

Full Stack Development with MERN

Online Complaint Registration and Management System

Introduction

Project Title: Online Complaint Registration and Management System

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Project Overview

Purpose:

The Online Complaint Registration and Management System provides a user-friendly platform for individuals or organizations to register, track, and resolve complaints seamlessly.

Features:

- User authentication and role-based access control.
 - Complaint submission with detailed information and document uploads.
 - Real-time complaint tracking with email/SMS notifications.
 - Messaging feature for user-agent interactions.
 - Secure backend for data handling with compliance to data protection regulations.
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Architecture

Frontend:

- **Technologies:** React with Material-UI, Ant Design, and Bootstrap for a responsive interface.
- **Libraries:**
 - `react-router-dom`: Navigation.
 - `axios`: For RESTful API integration.

Backend:

- **Technologies:** Node.js with Express.js for RESTful API implementation.
- **Functionalities:**
 - Authentication using JWT.
 - Password encryption with `bcrypt.js`.
 - File handling with Multer for document uploads.

Database:

- **Technology:** MongoDB with Mongoose for schema management.
 - **Schema Design:**
 - **Users:** Storing details like name, email, role, and password.
 - **Complaints:** Storing complaint details like title, description, status, and attachments.
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Setup Instructions

Prerequisites:

- Node.js
- MongoDB

Installation:

1. **Clone the repository:**

```
git clone https://github.com/yourusername/ComplaintSystem.git  
cd ComplaintSystem
```

2. **Frontend Setup:**

```
cd frontend
```

```
npm install
```

3. Backend Setup:

```
cd ../backend  
npm install
```

4. Create a .env file in the backend directory:

```
PORT=5000  
MONGO_URI=<your_mongodb_connection_string>  
JWT_SECRET=<your_jwt_secret>
```

Folder Structure

Frontend:

```
frontend/  
├── public/      # Static assets  
├── src/         # Main application code  
│   ├── components/ # Reusable UI components  
│   ├── modules/    # Features grouped by functionality  
│   │   ├── admin/  # Admin-related features  
│   │   └── user/   # User-specific features  
│   ├── App.js      # Application entry point  
│   └── index.js     # React DOM renderer  
├── package.json   # Frontend dependencies  
└── README.md      # Project description
```

Backend:

```
backend/  
├── models/      # Mongoose schemas  
│   ├── User.js  
│   └── Complaint.js  
├── routes/      # API route handlers  
│   ├── auth.js  
│   └── complaint.js  
├── controllers/ # Business logic  
│   └── authController.js
```

```
| |— complaintController.js
| |— index.js           # Server entry point
|— package.json        # Backend dependencies
```

Running the Application

Frontend:

```
cd frontend
npm start
```

Backend:

```
cd backend
npm start
```

Access the application at:

- Frontend: <http://localhost:3000>
 - Backend: <http://localhost:5000>
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API Documentation

User Management:

- **POST /register**: Register a new user.
- **POST /login**: Login a user.
- **GET /getuserdata**: Fetch user data (auth required).

Complaint Management:

- **POST /submitcomplaint**: Register a complaint (auth required).
- **GET /getallcomplaints**: Fetch all complaints for admin (auth required).
- **PATCH /updatecomplaint/**
: Update complaint status (auth required).

Authentication and Authorization

- **Authentication**
 - **JWT-Based Authentication:**

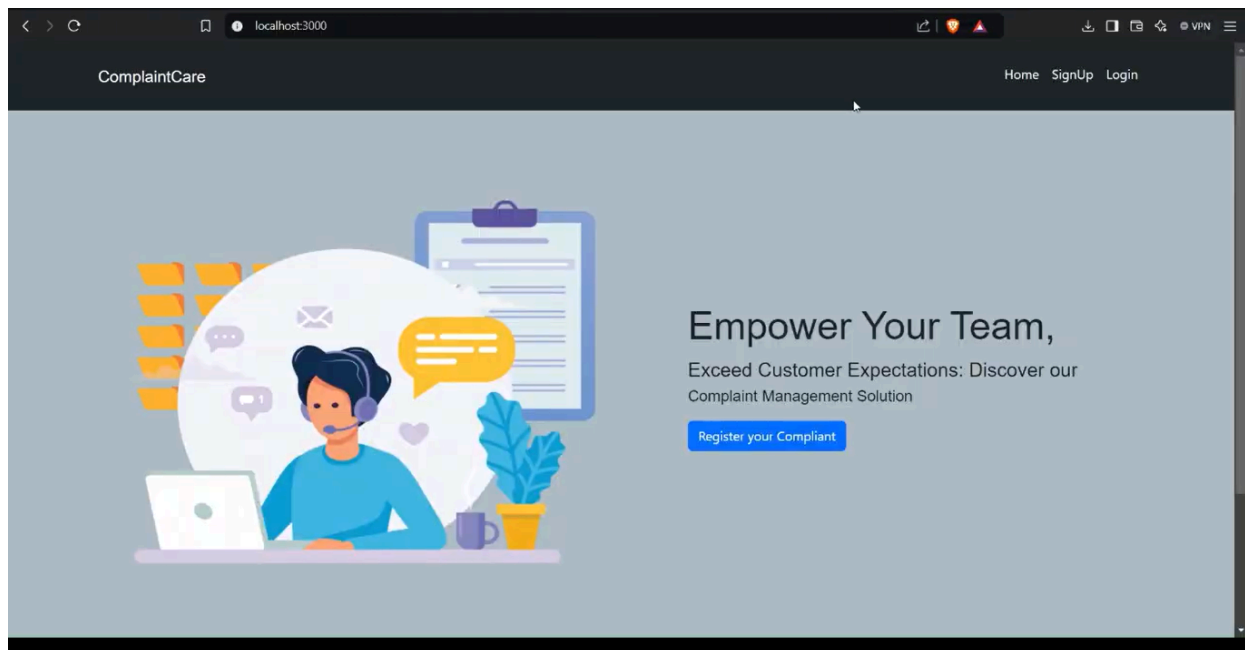
The project uses **JSON Web Tokens (JWT)** for authentication. After a user logs in or registers, a token is generated using a secret key (`process.env.JWT_KEY`) and sent to the client.
 - The client includes this token in the **Authorization** header for subsequent API requests.
- **Authorization**
 - **Middleware Validation:**

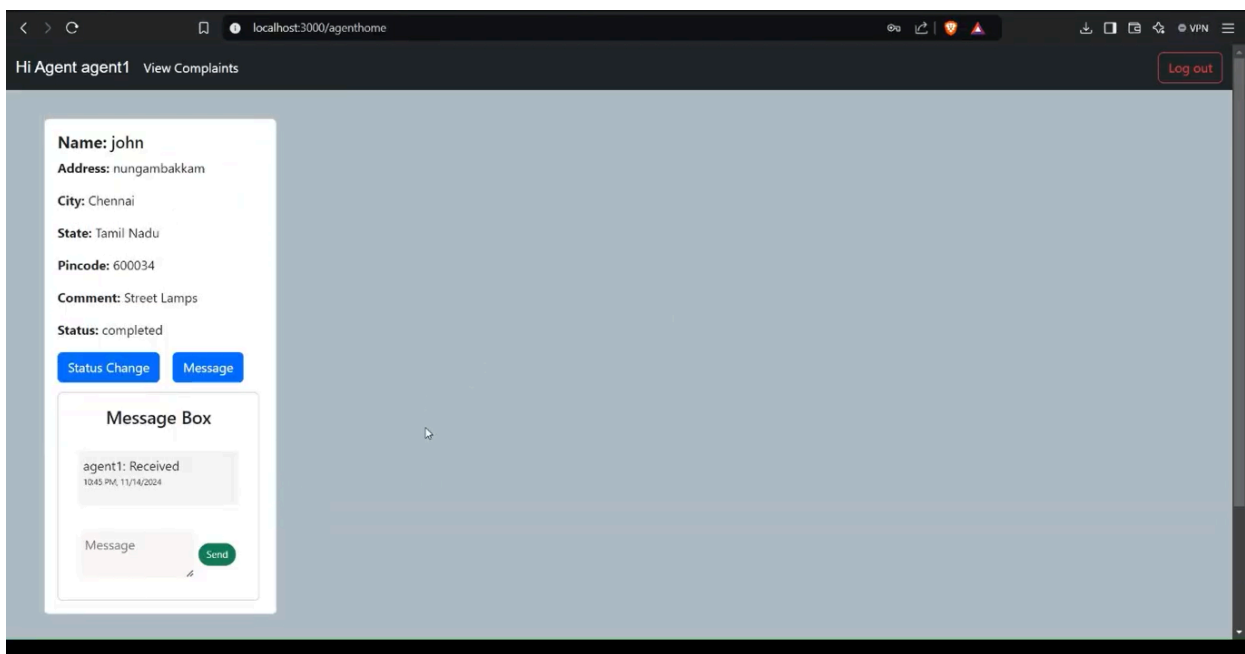
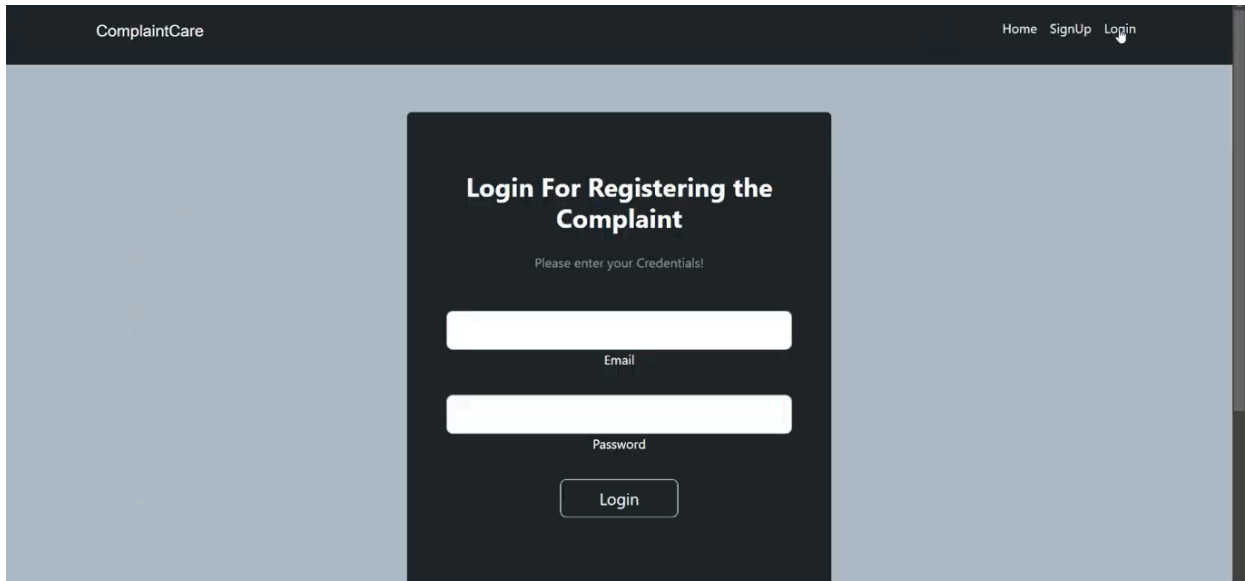
The middleware checks for the **Authorization** header and validates the token using `jsonwebtoken`.

 - If valid, the user's `id` is extracted and appended to `req.body` for use in controllers.
 - If invalid or missing, appropriate error responses (`401` or `403`) are sent.
- **Session Management**
 - This implementation is stateless as tokens do not require server-side storage, making it scalable and efficient.

This setup ensures secure access to protected routes based on user identity.

User Interface





localhost:3000/homepage

Hi, user1 Complaint Register Status [LogOut](#)

Name	Address
James	20, Sterling Road, Nungambakkam
City	State
Chennai	Tamil Nadu
Pincode	Status
600034	pending
Description	
malfunctioning of street lights	

[Register](#)

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localhost:3000/adminhome

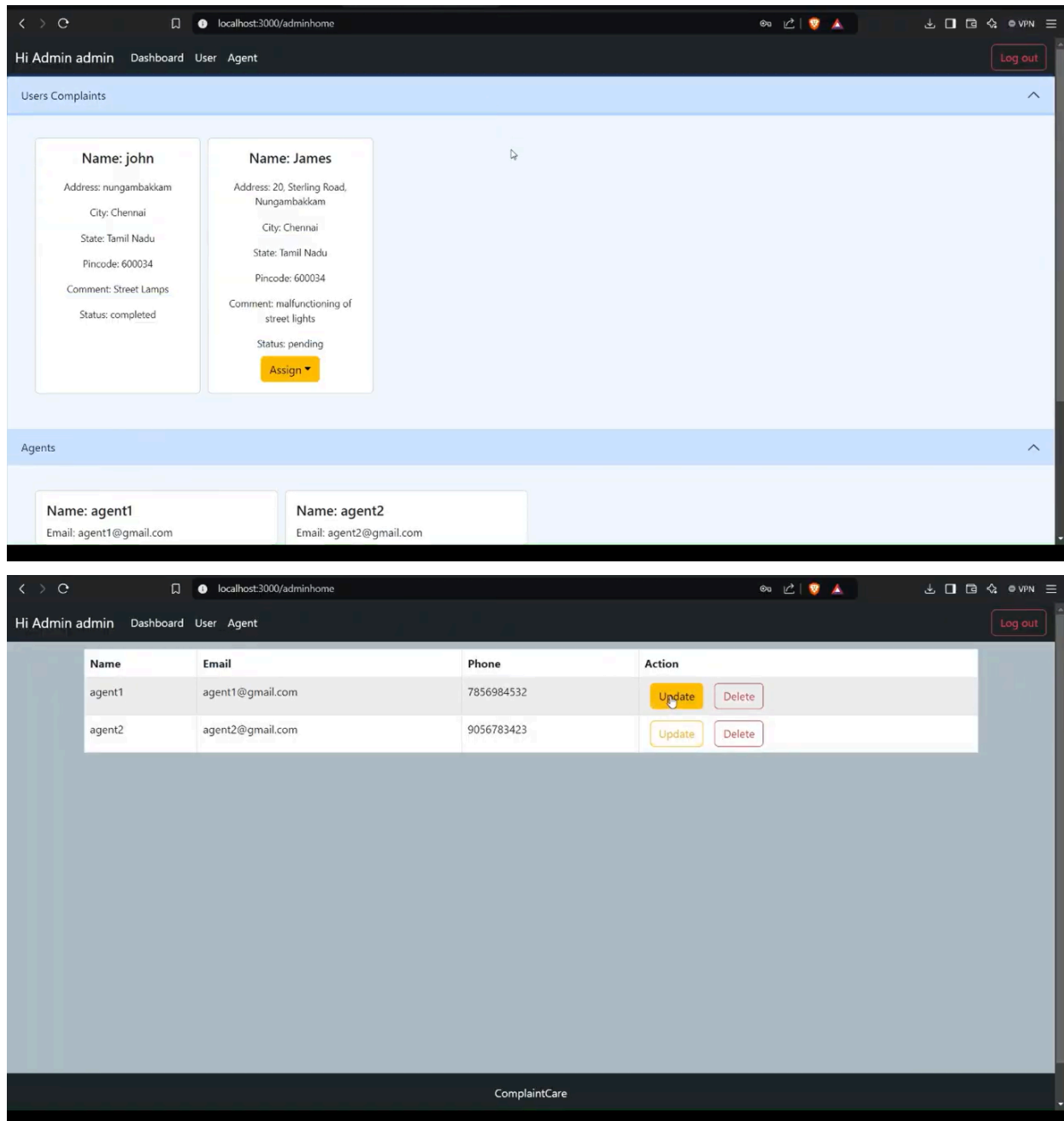
Hi Admin admin Dashboard User Agent [Log out](#)

Users Complaints

Agents

Name: agent1 Email: agent1@gmail.com	Name: agent2 Email: agent2@gmail.com
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Testing

- **Frontend:**
 - **Tool:** React Testing Library to validate UI interactions and state changes.
- **Backend/API:**
 - **Tool:** Postman to test API endpoints like `/login`, `/submitcomplaint`.

- **Database:**
 - **Tool:** MongoDB Compass to verify data storage integrity.
 - **Performance:**
 - **Tool:** Apache JMeter to simulate user load.
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Demo

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1Z_HeQ0DpUuNTA68RYP4D_vb0fQOBD0At/view?usp=drive_link