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XYZ University Lab Project – AWS Environment Setup Guide

This document provides detailed, step-by-step instructions for setting up your AWS infrastructure. Complete each section in sequence and verify each setup before proceeding.

1. VPC and Networking Setup

• Create VPC

- CIDR block: 10.0.0.0/16

• Subnets

- Public Subnet 1: 10.0.0.0/27 in us-east-1a

- Public Subnet 2: 10.0.0.32/27 in us-east-1b

- Private Subnet 1: 10.0.0.64/27 in us-east-1a

- Private Subnet 2: 10.0.0.96/27 in us-east-1b

• Internet Gateway

- Create and attach to the VPC

• Route Table

- Create a public route table

- Add a route to 0.0.0.0/0 via the Internet Gateway

- Associate with the public subnets

2. RDS Database Setup

• Engine: MySQL

• Instance Type: db.t4g.micro

• DB Name: STUDENTS

• Username: nodeapp

• Password: student12

• Subnet Group: Select both private subnets

• VPC Security Group

- Inbound Rule: Allow MySQL (port 3306) only from EC2 security group

3. Secrets Manager

Store database credentials securely:

aws secretsmanager create-secret \

--name Mydbsecret \

--description "Database secret for web app" \

--secret-string '{ "user":"nodeapp", "password":"student12", "host":"<RDS-ENDPOINT>", "db":"STUDENTS" }'

4. EC2 Web Server Setup

• AMI: Ubuntu 24.04 LTS

• Instance Type: t2.micro

• IAM Role: Attach LabRole

• Security Group: Allow inbound HTTP (port 80) from anywhere

User Data Script:

#!/bin/bash -xe

apt update -y

apt install nodejs unzip wget npm mysql-client -y

wget https://aws-tc-largeobjects.s3.us-west-2.amazonaws.com/CUR-TF-200-ACCAP1-1-91571/1-lab-capstone-project-1/code.zip -P /home/ubuntu

cd /home/ubuntu

unzip code.zip -x "resources/codebase_partner/node_modules/*"

cd resources/codebase_partner

npm install aws aws-sdk

export APP_PORT=80

npm start &

5. Data Migration

mysqldump -h <EC2-DB-IP> -u nodeapp -p --databases STUDENTS > data.sql

mysql -h <RDS-ENDPOINT> -u nodeapp -p < data.sql

6. Load Balancer & Auto Scaling

• Application Load Balancer

- Type: Internet-facing

- Listener: HTTP on port 80

- Target Group: Register EC2 instances

• Launch Template

- Use a custom AMI created from your configured EC2

• Auto Scaling Group

- Min: 2, Max: 4

- Policy: Target tracking on CPU (e.g., 50%)

7. Load Testing (Validation)

Use Cloud9 or any EC2 with Node.js and NPM installed:

npm install -g loadtest

loadtest --rps 1000 -c 500 -k http://<Your_LOAD_BALANCER_DNS>

Final Notes

• All resources should be in the us-east-1 region

• Regularly monitor billing via the AWS Console

• IMPORTANT: Terminate all EC2 and RDS resources after testing to avoid ongoing charges