Roadmap: Sales Analytics Data Warehouse (GCP)

Timeline: 18 Sept – 10 Oct (23 days)

Week 1 (Sep 18 – Sep 24) → Foundation + Core Pipeline

Goal: Get raw data flowing into BigQuery fact table

- Day 1-2 (Sep 18-19): GCS Setup
 - Create bucket (gm-sales-raw-data-affan).
 - Upload sales_small.csv to inbound/sales/.
 - Test upload/download.
- Day 3 (Sep 20): BigQuery Dataset
 - Create dataset gm_sales (US region).
 - Create external table on CSV.
 - o Run SELECT * sanity check.
- Day 4-5 (Sep 21-22): Fact Table
 - Transform into fact_sales with partition by order_date.
 - Add casting + cleaning.
 - Run row count + daily totals query.
- Day 6-7 (Sep 23-24): Repo & Docs

- Organize SQL into sql/01_external_fact.sql.
- Add README with Day 1 summary.
- Write project architecture overview.

Week 2 (Sep 25 – Oct 1) → Expansion to Data Warehouse

Goal: Build a proper star schema + add quality checks

- Day 8-9 (Sep 25-26): Dimension Tables
 - o Create dim_products, dim_customers, dim_date.
 - Link them with fact_sales.
 - o Draw ER diagram for docs.
- Day 10–11 (Sep 27–28): Data Quality Checks
 - Add SQL validations: missing order id, negative sales/profit.
 - Store results in quality_logs.
 - o Document checks in README.
- Day 12-13 (Sep 29-30): Queries & Aggregations
 - Write example queries:
 - Profit by category
 - Sales by region
 - Top 10 products
 - Save them into sql/02_analytics_queries.sql.

• Day 14 (Oct 1): Documentation Update

- Add star schema diagram.
- Update README: Day 2 progress.

Week 3 (Oct 2 – Oct 8) → Automation + Visualization

Goal: Make project impressive for evaluation

- Day 15–16 (Oct 2–3): Orchestration
 - Set up Cloud Composer (Airflow).
 - \circ Create a DAG for CSV \rightarrow external table \rightarrow fact/dim load.
 - Test with small CSV refresh.
 - Delete environment after testing (to save credits).
- Day 17-18 (Oct 4-5): Visualization
 - Connect BigQuery to Looker Studio.
 - Create dashboard:
 - Sales trends over time
 - Profit by category
 - Region map
 - Top products/customers
- Day 19–20 (Oct 6–7): Enhancements
 - Polish dashboards.
 - Add filtering (e.g., by region/segment).

- Save screenshots for docs.
- Day 21 (Oct 8): Repo Finalization
 - Push SQL, docs, screenshots.
 - Update README: Day 3 progress.

• Wrap-Up (Oct 9–10) → Polish + Presentation

Goal: Finish report + prepare demo

- Day 22 (Oct 9): Report Writing
 - Write Final Report: Problem → Methodology → Results → Future Scope.
 - o Insert screenshots, diagrams.
- Day 23 (Oct 10): Presentation
 - Prepare PPT (architecture, pipeline, dashboard).
 - Dry-run demo on GCP (GCS + BigQuery + Looker Studio).
 - o Final Git commit: "Final project submission".

Deliverables by 10 Oct

- GCS bucket + BigQuery fact & dimensions.
- Data quality checks + analytics queries.
- Looker Studio dashboard (screenshots + live demo).
- GitHub repo (SQL, docs, screenshots, README).

• Final Report + PPT for submission.