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Assignment 14: Discover Infrastructure as Code using Terraform and write a Terraform script to create a virtual machine (EC2).	

Aim: To explore the principles of Infrastructure as Code (IaC) and automate the provisioning of an AWS EC2 instance using Terraform.

Objectives:

- To understand the core concepts of Infrastructure as Code (IaC) and the Terraform lifecycle.
- To develop a Terraform configuration for provisioning cloud infrastructure.
- To execute the workflow of init, plan, apply, and destroy to manage cloud resources.

Theory

1. Infrastructure as Code (IaC)

Infrastructure as Code is a key DevOps practice that involves managing and provisioning computing infrastructure through machine-readable definition files rather than physical hardware configuration or interactive configuration tools. IaC allows for consistency, repeatability, and version control of infrastructure, significantly reducing manual errors and deployment time.

2. Terraform Overview

Terraform is an open-source IaC tool created by HashiCorp. It allows users to define both cloud and on-premises resources in human-readable configuration files that can be versioned, shared, and reused. Terraform uses HashiCorp Configuration Language (HCL) to describe the desired "End State" of the infrastructure.

3. Terraform Architecture and Lifecycle

Terraform operates on a plugin-based architecture, utilizing **Providers** (like AWS, Azure, or GCP) to interact with remote APIs. The standard lifecycle consists of:

- **terraform init:** Initializes the working directory and downloads necessary provider plugins.

- **terraform plan:** Creates an execution plan, showing what actions Terraform will take to reach the desired state.
- **terraform apply:** Executes the proposed plan to create or modify infrastructure.
- **terraform destroy:** Safely removes all managed infrastructure defined in the configuration.

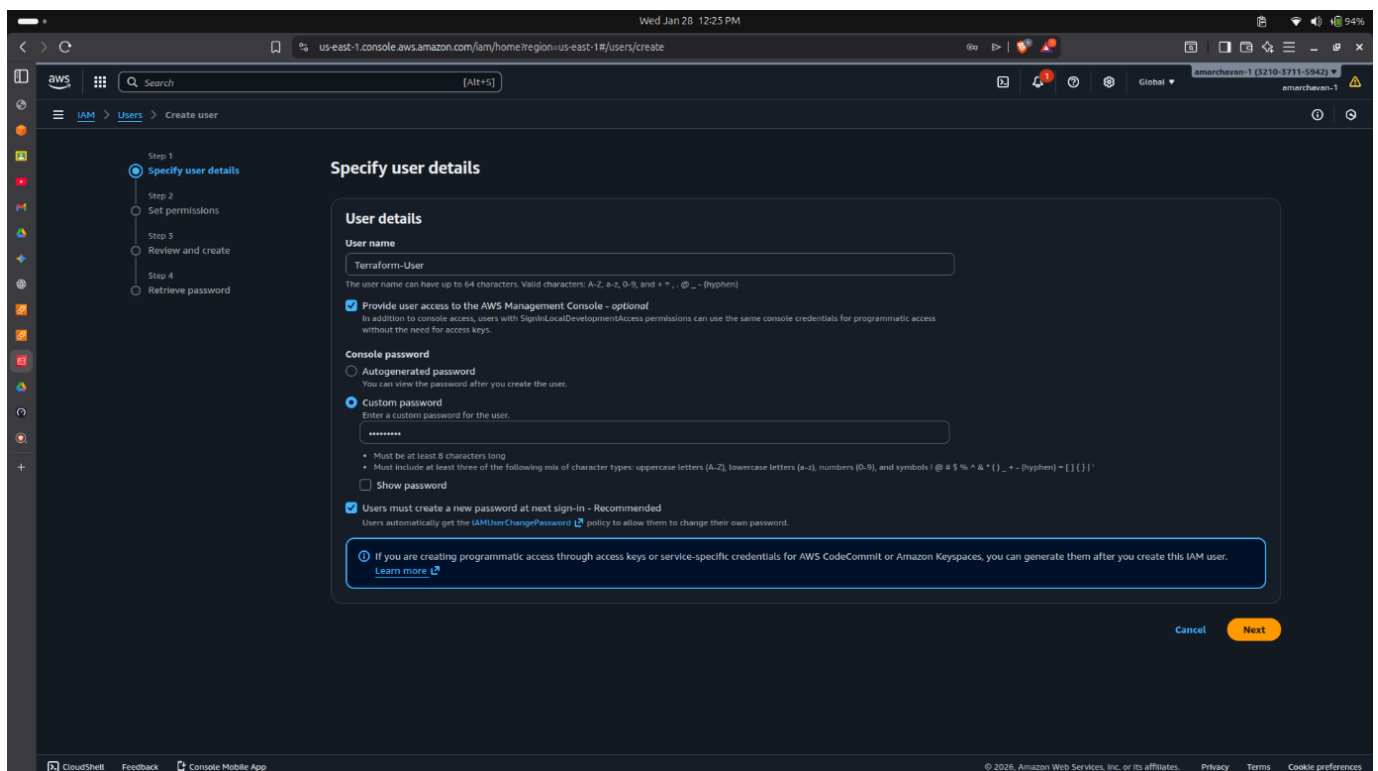
4. State Management

Terraform maintains a **State File** (terraform.tfstate) that acts as a source of truth, mapping the configuration to the real-world resources. This file allows Terraform to determine which changes are needed when the configuration is updated.

Practical Procedure / Steps

Step 1: Configure AWS CLI & Programmatic Access Before executing Terraform, the local environment must be authenticated with AWS.

- **Create IAM User:** A new user named Terraform-User was created in the AWS Console.
- **Attach Permissions:** The AdministratorAccess policy was attached directly to ensure the user has rights to manage EC2 and Security Groups.
- **Generate Access Keys:** An Access Key and Secret Access Key were generated for Command Line Interface (CLI) use.
- **AWS Configure:** On the local Ubuntu machine, the command aws configure was used to input the Access Key ID, Secret Access Key, and set the default region to us-east-1.



us-east-1.console.aws.amazon.com/iam/home?region=us-east-1#/users/create

Step 1: Specify user details
Step 2: Set permissions
Step 3: Review and create
Step 4: Retrieve password

Set permissions

Add user to an existing group or create a new one. Using groups is a best-practice way to manage user's permissions by job functions. [Learn more](#)

Permissions options

- ☐ Add user to group
Add user to an existing group, or create a new group. We recommend using groups to manage user permissions by job function.
- ☐ Copy permissions
Copy all group memberships, attached managed policies, and inline policies from an existing user.
- ☒ Attach policies directly
Attach a managed policy directly to a user. As a best practice, we recommend attaching policies to a group instead. Then, add the user to the appropriate group.

Permissions policies (1/1442) [Create policy](#)

Choose one or more policies to attach to your new user.

Search

Filter by Type: All types

<input type="checkbox"/>	Policy name	Type	Attached entities
<input type="checkbox"/>	AccessAnalyzerServiceRolePolicy	AWS managed	0
<input type="checkbox"/>	AccountManagementFromVercel	AWS managed	0
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	AdministratorAccess	AWS managed - job function	0
<input type="checkbox"/>	AdministratorAccess-Amplify	AWS managed	0
<input type="checkbox"/>	AdministratorAccess-AWSElasticBeanstalk	AWS managed	0
<input type="checkbox"/>	AIOpsAssistantIncidentReportPolicy	AWS managed	0
<input type="checkbox"/>	AIOpsAssistantPolicy	AWS managed	0
<input type="checkbox"/>	AIOpsConsoleAdminPolicy	AWS managed	0
<input type="checkbox"/>	AIOpsOperatorAccess	AWS managed	0
<input type="checkbox"/>	AIOpsReadOnlyAccess	AWS managed	0

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Step 1: Specify user details
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Review and create

Review your choices. After you create the user, you can view and download the autogenerated password, if enabled.

User details

User name: Terraform-User
Console password type: Custom password
Require password reset: No

Permissions summary

Name	Type	Used as
AdministratorAccess	AWS managed - Job function	Permissions policy

Tags - optional

Tags are key-value pairs you can add to AWS resources to help identify, organize, or search for resources. Choose any tags you want to associate with this user.

No tags associated with the resource.

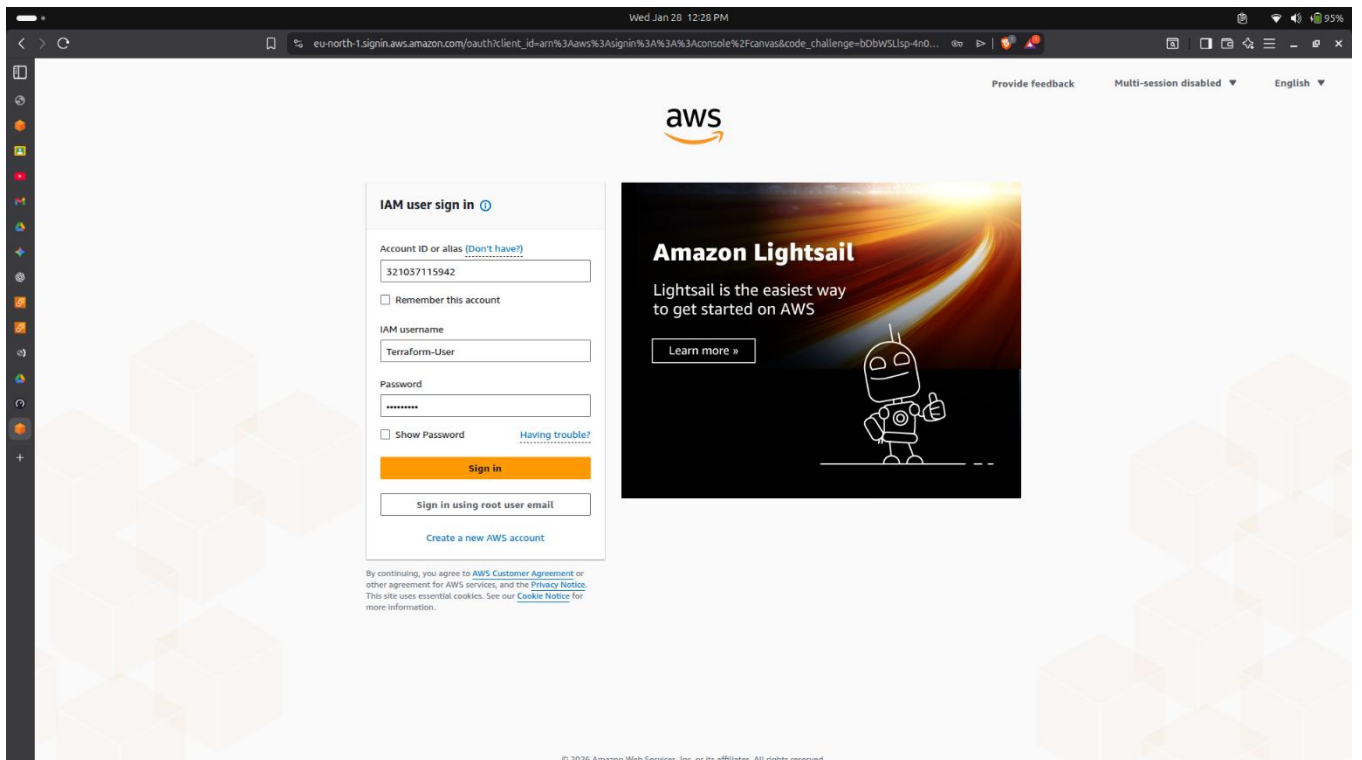
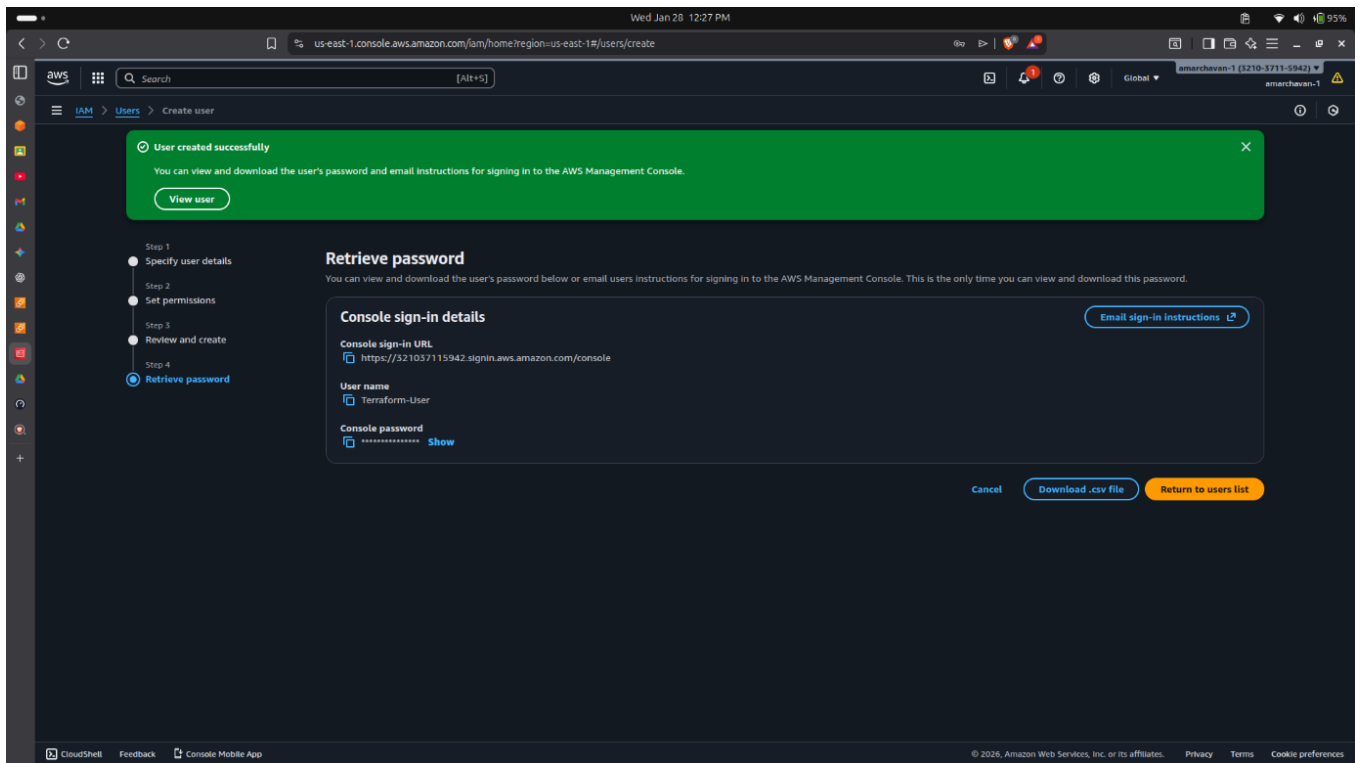
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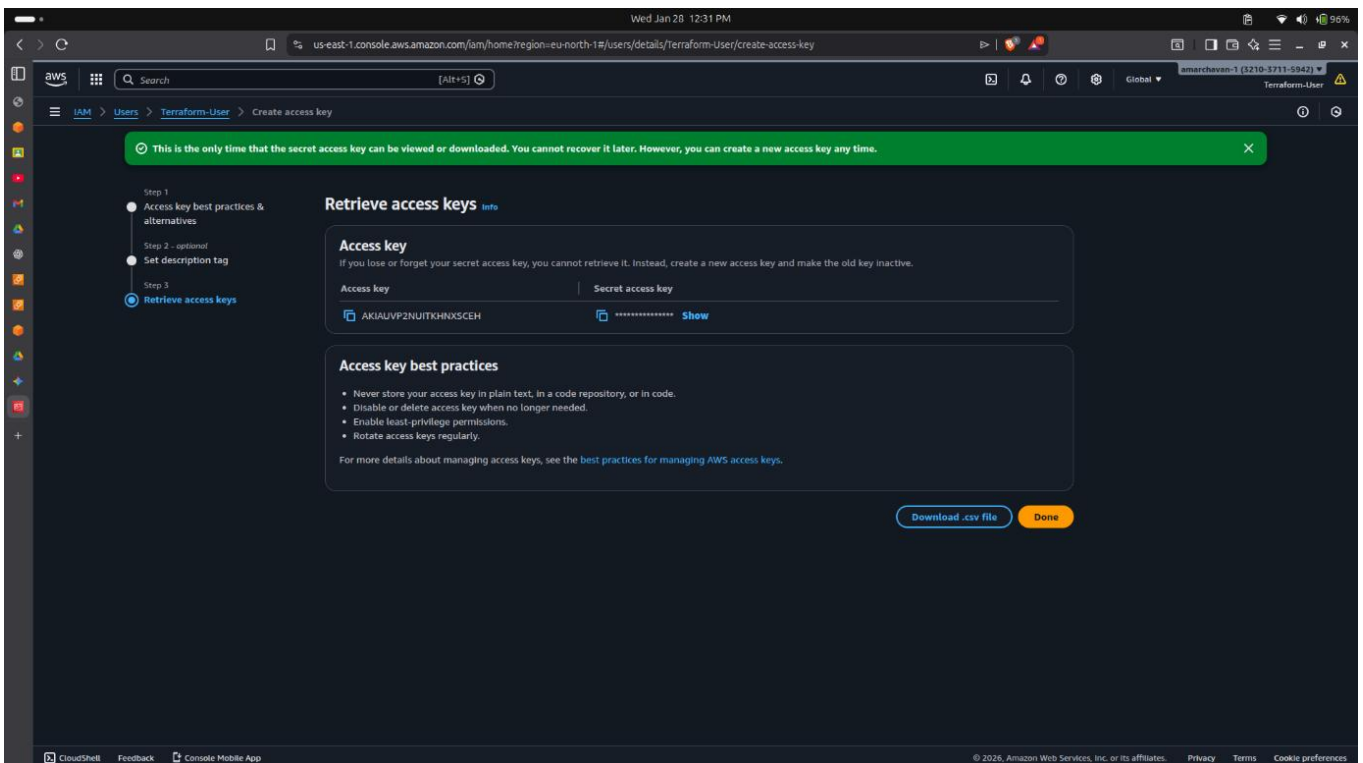
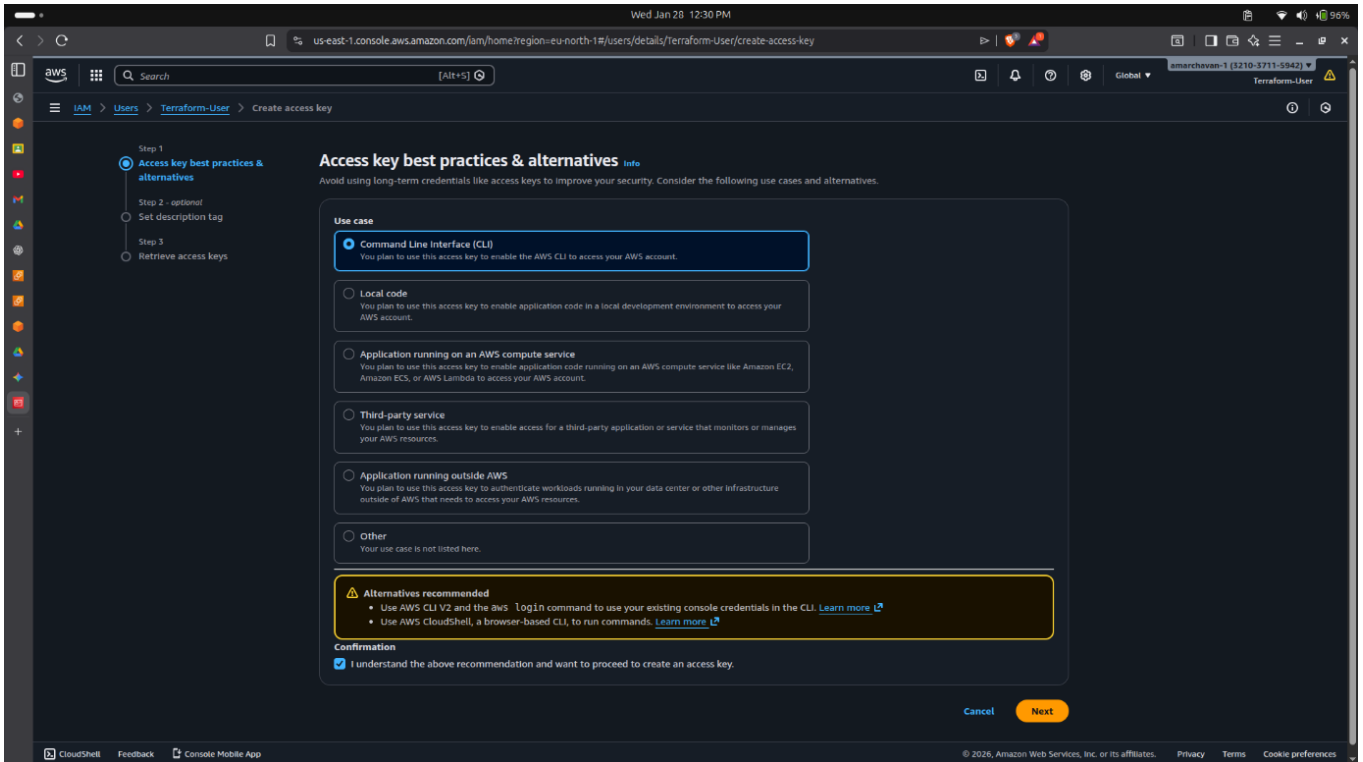
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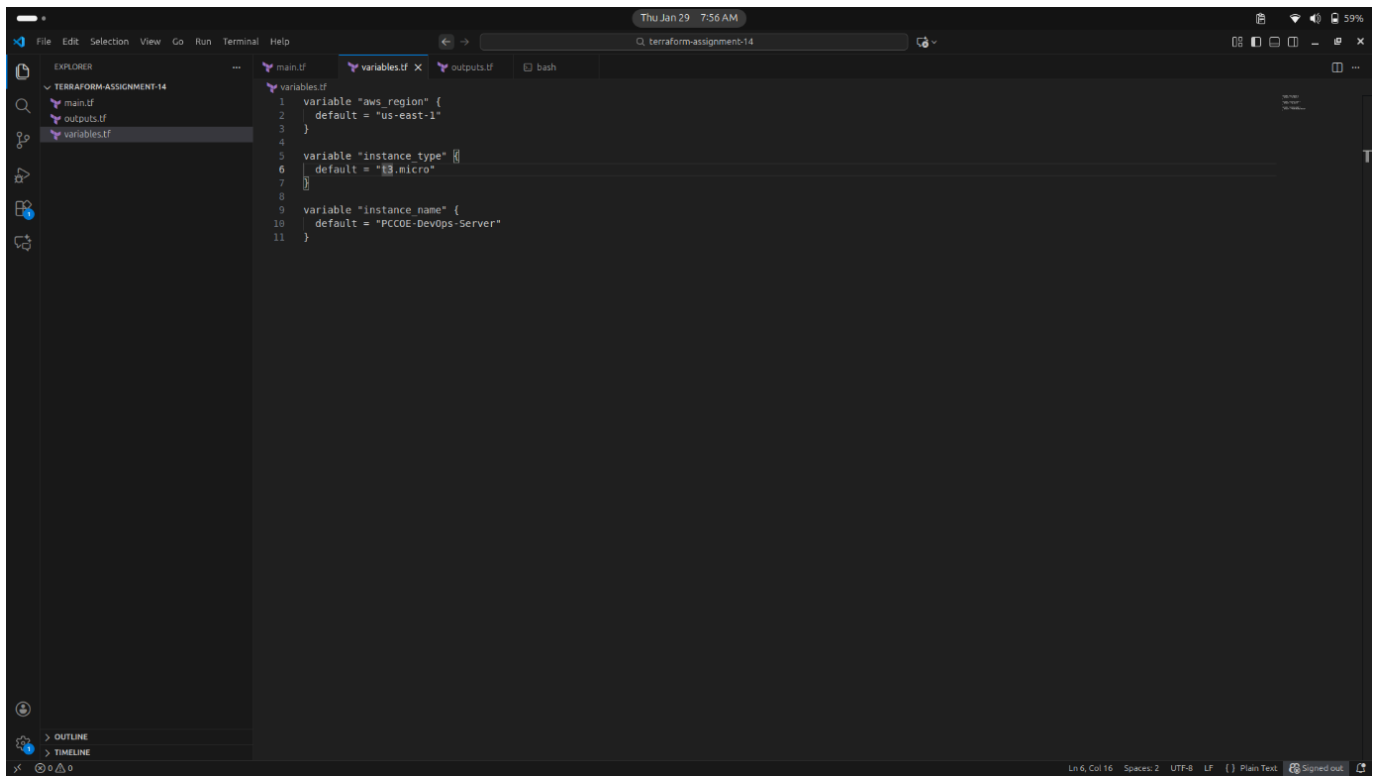


```
amar@amar-Inspiron-3501: ~  
amar@amar-Inspiron-3501:~$ aws configure  
AWS Access Key ID [*****SCEH]:  
AWS Secret Access Key [*****QXRF]:  
Default region name [us-east-1]:  
Default output format [json]:  
amar@amar-Inspiron-3501:~$ _
```

Step 2: Terraform Initialization

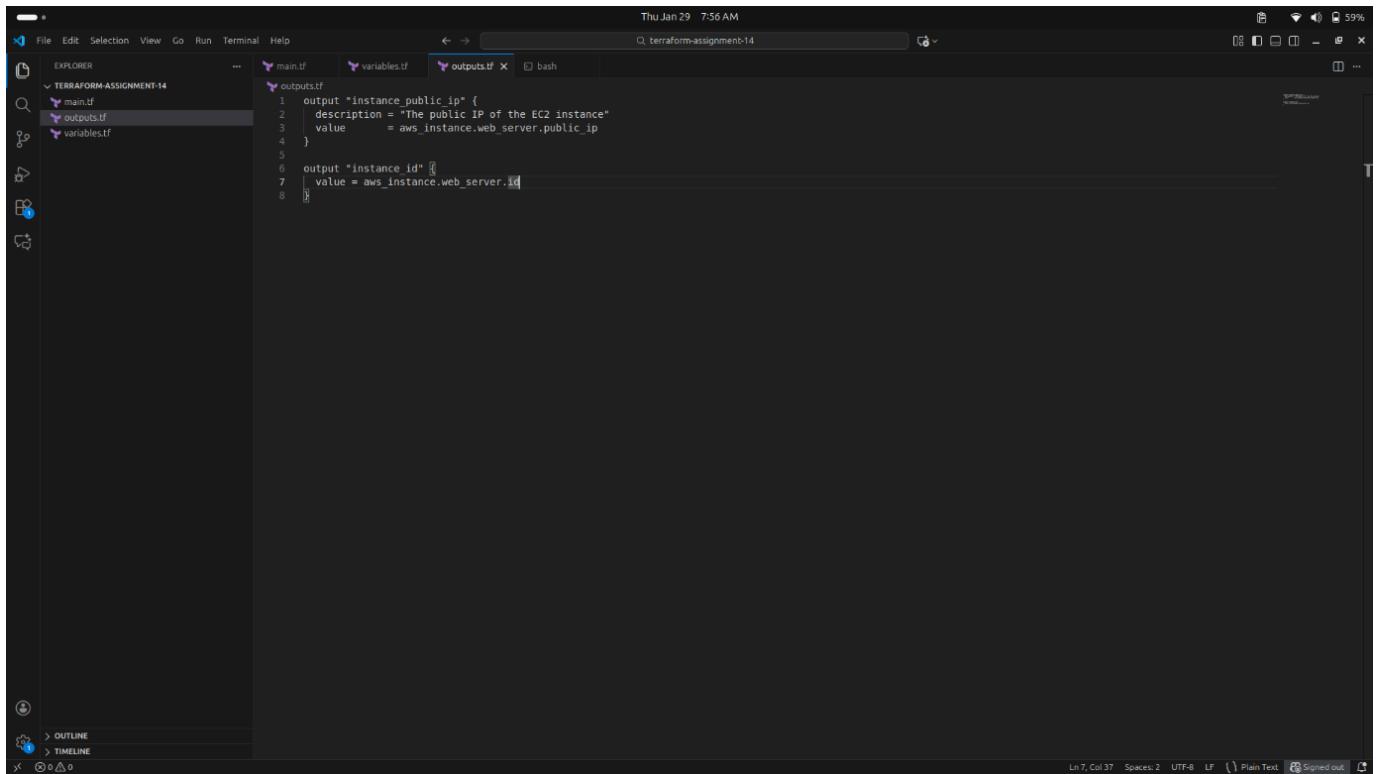
- Navigate to the project directory terraform-assignment-14.
- Execute terraform init to initialize the backend and download the HashiCorp AWS provider plugin (version v6.29.0).

```
main.tf  
1 provider "aws" {  
2   region = var.aws_region  
3 }  
4  
5 # 1. FIND your existing Default VPC  
6 data "aws_vpc" "default" {  
7   default = true  
8 }  
9  
10 # 2. FIND the existing Subnets in that VPC (Solves the CIDR conflict)  
11 data "aws_subnets" "default" {  
12   filter {  
13     name = "vpc-id"  
14     values = [data.aws_vpc.default.id]  
15   }  
16 }  
17  
18 # 3. FIND the latest Ubuntu AMI (Keep as is)  
19 data "aws_ami" "ubuntu" {  
20   most_recent = true  
21   filter {  
22     name = "name"  
23     values = ["ubuntu/images/hvm-ssd-gp3/ubuntu-noble-24.04-amd64-server-*"]  
24   }  
25   owners = ["099720109477"]  
26 }  
27  
28 # 4. Create a Security Group with a UNIQUE name (Solves the Duplicate error)  
29 resource "aws_security_group" "pccoe_sg_v3" {  
30   name = "pccoe_sg_unique_final"  
31   description = "Allow SSH and HTTP"  
32   vpc_id = data.aws_vpc.default.id  
33 }  
34  
35 ingress {  
36   from_port = 22  
37   to_port = 22  
38   protocol = "tcp"  
39   cidr_blocks = ["0.0.0.0/0"]  
40 }  
41  
42 ingress {  
43   from_port = 80  
44   to_port = 80  
45   protocol = "tcp"  
46   cidr_blocks = ["0.0.0.0/0"]  
47 }  
48  
49 egress {  
50   from_port = 0
```



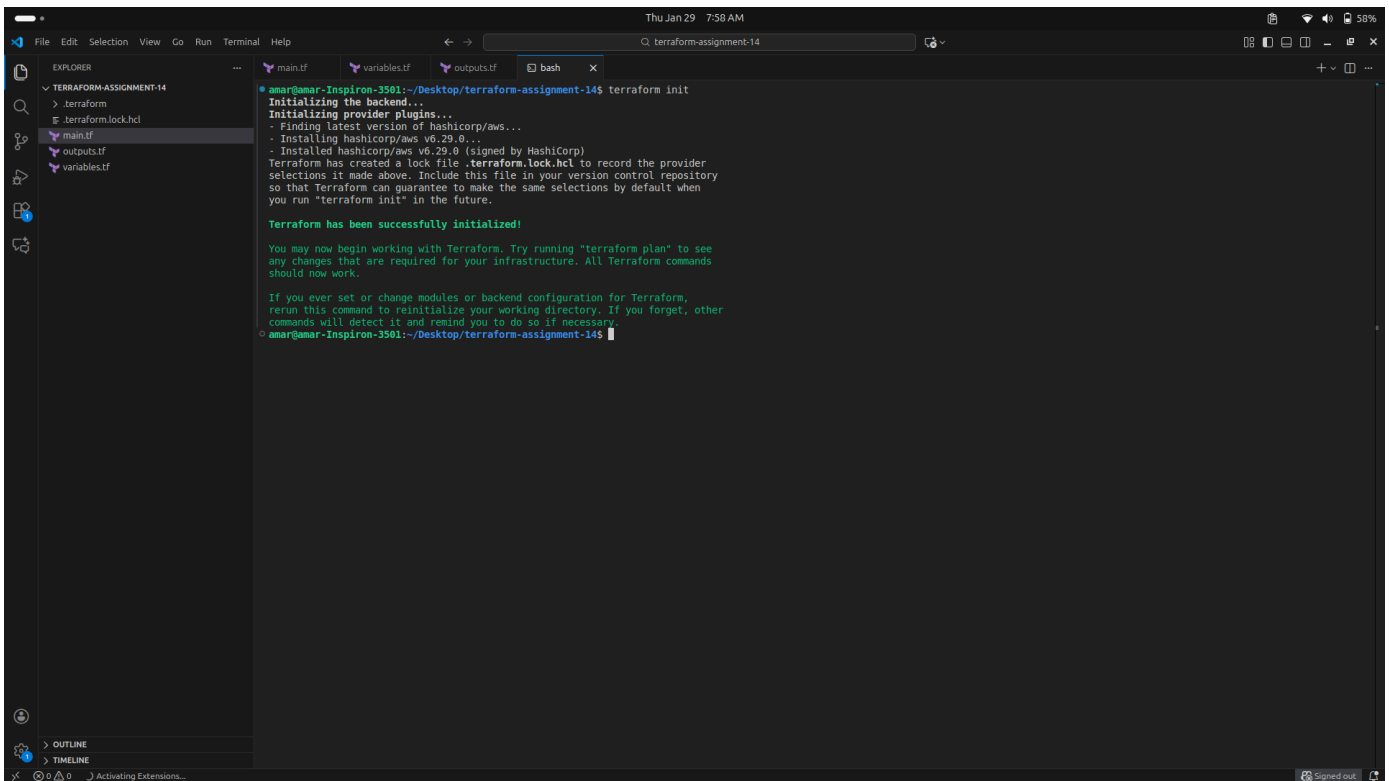
This screenshot shows the Visual Studio Code editor with a Terraform project named "TERRAFORM-ASSIGNMENT-14". The Explorer sidebar on the left shows the file structure with "main.tf", "outputs.tf", and "variables.tf". The "variables.tf" file is currently open in the editor. The code defines three variables: "aws_region" with a default value of "us-east-1", "instance_type" with a default value of "t3.micro", and "instance_name" with a default value of "PCCOE-DevOps-Server".

```
1 variable "aws_region" {  
2   default = "us-east-1"  
3 }  
4  
5 variable "instance_type" {  
6   default = "t3.micro"  
7 }  
8  
9 variable "instance_name" {  
10  default = "PCCOE-DevOps-Server"  
11 }
```



This screenshot shows the Visual Studio Code editor with the same Terraform project. The Explorer sidebar shows "main.tf", "outputs.tf", and "variables.tf". The "outputs.tf" file is currently open in the editor. The code defines two outputs: "instance_public_ip" with a description "The public IP of the EC2 instance" and a value of "aws_instance.web_server.public_ip", and "instance_id" with a value of "aws_instance.web_server.id".

```
1 output "instance_public_ip" {  
2   description = "The public IP of the EC2 instance"  
3   value       = aws_instance.web_server.public_ip  
4 }  
5  
6 output "instance_id" {  
7   value = aws_instance.web_server.id  
8 }
```



```
Thu Jan 29 7:58 AM
File Edit Selection View Go Run Terminal Help
main.tf variables.tf outputs.tf bash
TERRAFORM-ASSIGNMENT-14
> terraform
  terraform.lock.hcl
main.tf
outputs.tf
variables.tf

amar@amar-Inspiron-3501:~/Desktop/terraform-assignment-14$ terraform init
Initializing the backend...
Initializing provider plugins...
- Finding latest version of hashicorp/aws...
- Installing hashicorp/aws v0.29.0...
- Installed hashicorp/aws v0.29.0 (signed by HashiCorp)
Terraform has created a lock file .terraform.lock.hcl to record the provider
selections it made above. Include this file in your version control repository
so that Terraform can guarantee to make the same selections by default when
you run "terraform init" in the future.

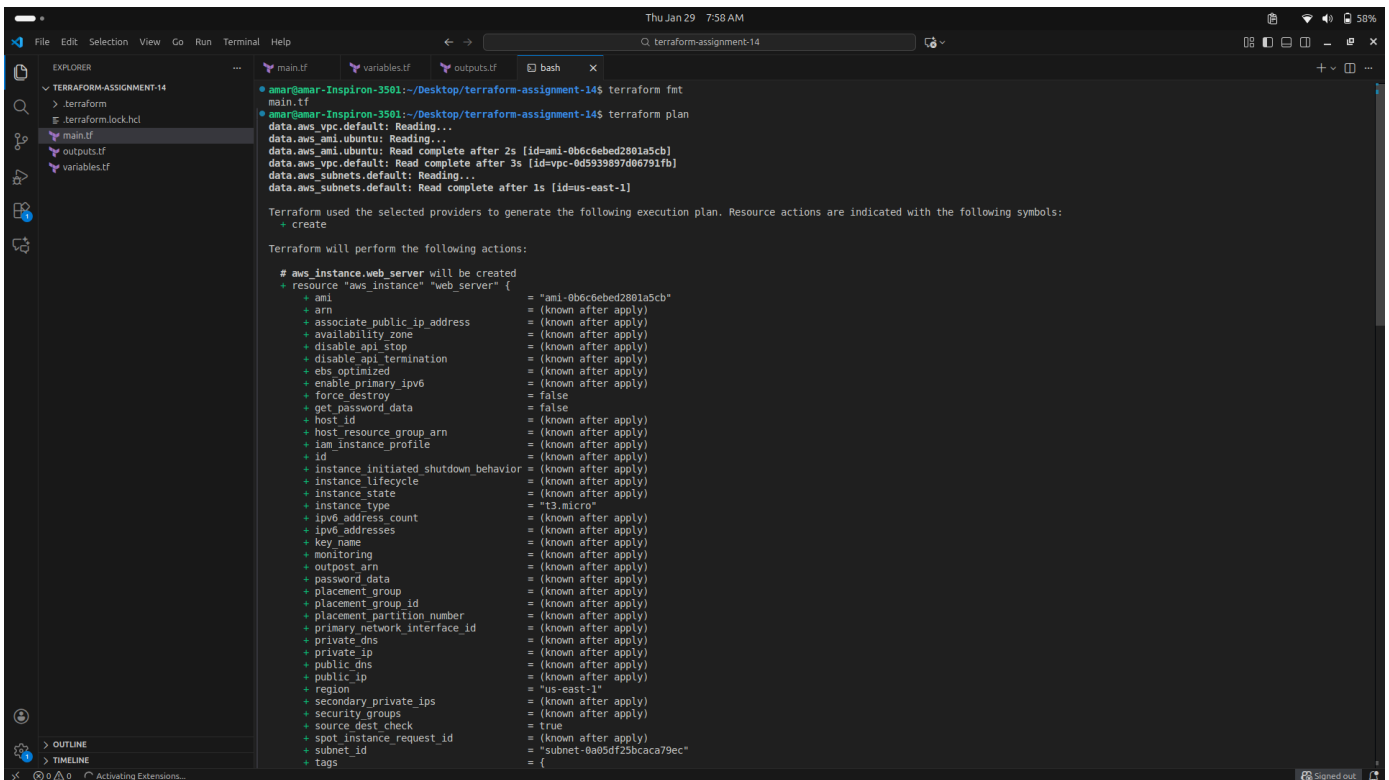
Terraform has been successfully initialized!

You may now begin working with Terraform. Try running "terraform plan" to see
any changes that are required for your infrastructure. All Terraform commands
should now work.

If you ever set or change modules or backend configuration for Terraform,
rerun this command to reinitialize your working directory. If you forget, other
commands will detect it and remind you to do so if necessary.
amar@amar-Inspiron-3501:~/Desktop/terraform-assignment-14$
```

Step 3: Planning the Infrastructure

- Run terraform plan to generate an execution plan.
- The plan confirmed that **2 resources** (an AWS Instance and a Security Group) would be added.



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variables.tf

amar@amar-Inspiron-3501:~/Desktop/terraform-assignment-14$ terraform fmt
main.tf
amar@amar-Inspiron-3501:~/Desktop/terraform-assignment-14$ terraform plan
data.aws_vpc.default: Reading...
data.aws_ami.ubuntu: Reading...
data.aws_ami.ubuntu: Read complete after 2s [id=ami-0b6c6ebd2801a5cb]
data.aws_vpc.default: Read complete after 3s [id=vpc-0d5939897d06791fb]
data.aws_subnets.default: Reading...
data.aws_subnets.default: Read complete after 1s [id=us-east-1]

Terraform used the selected providers to generate the following execution plan. Resource actions are indicated with the following symbols:
+ create

Terraform will perform the following actions:

# aws_instance.web_server will be created
+ resource "aws_instance" "web_server" {
  + ami                    = "ami-0b6c6ebd2801a5cb"
  + arn                    = (known after apply)
  + associate_public_ip_address = (known after apply)
  + availability_zone        = (known after apply)
  + disable_api_stop         = (known after apply)
  + disable_api_termination  = (known after apply)
  + ebs_optimized            = (known after apply)
  + enable_primary_ipv6      = (known after apply)
  + force_destroy            = false
  + get_password_data        = false
  + host_id                 = (known after apply)
  + host_resource_group_arn  = (known after apply)
  + iam_instance_profile     = (known after apply)
  + id                      = (known after apply)
  + instance_initiated_shutdown_behavior = (known after apply)
  + instance_lifecycle       = (known after apply)
  + instance_state           = (known after apply)
  + instance_type            = "t3.micro"
  + ipv6_address_count        = (known after apply)
  + ipv6_addresses           = (known after apply)
  + key_name                 = (known after apply)
  + monitoring                = (known after apply)
  + outpost_arn              = (known after apply)
  + password_data            = (known after apply)
  + placement_group          = (known after apply)
  + placement_group_id       = (known after apply)
  + placement_partition_number = (known after apply)
  + primary_network_interface_id = (known after apply)
  + private_dns              = (known after apply)
  + private_ip               = (known after apply)
  + public_dns               = (known after apply)
  + public_ip                = (known after apply)
  + region                   = "us-east-1"
  + secondary_private_ips    = (known after apply)
  + security_groups           = (known after apply)
  + source_dest_check         = true
  + spot_instance_request_id  = (known after apply)
  + subnet_id                = "subnet-8a85df25bcaca79ec"
  + tags                     = {}
}
```



```

amar@amar-Inspiron-3501:~/Desktop/terraform-assignment-14$ terraform plan
+ protocol = "tcp"
+ security_groups = []
+ self = false
+ to_port = 80
# (1 unchanged attribute hidden)
},
+ id = (known after apply)
+ ingress = [
+ {
+   cidr_blocks = [
+     "0.0.0.0/0",
+   ]
+   from_port = 22
+   ipv6_cidr_blocks = []
+   prefix_list_ids = []
+   protocol = "tcp"
+   security_groups = []
+   self = false
+   to_port = 22
+   # (1 unchanged attribute hidden)
+ },
+   cidr_blocks = [
+     "0.0.0.0/0",
+   ]
+   from_port = 80
+   ipv6_cidr_blocks = []
+   prefix_list_ids = []
+   protocol = "tcp"
+   security_groups = []
+   self = false
+   to_port = 80
+   # (1 unchanged attribute hidden)
+ },
+ ],
+ name = "pccoe_sg_unique_final"
+ name_prefix = (known after apply)
+ owner_id = (known after apply)
+ region = "us-east-1"
+ revoke_rules_on_delete = false
+ tags_all = (known after apply)
+ vpc_id = "vpc-0d5939897d06791fb"
}

Plan: 2 to add, 0 to change, 0 to destroy.

Changes to Outputs:
+ instance_id = (known after apply)
+ instance_public_ip = (known after apply)

Note: You didn't use the -out option to save this plan, so Terraform can't guarantee to take exactly these actions if you run "terraform apply" now.
amar@amar-Inspiron-3501:~/Desktop/terraform-assignment-14$

```

Step 4: Applying and Provisioning

- Execute terraform apply and type yes to confirm.
- Terraform provisioned the `aws_security_group.pccoe_sg_v3` followed by the `aws_instance.web_server` named PCCOE-DevOps-Server.

```

amar@amar-Inspiron-3501:~/Desktop/terraform-assignment-14$ terraform apply
data.aws_vpc.default: Reading...
data.aws_ami.ubuntu: Reading...
data.aws_ami.ubuntu: Read complete after 2s [id=ami-0b6c6ebd2801a5cb]
data.aws_vpc.default: Read complete after 3s [id=vpc-0d5939897d06791fb]
data.aws_subnets.default: Reading...
data.aws_subnets.default: Read complete after 0s [id=us-east-1]

Terraform used the selected providers to generate the following execution plan. Resource actions are indicated with the following symbols:
+ create

Terraform will perform the following actions:

# aws_instance.web_server will be created
+ resource "aws_instance" "web_server" {
+   ami = "ami-0b6c6ebd2801a5cb"
+   arn = (known after apply)
+   associate_public_ip_address = (known after apply)
+   availability_zone = (known after apply)
+   disable_api_stop = (known after apply)
+   disable_api_termination = (known after apply)
+   ebs_optimized = (known after apply)
+   enable_primary_ipv6 = (known after apply)
+   force_destroy = false
+   get_password_data = false
+   host_id = (known after apply)
+   host_resource_group_arn = (known after apply)
+   iam_instance_profile = (known after apply)
+   id = (known after apply)
+   instance_initiated_shutdown_behavior = (known after apply)
+   instance_lifecycle = (known after apply)
+   instance_state = (known after apply)
+   instance_type = "t3.micro"
+   ipv6_address_count = (known after apply)
+   ipv6_addresses = (known after apply)
+   key_name = (known after apply)
+   monitoring = (known after apply)
+   outpost_arn = (known after apply)
+   password_data = (known after apply)
+   placement_group = (known after apply)
+   placement_group_id = (known after apply)
+   placement_partition_number = (known after apply)
+   primary_network_interface_id = (known after apply)
+   private_dns = (known after apply)
+   private_ip = (known after apply)
+   public_dns = (known after apply)
+   public_ip = (known after apply)
+   region = "us-east-1"
+   secondary_private_ips = (known after apply)
+   security_groups = (known after apply)
+   source_dest_check = true
+   spot_instance_request_id = (known after apply)
+   subnet_id = "subnet-0a85df25bcaca79ec"
+   tags = {
+     "Name" = "PCCOE-DevOps-Server"
+   }
}

```

```
amar@amar-Inspiron-3501:~/Desktop/terraform-assignment-14$ terraform apply
+ prefix_list_ids = []
+ protocol        = "tcp"
+ security_groups = []
+ self            = false
+ to_port         = 22
# (1 unchanged attribute hidden)
+ cidr_blocks = [
  + "0.0.0.0/0",
]
+ from_port     = 80
+ ipv6_cidr_blocks = []
+ prefix_list_ids = []
+ protocol       = "tcp"
+ security_groups = []
+ self           = false
+ to_port        = 80
# (1 unchanged attribute hidden)
}
+ name           = "pccoe_sg_unique_final"
+ name_prefix    = (known after apply)
+ owner_id       = (known after apply)
+ region         = "us-east-1"
+ revoke_rules_on_delete = false
+ tags_all       = (known after apply)
+ vpc_id         = "vpc-0d9338970b6791fb"
}

Plan: 2 to add, 0 to change, 0 to destroy.

Changes to Outputs:
+ instance_id      = (known after apply)
+ instance_public_ip = (known after apply)

Do you want to perform these actions?
Terraform will perform the actions described above.
Only 'yes' will be accepted to approve.

Enter a value: yes

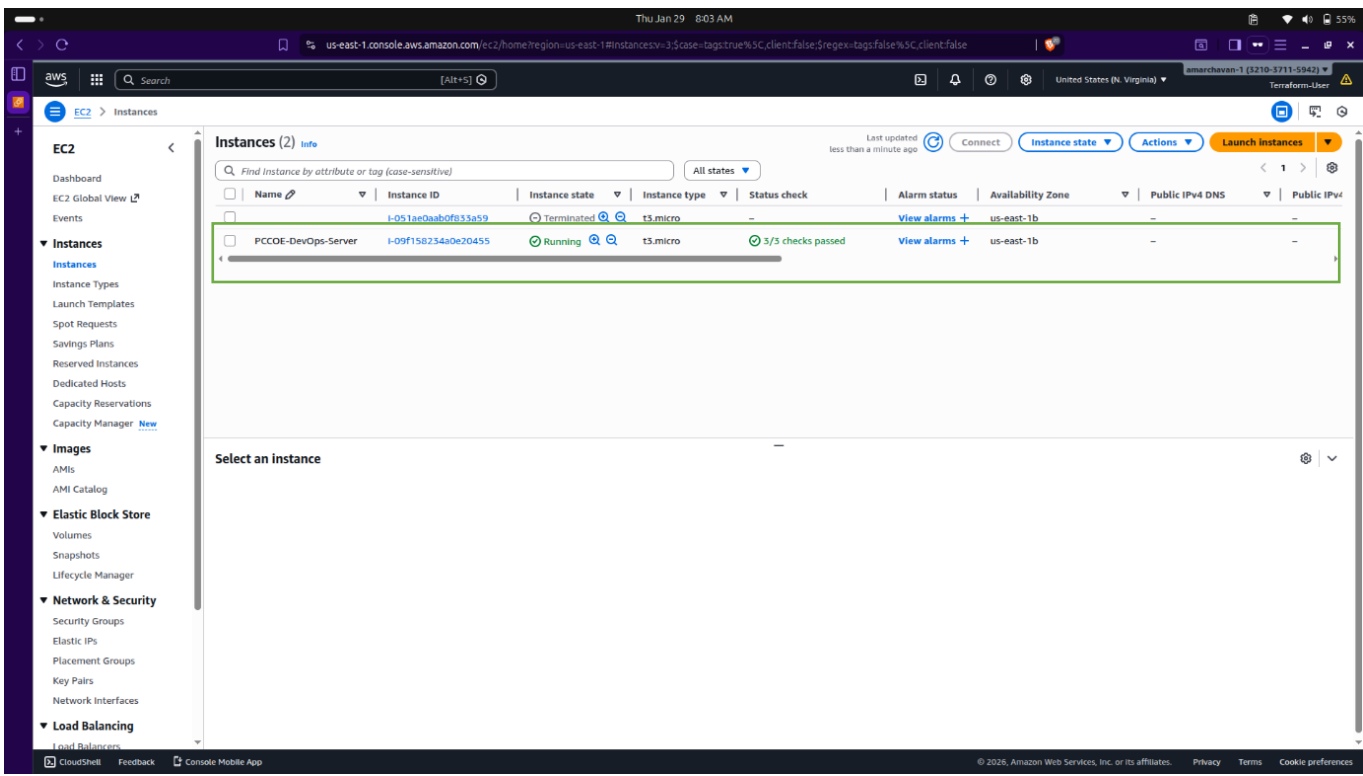
aws_security_group.pccoe_sg_v3: Creating...
aws_security_group.pccoe_sg_v3: Creation complete after 6s [id=sg-063c0ec96d7432270]
aws_instance.web_server: Creating...
aws_instance.web_server: Still creating... [00m10s elapsed]
aws_instance.web_server: Creation complete after 16s [id=i-09f158234a0e20455]

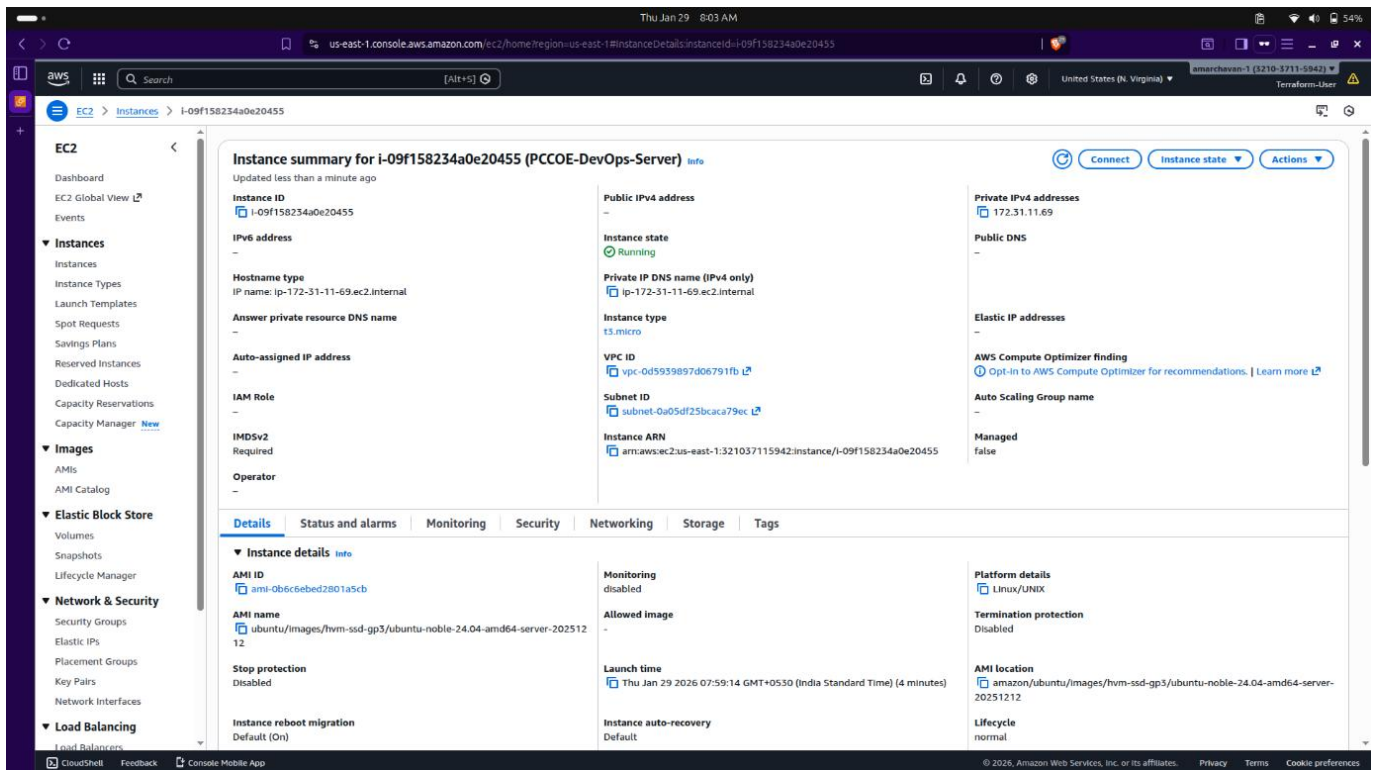
Apply complete! Resources: 2 added, 0 changed, 0 destroyed.

Outputs:
instance_id = "i-09f158234a0e20455"
instance_public_ip = ""
amar@amar-Inspiron-3501:~/Desktop/terraform-assignment-14$
```

Step 5: Verification in AWS Console

- The EC2 Dashboard confirmed the instance i-09f158234a0e20455 was in a "Running" state with 3/3 status checks passed.





Step 6: Resource Destruction

- To clean up the cloud environment, run terraform destroy.
- This safely terminated the instance and deleted the security group from the AWS region.

```

$ terraform destroy
data.aws_vpc.default: Reading...
data.aws_ami.ubuntu: Reading...
data.aws_ami.ubuntu: Read complete after 2s [id=ami-0b6c6ebd2801a5cb]
data.aws_vpc.default: Read complete after 2s [id=vpc-0d5939897d06791fb]
data.aws_subnets.default: Reading...
aws_security_group.pccoe_sg_v3: Refreshing state... [id=sg-063c0ec06d7432270]
data.aws_subnets.default: Read complete after 1s [id=us-east-1]
aws_instance.web_server: Refreshing state... [id=i-09f158234a0e20455]

Terraform used the selected providers to generate the following execution plan. Resource actions are indicated with the following symbols:
- destroy

Terraform will perform the following actions:

# aws_instance.web_server will be destroyed
- resource "aws_instance" "web_server" {
  ami              = "ami-0b6c6ebd2801a5cb" -> null
  arn              = "arn:aws:ec2:us-east-1:321037115942:instance/i-09f158234a0e20455" -> null
  associate_public_ip_address = false -> null
  availability_zone = "us-east-1b" -> null
  disable_api_stop = false -> null
  disable_api_termination = false -> null
  ebs_optimized    = false -> null
  force_destroy    = false -> null
  get_password_data = false -> null
  hibernation      = false -> null
  id              = "i-09f158234a0e20455" -> null
  instance_initiated_shutdown_behavior = "stop" -> null
  instance_state   = "running" -> null
  instance_type    = "t3.micro" -> null
  ipv6_address_count = 0 -> null
  ipv6_addresses   = [] -> null
  monitoring       = false -> null
  placement_partition_number = 0 -> null
  primary_network_interface_id = "eni-065f9242581fbb338" -> null
  private_dns      = "ip-172-31-11-69.ec2.internal" -> null
  private_ip       = "172.31.11.69" -> null
  region           = "us-east-1" -> null
  secondary_private_ips = [] -> null
  security_groups  = [
    "pccoe_sg_unique_final",
  ] -> null
  source_dest_check = true -> null
  subnet_id        = "subnet-0a05df25bcaca79ec" -> null
  tags             = {
    "Name" = "PCCOE-DevOps-Server"
  } -> null
  tags_all         = {
    "Name" = "PCCOE-DevOps-Server"
  } -> null
  tenancy          = "default" -> null
  user_data_replace_on_change = false -> null
  vpc_security_group_ids = [
    "sg-063c0ec06d7432270",
  ] -> null
}

```

```

amar@amar-Inspiron-3501:~/Desktop/terraform-assignment-14$ terraform destroy
# (11 unchanged attributes hidden)

- capacity_reservation_specification {
  - capacity_reservation_preference = "open" -> null
}

- cpu_options {
  - core_count      = 1 -> null
  - threads_per_core = 2 -> null
  # (1 unchanged attribute hidden)
}

- credit_specification {
  - cpu_credits = "unlimited" -> null
}

- enclave_options {
  - enabled = false -> null
}

- maintenance_options {
  - auto_recovery = "default" -> null
}

- metadata_options {
  - http_endpoint      = "enabled" -> null
  - http_protocol_ipv6 = "disabled" -> null
  - http_put_response_hop_limit = 2 -> null
  - http_tokens        = "required" -> null
  - instance_metadata_tags = "disabled" -> null
}

- primary_network_interface {
  - delete_on_termination = true -> null
  - network_interface_id = "eni-065f9242581fbb338" -> null
}

- private_dns_name_options {
  - enable_resource_name_dns_a_record = false -> null
  - enable_resource_name_dns_aaaa_record = false -> null
  - hostname_type                     = "ip-name" -> null
}

- root_block_device {
  - delete_on_termination = true -> null
  - device_name           = "/dev/sda1" -> null
  - encrypted             = false -> null
  - iops                  = 3000 -> null
  - tags                  = {} -> null
  - tags_all              = {} -> null
  - throughput            = 125 -> null
  - volume_id             = "vol-02423055af1397530" -> null
  - volume_size           = 8 -> null
  - volume_type           = "gp3" -> null
}

```

```

amar@amar-Inspiron-3501:~/Desktop/terraform-assignment-14$ terraform destroy
- ipv6_cidr_blocks = []
- prefix_list_ids = []
- protocol        = "tcp"
- security_groups = []
- self            = false
- to_port         = 22
# (1 unchanged attribute hidden)
},
- {
  - cidr_blocks = [
    - "0.0.0.0/0",
  ]
  - from_port      = 80
  - ipv6_cidr_blocks = []
  - prefix_list_ids = []
  - protocol       = "tcp"
  - security_groups = []
  - self           = false
  - to_port        = 80
  # (1 unchanged attribute hidden)
},
] -> null
- name          = "pccoe_sg_unique_final" -> null
- owner_id      = "321937115942" -> null
- region        = "us-east-1" -> null
- revoke_rules_on_delete = false -> null
- tags          = {} -> null
- tags_all      = {} -> null
- vpc_id        = "vpc-0d5939897d06791fb" -> null
# (1 unchanged attribute hidden)
}

```

Plan: 0 to add, 0 to change, 2 to destroy.

Changes to Outputs:

```

- instance_id      = "i-09f158234a0e20455" -> null
- instance_public_ip = "" -> null

```

Do you really want to destroy all resources?

Terraform will destroy all your managed infrastructure, as shown above.
There is no undo. Only 'yes' will be accepted to confirm.

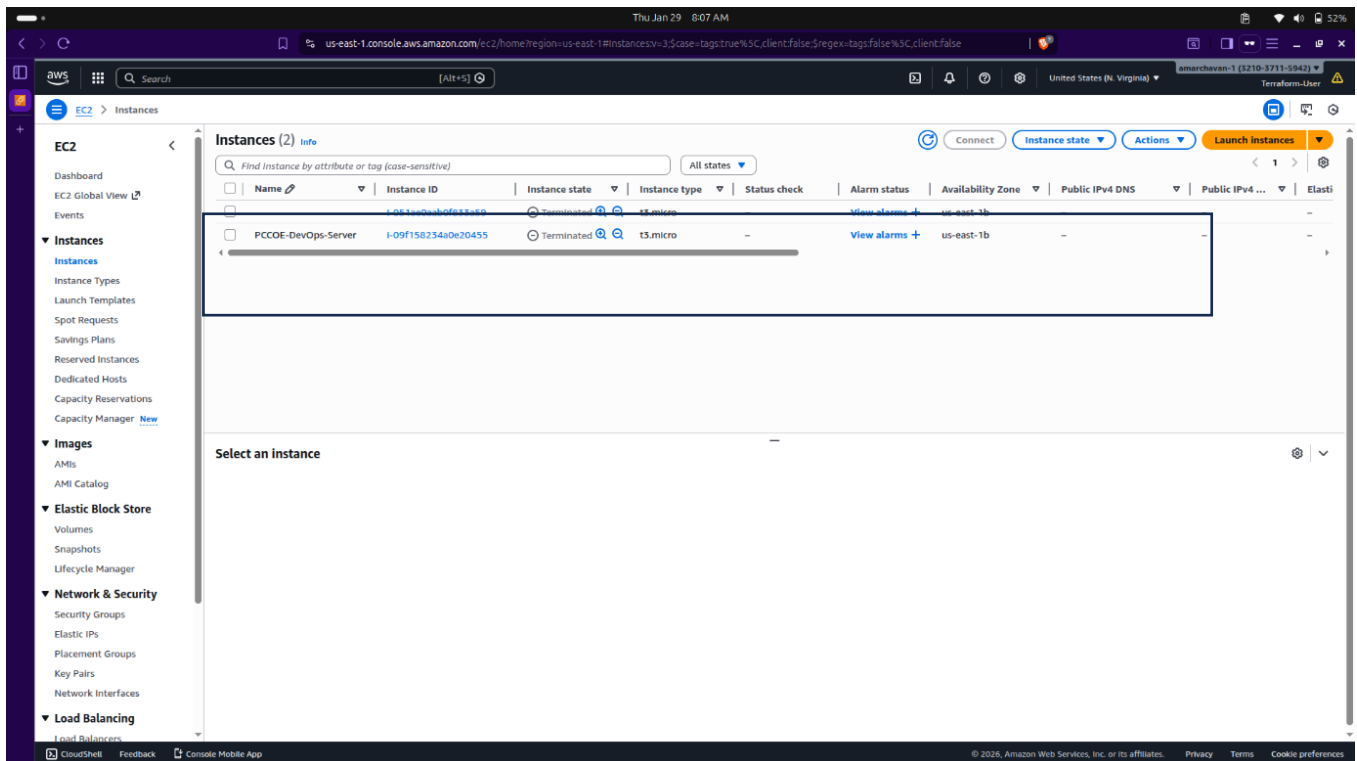
Enter a value: yes

```

aws_instance.web_server: Destroying... [id=i-09f158234a0e20455]
aws_instance.web_server: Still destroying... [id=i-09f158234a0e20455, 00m10s elapsed]
aws_instance.web_server: Still destroying... [id=i-09f158234a0e20455, 00m20s elapsed]
aws_instance.web_server: Still destroying... [id=i-09f158234a0e20455, 00m30s elapsed]
aws_instance.web_server: Still destroying... [id=i-09f158234a0e20455, 00m40s elapsed]
aws_instance.web_server: Destruction complete after 42s
aws_security_group.pccoe_sg_v3: Destroying... [id=sg-063c0ec06d7432270]
aws_security_group.pccoe_sg_v3: Destruction complete after 1s

```

Destroy complete! Resources: 2 destroyed.



Conclusion

The successful execution of Assignment 14 effectively demonstrates the core principles of Infrastructure as Code (IaC) by automating cloud resource management. By transitioning from manual console-based provisioning to programmatic configuration via the AWS CLI, I established a secure and authenticated environment necessary for automated orchestration. The implementation of the Terraform lifecycle—encompassing init, plan, apply, and destroy—provided a structured and predictable workflow for managing the PCCOE-DevOps-Server instance.

A key takeaway was the importance of State Management, where the `terraform.tfstate` file ensured that the local configuration remained synchronized with the real-world cloud resources. Furthermore, the ability to safely terminate and delete the infrastructure using the destroy command highlighted the efficiency and cost-control benefits of using Terraform in a DevOps pipeline. Ultimately, this assignment validates that using HCL-based scripts ensures consistency, repeatability, and significantly reduces the manual overhead typically associated with managing enterprise-scale cloud infrastructure.