

# **Final Project**

**Course:** DevOps

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## Project Overview

This project showcases the design and deployment of a scalable, secure, and containerized infrastructure on AWS using **Terraform**. The primary objective was to automate the provisioning of cloud resources and orchestrate the deployment of a full-stack Dockerized web application, complete with integrated database services, load balancing, custom domain setup, SSL encryption, and real-time business intelligence (BI) visualization.

By leveraging **Infrastructure as Code (IaC)** principles with Terraform, modular and reusable templates were developed to provision and manage critical AWS services. These include:

- **EC2 instances** deployed through **Auto Scaling Groups**
- **RDS instances** (PostgreSQL and MySQL) hosted in private subnets
- **Application Load Balancer (ALB)** configured with HTTPS and domain routing

The frontend and backend applications were containerized using **multi-stage Docker builds** and deployed across EC2 instances behind the ALB to ensure high availability and efficient load distribution.

## Objective

The primary objective of this project is to build a **production-ready, scalable, and secure cloud infrastructure** on AWS using Infrastructure as Code (IaC) principles. The key goals include:

- Provisioning **Auto Scaling EC2 instances** pre-configured with **Nginx, Docker, and Node.js 20**
- Deploying **RDS databases** (MySQL and PostgreSQL) within **private subnets** to ensure data security
- Setting up an **Application Load Balancer (ALB)** with **HTTPS support** for secure traffic routing
- Deploying a **Business Intelligence (BI) tool – Metabase** on a dedicated EC2 instance
- Configuring a **custom domain** with **SSL encryption** using **AWS Certificate Manager (ACM)**
- Enabling **SSH tunneling** for secure access to the private RDS databases

## Resources & References

- **Terraform Infrastructure (IaC) Repository:**  
<https://github.com/MuhammadGhulamAbbas/Devops-Project>
- **Frontend React Application Repository:**  
<https://github.com/MuhammadGhulamAbbas/reactapp>
- **Demonstration Video (Loom):**  
A Loom video walkthrough of the project implementation is provided in a text file located within the Devops GitHub repository.

## Project Structure (Modular Approach)

The project follows a modular Terraform structure to promote reusability, maintainability, and scalability. Below is the directory layout:

DevOps-Project/

├─ main.tf

├─ outputs.tf

├─ providers.tf

├─ terraform.tfvars

├─ variables.tf

├─ README.md

├─ modules/

| └─ network/

| | └─ main.tf

| | └─ outputs.tf

| | └─ variables.tf

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| └─ security\_groups/

| | └─ main.tf

| | └─ outputs.tf

| | └─ variables.tf

|

| └─ target\_group/

```
| | ├── main.tf
| | ├── outputs.tf
| | └── variables.tf
|
| ├── ec2/
| | ├── main.tf
| | ├── outputs.tf
| | └── variables.tf
|
| ├── ec2-bi/
| | ├── main.tf
| | ├── outputs.tf
| | └── variables.tf
|
| ├── rds/
| | ├── main.tf
| | ├── outputs.tf
| | └── variables.tf
|
| ├── alb/
| | ├── main.tf
| | ├── outputs.tf
| | └── variables.tf
```

- |
- | |─ alb-bi/
- | | |─ main.tf
- | | |─ outputs.tf
- | | └─ variables.tf

- |
- | |─ route53/
- | | |─ main.tf
- | | |─ outputs.tf
- | | └─ variables.tf

- |─ userdata/
- | |─ userdata-app.sh
- | └─ userdata-bi.sh

- |─ docker/
- | └─ Dockerfile

The screenshot displays a Windows desktop environment with a Visual Studio Code (VS Code) editor window open. The editor shows a Terraform configuration file named `main.tf` with the following content:

```
terraform {
  required_providers {
    aws = {
      source  = "hashicorp/aws"
      version = "~> 5.99.1"
    }
  }
}

provider "aws" {
  region = "us-east-1"
}

module "reactapp-devops" {
  source = "github.com/MuhammadGhulamAbbas/reactapp-devops"
  ec2-user = "ec2-user"
}
```

The terminal window at the bottom of the editor shows the output of the `terraform init` command, indicating that the backend, modules, and provider plugins have been successfully initialized. The output includes the following text:

```
with Terraform immediately by creating Terraform configuration files.
PS C:\Users\123\Downloads\DevOps_Project-cd86b970cbf446414ec203d46d9fbd21167524fe> cd DevOps_Project-cd86b970cbf446414ec203d46d9fbd21167524fe
e
PS C:\Users\123\Downloads\DevOps_Project-cd86b970cbf446414ec203d46d9fbd21167524fe\DevOps_Project-cd86b970cbf446414ec203d46d9fbd21167524fe>
terraform init
Initializing the backend...
Initializing modules...
Initializing provider plugins...
- Reusing previous version of hashicorp/aws from the dependency lock file
- Using previously-installed hashicorp/aws v5.99.1

Terraform has been successfully initialized!

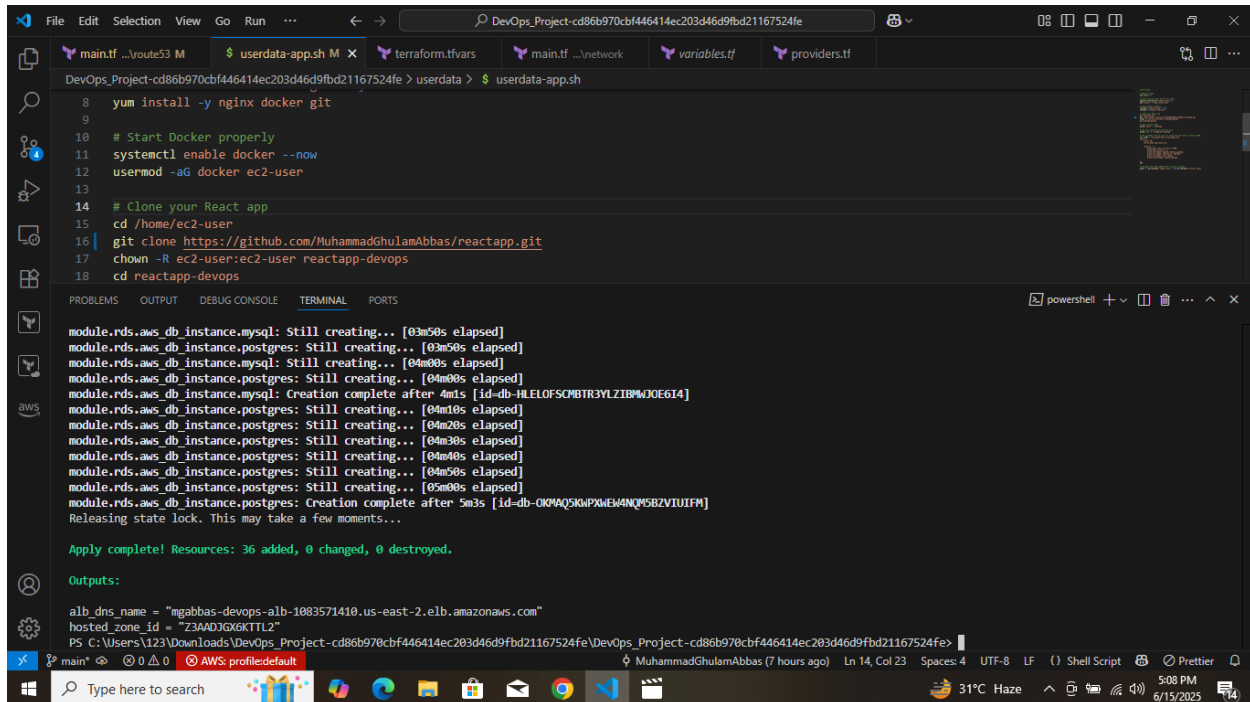
You may now begin working with Terraform. Try running "terraform plan" to see
any changes that are required for your infrastructure. All Terraform commands
should now work.

If you ever set or change modules or backend configuration for Terraform,
rerun this command to reinitialize your working directory. If you forget, other
commands will detect it and remind you to do so if necessary.
PS C:\Users\123\Downloads\DevOps_Project-cd86b970cbf446414ec203d46d9fbd21167524fe\DevOps_Project-cd86b970cbf446414ec203d46d9fbd21167524fe>
```

The background of the desktop shows a Windows taskbar with various application icons and a search bar.

The image shows a Windows desktop with a Visual Studio Code (VS Code) editor open. The editor has a dark theme and shows a file named 'main.tf' in a project directory 'DevOps\_Project-cd86b970cbf446414ec203d46d9fbd21167524fe'. The terminal window is active, displaying a series of commands and their outputs. The commands include installing nginx, docker, and git; enabling docker; cloning a React app from GitHub; and setting permissions. The output shows that the application is running successfully, with various health checks passing. The status bar at the bottom of the VS Code window indicates the file is 'main.tf' in the 'DevOps\_Project' directory, and the user is 'MuhammadGhulamAbbas'. The Windows taskbar at the bottom shows the Start button, a search bar, and several application icons including File Explorer, Edge, and VS Code. The system tray on the right shows the date and time as 6/15/2025, 4:57 PM, and the weather as 31°C Haze.

### 3. Terraform apply



The screenshot shows a Visual Studio Code editor with a terminal window displaying the output of a Terraform apply command. The terminal output indicates that 36 resources were added, 0 were changed, and 0 were destroyed. The resources include AWS IAM roles, EC2 instances, and RDS database instances. The terminal also shows the creation of an ALB (Application Load Balancing) and the release of the state lock.

```
DevOps_Project-cd86b970cbf446414ec203d46d9fbd21167524fe > userdata > $ userdata-app.sh

8  yum install -y nginx docker git
9
10 # Start Docker properly
11 systemctl enable docker --now
12 usermod -s /bin/bash ec2-user
13
14 # Clone your React app
15 cd /home/ec2-user
16 git clone https://github.com/MuhammadGhulamAbbas/reactapp.git
17 chown -R ec2-user:ec2-user reactapp-devops
18 cd reactapp-devops

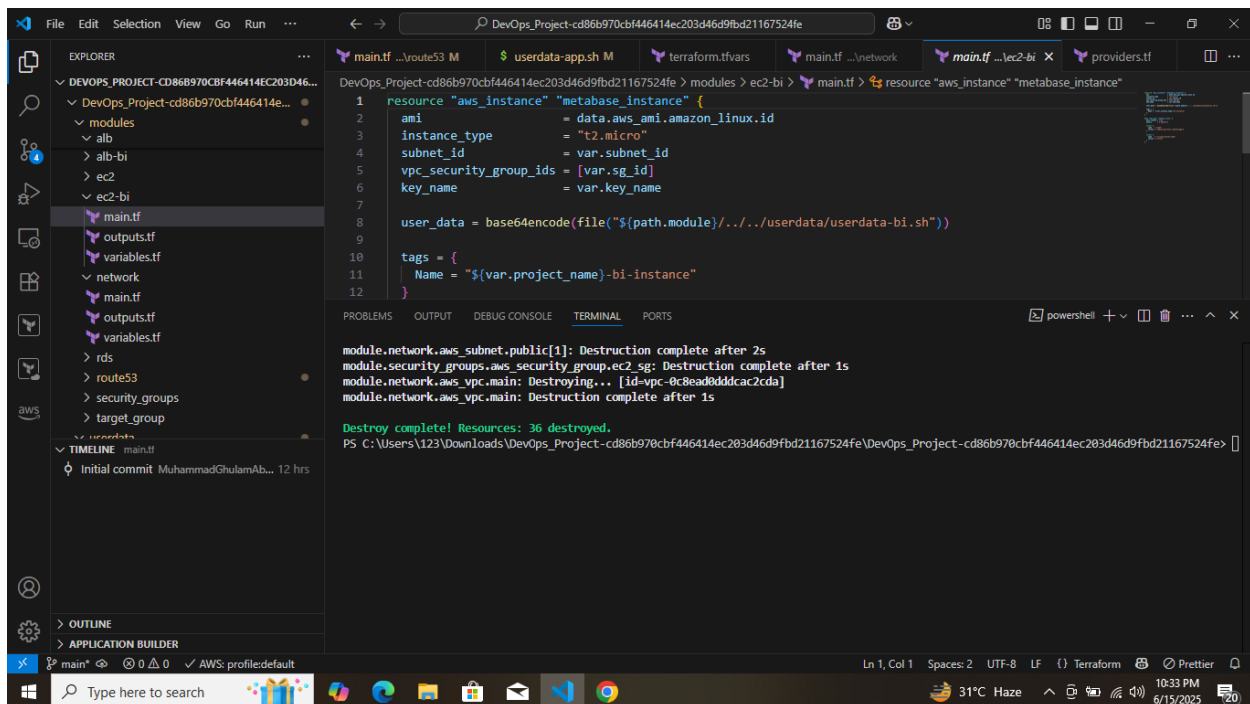
module.rds.aws_db_instance.mysql: Still creating... [03m50s elapsed]
module.rds.aws_db_instance.postgres: Still creating... [03m50s elapsed]
module.rds.aws_db_instance.mysql: Still creating... [04m00s elapsed]
module.rds.aws_db_instance.postgres: Still creating... [04m00s elapsed]
module.rds.aws_db_instance.mysql: Creation complete after 4m1s [id=db-HELEOFSCMBTR3YLZIBW4OE6I4]
module.rds.aws_db_instance.postgres: Still creating... [04m10s elapsed]
module.rds.aws_db_instance.postgres: Still creating... [04m20s elapsed]
module.rds.aws_db_instance.postgres: Still creating... [04m30s elapsed]
module.rds.aws_db_instance.postgres: Still creating... [04m40s elapsed]
module.rds.aws_db_instance.postgres: Still creating... [04m50s elapsed]
module.rds.aws_db_instance.postgres: Still creating... [05m00s elapsed]
module.rds.aws_db_instance.postgres: Creation complete after 5m3s [id=db-OKP4Q5KHPXMEV4NQV5BZVUIIFM]
Releasing state lock. This may take a few moments...

Apply complete! Resources: 36 added, 0 changed, 0 destroyed.

Outputs:

alb_dns_name = "mgabbas-devops-alb-1083571410.us-east-2.elb.amazonaws.com"
hosted_zone_id = "Z3AADJGXGKTTL2"
```

### 4. Terraform destroy



The screenshot shows a Visual Studio Code editor with a terminal window displaying the output of a Terraform destroy command. The terminal output indicates that 36 resources were destroyed. The resources include AWS IAM roles, EC2 instances, and RDS database instances. The terminal also shows the destruction of an ALB (Application Load Balancing) and the release of the state lock.

```
DevOps_Project-cd86b970cbf446414ec203d46d9fbd21167524fe > modules > ec2-bi > main.tf > resource "aws_instance" "metabase_instance"

1  resource "aws_instance" "metabase_instance" {
2    ami           = data.aws_ami.amazon_linux.id
3    instance_type = "t2.micro"
4    subnet_id     = var.subnet_id
5    vpc_security_group_ids = [var.sg_id]
6    key_name      = var.key_name
7
8    user_data = base64encode(file("${path.module}/../userdata/userdata-bi.sh"))
9
10   tags = {
11     Name = "${var.project_name}-bi-instance"
12   }
13 }

module.network.aws_subnet.public[1]: Destruction complete after 2s
module.security_groups.aws_security_group.ec2_sg: Destruction complete after 1s
module.network.aws_vpc.main: Destroying... [id=vpc-0c8eadd8ddcac2cda]
module.network.aws_vpc.main: Destruction complete after 1s

Destroy complete! Resources: 36 destroyed.

PS C:\Users\123\Downloads\DevOps_Project-cd86b970cbf446414ec203d46d9fbd21167524fe> DevOps_Project-cd86b970cbf446414ec203d46d9fbd21167524fe>
```

## Project Overview

### 1. EC2 Auto Scaling Group:

? A total of **3 EC2 instances** were launched using a **Launch Template** with Auto Scaling configuration for high availability and scalability.

? **User data scripts** (userdata-app.sh and userdata-bi.sh) were used to automate the installation of required components on instance boot:

- **Nginx**
- **Docker**
- **Node.js 20**

? **Instance Roles:**

- **Two EC2 instances** were configured to host the Dockerized applications.
- **One EC2 instance** was dedicated to running **Metabase**, a Business Intelligence (BI) tool, containerized via Docker.



This image is instance in aws with their autoscaling group and template.

**Instances (5)** Info

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Find Instance by attribute or tag (case-sensitive)

All states

	Name	Instance ID	Instance state	Instance type	Status check	Alarm status	Availability
<input type="checkbox"/>	mgabbas-dev...	i-0f6df21c829cab967	Running	t2.micro	2/2 checks passed	View alarms +	us-east-2b
<input type="checkbox"/>	mgabbas-dev...	i-02cb21095c8b5795c	Running	t2.micro	2/2 checks passed	View alarms +	us-east-2b
<input type="checkbox"/>	mgabbas-dev...	i-018a26062b1e9a86a	Running	t2.micro	2/2 checks passed	View alarms +	us-east-2a
<input type="checkbox"/>	mgabbas-dev...	i-053f62efb4e50f274	Running	t2.micro	2/2 checks passed	View alarms +	us-east-2a
<input type="checkbox"/>	mgabbas-dev...	i-0f35bc7e8bfd534d0	Running	t2.micro	2/2 checks passed	View alarms +	us-east-2a

Select an instance

**Auto Scaling groups (1)** Info

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Search your Auto Scaling groups

	Name	Launch template/configuration	Instances	Status	Desired capacity
<input type="checkbox"/>	mgabbas-devops-asg	mgabbas-devops-lt-2025061415182611	3	-	3

0 Auto Scaling groups selected

us-east-2.console.aws.amazon.com/ec2/home?region=us-east-2#LaunchTemplates:

Search

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EC2 Global View

Events

▼ Instances

Instances

Instance Types

Launch Templates

Spot Requests

Savings Plans

Reserved Instances

Dedicated Hosts

Capacity Reservations

▼ Images

AMIs

AMI Catalog

▼ Elastic Block Store

Volumes

Snapshots

Lifecycle Manager

Launch Templates (2) Info

Actions

Create launch template

Search

	Launch Template ID	Launch Template Name	Default Version	Latest Version	Create Time
<input type="checkbox"/>	lt-0f7780f40ee3fb8dc	mgabbas-devops-lt-202506141...	1	1	2025-06-14T15:18:26.000Z
<input type="checkbox"/>	lt-0581ca6e77affd266	devopspractice1	1	1	2025-05-17T12:30:00.000Z

Select a launch template

CloudShell

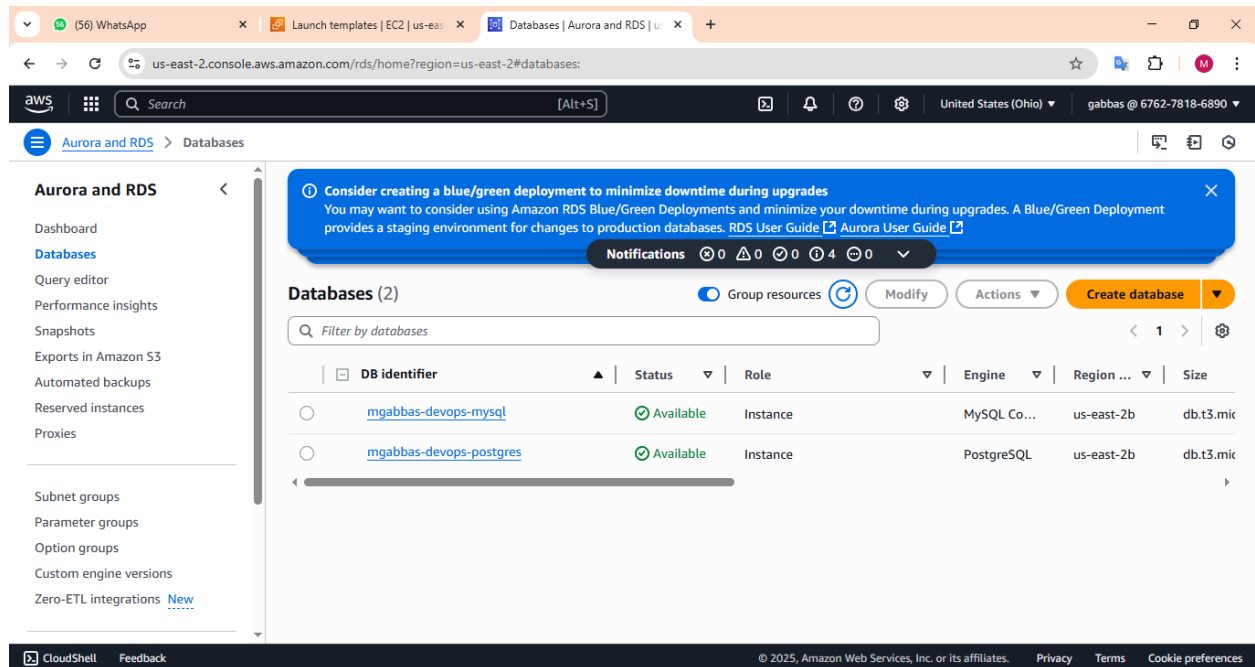
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## 2. RDS Instances

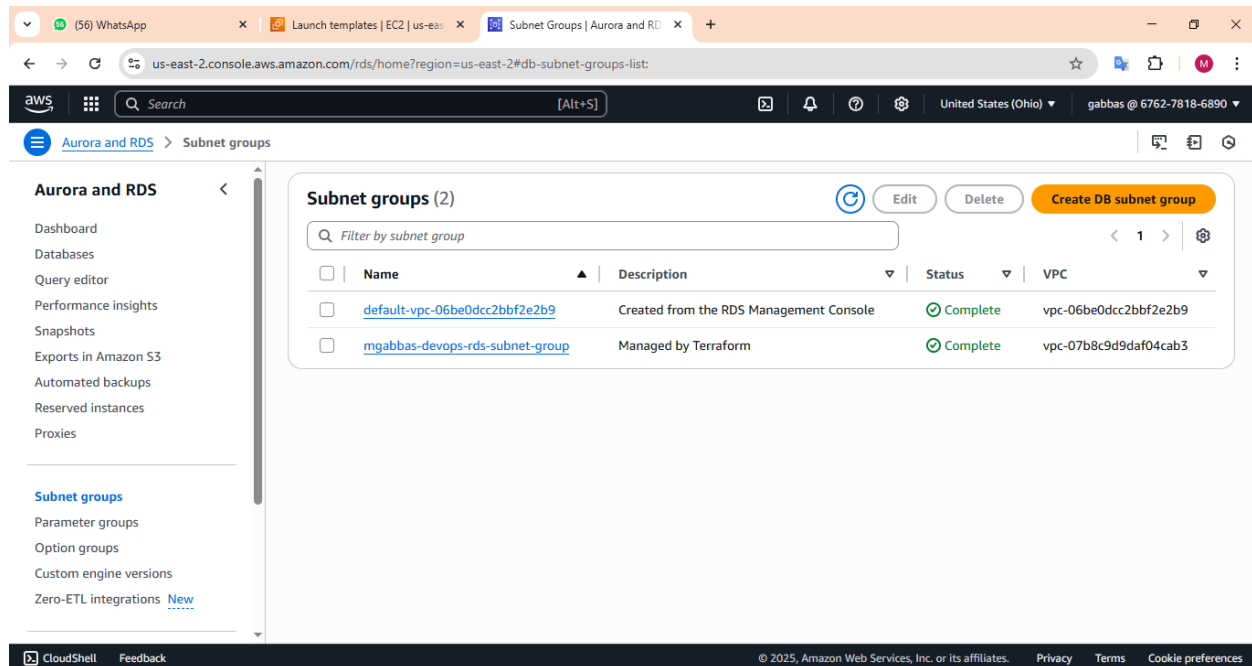
- **Two RDS instances** were provisioned:
  - **1 MySQL**
  - **1 PostgreSQL**
- Both databases were deployed in **private subnets** to ensure network-level security and prevent direct public access.
- **Secure connectivity** was established using **SSH tunneling** through the application EC2 instance, allowing access for development and monitoring without exposing the databases to the internet.
- **Terraform configurations** were used to define:
  - **DB Subnet Groups** to control the network placement of the RDS instances
  - **Parameter Groups** to customize engine-level settings for performance and compatibility

This images is RDS instance in aws with their subnet group.



The screenshot displays the AWS Management Console for the 'us-east-2' region, specifically the 'Databases' page under 'Aurora and RDS'. A blue notification banner at the top suggests creating a blue/green deployment to minimize downtime during upgrades. Below this, a 'Databases (2)' section shows a table of two RDS instances. The first instance is 'mgabbas-devops-mysql' (MySQL Co... engine, us-east-2b region, db.t3.micro size) and the second is 'mgabbas-devops-postgres' (PostgreSQL engine, us-east-2b region, db.t3.micro size). Both instances are in an 'Available' status. The left sidebar lists various database-related options, and the bottom of the console shows the 'CloudShell' and 'Feedback' links.

DB identifier	Status	Role	Engine	Region	Size
<a href="#">mgabbas-devops-mysql</a>	Available	Instance	MySQL Co...	us-east-2b	db.t3.mic
<a href="#">mgabbas-devops-postgres</a>	Available	Instance	PostgreSQL	us-east-2b	db.t3.mic



### 3. Security Groups

Proper security group configurations were implemented to control traffic flow between resources while maintaining security best practices:

- **EC2 Security Group**
  - **Ingress Rules:**
    - Port **22** – SSH access (restricted to developer IP)
    - Port **80** – HTTP traffic for web access
    - Port **443** – HTTPS traffic for secure web access
- **RDS Security Group**
  - **Ingress Rules:**
    - Port **3306** – MySQL access
    - Port **5432** – PostgreSQL access
  - **Access Scope:**
    - Inbound connections allowed **only from EC2 instances** (using security group referencing)
- **Application Load Balancer (ALB) Security Group**
  - **Ingress Rules:**
    - Port **80** – HTTP open to the public
    - Port **443** – HTTPS open to the public
- **Egress Rules (All Security Groups):**
  - **All traffic (0.0.0.0/0)** allowed outbound to enable internet connectivity and service dependencies.

- This image is AWS Security Groups.

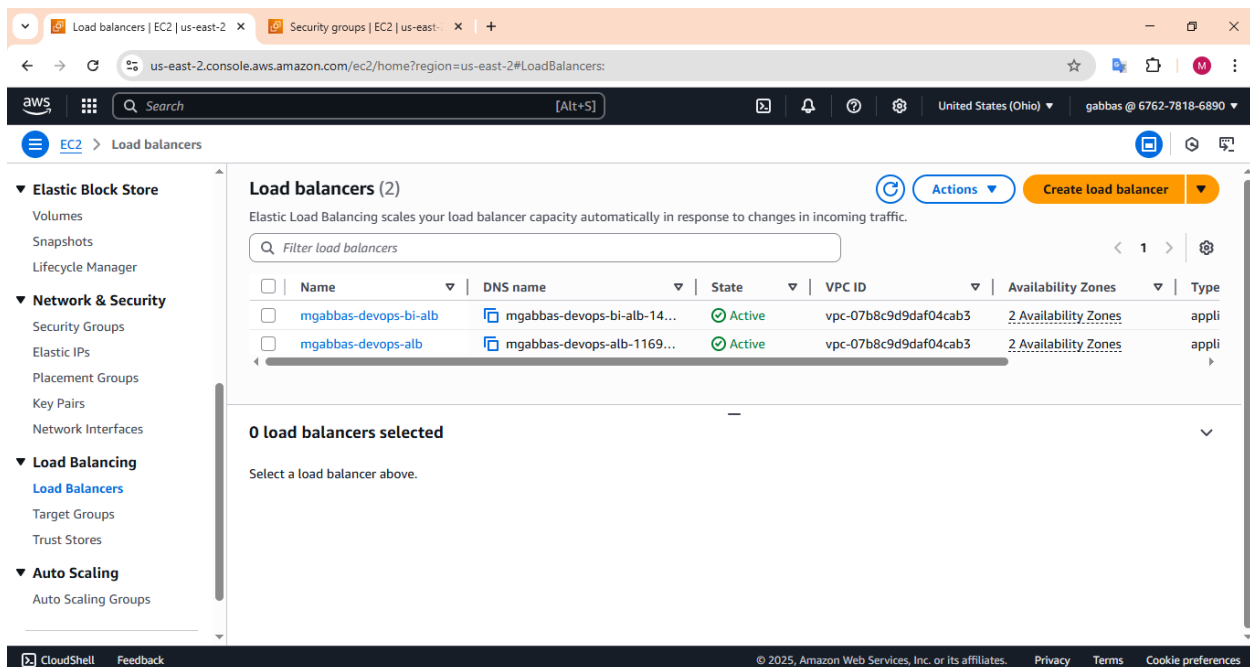
The screenshot shows the AWS Management Console interface for the 'Security Groups' page in the EC2 section. The page title is 'Security Groups (9) Info'. Below the title is a search bar with the placeholder text 'Find security groups by attribute or tag'. To the right of the search bar are buttons for 'Actions', 'Export security groups to CSV', and 'Create security group'. The main content area displays a table of security groups with the following columns: Name, Security group ID, Security group name, and VPC ID. The table lists 9 security groups, including 'mgabbas-devops-rds-sg', 'mgabbas-devops-alb-sg', 'default', 'mgabbas-devops-bi-sg', 'launch-wizard-2', 'mgabbas-devops-ec2-sg', 'mgabbas-devops-nat-sg', and 'launch-wizard-1'. Each row includes a checkbox for selection and a link to view the security group details. The left sidebar shows navigation options for EC2, including Dashboard, EC2 Global View, Events, Instances, Launch Templates, Spot Requests, Savings Plans, Reserved Instances, Dedicated Hosts, Capacity Reservations, Images, and Elastic Block Store. The top navigation bar includes the AWS logo, a search bar, and the user's account information.

Name	Security group ID	Security group name	VPC ID
mgabbas-devops-rds-sg	sg-0dc7113b400acfea7	mgabbas-devops-rds-sg	vpc-07b8c9d9daf04cab3
mgabbas-devops-alb-sg	sg-0ed44fd30be766565	mgabbas-devops-alb-sg	vpc-07b8c9d9daf04cab3
-	sg-0b08325bd75543e4f	default	vpc-07b8c9d9daf04cab3
mgabbas-devops-bi-sg	sg-0394b4839f9b739fb	mgabbas-devops-bi-sg	vpc-07b8c9d9daf04cab3
-	sg-09be05615f57d714b	launch-wizard-2	vpc-06be0dccc2bbf2e2b9
mgabbas-devops-ec2-sg	sg-092635fbcfae99cc0	mgabbas-devops-ec2-sg	vpc-07b8c9d9daf04cab3
mgabbas-devops-nat-sg	sg-0675da952a670ed87	mgabbas-devops-nat-sg	vpc-07b8c9d9daf04cab3
-	sg-0a5fd088a8b8bea1b	launch-wizard-1	vpc-06be0dccc2bbf2e2b9

## 4. load Balancer (ALB)

A highly available and secure **Application Load Balancer (ALB)** was provisioned using Terraform to distribute incoming traffic across EC2 instances.

- **Deployment & Configuration:**
  - The ALB was deployed via Terraform within the public subnets.
  - Configured to handle both **HTTP (port 80)** and **HTTPS (port 443)** traffic.
- **HTTPS Enforcement:**
  - All HTTP requests on port 80 are **automatically redirected to HTTPS (port 443)** to enforce secure communication.
  - **SSL/TLS certificates** were provisioned using **AWS Certificate Manager (ACM)** for encrypted traffic.
- **Listener Rules & Routing:**
  - Listener rules were defined to **forward traffic to specific target groups** based on the **subdomain or path**.
  - Ensures that frontend, backend, and BI services can be routed independently and securely.
- **This images is load balancer Groups with their overview which tell health of specific load balancer for example bi alb with their target group which tells their configuration.**



Load balancer details | EC2 | us-east-2 | Security groups | EC2 | us-east-2 | +

us-east-2.console.aws.amazon.com/ec2/home?region=us-east-2#LoadBalancer:loadBalancerArn=arn:aws:elasticloadbalancing:us-east-2:676278186890:loadbalancer/

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EC2 > Load balancers > mgabbas-devops-bi-alb

View, explore, and troubleshoot your load balancer's architecture.

Overview | Unhealthy target map | Show resource details

### mgabbas-devops-bi-alb

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**Listeners (2)**

- HTTPS:443 1 rule
- HTTP:80 1 rule

**Rules (2)**

- Priority default  
Forward to target group  
Conditions (If)  
If no other rule applies
- Priority default  
Redirect  
Conditions (If)  
If no other rule applies

**Target groups (1) Info**

- Instance, HTTP  
mgabbas-devops-bi-tg 1 target
- 1 0 0 0 0 0

**Targets (1)**

- i-0ddfe47ddf6626756
- Healthy

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Target groups | EC2 | us-east-2 | Security groups | EC2 | us-east-2 | +

us-east-2.console.aws.amazon.com/ec2/home?region=us-east-2#TargetGroups:

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EC2 > Target groups

**AMI Catalog**

- ▼ Elastic Block Store
  - Volumes
  - Snapshots
  - Lifecycle Manager
- ▼ Network & Security
  - Security Groups
  - Elastic IPs
  - Placement Groups
  - Key Pairs
  - Network Interfaces
- ▼ Load Balancing
  - Load Balancers
  - Target Groups
  - Trust Stores
- ▼ Auto Scaling
  - Auto Scaling Groups

**Target groups (2) Info**

[Filter target groups](#)

<input type="checkbox"/>	Name	ARN	Port	Protocol	Target type	Load balancer
<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#">mgabbas-devops-bi-tg</a>	arn:aws:elasticloadbalancing:us-east-2:676278186890:targetgroup/mgabbas-devops-bi-tg/...	3000	HTTP	Instance	mgabbas-devop
<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#">mgabbas-devops-tg</a>	arn:aws:elasticloadbalancing:us-east-2:676278186890:targetgroup/mgabbas-devops-tg/...	80	HTTP	Instance	mgabbas-devop

**0 target groups selected**  
Select a target group above.

[Actions](#)

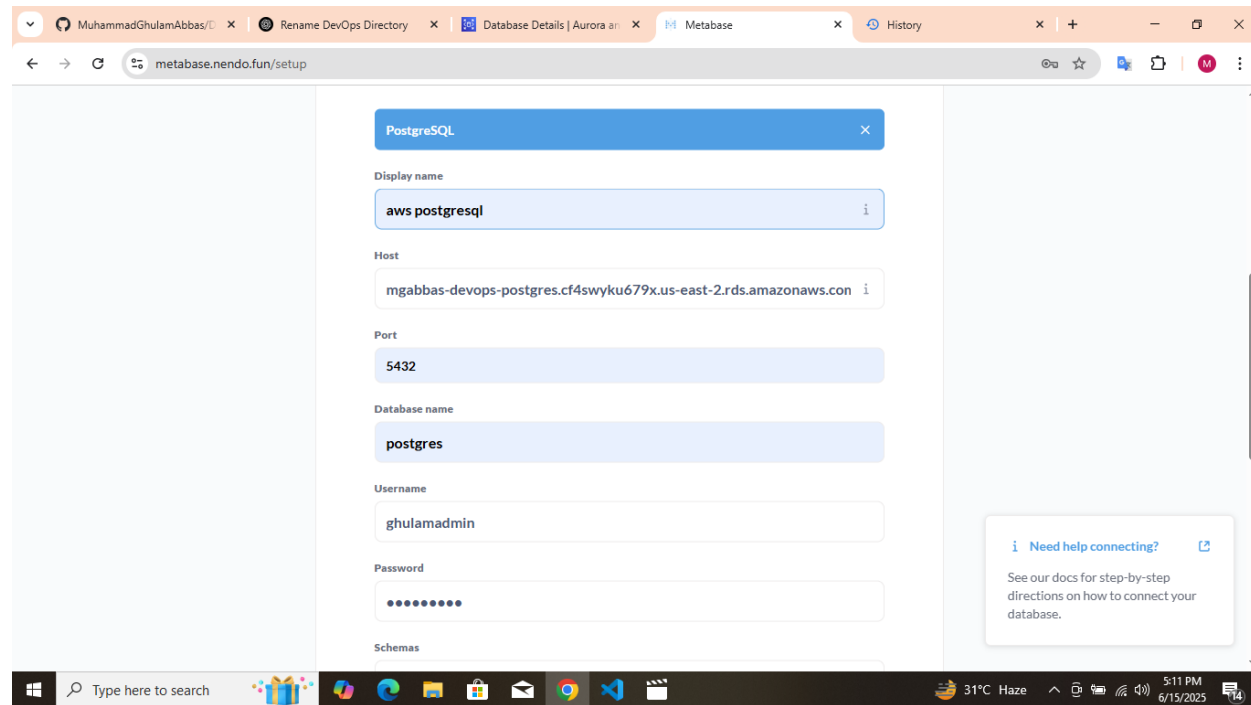
[Create target group](#)

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## 5. Database Access and Initialization

To ensure secure and controlled access to the RDS databases, an **SSH tunneling approach** was used for connectivity and data initialization:

- **Secure Access via SSH Tunnel:**
  - Direct access to RDS instances is **blocked from the public internet**.
  - An **SSH tunnel** is created through a publicly accessible **EC2 instance** (bastion or app server) to connect to the **MySQL** and **PostgreSQL** databases located in private subnets.
- **Database Client:**
  - Tools such as **DBeaver** or **pgAdmin** were used to connect to the databases through the SSH tunnel.
  - This setup supports secure management and monitoring without compromising security best practices.
- **Data Initialization:**
  - Both RDS instances were **populated with dummy data** to simulate application behavior and enable integration testing.
  - This data was later visualized through **Metabase** to demonstrate real-time BI insights.





Connect to a database

**Connection Settings**  
PostgreSQL connection settings

PostgreSQL

Main PostgreSQL Driver properties SSH SSL + Network configurations...

Server

Connect by: ☒ Host ☐ URL

URL: jdbc:postgresql://mgabbas-devops-postgres.cf4swyku679x.us-east-2.rds.amazonaws.com:5432/postgres

Host: mgabbas-devops-postgres.cf4swyku679x.us-east-2.rds.amazonaws.com Port: 5432

Database: postgres ☐ Show all databases

Authentication

Authentication: Database Native

Username: ghulamadmin

Password:  Save password

Advanced

Session role: Local Client: PostgreSQL Binaries

[Connection variables information](#) [Database documentation](#) Connection details (name, type, ...)

Driver name: PostgreSQL Driver Settings Driver license

Test Connection ... < Back Next > Finish Cancel

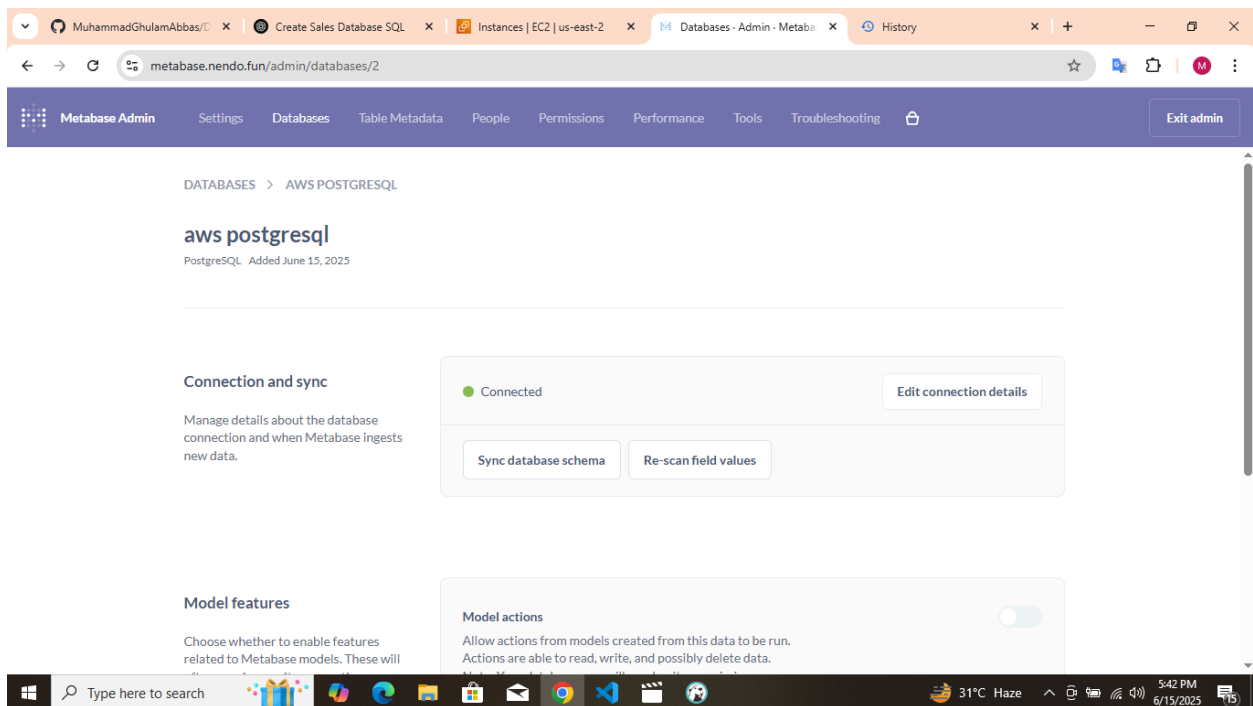
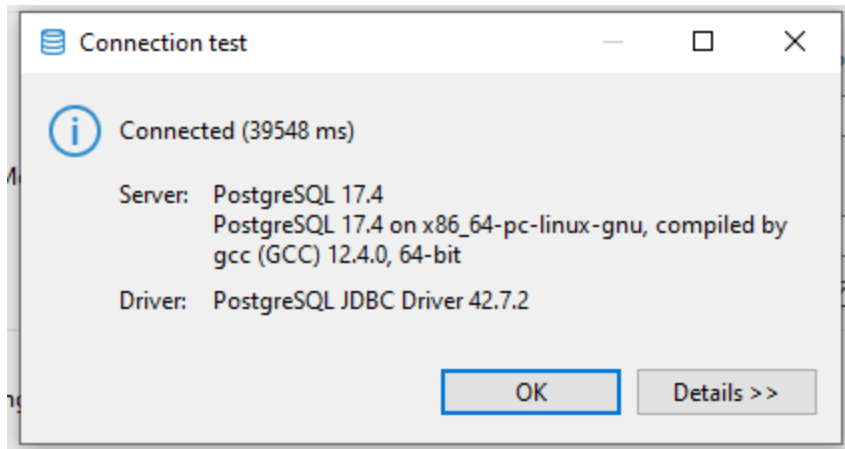
Host name is RDS database Username and Database is in tf variables file

The screenshot shows a window titled "Connect to a database" with a PostgreSQL logo in the top right corner. The "Connection Settings" section is active, showing "PostgreSQL connection settings". The "SSH" tab is selected in the top navigation bar, alongside "Main", "PostgreSQL", "Driver properties", and "SSL". A "+ Network configurations..." button is visible. The "Use SSH Tunnel" checkbox is checked. A "Profile:" dropdown menu is set to an empty state. The "Settings" section contains the following fields: "Host/IP:" with the value "3.148.233.13", "Port:" with the value "22", "User Name:" with the value "ec2-user", "Authentication Method:" set to "Public Key", "Private Key:" with the path "C:\\Users\\123\\.ssh\\trubleshooting.pem", and an empty "Passphrase" field. A "Save credentials" checkbox is checked. Below the settings are expandable sections for "Jump servers" and "Advanced settings". At the bottom of the settings area are a "Test tunnel configuration" button, an information icon with the text "You can use variables in SSH parameters.", and a link to "SSH Documentation". The bottom of the dialog features a "Test Connection ..." button, navigation buttons "< Back", "Next >", "Finish" (highlighted with a blue border), and "Cancel".

## SSH Tunneling Configuration

To access RDS instances securely, **SSH tunneling** was configured as follows:

- The **PEM (private key) file** required for SSH authentication was selected from the **user's local drive (C:)**, specifically from the **.ssh** directory.
- SSH tunneling was established through the **relevant EC2 instance** that resides in the **public subnet** and has access to the private RDS instances.
- This allows developers and administrators to securely connect to the RDS databases using tools like **DBeaver**, without exposing the databases to public IPs



**This is aws postgresql database**

## **6. BI Tool Deployment – Metabase**

A **Business Intelligence (BI)** tool, **Metabase**, was deployed on a **dedicated third EC2 instance** to enable real-time analytics and data visualization.

- **Tool Selection:**

- **Metabase** was chosen over alternatives like Redash due to its ease of deployment, intuitive interface, and strong PostgreSQL support.
- **Deployment Method:**
  - The Metabase server was containerized using **Docker** and launched via a user data script (`userdata-bi.sh`) during EC2 instance provisioning.
  - The Docker image was pulled and executed automatically as part of the instance initialization process.
- **Database Connectivity:**
  - Metabase was securely connected to the **PostgreSQL RDS instance** hosted in a private subnet.
  - SSH tunneling or internal security group communication enabled private access from Metabase to the database.

aws postgresql / Sales

Sale ID	Customer Name	Product Name	Quantity	Price Per Unit	Sale Date
1	John Doe	Laptop	1	1,200	June 15, 2025, 5:38 PM
2	Jane Smith	Smartphone	2	650.5	June 15, 2025, 5:38 PM
3	Ali Khan	Tablet	3	299.99	June 15, 2025, 5:38 PM
4	Sara Lee	Monitor	1	199.95	June 15, 2025, 5:38 PM
5	Ahmed Raza	Keyboard	5	25.75	June 15, 2025, 5:38 PM

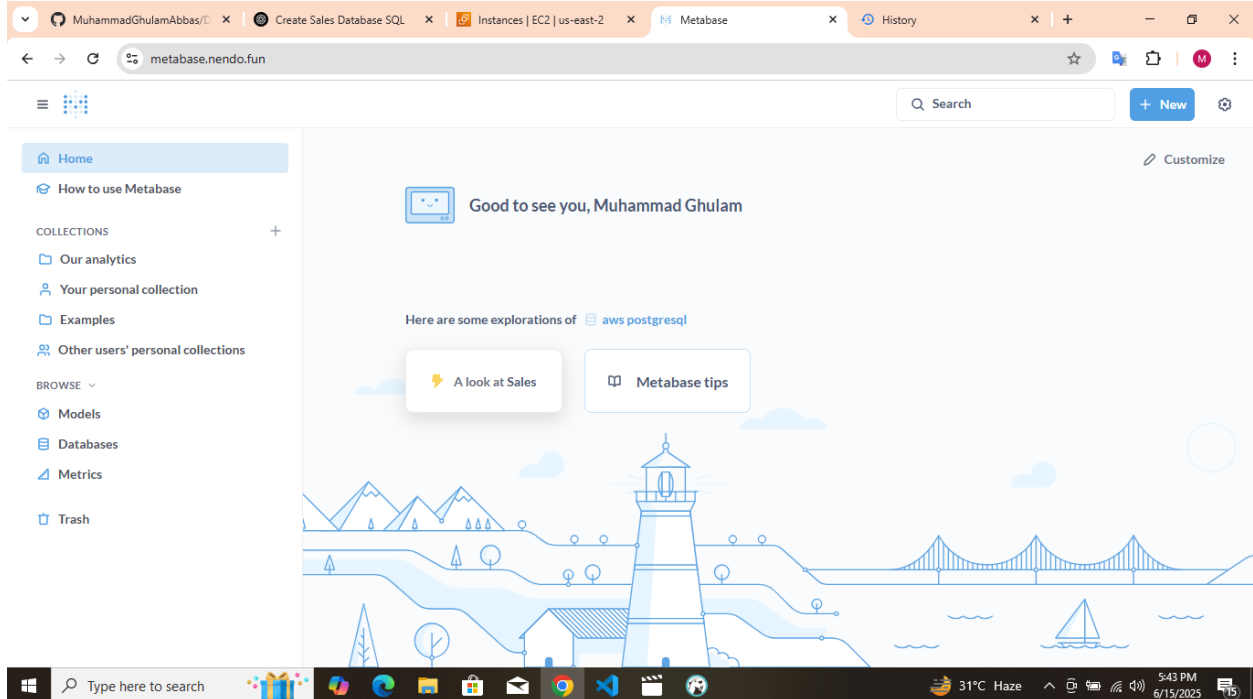
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. This is sales database created in metabase with access dbeaver

Metabase interface showing a table of sales data. The table has 6 columns: Sale ID, Customer Name, Product Name, Quantity, Price Per Unit, and Sale Date. The data is displayed in a table view with 6 rows.

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6	Zara Ali	Headphones	2	79.99	June 15, 2025, 5:49 PM

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This is metabase

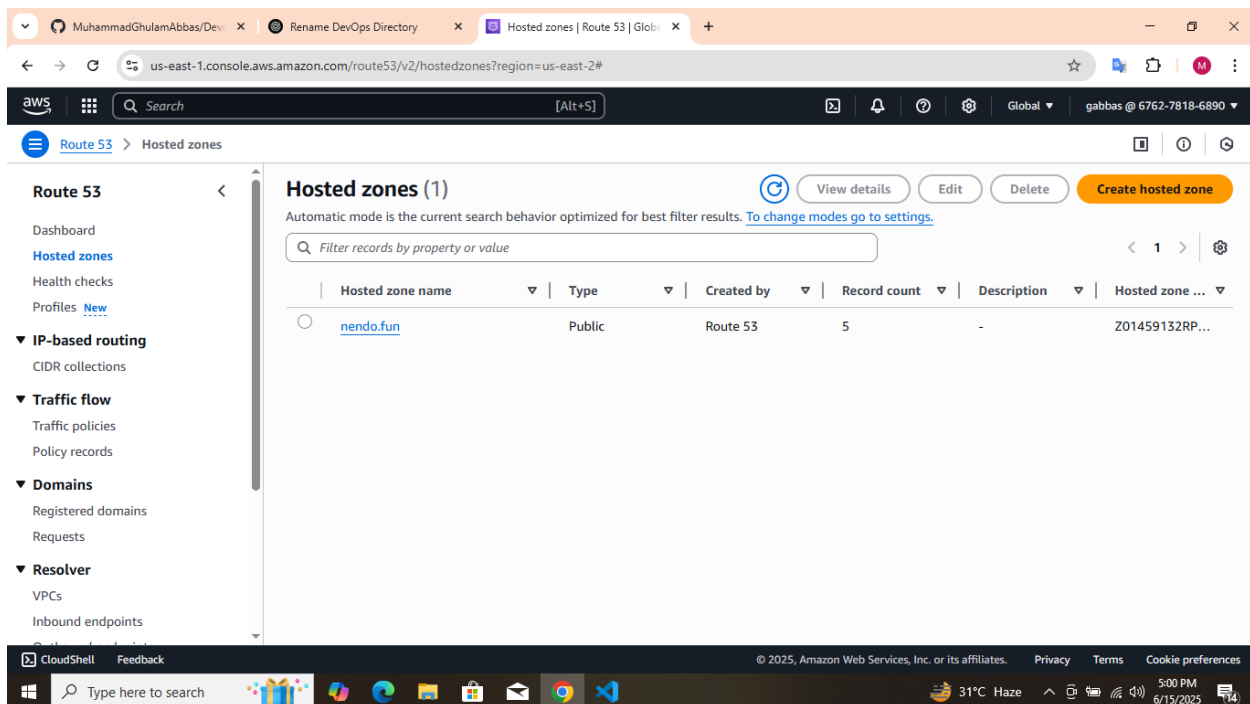


Live analytics can be performed in metabase.

## 7. Domain & SSL Configuration

To ensure secure and professional access to the deployed services, **custom domain names** and **SSL encryption** were configured for both the application and the BI tool.

- **Custom Domain Integration:**
  - A domain was registered and managed via **Amazon Route 53**.
  - **DNS records (A and CNAME)** were created to point the custom domain and its subdomains to:
    - The **Application Load Balancer (ALB)** hosting the frontend/backend
    - The **EC2 instance** running the Metabase BI tool
- **SSL Configuration:**
  - **AWS Certificate Manager (ACM)** was used to provision **SSL/TLS certificates** for both domain endpoints.
  - Certificates were **attached to the ALB**, enabling **HTTPS support** for secure client communication.
  - Optionally, **Let's Encrypt** can also be used for EC2-hosted services like Metabase, if required.
- **HTTPS Enforcement:**
  - **Listener rules** on the ALB automatically **redirect HTTP (port 80) to HTTPS (port 443)**.
  - This ensures all traffic is encrypted, complying with security best practices and enhancing user trust.



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Route 53 > Hosted zones > nendo.fun

Route 53

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- ▼ Domains
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  - Requests
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AWS Certificate Manager > Certificates

AWS Certificate Manager (ACM)

- List certificates
- Request certificate
- Import certificate
- AWS Private CA

Certificates (1)

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AWS Certificate Manager (ACM)

- List certificates
- Request certificate
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- AWS Private CA

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Domains (2) [Create records in Route 53](#) [Export to CSV](#)

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*.nendo.fun	Success	-	CNAME	<a href="#">_8d803e55ecf34a</a>

Details

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<b>Domain name</b> nendo.fun	<b>Public key info</b>	<b>Issued at</b>	

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## Welcome to Metabase

Looks like everything is working. Now let's get to know you, connect to your data, and start finding you some answers!

Let's get started

If you feel stuck, our [getting started guide](#) is just a click away.

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Our analytics

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### Overview

5  
Total transactions

0  
Transactions in the last 30 days

### How these transactions are distributed

Average quantity per month

June 15, 2025, 5:38 PM  
Sale Date: Minute

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- Sale Date fields
- Sales over time

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