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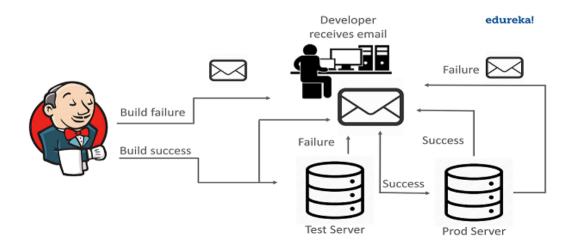
CICD Fundamentals

Topics:

- CI/CD principles and tools (Jenkins, GitLab CI).
- · Setting up pipelines for build, test, deploy.

Assignments:

- 1. Build a CI/CD pipeline using Jenkins to:
- · Pull code from GitHub.
- Run unit tests automatically.
- Build and deploy a Docker container to a staging environment.
- 2. Integrate notifications:
- Configure Jenkins to send Slack/email alerts on pipeline failures.



Objective

The objective of this document is to provide a step-by-step guide for installing and configuring Jenkins on an Ubuntu-based EC2 instance. It also covers integrating Jenkins with GitHub using webhooks for automated builds, deploying applications using Docker, and setting up email notifications for build status alerts. This setup enables continuous integration and continuous delivery (CI/CD) for seamless DevOps workflows.

Document Overview

This document provides a comprehensive guide for setting up Jenkins on an Ubuntu EC2 instance to implement a complete CI/CD pipeline. It includes the following key components:

System Preparation

Updating system packages and prerequisites for Jenkins installation.

Jenkins Installation

Adding official Jenkins repository and installing the latest stable version.

Service Configuration

Enabling and starting Jenkins, configuring firewall and systemd.

Docker Setup

Installing Docker and configuring user permissions for Jenkins and the current user.

Jenkins Dashboard Access

Accessing the Jenkins UI through a web browser, setting up the admin user.

Freestyle Project Creation

Creating a sample Jenkins project to pull code from GitHub and run custom Docker build steps.

GitHub Webhook Integration

Configuring GitHub to notify Jenkins on code changes via webhooks for automated builds.

Troubleshooting EC2 Issues



Solutions for common EC2 startup or SSH issues.

Email Notification Configuration

Sending build result notifications through Gmail using App Passwords.

Final Testing

Verifying auto-builds on code changes and email alerts on success or failure.

This guide ensures a practical understanding of Jenkins-based automation and helps set up a foundational DevOps environment using open-source tools.

Document References

The following resources were referred to during the creation and execution of this Terraform-based infrastructure setup

Date	Document	Filename / Url
9 July	Email Notification In Jenkins	https://www.edureka.co/blog/email- notification-in-jenkins/
10 July	Install Jenkins	https://www.jenkins.io/doc/book/installing/

Jenkins Installation

Update the system first

sudo apt update

Instructions are available on this page https://pkg.jenkins.io/debian-stable/

Install Java

sudo apt update sudo apt install fontconfig openjdk-21-jre java -version



install Jenkins

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sudo wget -0 /etc/apt/keyrings/jenkins-keyring.asc \
  https://pkg.jenkins.io/debian-stable/jenkins.io-2023.key
echo "deb [signed-by=/etc/apt/keyrings/jenkins-keyring.asc]"
  https://pkg.jenkins.io/debian-stable binary/ | sudo tee \
  /etc/apt/sources.list.d/jenkins.list > /dev/null
sudo apt-get update
sudo apt-get install jenkins
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Start and Enable Jenkins

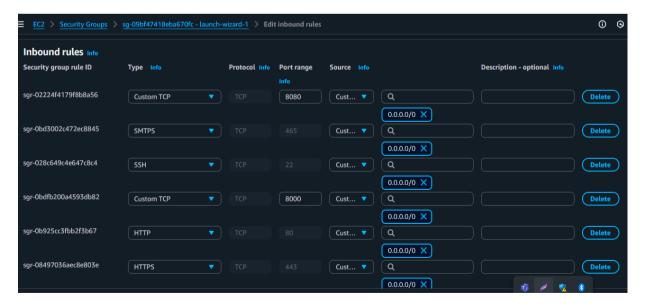
Check Jenkins Status sudo systemctl status Jenkins

Install Docker and Configure Access

sudo apt install docker.io

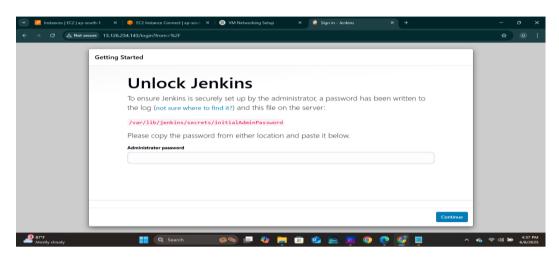
sudo usermod -aG docker \$USER sudo usermod -aG docker Jenkins

Note: Accessing Jenkins dashboard if it is running through ec2 instance



Add the above inbound rules to access successfully by default port 22 which is for ssh is enabled add the remaining type like HTTP, HTTPS also custom tcp 8080 too.

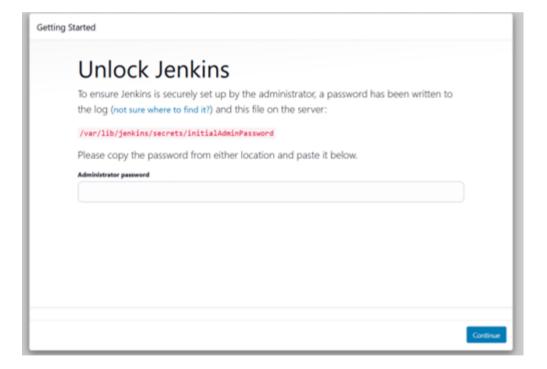
After the above changes dashboard is accessible at port 8080, for ec2 type public_ip4_address:8080



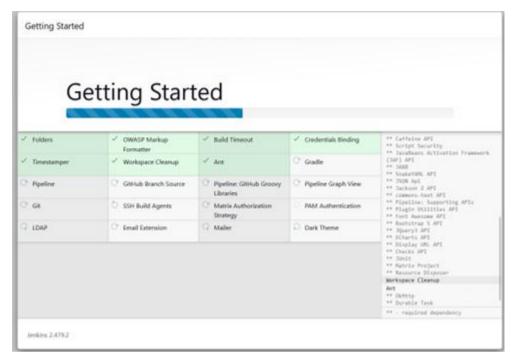
The above dashboard is visible, now to access admin password go to terminal and type

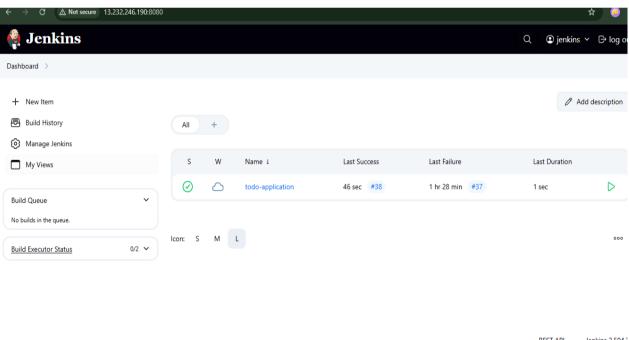
sudo cat /var/lib/jenkins/secrets/initialAdminPassword

Install suggested plugins, create admin user and now its ready

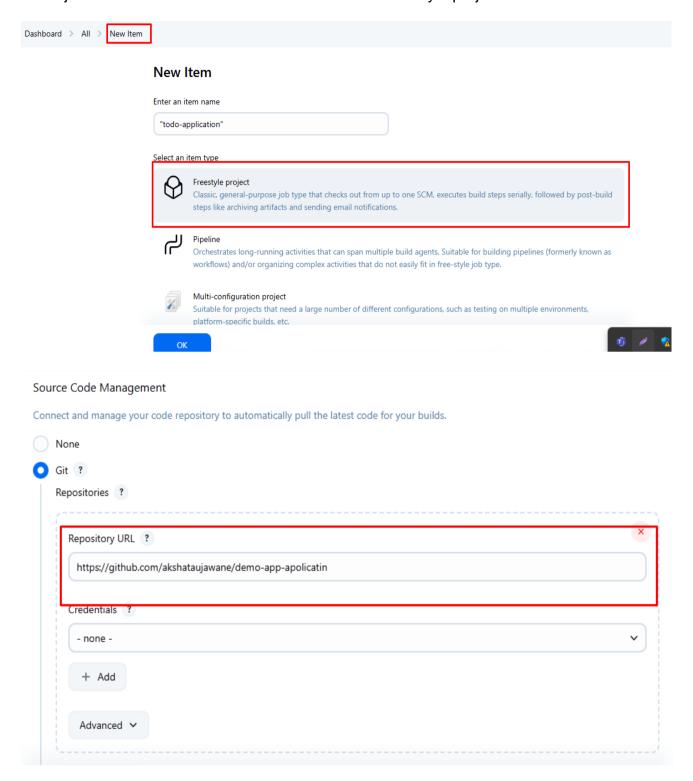


click on install suggested plugins





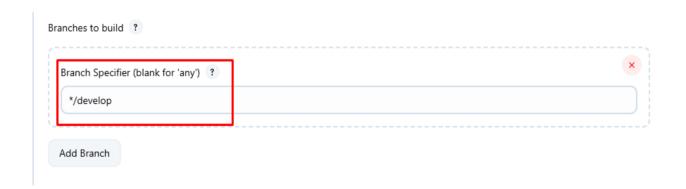
Go to jenkins dashboard click on create new item > freestyle project and then click ok



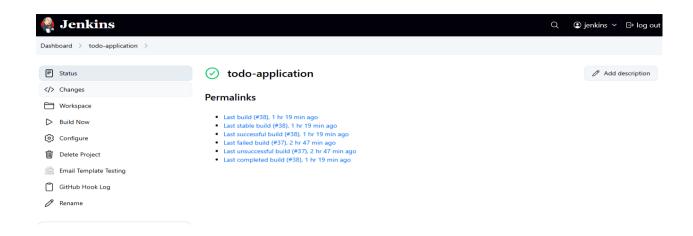
after this we select Git and in credentials section click on add Jenkins Credential Provider

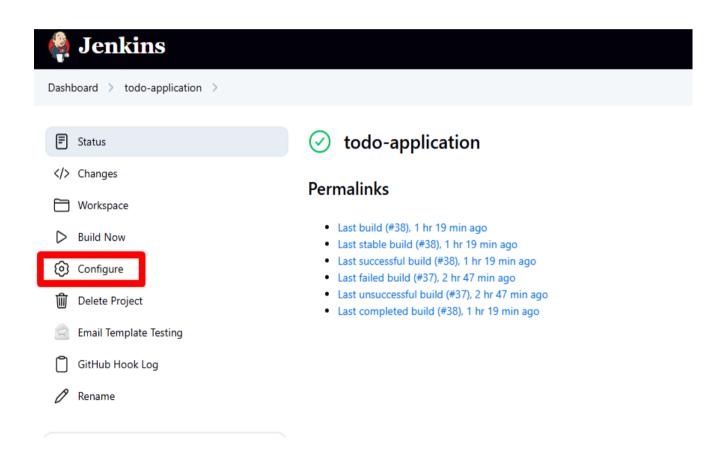


Add git branch

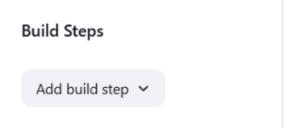


after adding the credentials and branch click on build now and jenkins will clone the code from github repository to ec2 instance

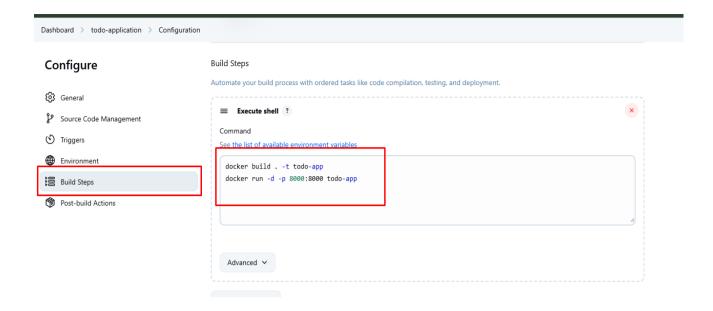




go to configure then click on build environment and then click on build Scroll down you will see Build Steps option



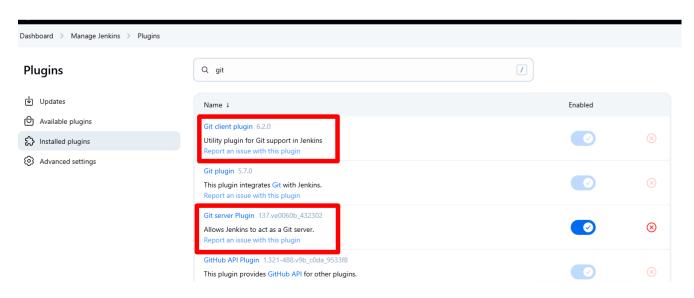




Webhooks

When you create a webhook, you specify a URL and subscribe to events that occur on GitHub. When an event that your webhook is subscribed to occurs, GitHub will send an HTTP request with data about the event to the URL that you specified. If your server is set up to listen for webhook deliveries at that URL, it can take action when it receives one.

In short, whenever any changes are done to the repository and pushed then it will trigger the build the pipeline.

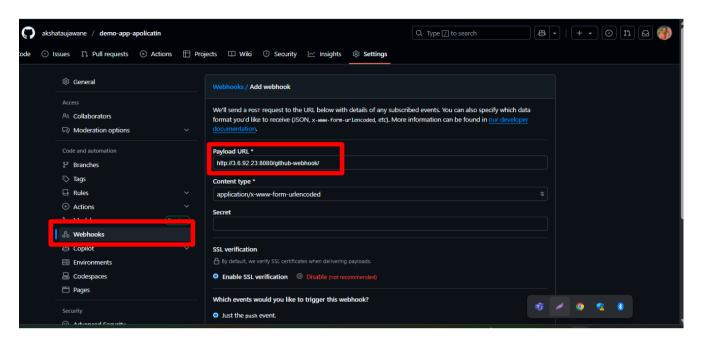


Install github integration plugin

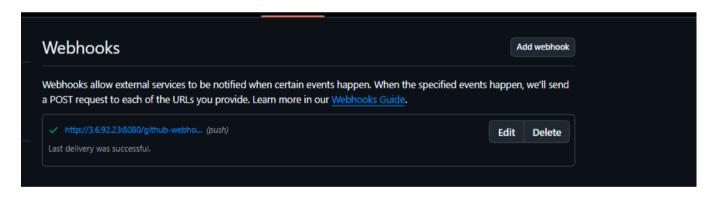


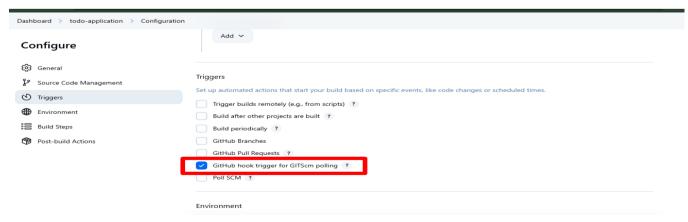
now go to your repository in github, click on settings

go to jenkins dashboard and copy the url add it as follows and changed the content type and click on add webhook



we can see here the webhook is created





now click on save



now we will make changes to code

```
{% block content %}
<div class="container">
 <div class="row">
   <div class="offset-md-2 col-lg-9">
     <div class="page-header">
         Welcome to ECC
       </h1>
     </div>
   </div>
 </div>
 <div class="row">
   <div class="offset-md-2 col-lg-9">
     <form method="post" action="{% url 'todos:add</pre>
       {% csrf_token %}
       <div class="form-row">
         <div class="col-md-6">
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here we will add some thing

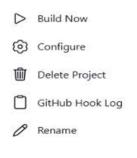
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{% block title %}
<title>Todo list</title>
{% endblock %}
{% block content %}
<div class="container">
 <div class="row">
   <div class="offset-md-2 col-lg-9">
     <div class="page-header">
       <h1>
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       </h1>
     </div>
    </div>
  </div>
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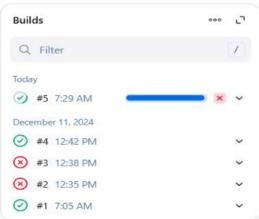
- Delete Project
 GitHub Hook Log

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- · Last failed build (#3), 18 hr ag
- Last unsuccessful build (#3), 1
- · Last completed build (#4), 18

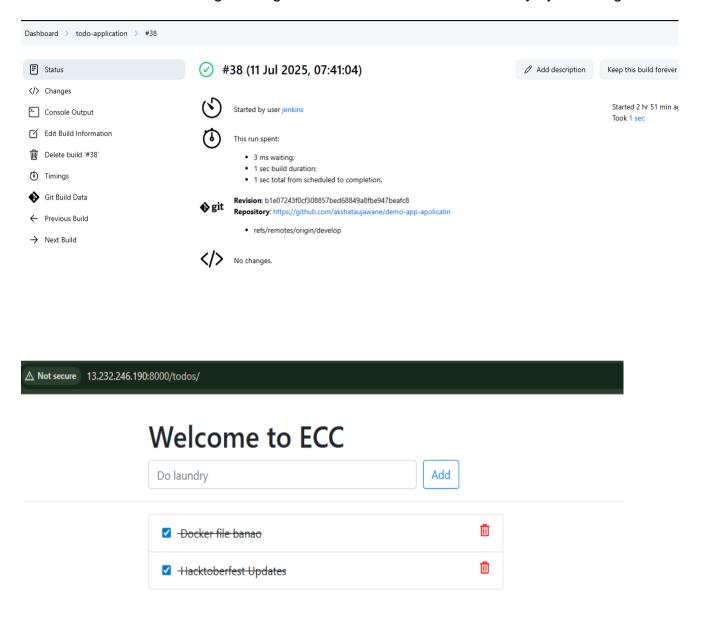
here we can see jenkins is running build automatically





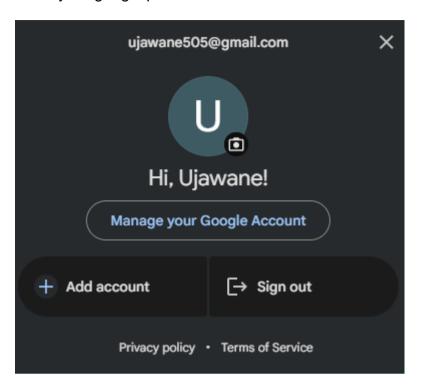
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the build failed now we will go through console to see what failed exactly by checking



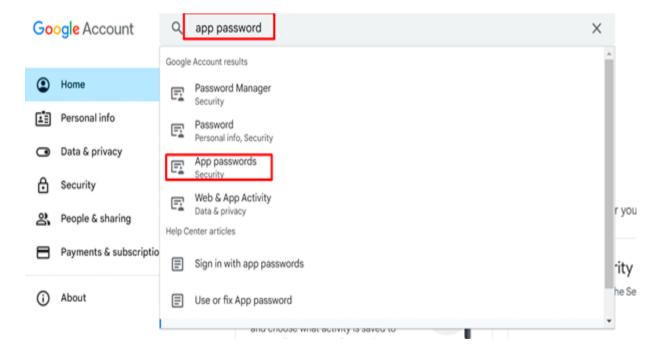
now to send email alerts, for that we will need to setup app password in google

Go to your google profile



click on manage your google

account search for app password and click on app password



enter your app name and click on create

App passwords

App passwords help you sign into your Google Account on older apps and services that don't support modern security standards.

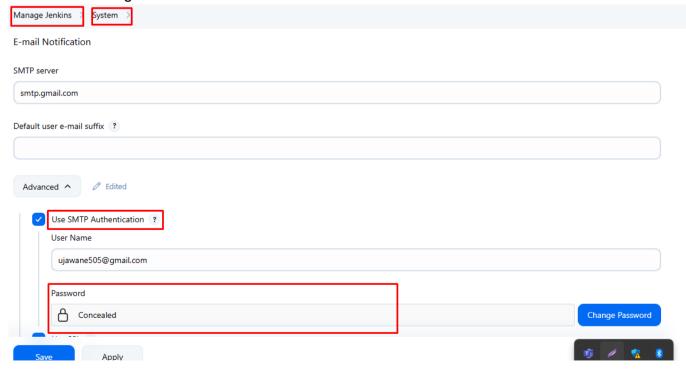
App passwords are less secure than using up-to-date apps and services that use modern security standards. Before you create an app password, you should check to see if your app needs this in order to sign in.

Learn more

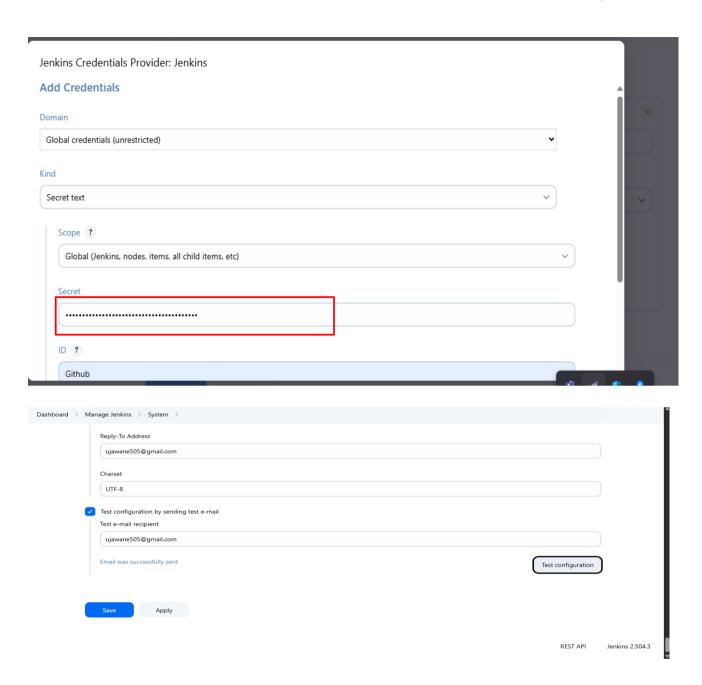


it will give you a password save it somewhere, we will require it. Go to your Jenkins dashboard click on Manage Jenkins

scroll down and go to Email Notification section



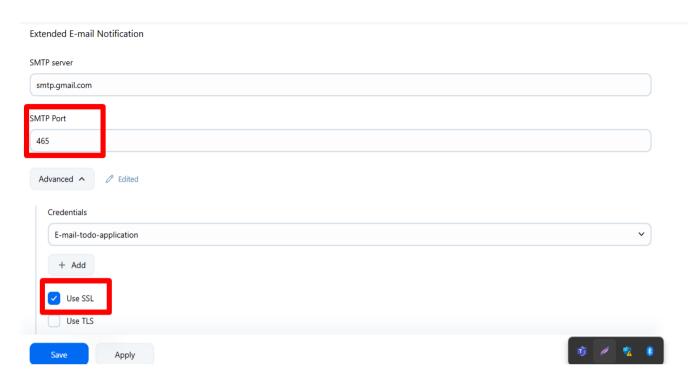




here we can see an email was sent



now go to extended email notifications section





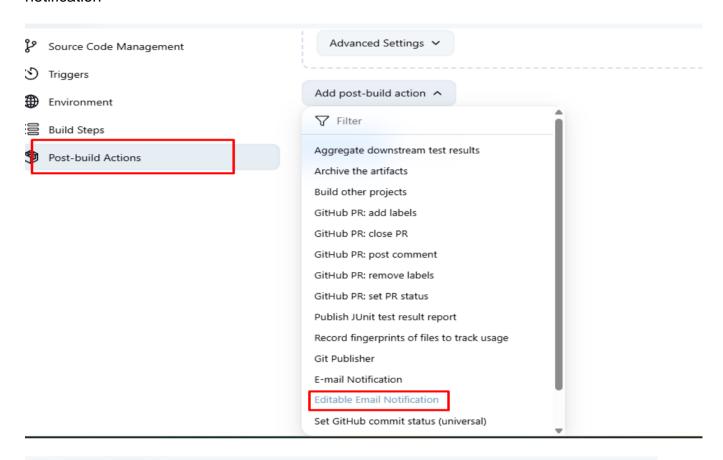
here the password is app password we created on google account

Jenkins Credentials Provider: Jenkins

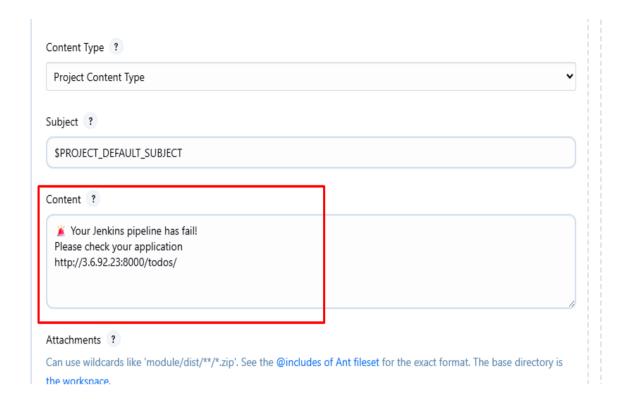
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Global (Jenkins, nodes, items, all child items, etc)	
Username ?	
email-todo app	
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ID ?	
Manage Jenkins > System >	4
Default Triggers ^	
Default Triggers ? Aborted Always Before Build Failure - 1st Failure - 2nd Failure - Any Failure - Still Failure - X Failure -> Unstable (Test Failures) Fixed Not Built Script - After Build Script - Before Build Status Changed Success Test Improvement	
Save Apply	

save it

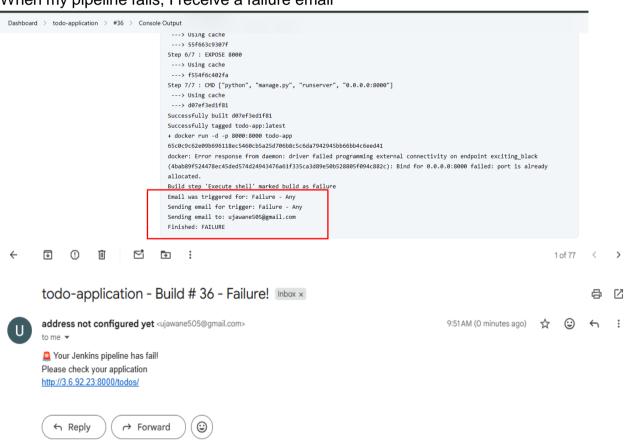
now go to configure from dashboard click on add post-build action and then click on editable email notification



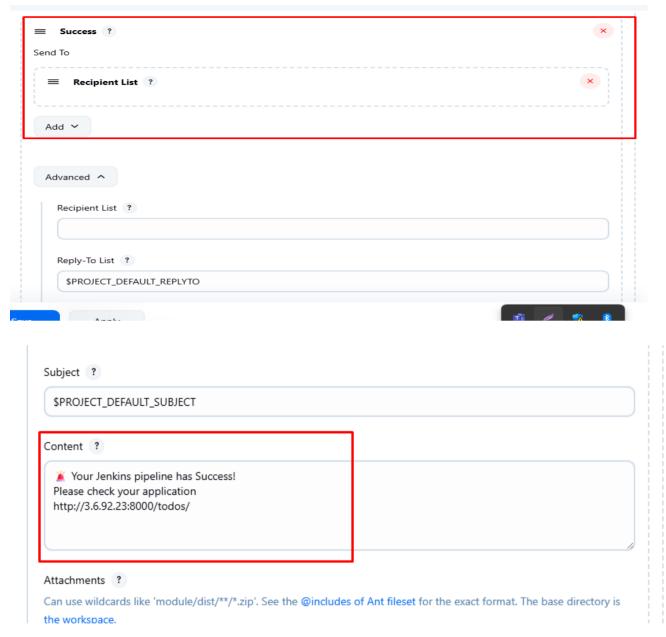




When my pipeline fails, I receive a failure email



success email



When my pipeline succeeds, I receive a success email

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