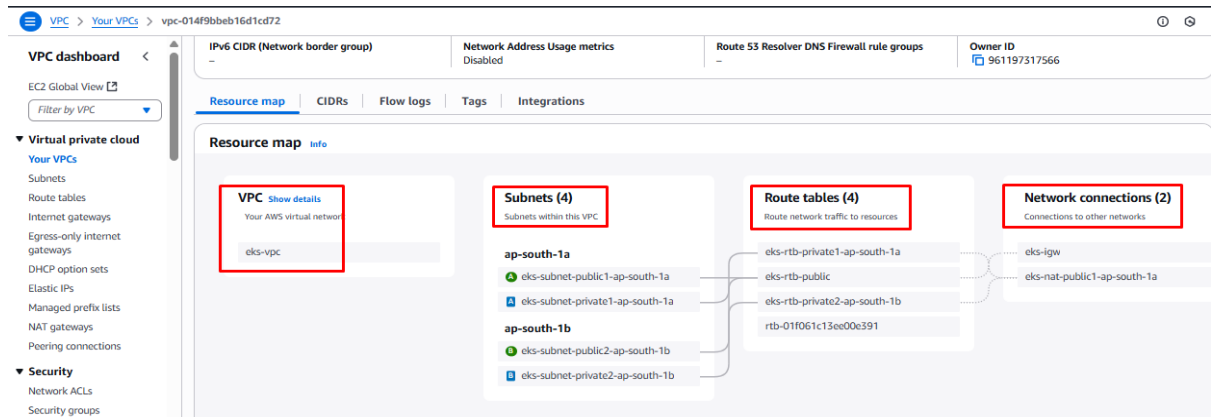


EKS Cluster Provisioning from AWS Console

1. Create a VPC with 2 Public Subnet and 2 Private Subnets

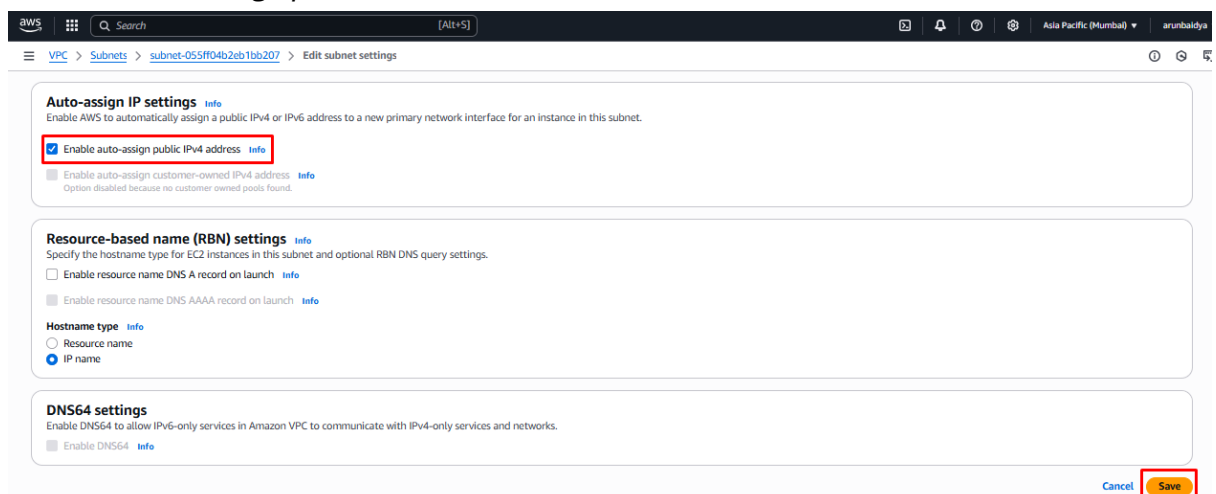


2. Check All Subnets, Route Table, IGW, NAT GW, EIP, Security Group

- There must have 2 Private Subnets and 2 Public Subnets in Available State
- There must be created 2 Private Route Tables and 1 Public Route Table for 2 subnets. Another default Rout Table will get created as a “Main=Yes”
- 1 IGW will get created which must be Attached with the VPC
- 1 NAT GW (or 2) must be created in the Public Subnet and 1 Elastic IP Address should be attached with that NAT GW.
- 1 default VPC security group will be created at the time of VPC Creation and will be attached with the VPC

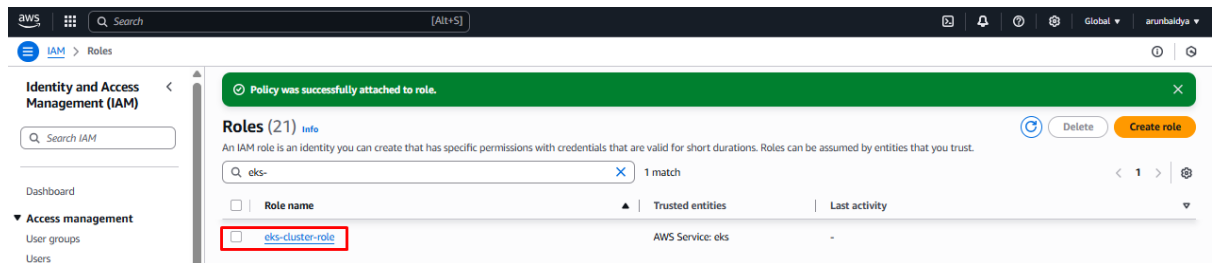
3. Now Enable auto-assign public IPv4 address for both the Public Subnets

Go to Subnet => Select Public Subnet => Actions => Edit Subnet Settings => Tick on “Enable auto-assign public IPv4 address” => Save

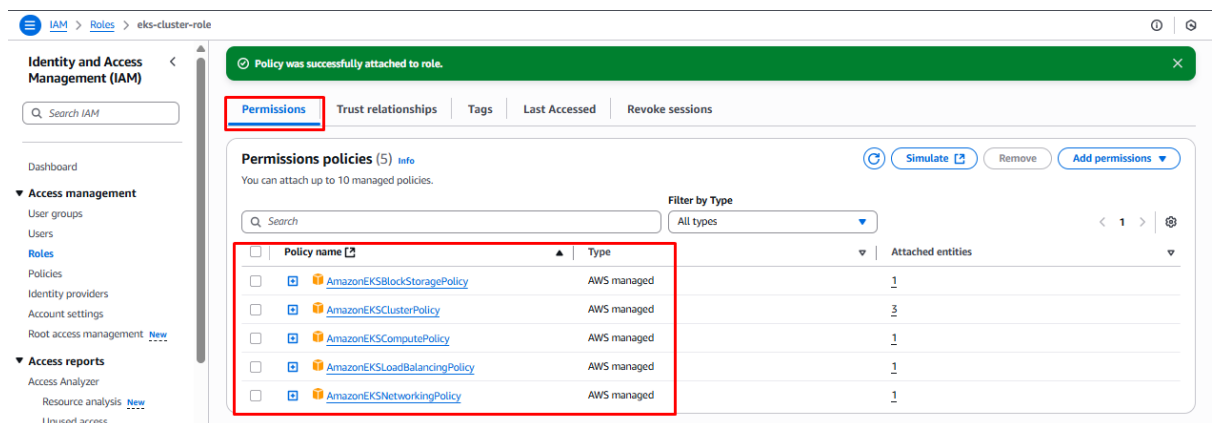


4. Create IAM Role for EKS Cluster

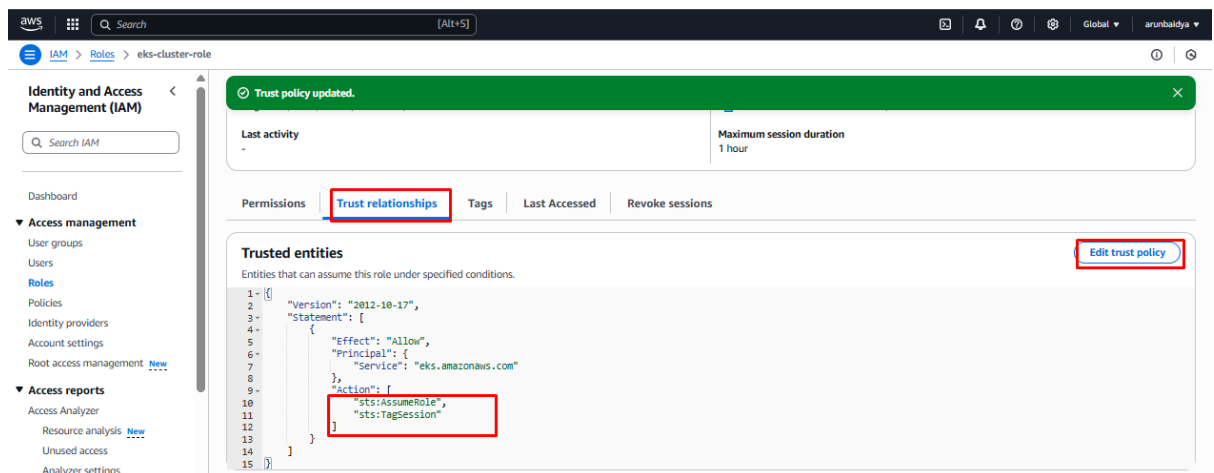
- a. Go to IAM => Role => Create role => AWS service => Use case => Select “EKS” for Service or use case => Select “EKS-Cluster” for Use case => Next => Next => Set a Role name “eks-cluster-role” => Create role



- b. Click on the created Role “eks-cluster-role” => Permissions => Add Permissions => Attach policies => Add these Permissions => AmazonEKSBLOCKStoragePolicy, AmazonEKSCOMPUTEPolicy, AmazonEKSLoadBalancingPolicy, AmazonEKSNetworkingPolicy => Add permissions

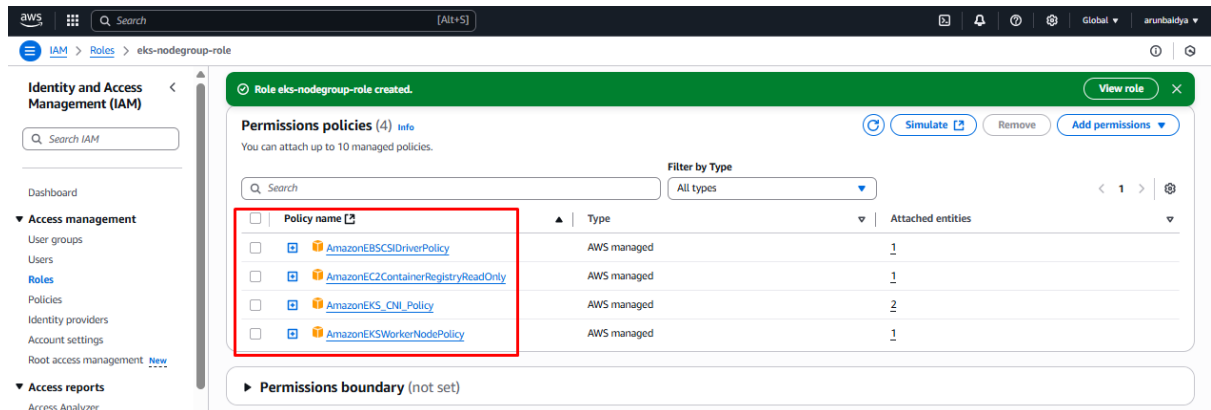


- c. Go to “Trust Relationship” => Edit trusted policies => Add the below trust policy “sts:TagSession” in json script => Update policy



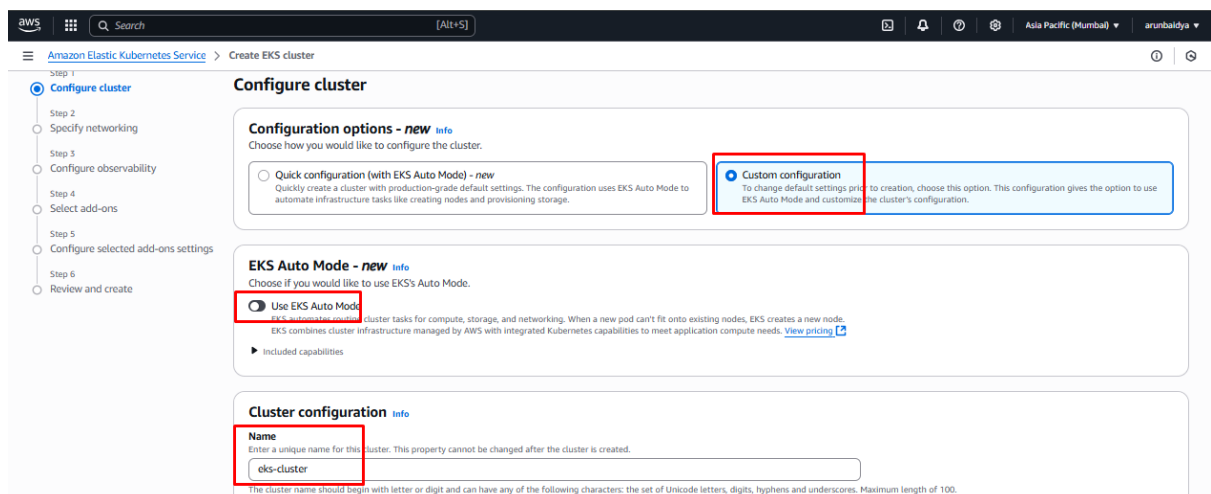
5. Create IAM role for EKS Node Group

- a. Go to Role => Create role => AWS service => Use case => Select “EC2” for Service or use case => Select “EC2” for Use case => Next => Add Permissions => Select these Policies => **AmazonEKSCSIDriverPolicy, AmazonEC2ContainerRegistryReadOnly, AmazonEKS_CNI_Policy, AmazonEBSCSIDriverPolicy** => Next => Set a Role name “eks-nodegroup-role” => Create role



6. Create the EKS Cluster

- a. Go to AWS EKS => Create cluster => Custom configuration => “Disable” EKS Auto Mode => Set Cluster Name “eks-cluster” => Select Cluster IAM role “eks-cluster-role” => Select Kubernetes version “1.33” or latest version => Upgrade policy “Standard” => Cluster access “Allow cluster administrator access” => Cluster authentication mode “EKS API” => Next



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Cluster IAM role | Info
Select the Cluster IAM role to allow the Kubernetes control plane to manage AWS resources on your behalf. This cannot be changed after the cluster is created. To create a new custom role, follow the instructions in the [Amazon EKS User Guide](#).
eks-cluster-role [Create recommended role](#)

Kubernetes version settings

Kubernetes version | Info
Select Kubernetes version for this cluster.
1.31

Upgrade policy | Info
Choose one of the following options. You can switch the setting later while the standard support period is in effect.
☒ **Standard**
This option supports the Kubernetes version for 14 months after the release date. There is no additional cost. When standard support ends, your cluster will be auto upgraded to the next version.
☐ **Extended**
This option supports the Kubernetes version for 26 months after the release date. The extended support period has an additional hourly cost that begins after the standard support period ends. When extended support ends, your cluster will be auto upgraded to the next version.

Auto Mode Compute - new | Info
Configure node management for your EKS cluster. EKS offers four compute options: EKS Auto Mode, EC2 Managed Node Groups, Fargate, and hybrid nodes. Node groups, Fargate profiles, and hybrid nodes are configured after cluster creation. You can also create self-managed nodes.
[View documentation](#)

Compute configuration
If EKS Auto Mode is not managing compute resources, you need to create compute resources once the cluster is ready. We recommend creating a node group after cluster creation.

Cluster access | Info
Control how IAM principals can access this cluster.
Bootstrap cluster administrator access | Info
Choose whether the IAM principal creates the cluster has Kubernetes cluster administrator access.
☒ **Allow cluster administrator access**
Allow cluster administrator access for your IAM principal.
☐ **Disallow cluster administrator access**
Disallow cluster administrator access for your IAM principal.

Cluster authentication mode | Info
Configure which source the cluster will use for authenticated IAM principals.
☒ **EKS API**
The cluster will source authenticated IAM principals only from EKS access entry APIs.
☐ **EKS API and ConfigMap**
The cluster will source authenticated IAM principals from both EKS access entry APIs and the aws-auth ConfigMap.

☒ **Use your own AWS KMS key**
After a cluster is created, you can migrate from using an AWS owned key to a customer managed key (CMK), but not vice versa.

ARC Zonal shift | Info
Shift application traffic away from an impaired Availability Zone (AZ) in your EKS cluster. You can change this later.
☐ **Enabled**
EKS will register your cluster with ARC zonal shift to enable you to use zonal shift to shift application traffic away from an AZ.
☒ **Disabled**
EKS will not register your cluster with ARC zonal shift.
[Learn more](#)

Tags (0) | Info
No tags associated with the resource.
[Add new tag](#)
You can add up to 50 tags.

[Cancel](#) [Next](#)

- b. Go to Network => Select VPC “eks-vpc” => Select only “2 Private Subnets” => Additional security groups – Optional => Choose cluster IP address family “IPV4” => Cluster endpoint access “Public & private” => Advanced settings, set “CIDR block” – can set company’s public IP CIDR or your local machine’s CDIR => Next

Note: Search “what is my public ip”

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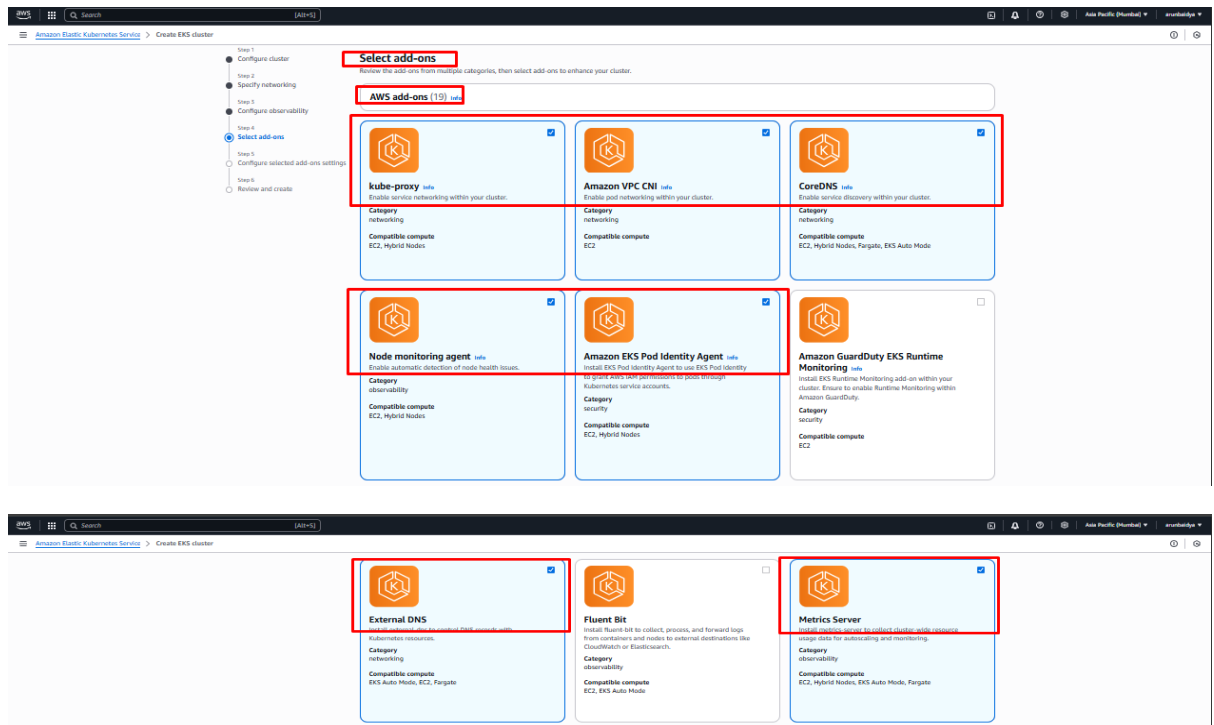
The screenshot shows the 'Specify networking' step in the AWS Management Console. The left sidebar lists steps: Step 1: Configure cluster, Step 2: Specify networking (selected), Step 3: Configure observability, Step 4: Select add-ons, Step 5: Configure selected add-ons settings, Step 6: Review and create. The main content area has a 'Networking' section with a note: 'IP address family and service IP address range cannot be changed after cluster creation.' Below this are three sections: 'VPC' with a dropdown set to 'vpc-014f9bb6b16d1cd72 | eks-vpc'; 'Subnets' with a dropdown set to 'subnet-0627320b9e6d6b345 | eks-subnet-private2-ap-south-1b' and 'subnet-0b465d788776e66d7 | eks-subnet-private1-ap-south-1a'; and 'Additional security groups - optional' with a dropdown set to 'Select security groups'. A 'Clear selected subnets' button is also visible.

The screenshot shows the 'Cluster endpoint access' step in the AWS Management Console. The left sidebar lists steps: Step 1: Configure cluster, Step 2: Specify networking, Step 3: Configure observability (selected), Step 4: Select add-ons, Step 5: Configure selected add-ons settings, Step 6: Review and create. The main content area has a 'Choose cluster IP address family' section with 'IPv4' selected. Below it is a 'Configure Kubernetes service IP address block' section with a note: 'Specify the range from which cluster services will receive IP addresses.' Then is a 'Configure remote networks to enable hybrid nodes' section with a note: 'Specify the CIDR blocks for your on-premises environments that you will use for hybrid nodes.' The 'Cluster endpoint access' section has 'Public and private' selected. Below it is an 'Advanced settings' section with a 'CIDR block' field containing '103.220.210.42/32' and a 'Remove' button.

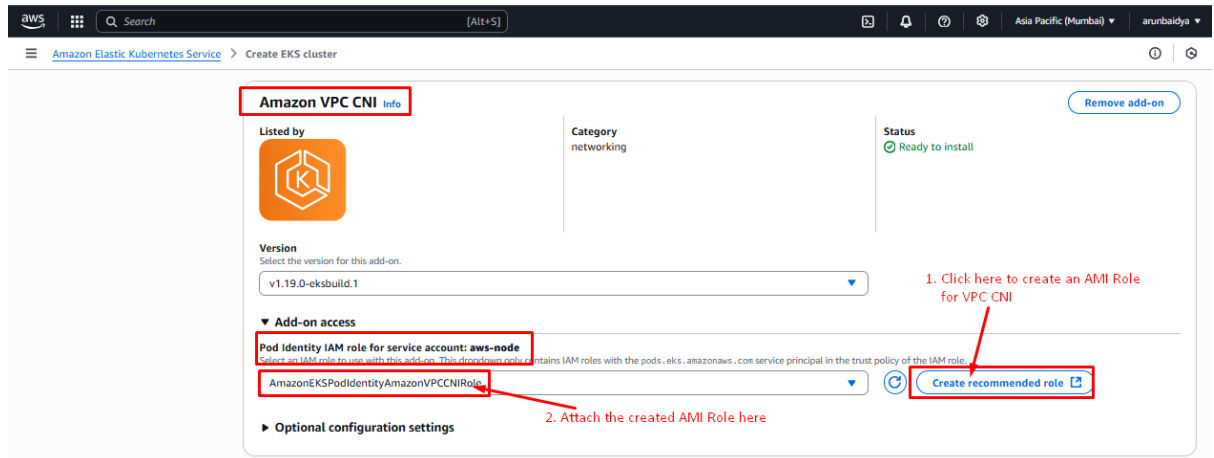
c. Configure observability => Select Metrics Tools as per the plan => Enable Control plane logs as per the requirements => Next

The screenshot shows the 'Configure observability' step in the AWS Management Console. The left sidebar lists steps: Step 1: Configure cluster, Step 2: Specify networking, Step 3: Configure observability (selected), Step 4: Select add-ons, Step 5: Configure selected add-ons settings, Step 6: Review and create. The main content area has a 'Metrics' section with 'Prometheus' and 'CloudWatch' both selected. Below it is a 'Control plane logs' section with 'API server', 'Audit', 'Authenticator', 'Controller manager', and 'Scheduler' all selected. At the bottom right are 'Cancel', 'Previous', and 'Next' buttons, with 'Next' highlighted in orange.

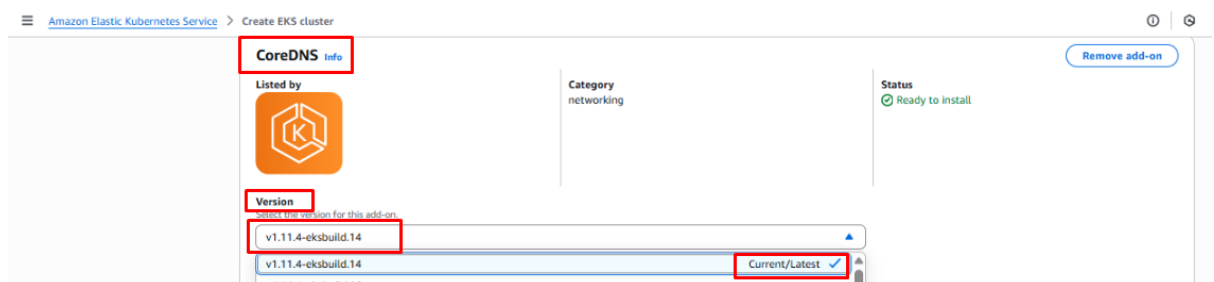
d. Select Add-ons => Keep the default selected Add-ons Plug-ins (kube-proxy, Amazon VPC CNI, CoreDNS, Node monitoring agent, AWS EKS Pod Identity Agent, External DNS, Metrics Server) => Next



e. Configure selected add-ons settings => AWS VPC CNI => create an AMI Role => Attach the Role



f. CoreDNS => Change the Default Version to Current Version



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g. Configure selected add-ons settings => External DNS => create an IAM Role => Attach the Role => Next

External DNS [Remove add-on](#)

Listed by

Category: networking

Status: Ready to install

Version: Select the version for this add-on.
 v0.18.0-eksbuild.1

▼ Add-on access

Pod identity IAM role for service account: **external-dns**
 Select an IAM role to use with this add-on. This dropdown only contains IAM roles with the pods.eks.amazonaws.com service principal in the trust policy of the IAM role.

AmazonEKSPodIdentityExternalDNSRole [Create recommended role](#)

► Optional configuration settings

7. Review => Click on “Create” => Wait for 10 to 15 minutes to get the EKS Cluster Created

Review and create [Edit](#)

Step 1: Cluster

Cluster configuration

Name: eks-cluster | Kubernetes version: 1.31

EKS Auto Mode: Disabled | Upgrade policy: Standard

Cluster IAM role: arn:aws:iam::961197317566:role/eks-cluster-role | Kubernetes cluster administrator access: Allow cluster administrator access

Authentication mode: EKS API

ARC Zonal shift

ARC Zonal shift: Disabled

Tags (0)

Tags that you've added. Each tag consists of a key and an optional value.

Key | Value

No tags
This cluster does not have any tags.

Step 2: Networking [Edit](#)

Networking

These properties cannot be changed after the cluster is created.

VPC: vpc-014f9bbeb16d1cd72 | Subnets: subnet-0627320b9e6d6b345, subnet-0b465d788776e66d7

Cluster IP address family: IPv4

Cluster endpoint access

API server endpoint access: Public and private | Public access source allowlist: 103.220.210.42/32

Step 3: Observability

Edit

Control plane logs

API server
off

Audit
off

Authenticator
off

Controller manager
off

Scheduler
off

Step 4: Add-ons

Edit

Selected add-ons (7)

< 1 >

Add-on name	Type	Status
coredns	networking	Ready to install
eks-node-monitoring-agent	observability	Ready to install
eks-pod-identity-agent	security	Ready to install
external-dns	networking	Ready to install
kube-proxy	networking	Ready to install
metrics-server	observability	Ready to install
vpc-cni	networking	Ready to install

Step 5: Versions

Edit

Selected add-ons version (7)

< 1 >

Add-on name	Version
coredns	v1.11.4-eksbuild.14
eks-node-monitoring-agent	v1.3.0-eksbuild.2
eks-pod-identity-agent	v1.3.8-eksbuild.2
external-dns	v0.18.0-eksbuild.1
kube-proxy	v1.31.2-eksbuild.3
metrics-server	v0.8.0-eksbuild.1
vpc-cni	v1.19.0-eksbuild.1

EKS Pod Identity (2)

< 1 >

Add-on name	IAM role	Service account
external-dns	arn:aws:iam::961197317566:role/AmazonEKSPodIdentityExternalDNSRole	external-dns
vpc-cni	arn:aws:iam::961197317566:role/AmazonEKSPodIdentityAmazonVPCCNIRole	aws-node

Cancel

Previous

Create

8. After 10 to 15 minutes, EKS Cluster will get Created

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Clusters (1)

Filter clusters

Cluster name	Status	Kubernetes version	Support period	Upgrade policy	Created	Provider
eks-cluster	Active	1.31	Standard support until November 26, 2025	Standard	17 minutes ago	EKS

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Networking

VPC vpc-014f9bbeb16d1cd72

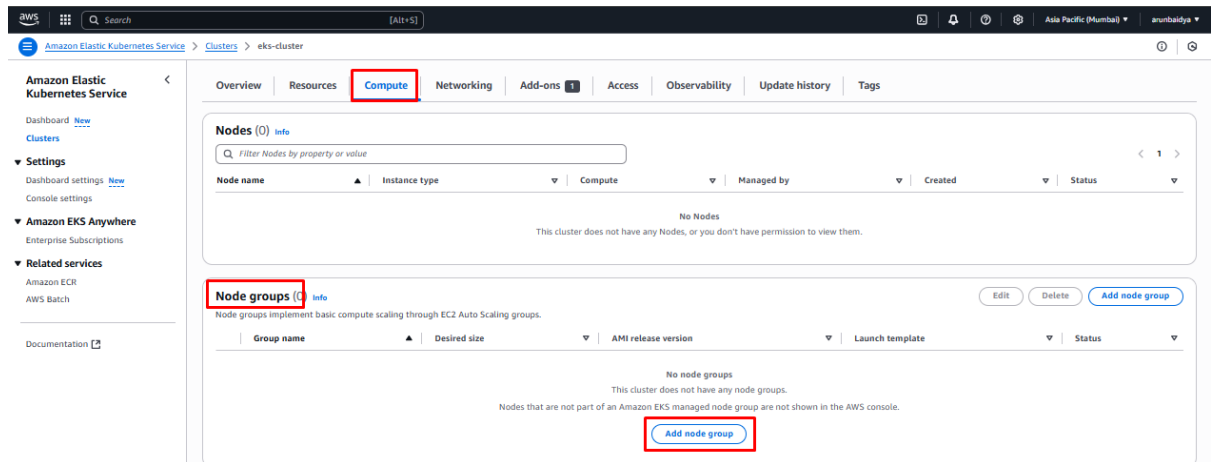
Subnets subnet-0627320b9e6ddb345 subnet-0b465d788776e6dd7

Cluster security group sg-05ab30add261ecd3c

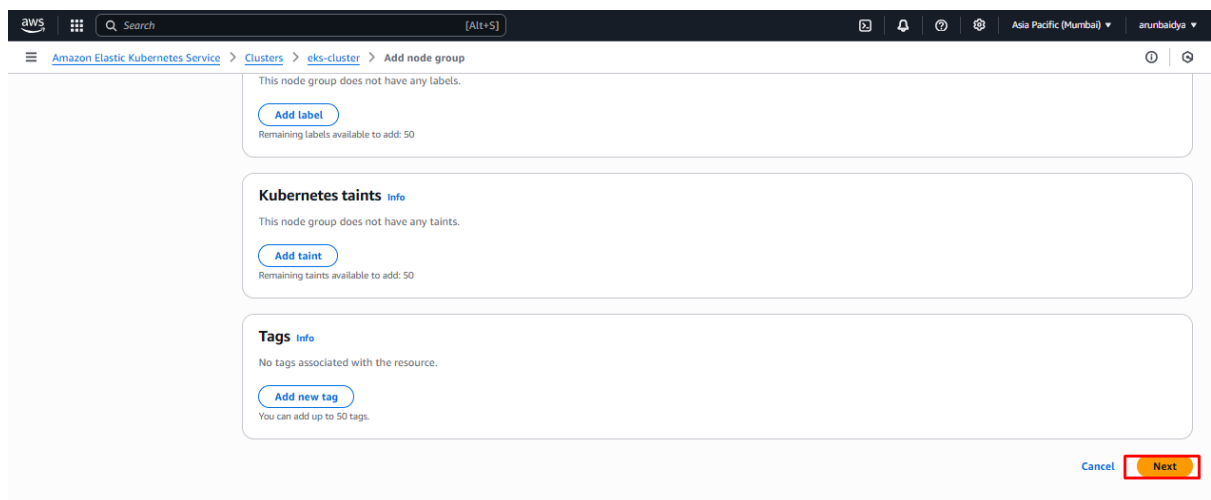
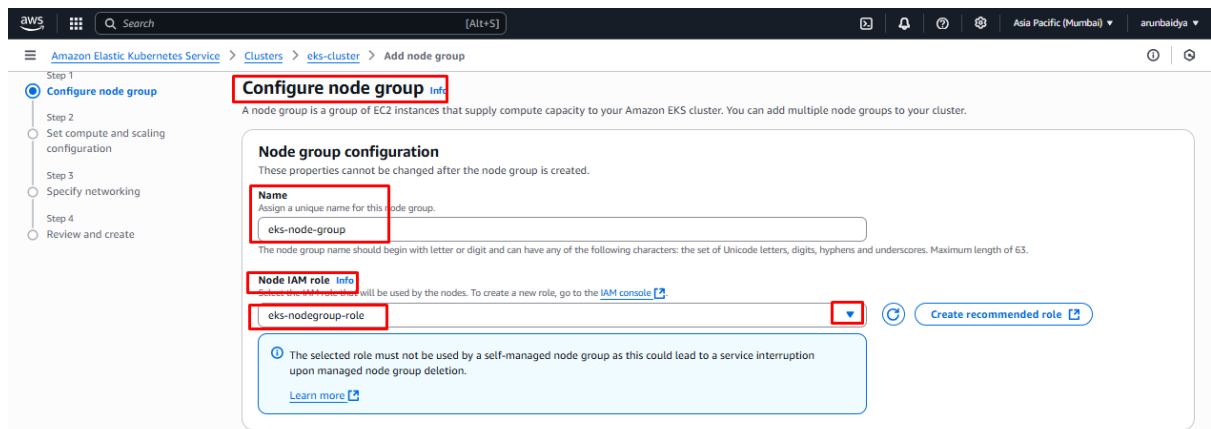
API server endpoint access Public and private Public access source allowlist 103.220.210.42/32

9. Now, create EKS Node Group

a. Click on EKS Cluster => Compute => Node groups => Add node group



b. Configure node group => Set a Name “eks-node-group” => Select Node IAM role “eks-nodegroup-role” => If you have then, enable and select a “Launch Template” => Else Skip => Next



- c. Set compute and scaling configuration => Select AMI type => Select Capacity type
=> Select Instance types => Set Disk size

The screenshot shows the 'Set compute and scaling configuration' step in the AWS console. The left sidebar indicates the current step is 'Set compute and scaling configuration'. The main content area is titled 'Node group compute configuration' and includes the following fields:

- AMI type:** A dropdown menu showing 'Amazon Linux 2023 (x86_64) Standard (AL2023_x86_64_STANDARD)'.
- Capacity type:** A dropdown menu showing 'On-Demand'.
- Instance types:** A search bar with 't3.medium' selected. A tooltip shows details: 't3.medium, vCPU: 2 vCPUs, Memory: 4 GiB, Network: Up to 5 Gigabit, Max ENI: 3, Max IPs: 18'.
- Disk size:** A text input field with '20' and a unit dropdown set to 'GiB'.

- d. Node group scaling configuration -> Set Desired size => Minimum size => Maximum size

The screenshot shows the 'Node group scaling configuration' step in the AWS console. The main content area is titled 'Node group scaling configuration' and includes the following fields:

- Desired size:** A text input field with '1' and a unit dropdown set to 'nodes'.
- Minimum size:** A text input field with '1' and a unit dropdown set to 'nodes'.
- Maximum size:** A text input field with '1' and a unit dropdown set to 'nodes'.

- e. Node group update configuration -> Set either one and set the Value accordingly
=> Keep Update strategy "Default" => Next

The screenshot shows the 'Node group update configuration' and 'Node auto repair configuration' steps in the AWS console. The main content area is titled 'Node group update configuration' and includes the following fields:

- Maximum unavailable:** A section with two radio buttons: 'Number' (selected) and 'Percentage'.
- Value:** A text input field with '1' and a unit dropdown set to 'node'.
- Update strategy:** Two radio buttons: 'Default' (selected) and 'Minimal'.

Below this is the 'Node auto repair configuration' section, which includes a checkbox for 'Enable node auto repair'.

- f. Specify networking => Node group network configuration -> Select only “2 Private Subne”

Specify networking

Node group network configuration

These properties cannot be changed after the node group is created.

Subnets info

Select subnets

Clear selected subnets

subnet-0627320b9e6db345 | eks-subnet-private2-ap-south-1b

ap-south-1b 10.0.144.0/20

subnet-0b465d788776e66d7 | eks-subnet-private1-ap-south-1a

ap-south-1a 10.0.128.0/20

- g. You can enable “Configure remote access” => Create a EC2 Key=Pair and attach here => Set “Allow remote access from” to “Selected security groups” => Next

Configure remote access to nodes info

EC2 Key Pair

Select an EC2 key pair to allow secure remote access to your nodes. To create a new EC2 key pair, go to the corresponding page in the EC2 console.

Select EC2 Key Pair

Allow remote access from

Configure the SSH client source IP ranges that can remotely access nodes.

Selected security groups

Specify security groups to restrict which source IPs can remotely access nodes.

All

Do not restrict source IPs that can remotely access nodes.

Additional security groups - optional

To create a new security group, go to the corresponding page in the EC2 console.

Select security groups

Cancel Previous Next

10. Review => Click on “Create” => Wait for 5 to 10 minutes to get the EKS Nodegroup Created

Review and create

Step 1: Node group

Edit

Node group configuration

Name

eks-node-group

Node IAM role

arn:awsiam::961197317566:role/eks-nodegroup-role

Kubernetes labels (0)

< 1 >

Key Value

No labels

This node group does not have any Kubernetes labels.

Kubernetes taints (0)

Filter by key, value or effect

< 1 >

Key Value Effect

No taints

This node group does not have any Kubernetes taints.

Tags (0)
Tags that you've added. Each tag consists of a key and an optional value.

Key	Value
No tags This node group does not have any tags.	

Step 2: Compute and scaling configuration [Edit](#)

Node group compute configuration

Capacity type On-Demand	Instance types t3.medium	Disk size 20 GiB
AMI type Amazon Linux 2023 (x86_64) Standard (AL2023_x86_64_STANDARD)		

Node group scaling configuration

Desired size 1 node	Minimum size 1 node	Maximum size 1 node
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Node group update configuration

Maximum unavailable 1 node	Update strategy Default
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Node auto repair configuration

Node auto repair Disabled

Step 3: Networking [Edit](#)

Node group network configuration

Subnets subnet-0627320b9e6d6b345 subnet-0b465d788776e6d7	Configure remote access to nodes off
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[Cancel](#) [Previous](#) [Create](#)

11. After 5 minutes, EKS Nodegroup got created

eks-node-group [Edit](#) [Delete](#)

Node group configuration [Info](#)

Kubernetes version 1.31	AMI type Info Amazon Linux 2023 (x86_64) Standard	Status Active
AMI release version Info 1.31.7-20250715	Instance types t3.medium	Disk size 20 GiB

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⚠️ Your cluster's Kubernetes version (1.31) will reach the end of standard support on November 26, 2025. On that date, your cluster will enter the extended support period with additional fees. For more information, see the [pricing page](#). If you do not want to use extended support, we recommend you update the cluster to version 1.32 or opt-out of extended support by managing your Kubernetes version policy. To learn more about our version policy, see our [documentation](#).

Cluster info

Status

Active

Kubernetes version

1.31

Support period

⚠️ Standard support until November 26, 2025

Provider

EKS

Cluster health

0

Upgrade insights

4

Node health issues

0

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🔔 New versions are available for 2 add-ons.

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Compute

Nodes (1)

Filter Nodes by property or value

Node name	Instance type	Compute	Managed by	Created	Status
ip-10-0-132-128.ap-south-1.compute.internal	t3.medium	Node group	eks-node-group	4 minutes ago	Ready

Node groups (1)

Node groups implement basic compute scaling through EC2 Auto Scaling groups.

Group name	Desired size	AMI release version	Launch template	Status
eks-node-group	1	1.31.7-20250715	-	Active

Fargate profiles (0)

Profile name	Namespaces	Status
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Add-ons 1

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Add-ons (7)

View details Edit Remove Get more add-ons

Find add-on Any categ... Any status 7 matches 1 2

Amazon EKS Pod Identity Agent

Install EKS Pod Identity Agent to use EKS Pod Identity to grant AWS IAM permissions to pods through Kubernetes service accounts.

Category security Status Active Version v1.3.8-eksbuild.2 EKS Pod Identity IAM role for service account (IRSA) Not set

Node monitoring agent

Enable automatic detection of node health issues.

Category observability Status Active Version v1.3.0-eksbuild.2 EKS Pod Identity IAM role for service account (IRSA) Not set

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CoreDNS

Enable service discovery within your cluster.

Category networking Status Active Version v1.11.4-eksbuild.14 EKS Pod Identity IAM role for service account (IRSA) Not set

Amazon VPC CNI

Enable pod networking within your cluster.

Category networking Status Active Version v1.19.0-eksbuild.1 EKS Pod Identity AmazonEKSPodIdentityAmazonVPCCNIRole IAM role for service account (IRSA) Not set Update version

kube-proxy

Enable service networking within your cluster.

Category networking Status Active Version v1.31.2-eksbuild.3 EKS Pod Identity IAM role for service account (IRSA) Not set Update version

12. Accessing the EKS Cluster

Step 12.1: Create an IAM User and Create Access Keys

- a. Go to IAM => Users => Create users => User name (eks-iam-user) => Next => Select Attach policies directly => Without adding any policy, do Next => Create user.

The screenshot shows the 'Specify user details' step of the 'Create user' wizard. The 'User name' field is populated with 'eks-iam-user'. The 'Provide user access to the AWS Management Console - optional' checkbox is unchecked. The 'Next' button is highlighted in orange.

The screenshot shows the 'Set permissions' step of the 'Create user' wizard. The 'Attach policies directly' option is selected. The 'Create user' button is highlighted in orange.

The screenshot shows the 'Users' list in the AWS IAM console. The user 'eks-iam-user' is listed with a path of '/' and a group of '0'. The 'eks-iam-user' text in the table is highlighted with a red box.

User name	Path	Group	Last activity	MFA	Password age	Console last sign-in	Access key ID
eks-iam-user	/	0	-	-	-	-	-

- b. Create **"inline policy"** for the create IAM user. Click on IAM user => Permissions => Add permissions => Select Create inline policy

The screenshot shows the 'eks-iam-user' details page in the AWS IAM console. The 'Permissions' tab is selected. The 'Add permissions' button is highlighted in orange, and the 'Create inline policy' option is selected in the dropdown menu.

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- c. Select Service “EKS” => Actions allowed => Access Level => Select “All read actions” => Select “All write actions” => Resources => Select “All” => Next => Give a policy name (eks-iam-user-policy) => Create policy

Step 1: Specify permissions

Step 2: Review and create

Specify permissions

Add permissions by selecting services, actions, resources, and conditions. Build permission statements using the JSON editor.

Policy editor

Select a service

Specify what actions can be performed on specific resources in a service.

Service:

Other services: EKS, EKS Auth, EMR Containers

EKS 48 Actions

Specify what actions can be performed on specific resources in EKS.

Actions allowed

Specify actions from the service to be allowed.

Filter Actions:

Effect: ☒ Allow ☐ Deny

Access level

Read (Selected 17/17)

☒ All read actions

- ☒ AccessKubernetesApi
- ☒ DescribeAddonConfiguration
- ☒ DescribeClusterVersions
- ☒ DescribeIdentityProviderConfig
- ☒ DescribePodIdentityAssociation
- ☒ ListDashboardResources
- ☒ DescribeAccessEntry
- ☒ DescribeAddonVersions
- ☒ DescribeEksAnywhereSubscription
- ☒ DescribeInsight
- ☒ DescribeUpdate
- ☒ ListTagsForResource
- ☒ DescribeAddon
- ☒ DescribeCluster
- ☒ DescribeFargateProfile
- ☒ DescribeNodegroup
- ☒ ListDashboardData

Write (Selected 29/29)

☒ All write actions

- ☒ AssociateAccessPolicy
- ☒ CreateAccessEntry
- ☒ AssociateEncryptionConfig
- ☒ CreateAddon
- ☒ AssociateIdentityProviderConfig
- ☒ CreateCluster

Resources

Specify resource ARNs for these actions.

☒ All ☐ Specific

The all wildcard "*" may be overly permissive for the selected actions. Allowing specific ARNs for these service resources can improve security.

Request conditions - optional

Actions on resources are allowed or denied only when these conditions are met.

[Add more permissions](#)

Security: 0 Errors: 0 Warnings: 0 Suggestions: 0

Next

Review and create

Review the permissions, specify details, and tags.

Policy details

Policy name

Enter a [required](#) name to identify this policy.

Maximum 128 characters. Use alphanumeric and "+-./@_:" characters.

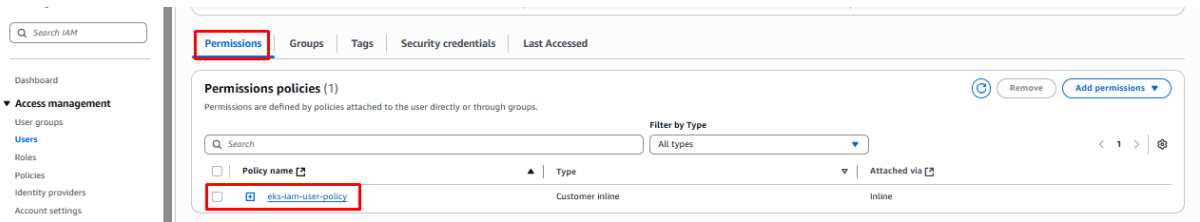
Permissions defined in this policy

Permissions defined in this policy document specify which actions are allowed or denied. To define permissions for an IAM identity (user, user group, or role), attach a policy to it

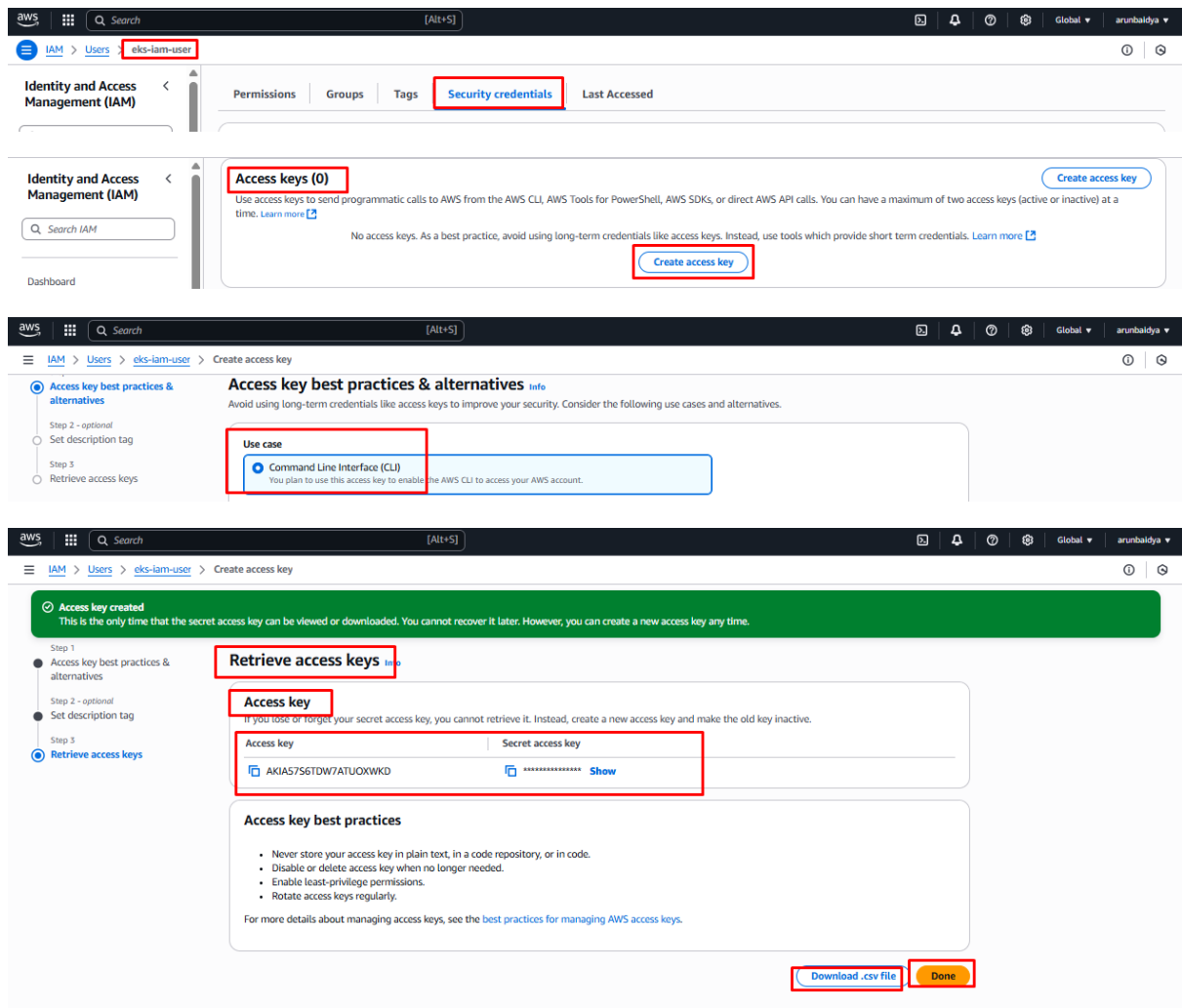
Show remaining 446 services

Service	Access level	Resource	Request condition
EKS	Full: Read, Write	All resources	None

Create policy



d. Go to IAM user => Security Credentials => Access keys => Create access key => Use case => Select “Command Line Interface (CLI)” => Confirm => Next => Create access key => Download csv file => Done



Step 12.2: Configure the AWS CLI and Access Key & Secret Key

a. Now open Laptop command prompt or Git Bash Terminal => Go to Download folder => Configure the credentials

```
$ cd Download
```

```
$ aws configure
```


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- Access Key ID: `AKIA57S6TDW7ATUOXWKD`
- Secret Access Key: `jJGIvJLDswITlboLbJMVV01X1RhqzvKBLxJ1hoNq`
- Default region (e.g., us-east-1): `ap-south-1`
- Output format (e.g., json, text, or table): `Press Enter for none`

b. Validate the AWS CLI configuration and check the version

```
$ aws configure list
```

```
$ cat ~/.aws/credentials
```

```
$ cat ~/.aws/config
```

OR

```
$ aws s3 ls
```

```
$ aws --version
```

Step 12.3: Accessing the EKS Cluster from Local machine (Laptop)

- a. To connect EKS Cluster from your Local Machine Terminal, we need to add kubeconfig for kubectl. So, to add and connect, run below command. As we did not configure the Access keys yet on the local machine, so, it will show unable to locate credentials.

Syntax:

```
$ aws eks update-kubeconfig --region <region_name> --name <eks_cluster_name>
```

```
$ aws eks update-kubeconfig --region ap-south-1 --name eks-cluster
```

If, all configurations are okay then above command will show the user and path where **config** file is available.

```
$ cat /Users/<user name>/.kube/config
```

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If this file show more than 1 credentials, (in above case, it's showing 3 credentials). So, delete the file and run the command again.

```
$ rm -f /Users/<user_name>/.kube/config
```

```
$$ aws eks update-kubeconfig --region ap-south-1 --name eks-cluster
```

```
$ cat /Users/<user_name>/.kube/config
```

Now, this file will show only one credential

[illegible]

Step 12.4: Now Install eksctl CLI tool

[Step 2: Configure your computer to communicate with your cluster

<https://docs.aws.amazon.com/eks/latest/userguide/getting-started-console.html>

- a. We need to install `eksctl` on our local machine, to simplify creating and managing EKS clusters.

Download and extract the latest release

```
$ curl --silent --location
```

```
"https://github.com/weaveworks/eksctl/releases/latest/download/eksctl_$(uname -s)_amd64.tar.gz" | tar xz -C /tmp
```

```
# Move the extracted binary to /usr/local/bin
```

```
$ sudo mv /tmp/eksctl /usr/local/bin
```

```
# Test that your eksctl installation was successful
```

```
$ eksctl version
```

Step 12.5: Now Install kubectl CLI tool

- a. *We need to install kubectl, the command-line tool for interacting with your Kubernetes (EKS) cluster.*

Download and extract the latest release

```
$ curl -O curl -O https://s3.us-west-2.amazonaws.com/amazon-eks/1.30.11/2025-04-17/bin/linux/amd64/kubectl
```

OR

```
$ curl -LO https://dl.k8s.io/release/\$\(curl -L -s https://dl.k8s.io/release/stable.txt\)/bin/linux/amd64/kubectl
```

```
$ ll
```

Change the permission to make the file executable

```
$ sudo chmod +x kubectl
```

Move the extracted binary to /usr/local/bin

```
$ sudo mv kubectl /usr/local/bin/
```

```
$ sudo echo $PATH
```

Check the version to make sure that the kubectl install successfully

```
$ kubectl version
```

```
$ kubectl version --client
```

Step 12.6: If yet not then in the Local laptop / machine, configure the Credential of AWS user who created this EKS Cluster

- a. *Follow the same steps to configure Access Key and Secret Keys on your Laptop for the AWS user*
- b. *Now run below command once more and check the nodes*

```
$ aws eks update-kubeconfig --region ap-south-1 --name eks-cluster  
$ kubectl get nodes
```

If this command returns Node list, then configuration is successful

```
$ kubectl run pod1 --name nginx
```

Troubleshoot problems with Amazon EKS clusters and nodes

<https://docs.aws.amazon.com/eks/latest/userguide/troubleshooting.html>

Troubleshooting

1. **Node Group Fails to Create** IAM Permissions: Ensure the node role has AmazonEKSWorkerNodePolicy, AmazonEC2ContainerRegistryReadOnly, and AmazonEKS_CNI_Policy.

Subnets: Use private subnets if nodes don't need public IPs.

2. **Nodes Not Joining the Cluster** Check aws-auth ConfigMap (auto-created for managed node groups):

```
$ kubectl describe configmap aws-auth -n kube-system
```

Security Groups: Ensure nodes can communicate with the EKS API (port 443).

3. **SSH Access Issues** Ensure the key pair (my-keypair) exists in your AWS region.

Troubleshooting: Fixing “Unauthorized” Errors

Common Causes:

1. Incorrect IAM Trust Policies:

- **Cluster Role:** Must trust eks.amazonaws.com, **not** ec2.amazonaws.com.

```
# Check the trust policy
```

```
$ aws iam get-role --role-name EKSClusterRole --query "Role.AssumeRolePolicyDocument"
```

- **Node Role:** Must trust ec2.amazonaws.com.

2. Missing aws-auth ConfigMap Entries:

```
$ kubectl describe configmap aws-auth -n kube-system
```

- Ensure the node role ARN matches your IAM role.

3. Security Group Misconfigurations:

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- **Worker Nodes:** Allow **outbound** traffic to the EKS API (port 443).
- **Control Plane:** Allow **inbound** traffic from worker node security groups.

Example: Allow inbound traffic from worker SG

```
aws ec2 authorize-security-group-ingress \  
  --group-id sg-controlplane \  
  --protocol tcp \  
  --port 443 \  
  --source-group sg-worker
```

4. Terminate and Replace Nodes:

Force ASG to launch new instances

```
aws autoscaling terminate-instance-in-auto-scaling-group \  
  --instance-id i-1234567890abcdef0 \  
  --should-decrement-desired-capacity
```

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Ref: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VSGyxi-Vuac&list=PLTnw6NC76Hn6mrLb54nSoPjhzBuT2qdoy&index=3>

Ref for Bastion Node: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XWaLU0alrvY>