AC-MDP-F-011: Recurring donation schedule executed. Test: TC-Donate-02	Cron/Subscription service
MDP-F-012	The system shall generate instant receipts and confirmation notifications.	Functional	High	Donor/NGO	AC-MDP-F-012: Receipt sent via email/SMS. Test: TC-Donate-03	Email/SMS integration
MDP-F-013	The system shall allow donors to view donation history and impact reports.	Functional	Medium	Donor	AC-MDP-F-013: Past donations listed correctly. Test: TC-Donate-04	Data audit

4.3 NGO / Campaign Management

Description: The platform shall enable NGOs to register, undergo verification, and create/manage campaigns.

Req ID	Requirement (shall...)	Type	Priority	Source/Stakeholder	Acceptance criteria / Test case ref	Comments / Dependencies
MDP-F-020	The system shall allow NGOs to register and undergo verification (KYC).	Functional	High	Platform Admin	AC-MDP-F-020: NGO listed only after approval. Test: TC-NGO-01	KYC API
MDP-F-021	The system shall allow NGOs to create and manage donation campaigns.	Functional	High	NGO	AC-MDP-F-021: Campaign visible after approval. Test: TC-NGO-02	Requires moderation
MDP-F-022	The system shall show campaign progress bars (% funded).	Functional	Medium	Donor	AC-MDP-F-022: Progress updated after donation. Test: TC-NGO-03	DB update logic

4.4 Payment & Wallet

Description: The platform shall provide secure payment integrations and a wallet feature for micro-balances.

Req ID	Requirement (shall...)	Type	Priority	Source/ Stakeholder	Acceptance criteria / Test case ref	Comments / Dependencies
MDP-F-030	The system shall integrate with multiple payment gateways (UPI, Cards, Wallets).	Functional	High	Donor	AC-MDP-F-030: Payment succeeds with valid credentials. Test: TC-Pay-01	Requires PG API
MDP-F-031	The system shall support refunds for failed/duplicate transactions.	Functional	Medium	Donor/Admin	AC-MDP-F-031: Refund processed. Test: TC-Pay-02	Payment Gateway support
MDP-F-032	The system shall maintain a secure wallet for small balances and round-up donations.	Functional	Medium	Donor	AC-MDP-F-032: Balance updated correctly. Test: TC-Pay-03	Virtual wallet

4.5 Transparency & Reporting

Description: The platform shall provide dashboards, reports, and sharing features for donors and NGOs.

Req ID	Requirement (shall...)	Type	Priority	Source/ Stakeholder	Acceptance criteria / Test case ref	Comments / Dependencies
MDP-F-040	The system shall provide real-time dashboards for NGOs to track donations.	Functional	High	NGO	AC-MDP-F-040: Dashboard updated within 5s. Test: TC-Report-01	Analytics service
MDP-F-041	The system shall provide annual donation reports for compliance (e.g., 80G receipts).	Functional	High	NGO/Donor	AC-MDP-F-041: Downloadable PDF generated. Test: TC-Report-02	Depends on reporting module
MDP-F-042	The system shall allow donors to share campaigns on social media.	Functional	Medium	Donor	AC-MDP-F-042: Campaign link shared successfully. Test: TC-Report-03	Social Media API

5. Non-functional requirements (detailed)

NFRs below are measurable and tied to test plans. IDs MDP-NF-####.

Req ID	Requirement	Category	Priority	Acceptance criteria / Measurement
MDP-NF-001	End-to-end donation transaction (from client initiation to confirmation) shall complete ≤ 3 seconds for 95% of cases under normal load.	Performance	High	95th percentile ≤ 3 s in staging tests. Test: TC-Perf-01
MDP-NF-002	Platform shall maintain 99.9% availability monthly, excluding scheduled maintenance.	Reliability	High	Uptime logs $\geq 99.9\%$ monthly. Test: Ops-Metrics-01
MDP-NF-003	All sensitive user and payment data must comply with PCI-DSS and not be stored in plaintext.	Security/Compliance	High	PCI-DSS audit checklist pass. Test: TC-Sec-01
MDP-NF-004	System shall retain timestamped donation logs for 5 years for audit and transparency	Audit/Data Retention	High	Verified archival and retrieval. Test: TC-Log-01
MDP-NF-005	Platform shall support accessibility features (keyboard navigation, screen reader, contrast modes) conforming to WCAG 2.1 AA.	Usability/Accessibility	Medium	Accessibility audit pass. Test: TC-UX-01
MDP-NF-006	Replica server shall sync with primary server within 30 seconds of any transaction or update.	Fault Tolerance	High	Sync logs show ≤ 30 s lag. Test: TC-Replica-01

MDP-NF-007	Payment gateway integration shall support retry logic for transient failures with max 3 attempts.	Resilience	Medium	Retry logic verified in test cases. Test: TC-PG-02
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5.1. Security

5.1.1 Security Objectives

- Ensure Secure Data Transmission**
 All communication between clients, servers, and external services (e.g., payment gateway, bank server) must be encrypted using industry-standard protocols (TLS 1.2 or higher) to prevent data interception or tampering.
- Protect Donor and Charity Information**
 Sensitive user data—including personal details, donation history, and payment credentials—must be securely stored and handled in compliance with data protection standards.
- Prevent Unauthorized Access**
 Implement robust authentication and authorization mechanisms for all system components, including multi-factor authentication (MFA) for administrative access and role-based controls for charity management.
- Enable Auditability and Traceability**
 Maintain detailed, timestamped logs of all financial transactions, administrative actions, and system events to support transparency, fraud detection, and regulatory audits.

5.1.2 Security Requirements

Req ID	Requirement (shall...)	Type	Priority	Acceptance criteria / Test case ref
MDP-SR-001	All data in transit between client, server, and payment gateway shall be encrypted using TLS 1.2+	Data Transmission	High	Verified via network inspection. Test: TC-Sec-02
MDP-SR-002	User authentication shall include OTP verification for donation transactions above ₹500.	Authentication	Medium	OTP flow validated. Test: TC-Auth-01
MDP-SR-003	Admin access to server and replica shall require multi-factor authentication (MFA).	Access Control	High	MFA setup and test pass. Test: TC-Admin-01
MDP-SR-004	Payment gateway shall not store CVV or PAN in any form.	Compliance	High	Gateway audit pass. Test: TC-PG-01

6. Quality attribute

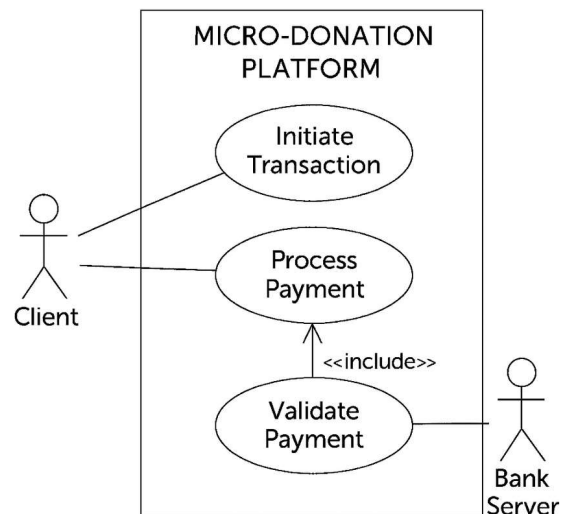
- **Performance:**
 - 90% of donation transactions should complete within **≤5 seconds**.
- **Reliability:**
 - Server + Replica should ensure **99.9% uptime** monthly.
- **Security:**
 - End-to-end encryption using **TLS 1.2+**, no sensitive data stored in plaintext.
- **Scalability:**
 - System should support **10,000 concurrent users** and **100,000 daily transactions**.
- **Usability:**
 - Simple, intuitive UI support for accessibility.
- **Auditability:**
 - Transaction logs stored for minimum 7 years.
- **Maintainability:**
 - Modular design with separate APIs for donation, reporting, and monitoring

Acceptance tests:

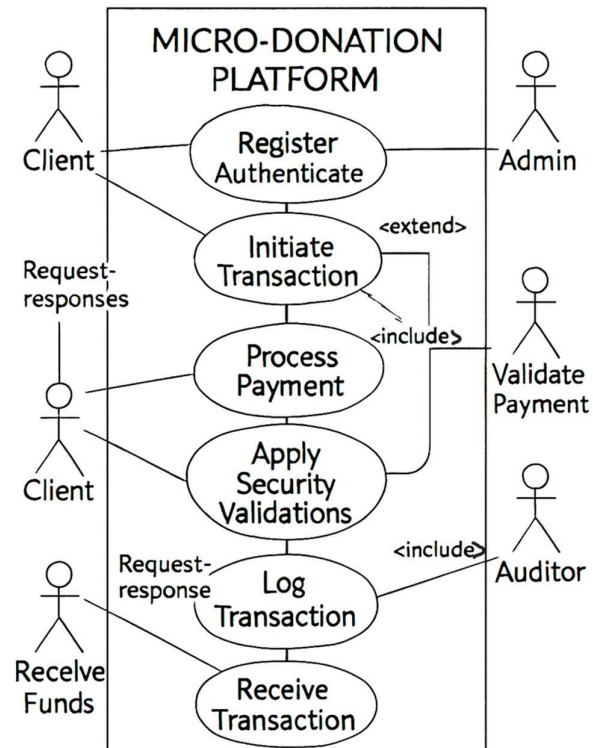
- **Authentication Tests:**
 - AT-001: Valid login with correct credentials grants access.
 - AT-002: Invalid login shows error after 3 failed attempts.
- **Donation Tests:**
 - AT-010: Donation of valid amount (₹10–₹100) succeeds, balance deducted, confirmation generated.
 - AT-011: Donation exceeding limit rejected.
 - AT-012: Transaction recorded in both server and replica.
- **Payment Gateway Tests:**
 - AT-020: Secure connection (TLS) established for all transactions.
 - AT-021: Failed bank server connection triggers retry with backoff.
- **Performance Tests:**
 - AT-030: 90% of transactions complete in ≤5 seconds under normal load.
 - AT-031: System handles 10,000 concurrent donor requests without crash.
- **Security Tests:**
 - AT-040: No sensitive card/account data stored in plaintext.
 - AT-041: Logs contain masked details (e.g., last 4 digits only).
- **Reliability Tests:**
 - AT-050: If server fails, replica takes over within ≤30 seconds.
 - AT-051: Database backup successfully restored in disaster recovery test.

7. System models and diagrams

7.1 UML Use-Case diagram (Basic UML Diagram)



7.2 UML Use-Case diagram (Detailed UML Diagram)



8. Requirements Traceability Matrix (RTM)

Req ID	Requirement short	Section ref / Design Spec	Module	Test case(s)	Status (N/P/A)	Comments
MDP-F-001	User Registration	4.1 / DS-Auth-01	AuthModule	TC-Auth-01	N	Needs OAuth
MDP-F-002	User Authentication	4.1 / DS-Auth-02	AuthModule	TC-Auth-02	N	OTP Gateway
MDP-F-003	Role-based Access	4.1 / DS-Auth-03	AuthModule	TC-Auth-03	N	RBAC
MDP-F-010	Micro Donation	4.2 / DS-Donate-01	DonationModule	TC-Donate-01	N	PG integration
MDP-F-011	Recurring Donation	4.2 / DS-Donate-02	DonationModule	TC-Donate-02	N	Scheduler
MDP-F-012	Instant Receipts	4.2 / DS-Donate-03	NotificationModule	TC-Donate-03	N	Email/SMS
MDP-F-013	Donation History	4.2 / DS-Donate-04	DonationModule	TC-Donate-04	N	DB logs
MDP-F-020	NGO Verification	4.3 / DS-NGO-01	NGOModule	TC-NGO-01	N	KYC API
MDP-F-021	Campaign Management	4.3 / DS-NGO-02	NGOModule	TC-NGO-02	N	Approval workflow
MDP-F-022	Campaign Progress	4.3 / DS-NGO-03	NGOModule	TC-NGO-03	N	DB updates

MDP-F-030	Payment Gateway	4.4 / DS-Pay-01	PaymentModule	TC-Pay-01	N	Multiple PGs
MDP-F-031	Refunds	4.4 / DS-Pay-02	PaymentModule	TC-Pay-02	N	PG support
MDP-F-032	Wallet Balance	4.4 / DS-Pay-03	WalletModule	TC-Pay-03	N	Round-up logic
MDP-F-040	NGO Dashboard	4.5 / DS-Report-01	AnalyticsModule	TC-Report-01	N	Real-time sync
MDP-F-041	Annual Reports	4.5 / DS-Report-02	ReportingModule	TC-Report-02	N	Compliance
MDP-F-042	Social Sharing	4.5 / DS-Report-03	SharingModule	TC-Report-03	N	Social API