

PHASE 7

Named Credentials

1. Label & Name

- Label: PaymentGateway → Human-readable name
- Name: PaymentGateway → API reference for Apex callouts

2. URL

- External system endpoint URL, e.g., <https://api.paymentgateway.com>
- This will be the base URL for all callouts using this Named Credential

3. Identity Type

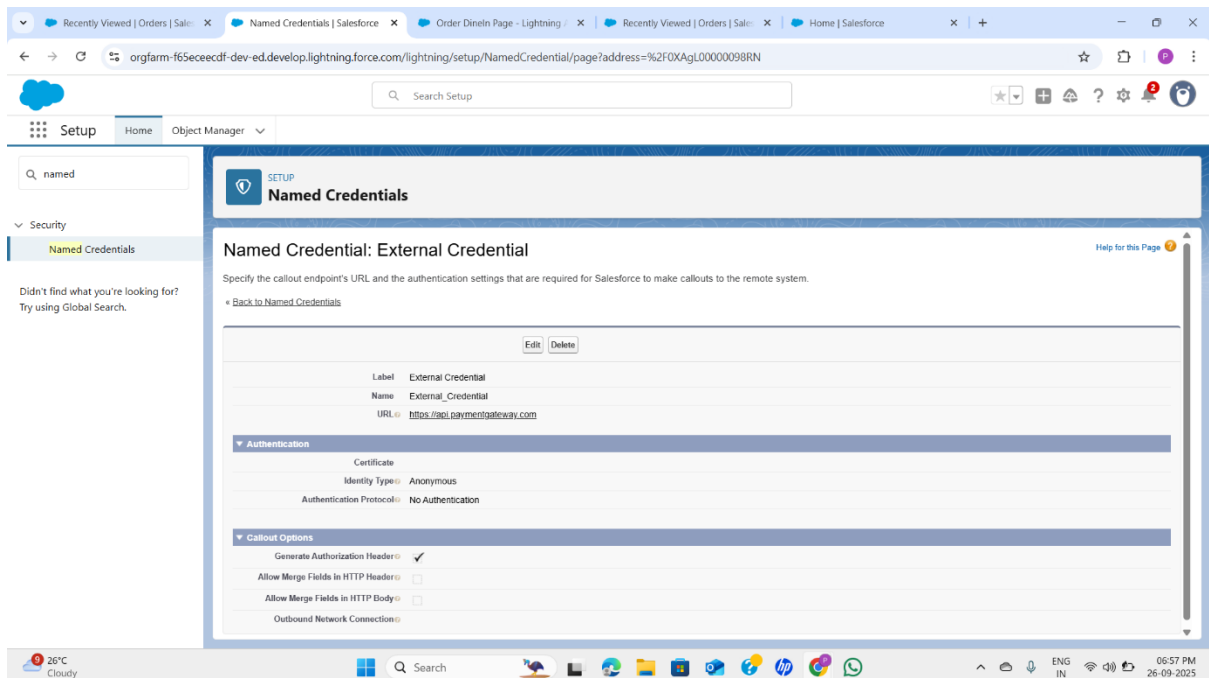
- Choose **Named Principal** → Single set of credentials used by all users
- Optionally, you could choose **Per User** if each Salesforce user needs separate authentication

4. Authentication

- If you have created an **External Credential** (OAuth, AWS SigV4), select it here
- Otherwise, choose **Password Authentication** and enter username/password or token

5. Generate Authorization Header (optional)

- For OAuth or token-based auth, Salesforce automatically adds the Authorization header to requests



Use Platform Events for Real-Time Notifications

Notify external systems when orders are updated

1. Create a Platform Event

- Setup → Platform Events → New Platform Event
- Name: OrderStatusEvent
- Fields:
 - OrderId (Text)
 - Status (Picklist: Pending, Completed, Cancelled)
 - CustomerId (Text)

- 2. ☐ Platform Events are a **Salesforce event-driven messaging mechanism**.
- 3. ☐ They allow **Salesforce to notify external systems** (POS, delivery platforms, analytics tools) **in real-time** when something changes in Salesforce.
- 4. ☐ Think of it as **Salesforce “publishing” an event** that subscribers can react to immediately.

☐ Real-Time Communication

- External systems can subscribe via **CometD protocol** or **Streaming API**.
- Notifications are near-instant, no need for polling Salesforce.

☐ Custom Event Structure

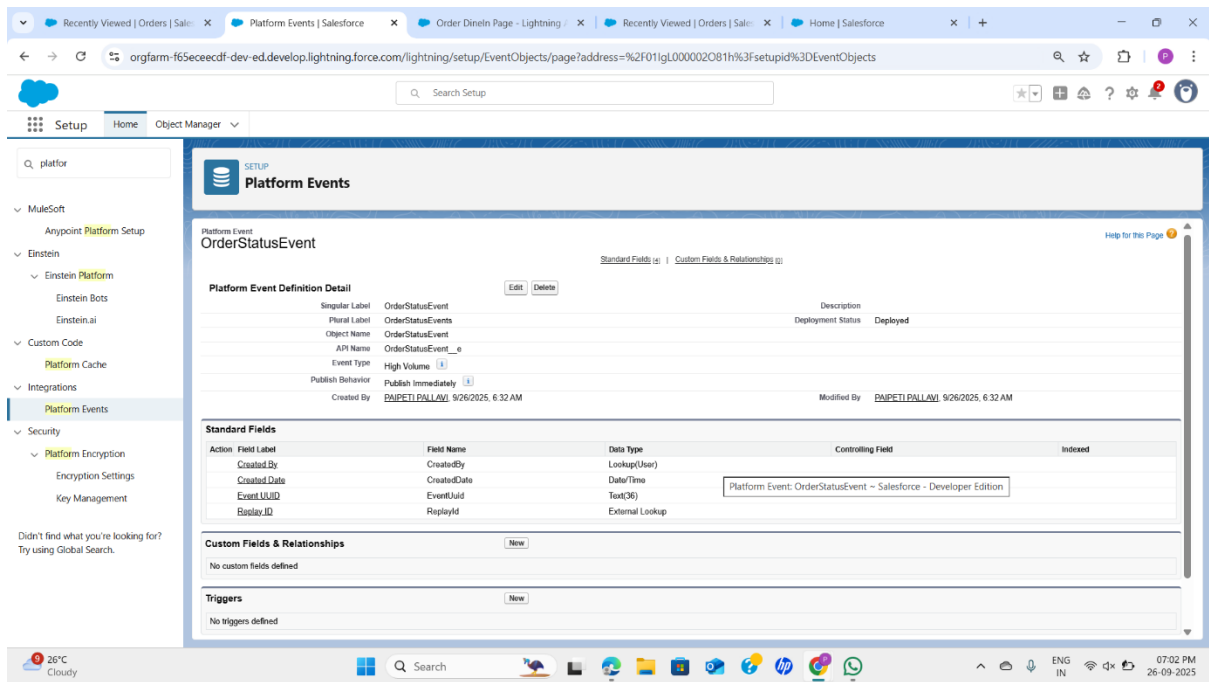
- You define which fields are sent in the event.
- Only necessary data is included, making it lightweight.

☐ Reliable Delivery

- Events can be replayed if an external system was temporarily disconnected.

☐ Supports Standard & Custom Subscribers

- Subscribers can be **Apex triggers**, **Lightning components**, **external middleware**, or other apps.



Change Data Capture

Automatically streams record changes for standard/custom objects

1. Setup → Change Data Capture → Select Object (e.g., Order__c)
2. Enable CDC → External system can subscribe for **insert, update, delete** events.

1. ☐ **Change Data Capture (CDC)** is a Salesforce **event-driven mechanism** that automatically **streams changes of Salesforce records** to external systems in real-time.
2. ☐ It is **especially useful for integrations**, so external systems (like POS, ERP, or analytics platforms) **stay in sync** with Salesforce without constant polling.

☐ Real-Time Streaming

- Sends events immediately when a record is **created, updated, deleted, or undeleted**.
- Reduces the need for batch jobs or polling APIs.

☐ Works with Standard & Custom Objects

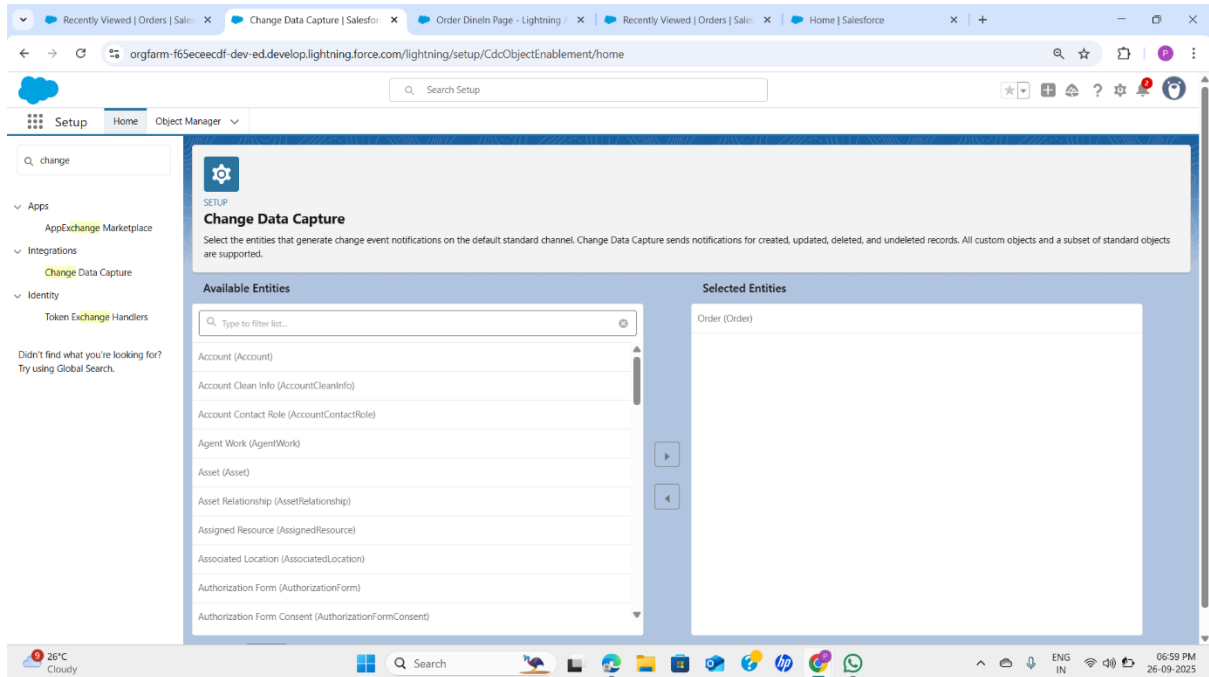
- Example objects:
 - Standard: Account, Contact, Order
 - Custom: Order__c, Booking__c

☐ Reliable & Secure

- Events are delivered via **CometD protocol** or **Streaming API**.
- Can be **subscribed to by external systems** using secure authentication.

❑ Supports Bulk Changes

- Multiple changes can be sent in a single event batch, optimizing API usage.



Apex Callouts Using Named Credentials

- An **Apex callout** is when Salesforce (using Apex code) makes an **HTTP request** to an external system's API (e.g., Payment Gateway, Twilio, POS).
- Used for:
 - Sending data (POST) → e.g., payment requests
 - Fetching data (GET) → e.g., order status from POS
 - Updating data (PATCH/PUT)
 - Deleting data (DELETE)

