Phase 6: User Interface Development

This phase focuses on developing a **dynamic and responsive user interface** for the **RePlastix Management App** using **Lightning Experience** tools and **Lightning Web Components (LWC)**. It bridges the gap between backend logic and frontend presentation, ensuring smooth interaction and user-friendly design.

1. Lightning App Builder

Purpose:

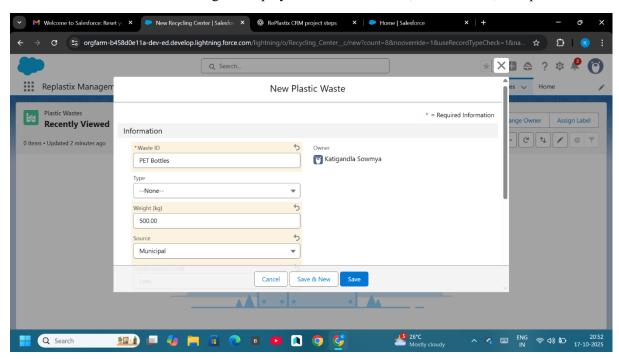
To visually design and customize pages (Home, Record, and App Pages) without code.

Usage:

- Drag and drop components like Charts, Lists, and Custom LWCs.
- Create unique experiences for different profiles (Admin, Manager, etc.).
- Integrate dashboards and quick actions for efficient workflows.

Use Case:

Customize the RePlastix Home Page to display total waste collected, recent orders, and quick links.



2. Record Pages

Purpose:

To create tailored layouts for each object (e.g., Plastic Waste, Orders, Recycled Products) showing essential information and actions.

Usage:

- Use Lightning Record Pages to add custom LWCs (e.g., "Order Summary" component).
- Arrange Tabs for **Details**, **Related Lists**, and **Reports**.
- Highlight Panels for quick data visibility.

Use Case:

Display waste type, weight, and recycling center directly in the Plastic Waste record page.

3. Tabs

Purpose:

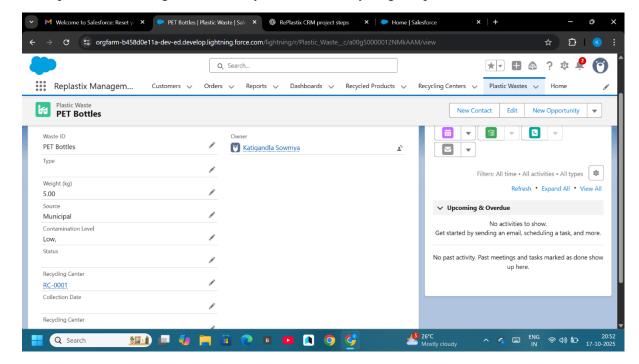
To allow users to navigate between different objects, records, or custom components easily.

Usage:

- Create custom tabs for LWCs like "Waste Dashboard" or "Customer Insights."
- Add these tabs to the RePlastix Lightning App Navigation Bar.

Use Case:

A "Reports" tab showing real-time analytics on waste recycling and product sales.



4. Home Page Layouts

Purpose:

To provide users with a personalized dashboard showing key insights and shortcuts.

Usage:

- Use Lightning App Builder \rightarrow Home Page \rightarrow Edit.
- Add charts, reports, recent records, and key metrics.
- Assign layouts to specific profiles.

Use Case:

Display total recycled weight, pending orders, and top-performing centers on the RePlastix home page.

5. Utility Bar

Purpose:

To provide quick-access tools available across all pages of the app.

Usage:

- Add tools like Notes, Recent Items, or Custom LWCs to the Utility Bar.
- Useful for shortcuts like "Add New Order" or "Log Call."

Use Case:

Add a quick "Customer Feedback" LWC for managers to log input instantly.

6. LWC (Lightning Web Components)

Purpose:

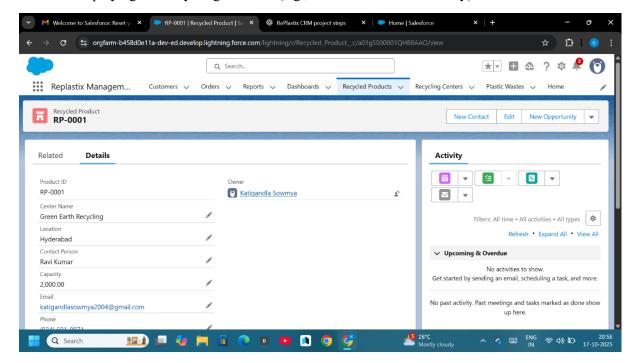
To build modern, fast, reusable components using HTML, JavaScript, and Apex for Salesforce UI.

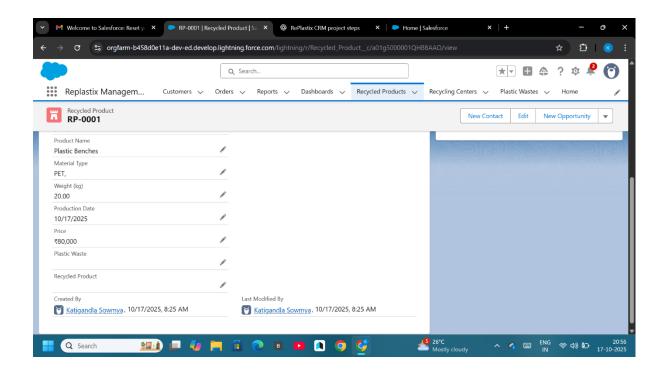
Usage:

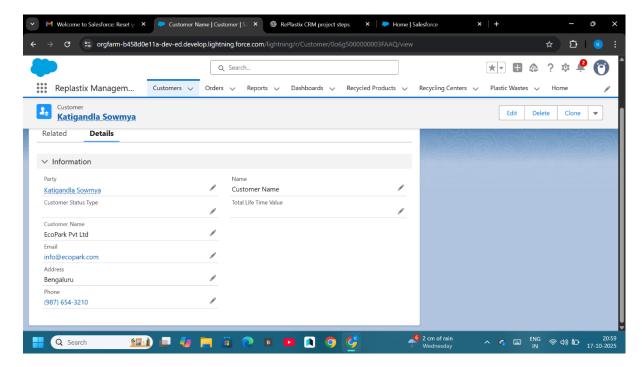
- Create interactive interfaces like dashboards, calculators, or status indicators.
- Use JavaScript for dynamic updates and event handling.
- Deploy reusable components across multiple pages.

Use Case:

An LWC displaying live recycling statistics (e.g., total waste collected today).







7. Apex with LWC

Purpose

To connect LWCs with backend data using Apex Controllers.

Usage:

- Use @AuraEnabled Apex methods to fetch or update records.
- Integrate business logic from Apex into the frontend dynamically.

Example:

Fetch all open orders for a selected customer using an Apex class and display them in an LWC table.

8. Events in LWC

Purpose:

To enable communication between components (Parent \leftrightarrow Child).

Types of Events:

- **Custom Events:** Used when a child sends data to the parent.
- Pub/Sub Events: Used for sibling component communication.

Use Case:

When a user selects a product in one LWC, another LWC updates to display product details instantly.

9. Wire Adapters

Purpose:

To retrieve Salesforce data declaratively (without writing Apex code).

Usage:

- Import from lightning/uiRecordApi or lightning/uiObjectInfoApi.
- Use @wire to fetch record data automatically.

Example:

Display the customer's name and contact details using a @wire(getRecord) call.

10. Imperative Apex Calls

Purpose:

To call Apex methods programmatically (with parameters or conditions).

Usage:

- Use when you need to fetch data on button click or conditional logic.
- Import Apex method and call it using await in JavaScript.

Use Case:

When the user clicks "Generate Report," an Apex method is invoked to calculate total recycled waste.

11. Navigation Service

Purpose:

To navigate programmatically within Salesforce using JavaScript.

Usage:

- Redirect to records, lists, or external URLs.
- Commonly used with buttons or events.

Example:

Navigate to a Customer's record after an order submission.

✓ Conclusion of Phase 6: User Interface Development

In this phase, we enhanced the **RePlastix Management App** with a responsive, component-based interface using **LWC** and **Apex integration**.

The app now supports:

- Dynamic data display via LWCs.
- **Real-time interaction** with Apex and Events.
- Smooth navigation through custom tabs, utility bar, and record pages.

This phase ensures a modern, intuitive user experience for all RePlastix users, from administrators to field managers.