

# Scalable Web App with ALB & Auto Scaling – Use EC2, ALB, and Auto Scaling for high availability.

1. Create a Launch Template (Blueprint for EC2):-
2. AWS Console → EC2 → Launch Templates → Create launch template

The screenshot displays the AWS Management Console interface for creating a new EC2 launch template. The top navigation bar shows the user is logged in as 'vishnucharan' in the 'Asia Pacific (Singapore)' region. The left sidebar contains navigation links for various AWS services, including 'Instances', 'Images', 'Elastic Block Store', and 'Network & Security'. The main content area is titled 'EC2 launch templates' and provides an overview of the service, including a 'New launch template' button and a 'Benefits and features' section. The 'Benefits and features' section highlights 'Streamline provisioning', 'Simplify permissions', and 'Documentation'. Below this, the 'Create launch template' form is shown, which includes fields for 'Launch template name and description' and 'Template version description'. The 'Launch template name and description' field is currently set to 'MyEC2WebApp'. The 'Template version description' field is set to 'A prod webserver for MyApp'. The 'Auto Scaling guidance' section is also visible, with a checkbox to 'Provide guidance to help me set up a template that I can use with EC2 Auto Scaling'. The 'Launch template contents' section is partially visible, showing the 'Application and OS Images (Amazon Machine Image)' selection screen. This screen displays a search bar and a list of available AMIs, including the 'Amazon Linux 2023 kernel-6.1 A' AMI, which is highlighted. The AMI details section shows the name, description, image ID, username, catalog, published date, architecture, virtualization, root device type, and ENA enabled status.

**EC2 launch templates**  
Streamline, simplify and standardize instance launches

Use launch templates to automate instance launches, simplify permission policies, and enforce best practices across your organization. Save launch parameters in a template that can be used for on-demand launches and with managed services, including EC2 Auto Scaling and EC2 Fleet. Easily update your launch parameters by creating a new launch template version.

**New launch template**  
Create launch template

**Benefits and features**

- Streamline provisioning**  
Minimize steps to provision instances. With EC2 Auto Scaling, updates to a launch template can be automatically passed to an Auto Scaling group. [Learn more](#)
- Simplify permissions**  
Create shorter, easier to manage IAM policies. [Learn more](#)
- Documentation**  
[Documentation](#)  
[API reference](#)

**Create launch template**  
Creating a launch template allows you to create a saved instance configuration that can be reused, shared and launched at a later time. Templates can have multiple versions.

**Launch template name and description**  
Launch template name - *required*  
MyEC2WebApp  
Must be unique to this account. Max 128 chars. No spaces or special characters like '&', '\*', '@', etc.

**Template version description**  
A prod webserver for MyApp  
Max 255 chars

**Auto Scaling guidance** | [Info](#)  
Select this if you intend to use this template with EC2 Auto Scaling  
☐ Provide guidance to help me set up a template that I can use with EC2 Auto Scaling

► **Template tags**  
► **Source template**

**Launch template contents**  
Specify the details of your launch template below. Leaving a field blank will result in the field not being included in the launch template.

▼ **Application and OS Images (Amazon Machine Image)** | [Info](#)  
An AMI contains the operating system, application server, and applications for your instance. If you don't see a suitable AMI below, use the search field or choose [Browse more AMIs](#).

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**AMI from catalog** | **Recents** | **Quick Start**

**Name**  
Amazon Linux 2023 kernel-6.1 AMI Verified provider Free tier eligible

**Description**  
Amazon Linux 2023 (kernel-6.1) is a modern, general purpose Linux-based OS that comes with 5 years of long term support. It is optimized for AWS and designed to provide a secure, stable and high-performance execution environment to develop and run your cloud applications.

**Image ID**  
ami-05f071c65e32875a8

**Username**  
ec2-user

**Catalog**  
Quick Start AMIs

**Published**  
2025-12-03T22:43:44.000Z

**Architecture**  
x86\_64

**Virtualization**  
hvm

**Root device type**  
efs

**ENA Enabled**  
Yes

**Boot mode**  
uefi-preferred

**Browse more AMIs**  
Including AMIs from AWS, Marketplace and the Community

**Summary**

- Software Image (AMI)**  
Amazon Linux 2023 kernel-6.1 A...[read more](#)  
ami-05f071c65e32875a8
- Virtual server type (instance type)**  
t2.micro
- Firewall (security group)**  
-
- Storage (volumes)**  
1 volume(s) - 8 GiB

**Free tier:** In your first year of opening an AWS account, you get 750 hours per month of t2.micro instance usage (or 13.micro where t2.micro isn't available) when used with free tier AMIs, 750 hours per month of public IPv4 address usage, 30 GiB of EBS storage, 2 million I/Os, 1 GiB of snapshots, and 100 GiB of bandwidth to the internet. Data transfer charges are not included as part of the free tier allowance.

[Cancel](#) [Create launch template](#)

Search results

Instance type

t2.micro

Family: t2 1 vCPU 1 GiB Memory Current generation: true On-Demand Ubuntu Pro base pricing: 0.0164 USD per Hour On-Demand Linux base pricing: 0.0146 USD per hour On-Demand Windows base pricing: 0.0192 USD per hour On-Demand RHEL base pricing: 0.0219 USD per hour On-Demand SUSE base pricing: 0.0146 USD per hour

All generations

Compare instance types

Key pair (login)

You can use a key pair to securely connect to your instance. Ensure that you have access to the selected key pair before you launch the instance.

Key pair name

mydebian13

Create new key pair

Network settings

Subnet

subnet-06db806dadbceeb4d7

VPC: vpc-05073f6d1b42c061b Owner: 368314293908 Availability Zone: ap-southeast-1a (ap-s1-as2) Zone type: Availability Zone IP addresses available: 4091 CIDR: 172.31.32.0/20

Create new subnet

Availability Zone

Don't include in launch template

Enable additional zones

Firewall (security groups)

A security group is a set of firewall rules that control the traffic for your instance. Add rules to allow specific traffic to reach your instance.

Select existing security group

Create security group

Summary

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Cancel

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Search results

Network settings

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subnet-04bf478a0e7c6d4d7

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Select existing security group

Create security group

Common security groups

Select security groups

default: sg-092817afe7b4943a1

Compare security group rules

Advanced network configuration

Storage (volumes)

EBS Volumes

Hide details

Volume 1 (AMI Root) : 8 GiB, EBS, General purpose SSD (gp3), 3000 IOPS

AMI Volumes are not included in the template unless modified.

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Cancel

Create launch template

Search results

Metadata response hop limit

Don't include in launch template

Allow tags in metadata

Don't include in launch template

User data - optional

Upload a file with your user data or enter it in the field.

Choose file

```
#!/bin/bash
yum update -y
yum install httpd -y
systemctl start httpd
systemctl enable httpd
echo "hi">Welcome to Scalable Web application</hi>"> /var/www/html/index.html
```

User data has already been base64 encoded

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default

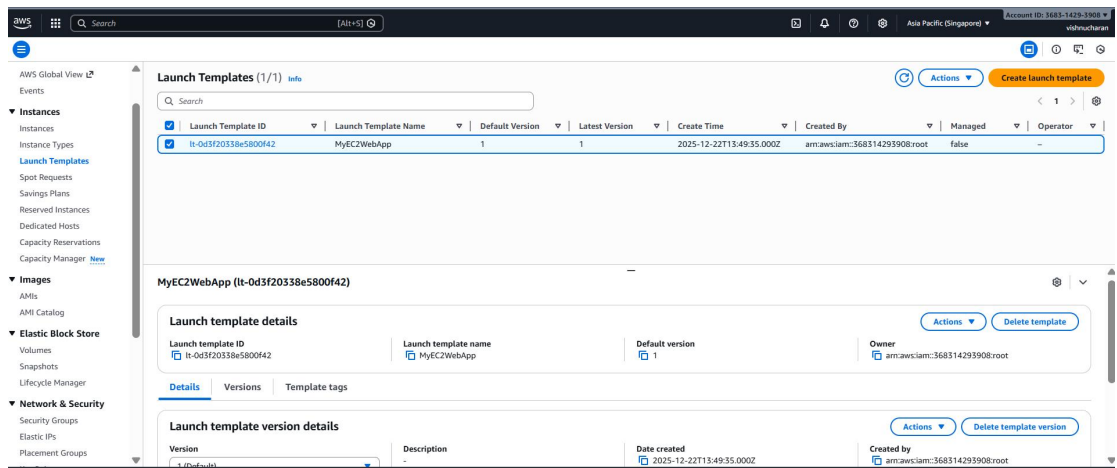
Storage (volumes)

1 volume(s) - 8 GiB

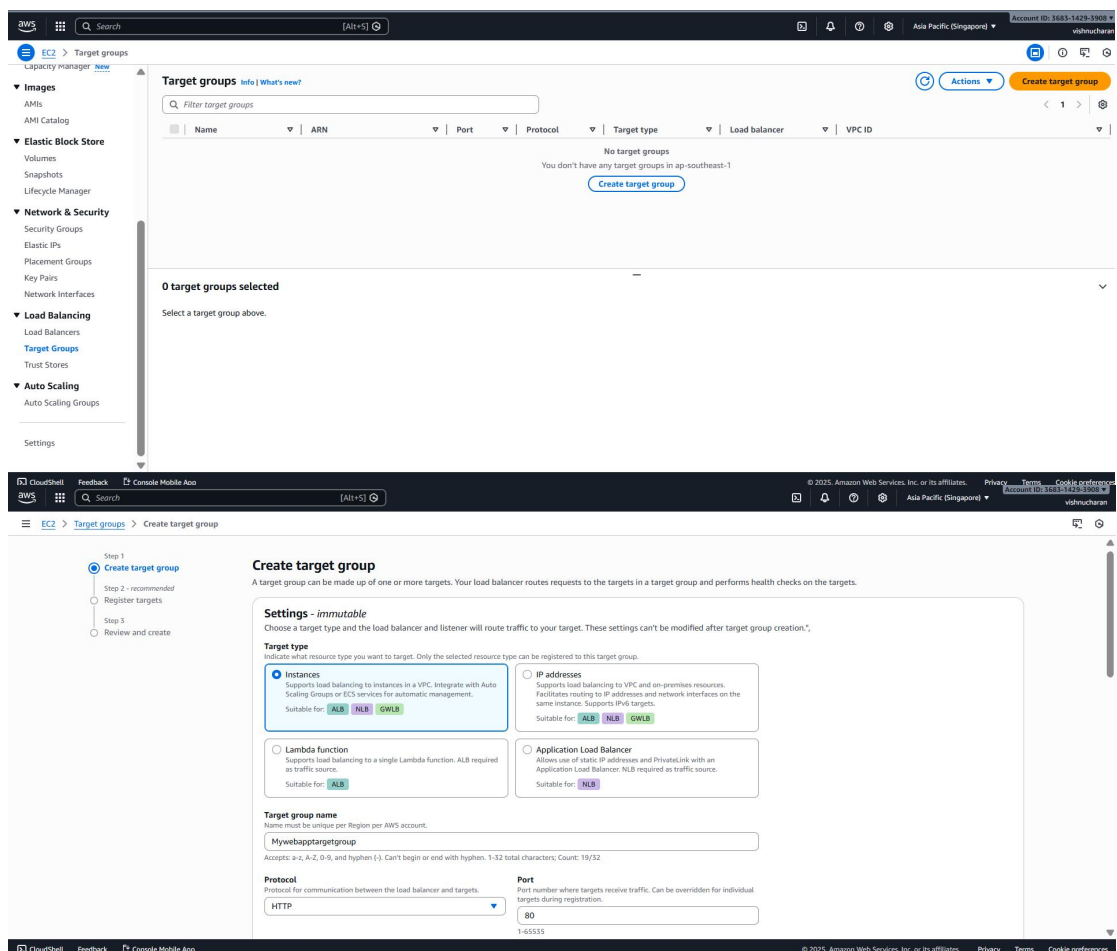
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Cancel

Create launch template



### 3. Create Target Group (Health & Routing)



Step 1: Create target group

Step 2 - recommended: Register targets

Step 3: Review and create

### Register targets - recommended

This is an optional step to create a target group. However, to ensure that your load balancer routes traffic to this target group you must register your targets.

Available instances (0)

Q, Filter instances

Instance ID	Name	State	Security groups	Zone	Private IPv4 address	Subnet ID	Launch time
No instances							

0 selected

Ports for the selected instances

Ports for routing traffic to the selected instances.

80

1-65535 (separate multiple ports with commas)

Include as pending below

Review targets

Targets (0)

Q, Filter targets

Show only pending

Instance ID	Name	Port	State	Security groups	Zone	Private IPv4 address	Subnet ID	Launch time
No instances added yet								

Specify instances above, or leave the group empty if you prefer to add targets later.

0 pending

Cancel Preview Test

Step 1: Create target group

Step 2 - recommended: Register targets

Step 3: Review and create

### Review and create

Review your target group configuration before creating.

Step 1: Target group details

Target group details

Name

Mywebapptargetgroup

Target type

Instance

Protocol : Port

HTTP : 80

Protocol version

HTTP1

VPC

apc-59573b43-1b43-06-1b-4\*

IP address type

IPv4

Target control port

1

Health check details

Health check protocol

HTTP

Health check path

/

Health check port

traffic-port

Interval

30 seconds

Timeout

5 seconds

Healthy threshold

2

Unhealthy threshold

2

Success codes

200

Step 2: Register targets

Targets (0)

Instance ID	Name	Port	Zone
No targets added			

Cancel Preview Create target group

Mywebapptargetgroup

Actions

Details

Target type

Instance

IP address type

IPv4

Protocol : Port

HTTP : 80

Protocol version

HTTP1

VPC

apc-59573b43-1b43-06-1b-4\*

Target control port

1

Load balancer

apc-59573b43-1b43-06-1b-4\*

0 Total targets

0 Healthy

0 Unhealthy

0 Uncool

0 Initial

0 Draining

Targets

Monitoring

Health checks

Attributes

Tags

Registered targets (0)

Target groups route requests to individual registered targets using the protocol and port number specified. Health checks are performed on all registered targets according to the target group's health check settings. Anomaly detection is automatically applied to HTTP/HTTPS target groups with at least 3 healthy targets.

Q, Filter targets

Instance ID	Name	Port	Zone	Health status	Administrative override	Override
No registered targets						

You have not registered targets to this group yet.

Register targets

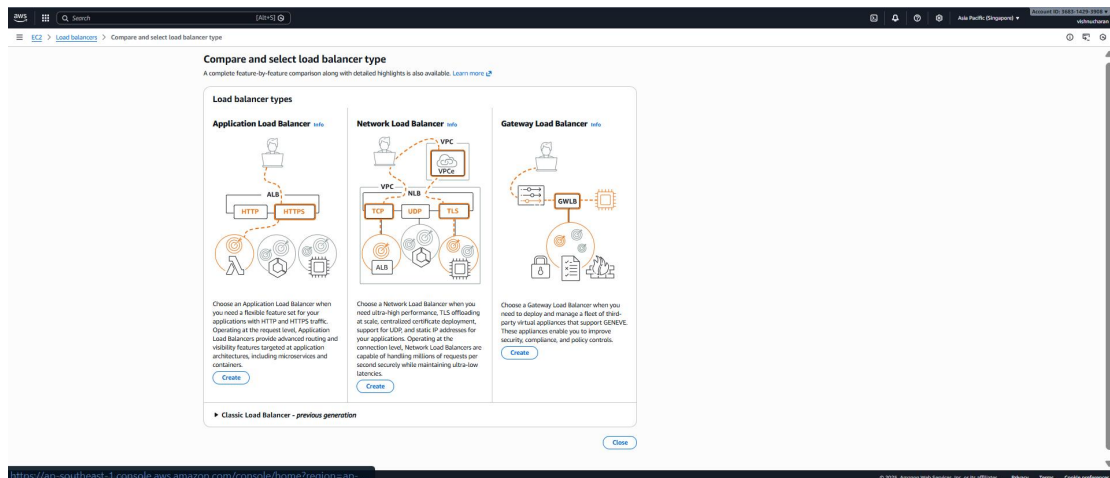
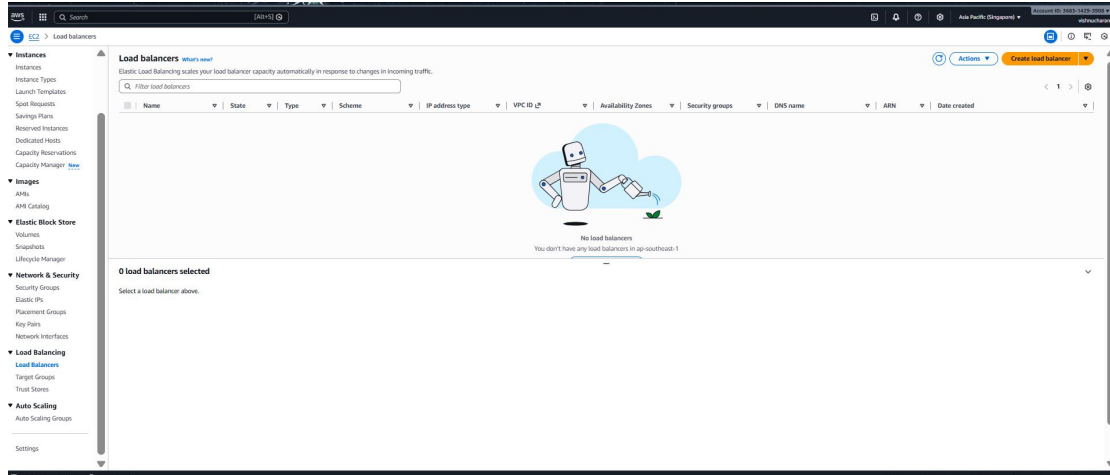
CloudWatch

Health

Create Health App

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## 4. Create Application Load Balancer (ALB)



## ► How Application Load Balancers work

### Basic configuration

#### Load balancer name

Name must be unique within your AWS account and can't be changed after the load balancer is created.

mywebapploadbalancer

A maximum of 32 alphanumeric characters including hyphens are allowed, but the name must not begin or end with a hyphen.

#### Scheme | Info

Scheme can't be changed after the load balancer is created.

##### Internet-facing

- Serves internet-facing traffic.
- Has public IP addresses.
- DNS name resolves to public IPs.
- Requires a public subnet.

##### Internal

- Serves internal traffic.
- Has private IP addresses.
- DNS name resolves to private IPs.
- Compatible with the IPv4 and Dualstack IP address types.

#### Load balancer IP address type | Info

Select the front-end IP address type to assign to the load balancer. The VPC and subnets mapped to this load balancer must include the selected IP address types. Public IPv4 addresses have an additional cost.

##### IPv4

Includes only IPv4 addresses.

##### Dualstack

Includes IPv4 and IPv6 addresses.

##### Dualstack without public IPv4

Includes a public IPv6 address, and private IPv4 and IPv6 addresses. Compatible with **Internet-facing** load balancers only.

### Network mapping | Info

The load balancer routes traffic to targets in the selected subnets, and in accordance with your IP address settings.

#### VPC | Info

The load balancer will exist and scale within the selected VPC. The selected VPC is also where the load balancer targets must be hosted unless routing to Lambda or on-premises targets, or if using VPC peering. To confirm the VPC for your targets, view [target groups](#).

vpc-05073f61b42c061b  
172.31.0.0/16

[default]



Create VPC

#### IP pools | Info

You can optionally choose to configure an IPAM pool as the preferred source for your load balancers IP addresses. Create or view [Pools](#) in the [Amazon VPC IP Address Manager console](#).

##### Use IPAM pool for public IPv4 addresses

The IPAM pool you choose will be the preferred source of public IPv4 addresses. If the pool is depleted IPv4 addresses will be assigned by AWS.

#### Availability Zones and subnets | Info

Select at least two Availability Zones and a subnet for each zone. A load balancer node will be placed in each selected zone and will automatically scale in response to traffic. The load balancer routes traffic to targets in the selected Availability Zones only.

##### ap-southeast-1a (apse1-a21)

###### Subnet

Only CIDR blocks corresponding to the load balancer IP address type are used. At least 8 available IP addresses are required for your load balancer to scale efficiently.

subnet-04b1478a0c7c6dcd7

IPv4 subnet CIDR: 172.31.16.0/20

##### ap-southeast-1b (apse1-a22)

###### Subnet

Only CIDR blocks corresponding to the load balancer IP address type are used. At least 8 available IP addresses are required for your load balancer to scale efficiently.

subnet-06db806daceeb4d7

IPv4 subnet CIDR: 172.31.32.0/20

##### ap-southeast-1c (apse1-a23)

### Security groups | Info

A security group is a set of firewall rules that control the traffic to your load balancer. Select an existing security group, or you can [create a new security group](#).

#### Security groups

Select up to 5 security groups

launch-wizard-1

sg-055c235d44d39e42c VPC: vpc-05073f61b42c061b

## Listeners and routing | Info

A listener is a process that checks for connection requests using the port and protocol you configure. The rules that you define for a listener determine how the load balancer routes requests to its registered targets.

### ▼ Listener HTTP:80

Remove

#### Protocol

HTTP

#### Port

80

1-65535

#### Default action | Info

The default action is used if no other rules apply. Choose the default action for traffic on this listener.

#### Routing action

##### Forward to target groups

##### Redirect to URL

##### Return fixed response

#### Forward to target group | Info

Choose a target group and specify routing weight or [create target group](#).

##### Target group

Mywebapptargetgroup

Target type: Instance, IPv4 | Target stickiness: Off

HTTP



##### Weight

1

0-999

##### Percent

100%

#### + Add target group

You can add up to 4 more target groups.

#### Target group stickiness | Info

Enables the load balancer to bind a user's session to a specific target group. To use stickiness the client must support cookies. If you want to bind a user's session to a specific target, turn on the Target Group attribute Stickiness.

☐ Turn on target group stickiness

#### Listener tags - optional

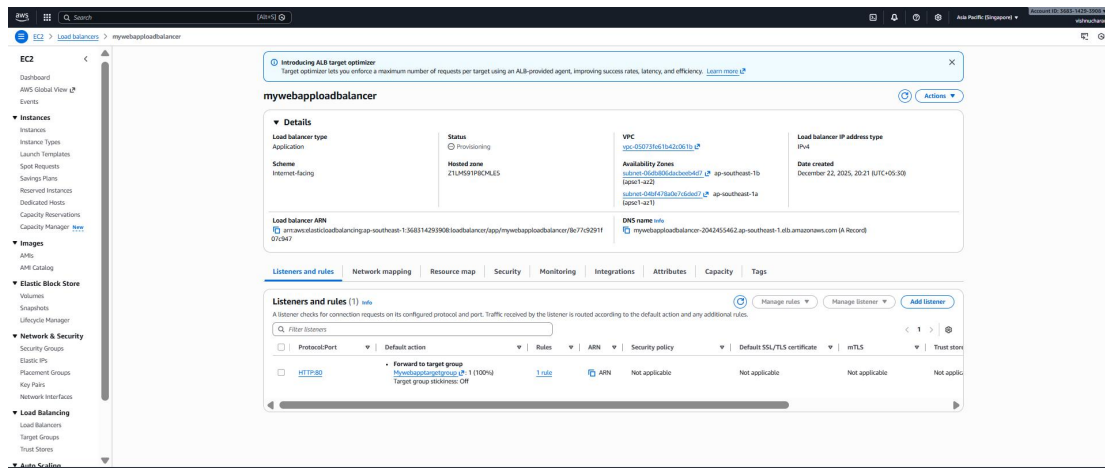
Consider adding tags to your listener. Tags enable you to categorize your AWS resources so you can more easily manage them.

Add listener tag

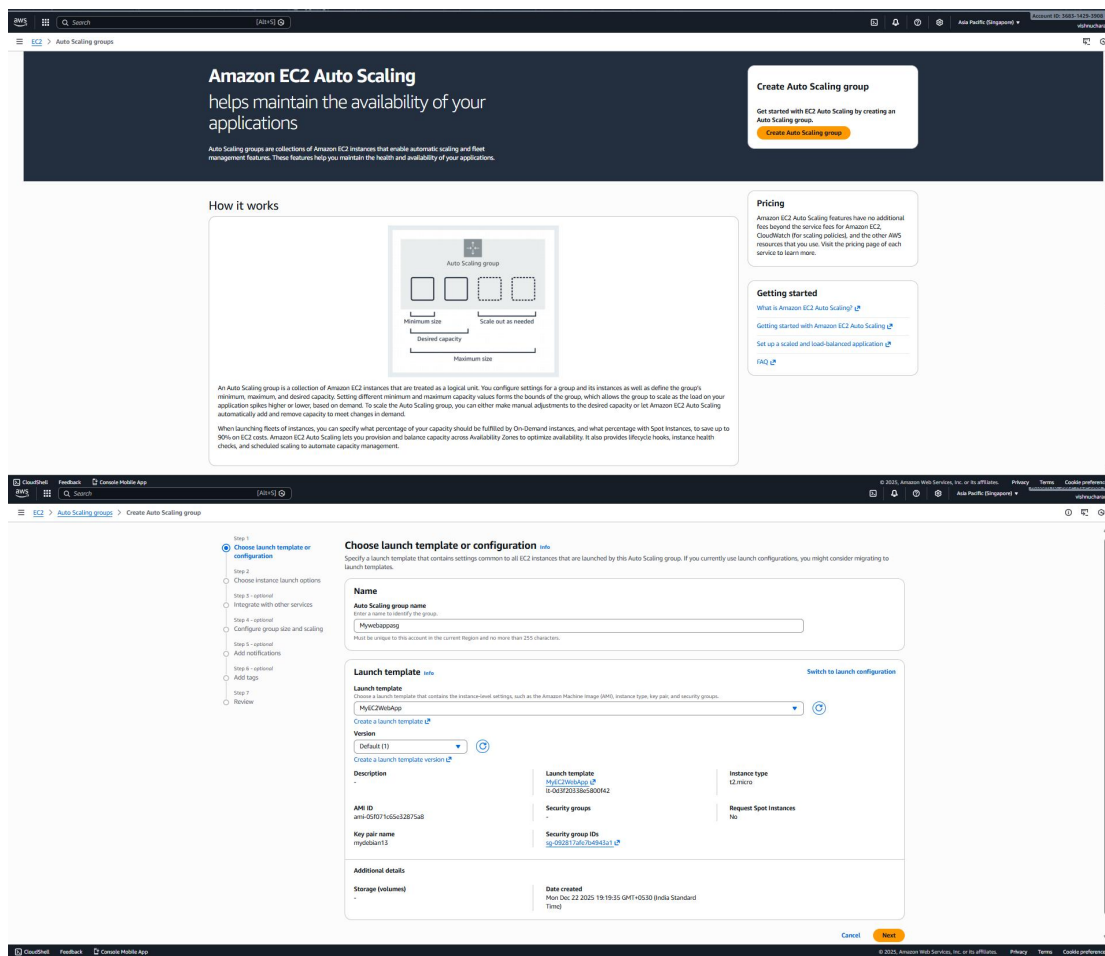
You can add up to 50 more tags.

Add listener

You can add up to 49 more listeners.



## 5. Create Auto Scaling Group









**Review**

**Step 1: Choose launch template or configuration**

**Group details**

Auto Scaling group name: Mywebapp

**Launch template**

Launch template: MyEC2Instance (in-04372033bc5800f42)

**Step 2: Choose instance launch options**

**Network**

VPC: vpc-06073546 (us-east-1)

**Availability Zones and subnets**

Availability Zone	Subnet	Subnet CIDR range
ap-south-1-lb-south-east-1a	subnet-06b47b96c73d8d47	172.31.16.0/20
ap-south-1-lb-south-east-1b	subnet-06b47b96c73d8d47	172.31.32.0/20

**Availability Zone distribution**

Balanced best effort

**Instance type requirements**

This Auto Scaling group will adhere to the launch template.

**Step 3: Integrate with other services**

**Load balancing**

**Auto Scaling groups (1/1)**

Name	Launch template/Configuration	Status	Desired capacity	Min	Max	Availability Zones	Creation time
Mywebapp	MyEC2Instance / Version Latest	Updating capacity	2	1	4	2 Availability Zones	Mon Dec 22 2025 20:30:25 GMT+05:30 (India Standard Time)

**Auto Scaling group: Mywebapp**

**Mywebapp Capacity overview**

arn:aws:autoscaling:ap-south-east-1:368314293008:autoScalingGroup:53ba3d50-4b72-4c75-9d5f-6d8036133a50:autoScalingGroupName/Mywebapp

**Desired capacity**: 2

**Scaling limits**: 1 - 4

**Desired capacity type**: Units (number of instances)

**Status**: Updating capacity

**Launch template**

Launch template: MyEC2Instance (in-04372033bc5800f42)

**Version**: Latest

**Description**: -

**AMI ID**: ami-05071162c2875a8

**Instance type**: t2.micro

**Security groups**: sg-050179467b4945a1

**Storage (volumes)**: -

**Key pair name**: mydcba113

**Owner**: arn:aws:iam:368314293008:root

**Create time**: Mon Dec 22 2025 18:19:35 GMT+05:30 (India Standard Time)

**Request Spot instances**: No

Now my EC2 instances are created automatically because of Auto Scaling Group.

**Instances (2)**

**Find instance by attribute or tag (case sensitive)**

**All states**

Name	Instance ID	Instance state	Instance type	Status check	Alarm status	Availability Zone	Public IPv4 DNS	Public IPv4	Elastic IP	IPv6 IPs	Monitoring	Security group name	Key name
	i-0538a06f3a61196	running	t2.micro	initializing	View alarms	ap-south-east-1b	ec2-54-251-227-25.ap-...	54.251.227.25	-	-	disabled	default	mydcba113
	i-07197026405b6005	initializing	t2.micro	initializing	View alarms	ap-south-east-1a	ec2-13-213-9-135.ap-...	13.213.3.135	-	-	disabled	default	mydcba113

**Select an instance**

# Welcome to Scalable Web App