# Generate OpenSSL Certificate on EC2 Instance.

#### Step 1: Launch EC2 Instance

Sign-in into your AWS account and go to the EC2 service console.

Select **Launch Instance** option, provide name for your instance and select the machine image you want. I am using an Ubuntu image for this task.

Next select the Key-Pair that you will use to connect to your instance. While adding the security group to your instance make sure that it allows the inbound traffic on port 22 for SSH.

Click on **Launch Instance** to launch your instance. Once the instance is in running state, use any terminal to SSH into your EC2 Instance.

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mubuntu@ip-172-31-45-50: ~
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    ystem load: 0.080078125
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  Usage of /: 24.8% of 7.57GB
                                        Users logged in:
  Memory usage: 28%
                                        IPv4 address for eth0: 172.31.45.50
  Swap usage:
Expanded Security Maintenance for Applications is not enabled.
7 updates can be applied immediately.
7 of these updates are standard security updates.
To see these additional updates run: apt list --upgradable
Enable ESM Apps to receive additional future security updates.
See https://ubuntu.com/esm or run: sudo pro status
*** System restart required ***
Last login: Thu Feb 29 12:49:25 2024 from 219.91.170.6
 buntu@ip-172-31-45-50:~$ _
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Run following commands to update and upgrade your Ubuntu EC2 instance.

sudo apt-get update sudo apt-get upgrade

#### Step 2: Install OpenSSL client.

To generate a self signed certificate we first need to install OpenSSL Client on our EC2 Instance. We will use following command to install OpenSSL client.

### sudo apt-get install openssl

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root@ip-172-31-39-82:~# apt-get install openssl -y
Reading package lists... Done
Reading state information... Done
Reading state information... Done
Openssl is already the newest version (3.0.2-0ubuntu1.15).
Openssl set to manually installed.
0 upgraded, 0 newly installed, 0 to remove and 3 not upgraded.
root@ip-172-31-39-82:~#
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#### Step 2 : Generate a certificate.

Next step is to generate a certificate, you following command to generate a self signed SSL certificate.

# openssl req -newkey rsa:2048 -nodes -keyout key.pem -x509 -days 365 -out certificate.pem

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 You are about to be asked to enter information that will be incorporated
into your certificate request.
What you are about to enter is what is called a Distinguished Name or a DN.
There are quite a few fields but you can leave some blank
For some fields there will be a default value,
If you enter '.', the field will be left blank.
Country Name (2 letter code) [AU]:IN
State or Province Name (full name) [Some-State]:Maharashtra
Locality Name (eg, city) []:Pune
Organization Name (eg, company) [Internet Widgits Pty Ltd]:
Organizational Unit Name (eg, section) []:
Common Name (e.g. server FQDN or YOUR name) []:ec2-3-90-25-19.compute 1.amazonaws.com
Email Address []:
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### openssl x509 -text -noout -in certificate.pem

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root@ip-172-31-39-82: ~
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 oot@ip-172-31-39-82:∼# openssl x509 -text -noout -in certificate.pem
Certificate:
    Data:
        Version: 3 (0x2)
        Serial Number:
            24:03:c9:73:75:2d:f2:a0:31:9a:8f:6b:0c:58:5a:64:34:77:bd:c4
        Signature Algorithm: sha256WithRSAEncryption
        Issuer: C = IN, ST = Maharashtra, L = Pune, O = Internet Widgits Pty Ltd, CN = ec2-3-90-25-19.compute-1.amazonaw
s.com
        Validity
            Not Before: Feb 29 09:53:24 2024 GMT
             Not After : Feb 28 09:53:24 2025 GMT
        Subject: C = IN, ST = Maharashtra, L = Pune, O = Internet Widgits Pty Ltd, CN = ec2-3-90-25-19.compute-1.amazona
ws.com
        Subject Public Key Info:
            Public Key Algorithm: rsaEncryption
Public-Key: (2048 bit)
                 Modulus:
                     00:95:90:80:3e:8a:c4:8b:1c:6d:59:ef:0c:b9:70:
                     d5:6a:a2:c4:2f:38:4e:bb:75:a7:b0:1e:4d:28:22:
                     51:1d:2c:db:e3:a0:99:a6:07:a7:b9:fe:04:fe:44:
                     91:1f:2a:8f:48:68:1f:14:0b:c9:2b:c9:70:ad:57:
                     41:a1:e1:90:b7:d3:c1:34:24:a7:dc:ef:fc:29:09:
                     5a:9d:49:4e:c4:d0:f8:8e:51:5b:30:0c:98:9a:34:
                     a8:01:a9:04:af:10:de:71:d5:e0:f2:5e:63:c2:44:
09:c6:60:95:59:ad:f7:b7:ae:25:90:48:04:81:4a:
                     30:81:f8:a0:bb:9c:82:67:75:e3:c6:36:82:91:bd:
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# openssl pkcs12 -inkey key.pem -in certificate.pem -export -out certificate.p12

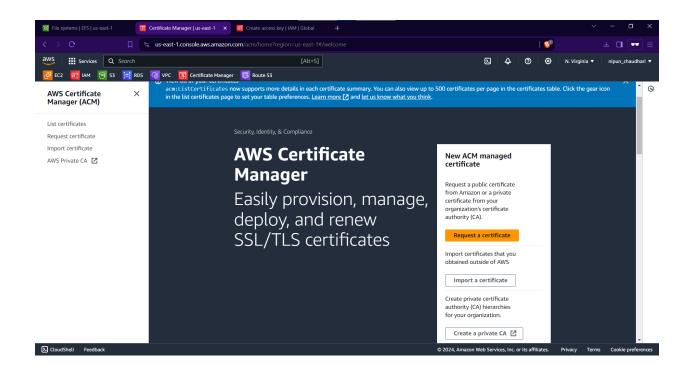
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Enter Export Password:
Verifying - Enter Export Password:
root@ip-172-31-39-82:~# openssl pkcs12 -in certificate.p12 -noout -info
Enter Import Password:
MAC: sha256, Iteration 2048
MAC length: 32, salt length: 8
MAC verify error: invalid password?
root@ip-172-31-39-82:~# openssl pkcs12 -in certificate.p12 -noout -info
Enter Import Password:
MAC: sha256, Iteration 2048
MAC length: 32, salt length: 8
PKCS7 Encrypted data: PBES2, PBKDF2, AES-256-CBC, Iteration 2048, PRF hmacWithSHA256
Certificate bag
PKCS7 Data
Shrouded Keybag: PBES2, PBKDF2, AES-256-CBC, Iteration 2048, PRF hmacWithSHA256
root@ip-172-31-39-82:~#
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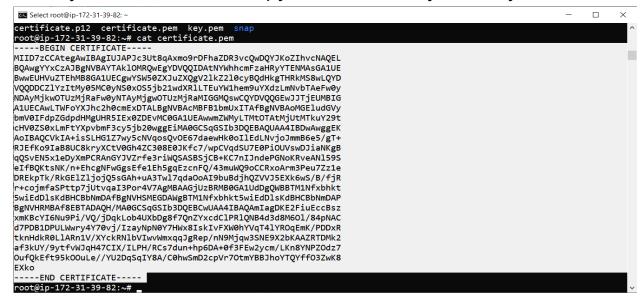
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root@ip-172-31-39-82:~#
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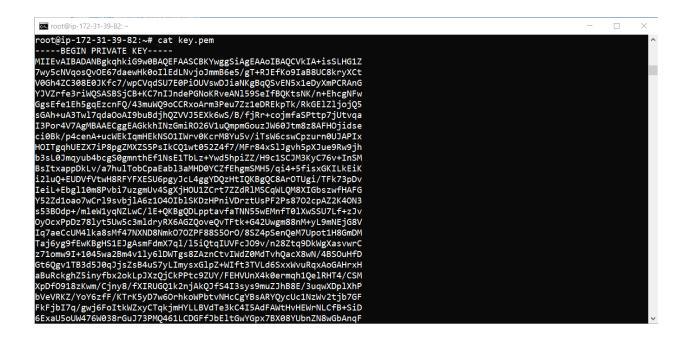
# Step 3: Import the generated certificate in AWS Certificate Manager Service.

Sign-in into your AWS account and navigate to AWS Certificate Manager Service console. Click on "Import Certificate".

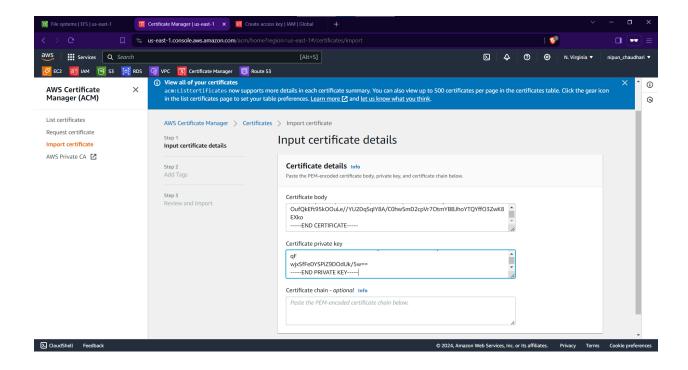


Go to your instance and copy certificate body and key.

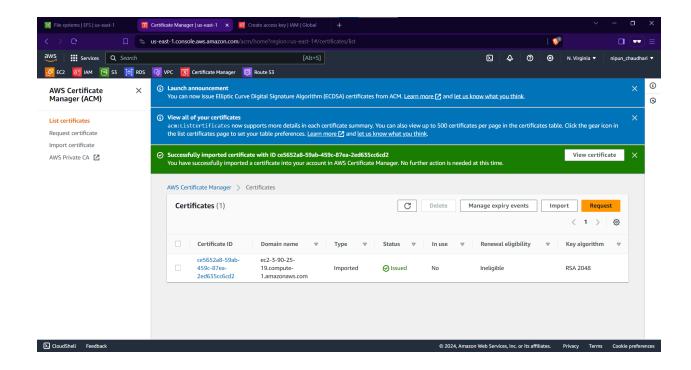




Paste this key in certificate body and key body fields in AWS Certificate manager > Import Certificate as shown below.



Click on Next, then review your certificate details and click on Import.



The window above will appear if import is successful.