Phase 1 – Problem Understanding & Industry Analysis

Goal:

Understand the project needs and industry practices.

Requirement Gathering:

- Discuss with stakeholders (rental company managers, agents, and customer service). Key requirements: Track all cars with availability status. Agents should create and manage rental bookings. System must prevent overlapping bookings. Automate approval for high-value rentals.
- Generate revenue and utilization reports for managers.

Stakeholder Analysis:

- Admin (You) – responsible for setup, config, and deployment. - Rental Agents – handle bookings and customer requests. - Manager – approves costly rentals, checks performance dashboards. - Customer Service – manages customer issues, car returns, and support.

Business Process Mapping:

Customer requests booking \rightarrow Agent checks availability \rightarrow Booking created \rightarrow If value > threshold \rightarrow Approval needed \rightarrow Once approved \rightarrow Email sent to customer \rightarrow Task assigned to Agent.

Industry-Specific Use Case Analysis:

- Cars can't be booked twice at the same time. - Maintenance must be tracked. - High-value rentals require approval. - Accurate billing is essential.

AppExchange Research:

Many fleet apps exist, but FleetFlex will be custom-built for learning + flexibility.