EITS ERPNext Customization Development Guide

Executive Summary

This document provides a comprehensive guide for developing a customized ERPNext system for EITS (Equipment Installation and Technical Services). EITS specializes in fitouts, refurbishment, renovation, repair, maintenance, installation, construction, and trading services across multiple job categories including furniture & fixtures, electrical, AC/HVAC, painting, plumbing, and equipment installation.

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1. System Requirements & Environment Setup

1.1 Prerequisites

Hardware Requirements:

- Minimum 4GB RAM (8GB recommended)
- 20GB free disk space
- Stable internet connection

Software Requirements:

- Ubuntu 20.04 LTS or later / macOS / Windows with WSL2
- Python 3.8+
- Node.js 16+
- Git

1.2 Install Frappe Bench

```
# Update system packages
sudo apt update && sudo apt upgrade -y

# Install required packages
sudo apt install -y python3-dev python3-pip python3-venv
sudo apt install -y software-properties-common
sudo apt install -y mariadb-server mariadb-client
sudo apt install -y redis-server
sudo apt install -y curl
```

```
# Install -y nginx

# Install Node.js and npm
curl -fsSL https://deb.nodesource.com/setup_16.x | sudo -E bash -
sudo apt install -y nodejs

# Install yarn
sudo npm install -g yarn

# Install wkhtmltopdf
sudo apt install -y wkhtmltopdf

# Install Frappe Bench
pip3 install frappe-bench

# Verify installation
bench --version
```

1.3 Database Configuration

```
# Secure MariaDB installation
sudo mysql_secure_installation

# Create database user for Frappe
sudo mysql -u root -p

# Inside MySQL prompt:
CREATE USER 'frappe'@'localhost' IDENTIFIED BY 'your_password';
GRANT ALL PRIVILEGES ON *.* TO 'frappe'@'localhost' WITH GRANT OPTION;
FLUSH PRIVILEGES;
EXIT;
```

2. Initial Site Creation & App Development

2.1 Create Frappe Bench

```
# Create a new bench (development environment)
bench init eits-bench --frappe-branch version-14

# Navigate to bench directory
cd eits-bench

# Create new site
bench new-site eits.local --admin-password admin --mariadb-root-password
your_db_password

# Set site as default
bench use eits.local
```

2.2 Create Custom App

```
# Create EITS custom app
bench new-app eits_app

# Follow the prompts:
# App Title: EITS Management System
# App Description: Custom ERPNext app for Equipment Installation and
Technical Services
# App Publisher: EITS
# App Email: admin@eits.local
# App Icon: fa fa-tools
# App Color: #2E8B57
```

2.3 Install Apps on Site

```
# Get ERPNext app
bench get-app erpnext --branch version-14

# Install ERPNext on site
bench --site eits.local install-app erpnext

# Install custom EITS app
bench --site eits.local install-app eits_app

# Start development server
bench start
```

Access URLs:

• Site: http://eits.local:8000

• Login: Administrator / admin

3. ERPNext Installation & Configuration

3.1 Initial ERPNext Setup

After accessing the site, complete the ERPNext setup wizard:

1. Company Information:

- Company Name: EITS Equipment Installation & Technical Services
- Company Abbreviation: EITS
- Default Currency: AED (or your local currency)
- Country: UAE (or your country)

o Timezone: Asia/Dubai (or your timezone)

2. Chart of Accounts:

- Select "Standard Template"
- Industry: "Services"

3. Users Setup:

Create initial users for different roles

3.2 Basic Master Data Setup

```
# Create basic job categories as Item Groups
# Access: Stock → Setup → Item Group

Job Categories to Create:
1. Furnitures & Fixtures
2. Equipment Installation
3. Electrical Services
```

- 4. AC & Refrigeration
- 5. Painting & Decorating
- 6. Plumbing Services
- 7. Construction Services
- 8. Trading Services

4. Phase-wise Development Plan

Phase 1: Foundation Setup (Week 1-2)

Objective: Establish core master data and basic CRM functionality

Deliverables:

- 1. Custom Job Categories setup
- 2. Service Items configuration
- 3. Customer and Supplier master data
- 4. Employee master data
- 5. Basic user roles and permissions

Phase 2: Lead Management Enhancement (Week 3-4)

Objective: Implement EITS-specific lead capture and qualification process

Deliverables:

- 1. Custom Lead form with EITS-specific fields
- 2. Site Inspection scheduling system
- 3. Lead assignment workflow
- 4. Customer inquiry management

Phase 3: Job Estimation System (Week 5-6)

Objective: Develop comprehensive job estimation and quotation system

Deliverables:

- 1. Site Measurement DocType
- 2. Job Estimation DocType
- 3. Enhanced Quotation with job-specific fields
- 4. Material and manpower calculation tools

Phase 4: Project Execution Management (Week 7-8)

Objective: Implement project tracking and resource management

Deliverables:

- 1. Job Assignment system
- 2. Daily progress tracking
- 3. Material issue/receipt workflow
- 4. Manpower allocation and timesheet integration

Phase 5: Financial Integration (Week 9-10)

Objective: Complete financial workflow integration

Deliverables:

- 1. Automated invoicing
- 2. Payment tracking
- 3. Job costing reports
- 4. Profitability analysis

5. Custom DocTypes Development

5.1 Site Inspection DocType

```
"read_only": 1,
    "default": "SI-.###"
},
{
    "fieldname": "lead",
    "label": "Lead",
    "fieldtype": "Link",
    "options": "Lead",
    "regd": 1
},
    "fieldname": "customer_name",
    "label": "Customer Name",
    "fieldtype": "Data",
    "fetch_from": "lead.lead_name",
    "read_only": 1
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    "label": "Inspection Date",
    "fieldtype": "Date",
    "reqd": 1
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    "fieldtype": "Time",
    "regd": 1
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    "label": "Inspector",
    "fieldtype": "Link",
    "options": "Employee",
    "reqd": 1
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},
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    "reqd": 1
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    "options": "Residential\nCommercial\nIndustrial",
    "reqd": 1
},
```

```
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struction\nTrading",
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        "options": "Site Dimension"
    },
    {
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        "label": "Documentation"
   },
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        "label": "Site Photos",
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        "label": "Measurement Sketch",
        "fieldtype": "Attach"
    },
```

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        "label": "Requirements Assessment"
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        "options": "Job Category Requirement"
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    {
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        "label": "Estimated Duration (Days)",
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    },
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        "label": "Budget Range",
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100,000\n100,000 - 500,000\nAbove 500,000"
    },
    {
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        "label": "Status"
   },
    {
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        "label": "Inspection Status",
        "fieldtype": "Select",
        "options": "Scheduled\nCompleted\nRescheduled\nCancelled",
        "default": "Scheduled"
    },
    {
        "fieldname": "followup_required",
        "label": "Follow-up Required",
        "fieldtype": "Check"
    },
        "fieldname": "next_action",
        "label": "Next Action",
        "fieldtype": "Text"
    }
]
```

5.2 Job Estimation DocType

```
# Create Job Estimation DocType
DocType Name: Job Estimation
Module: EITS App
Is Submittable: Yes
Track Changes: Yes
# Key Fields:
Fields = [
    {
        "fieldname": "estimation_id",
        "label": "Estimation ID",
        "fieldtype": "Data",
        "read_only": 1,
        "default": "EST-.###"
    },
        "fieldname": "site_inspection",
        "label": "Site Inspection",
        "fieldtype": "Link",
        "options": "Site Inspection",
        "reqd": 1
    },
    {
        "fieldname": "customer",
        "label": "Customer",
        "fieldtype": "Link",
        "options": "Customer",
        "fetch_from": "site_inspection.lead.customer"
    },
        "fieldname": "estimation_date",
        "label": "Estimation Date",
        "fieldtype": "Date",
        "default": "Today",
        "reqd": 1
    },
        "fieldname": "estimated_by",
        "label": "Estimated By",
        "fieldtype": "Link",
        "options": "Employee",
        "reqd": 1
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    {
        "fieldname": "section_break_1",
        "fieldtype": "Section Break",
        "label": "Job Categories"
    },
    {
```

```
"fieldname": "job_categories",
    "label": "Job Categories",
    "fieldtype": "Table",
    "options": "Job Category Detail"
},
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    "fieldtype": "Section Break",
    "label": "Material Requirements"
},
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    "label": "Materials",
    "fieldtype": "Table",
    "options": "Material Estimation"
},
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    "label": "Material Total",
    "fieldtype": "Currency",
    "read_only": 1
},
{
    "fieldname": "section_break_3",
    "fieldtype": "Section Break",
    "label": "Manpower Requirements"
},
{
    "fieldname": "manpower",
    "label": "Manpower",
    "fieldtype": "Table",
    "options": "Manpower Estimation"
},
{
    "fieldname": "manpower_total",
    "label": "Manpower Total",
    "fieldtype": "Currency",
    "read_only": 1
},
{
    "fieldname": "section_break_4",
    "fieldtype": "Section Break",
    "label": "Timeline & Costing"
},
{
    "fieldname": "estimated_start_date",
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},
    "fieldname": "estimated_end_date",
    "label": "Estimated End Date",
    "fieldtype": "Date"
},
```

```
"fieldname": "total_working_days",
    "label": "Total Working Days",
    "fieldtype": "Int"
},
{
    "fieldname": "column_break_1",
    "fieldtype": "Column Break"
},
{
    "fieldname": "subtotal",
    "label": "Subtotal",
    "fieldtype": "Currency",
    "read_only": 1
},
{
    "fieldname": "overhead_percentage",
    "label": "Overhead %",
    "fieldtype": "Percent",
    "default": "10"
},
    "fieldname": "overhead_amount",
    "label": "Overhead Amount",
    "fieldtype": "Currency",
    "read_only": 1
},
{
    "fieldname": "profit_margin_percentage",
    "label": "Profit Margin %",
    "fieldtype": "Percent",
    "default": "15"
},
{
    "fieldname": "profit_amount",
    "label": "Profit Amount",
    "fieldtype": "Currency",
    "read_only": 1
},
{
    "fieldname": "total_amount",
    "label": "Total Amount",
    "fieldtype": "Currency",
    "read_only": 1
},
{
    "fieldname": "section_break_5",
    "fieldtype": "Section Break",
    "label": "Status"
},
{
    "fieldname": "estimation_status",
    "label": "Status",
    "fieldtype": "Select",
```

```
"options": "Draft\nSubmitted\nApproved\nRejected\nRevision
Required",
        "default": "Draft"
    },
    {
        "fieldname": "approved_by",
        "label": "Approved By",
        "fieldtype": "Link",
        "options": "User"
    },
        "fieldname": "approval_date",
        "label": "Approval Date",
        "fieldtype": "Date"
    },
        "fieldname": "remarks",
        "label": "Remarks",
        "fieldtype": "Text Editor"
]
```

5.3 Child Table DocTypes

Site Dimension Child Table

```
DocType Name: Site Dimension
Is Child Table: Yes
Module: EITS App
Fields = [
    {
        "fieldname": "area_name",
        "label": "Area Name",
        "fieldtype": "Data",
        "in_list_view": 1
    },
        "fieldname": "length",
        "label": "Length (m)",
        "fieldtype": "Float",
        "in_list_view": 1
    },
    {
        "fieldname": "width",
        "label": "Width (m)",
        "fieldtype": "Float",
        "in_list_view": 1
    },
        "fieldname": "height",
```

```
"label": "Height (m)",
    "fieldtype": "Float",
    "in_list_view": 1
},
{
    "fieldname": "area",
    "label": "Area (m²)",
    "fieldtype": "Float",
    "read_only": 1,
    "in_list_view": 1
}
```

Job Category Requirement Child Table

```
DocType Name: Job Category Requirement
Is Child Table: Yes
Module: EITS App
Fields = [
    {
        "fieldname": "job_category",
        "label": "Job Category",
        "fieldtype": "Select",
        "options": "Furnitures & Fixtures\nEquipments\nElectrical\nAC,
Refrigeration, Heating & Cooling Units\nPainting & Decorating\nSanitary,
Plumbing, Toilets & Washroom",
       "in_list_view": 1
    },
        "fieldname": "sub_category",
        "label": "Sub Category",
        "fieldtype": "Data",
        "in list view": 1
    },
    {
        "fieldname": "department",
        "label": "Department",
        "fieldtype": "Data",
        "in list view": 1
    },
        "fieldname": "priority",
        "label": "Priority",
        "fieldtype": "Select",
        "options": "High\nMedium\nLow",
        "in list view": 1
    },
    {
        "fieldname": "estimated_hours",
        "label": "Estimated Hours",
```

```
"fieldtype": "Float"
},
{
    "fieldname": "notes",
    "label": "Notes",
    "fieldtype": "Text"
}
]
```

6. Workflow Configuration

6.1 Lead to Project Workflow

```
# Workflow States:
States = [
    "Lead Received",
    "Site Inspection Scheduled",
    "Site Inspected",
    "Estimation In Progress",
    "Estimation Completed",
    "Quotation Sent",
    "Under Negotiation",
    "Contract Signed",
    "Project Assigned",
    "Project Completed",
    "Invoiced",
    "Payment Received",
    "Closed"
]
# Workflow Transitions:
Transitions = [
    {
        "from": "Lead Received",
        "to": "Site Inspection Scheduled",
        "action": "Schedule Inspection",
        "allowed": ["Sales User", "Sales Manager"]
    },
        "from": "Site Inspection Scheduled",
        "to": "Site Inspected",
        "action": "Complete Inspection",
        "allowed": ["Site Inspector"]
    },
        "from": "Site Inspected",
        "to": "Estimation In Progress",
        "action": "Start Estimation",
        "allowed": ["Technical Specialist"]
```

```
# ... Continue for all transitions
]
```

6.2 User Roles and Permissions

```
# Custom Roles for EITS:
Roles = [
    "EITS Sales Representative",
    "EITS Site Inspector",
    "EITS Technical Specialist",
    "EITS Project Manager",
    "EITS Operations Manager",
    "EITS Finance Manager"
]
# Permission Configuration:
Permissions = {
    "Site Inspection": {
        "EITS Sales Representative": ["read", "write", "create"],
        "EITS Site Inspector": ["read", "write", "submit"],
        "EITS Technical Specialist": ["read"],
        "EITS Project Manager": ["read"]
    "Job Estimation": {
        "EITS Technical Specialist": ["read", "write", "create", "submit"],
        "EITS Operations Manager": ["read", "write", "approve"],
        "EITS Project Manager": ["read"]
    }
}
```

7. Development Commands & Scripts

7.1 Essential Bench Commands

```
# Development workflow commands:

# Create new DocType
bench --site eits.local console
>>> frappe.new_doc("DocType")

# Migrate after changes
bench --site eits.local migrate

# Clear cache
bench --site eits.local clear-cache

# Restart after code changes
bench restart
```

```
# Install/Update custom app
bench --site eits.local install-app eits_app
bench --site eits.local migrate

# Backup site
bench --site eits.local backup

# Create fixtures (for deployment)
bench --site eits.local export-fixtures
```

7.2 Development Best Practices

```
# Custom Scripts Location:
# eits_app/eits_app/custom_scripts/
# Client Script Example (site_inspection.js):
frappe.ui.form.on('Site Inspection', {
    refresh: function(frm) {
        if (frm.doc.docstatus === 1 && frm.doc.inspection_status ===
'Completed') {
            frm.add_custom_button(__('Create Estimation'), function() {
                frappe.new_doc('Job Estimation', {
                    site_inspection: frm.doc.name
                });
            });
        }
    },
    // Auto-calculate area when dimensions change
    site_dimensions_on_form_rendered: function(frm) {
frm.fields_dict.site_dimensions.grid.get_field('length').df.onchange =
function() {
            calculate_area(frm);
        };
    }
});
function calculate_area(frm) {
    frm.doc.site_dimensions.forEach(function(row) {
        if (row.length && row.width) {
            row.area = row.length * row.width;
        }
    });
    frm.refresh_field('site_dimensions');
}
# Server Script Example (job_estimation.py):
import frappe
from frappe.model.document import Document
```

```
class JobEstimation(Document):
    def validate(self):
        self.calculate_totals()
        self.validate_dates()
    def calculate_totals(self):
        material_total = sum([d.amount for d in self.materials])
        manpower_total = sum([d.amount for d in self.manpower])
        self.material_total = material_total
        self.manpower_total = manpower_total
        self.subtotal = material_total + manpower_total
        self.overhead_amount = self.subtotal * (self.overhead_percentage /
100)
        self.profit_amount = (self.subtotal + self.overhead_amount) *
(self.profit_margin_percentage / 100)
        self.total_amount = self.subtotal + self.overhead_amount +
self.profit_amount
    def validate_dates(self):
        if self.estimated_start_date and self.estimated_end_date:
            if self.estimated_start_date > self.estimated_end_date:
                frappe.throw("Start date cannot be after end date")
```

8. Testing & Quality Assurance

8.1 Unit Testing

```
# Create test files in:
# eits_app/eits_app/tests/
# test_site_inspection.py
import frappe
import unittest
class TestSiteInspection(unittest.TestCase):
    def setUp(self):
        self.lead = frappe.get_doc({
            "doctype": "Lead",
            "lead_name": "Test Customer",
            "email_id": "test@customer.com"
        }).insert()
    def test_site_inspection_creation(self):
        inspection = frappe.get_doc({
            "doctype": "Site Inspection",
            "lead": self.lead.name,
            "inspection_date": "2024-01-15",
```

8.2 User Acceptance Testing Checklist

```
## Phase 1 Testing Checklist
### Lead Management
- [ ] Lead creation with EITS-specific fields
- [ ] Lead assignment to sales representatives
- [ ] Lead status progression
- [ ] Customer contact information capture
### Site Inspection
- [ ] Inspection scheduling from lead
- [ ] Site measurement documentation
- [ ] Photo upload functionality
- [ ] Inspector assignment
- [ ] Inspection completion workflow
### Job Estimation
- [ ] Estimation creation from site inspection
- [ ] Material requirements calculation
- [ ] Manpower estimation
- [ ] Cost calculation with margins
- [ ] Approval workflow
### Integration Testing
- [ ] Lead to Site Inspection flow
- [ ] Site Inspection to Job Estimation flow
- [ ] Data consistency across documents
- [ ] User permission enforcement
```

9. Deployment Preparation

9.1 Production Setup Checklist

```
# Production deployment steps:
# 1. Create production site
bench new-site eits.prod --admin-password [secure_password]
# 2. Install apps
bench --site eits.prod install-app erpnext
bench --site eits.prod install-app eits_app
# 3. Import fixtures
bench --site eits.prod import-fixtures
# 4. Setup SSL
bench setup nginx
sudo service nginx reload
# 5. Setup supervisor for production
bench setup supervisor
sudo service supervisor reload
# 6. Setup scheduled jobs
bench setup production [user]
```

9.2 Backup Strategy

```
# Daily automated backups
bench --site eits.prod backup --with-files
bench --site eits.prod backup-all-sites

# Configure cron for automated backups
# Add to crontab:
0 2 * * * cd /home/frappe/eits-bench && bench --site eits.prod backup --
with-files
```

10. Training & Documentation

10.1 User Training Plan

Week 1: System Overview

- ERPNext navigation and basic concepts
- EITS workflow introduction
- · User roles and permissions

Week 2: Lead Management

• Lead creation and qualification

- · Site inspection scheduling
- Customer communication tracking

Week 3: Estimation Process

- Site inspection documentation
- Job estimation creation
- Material and manpower planning

Week 4: Advanced Features

- · Reporting and analytics
- · Custom field usage
- Workflow management

10.2 Support Documentation

Create user manuals for:

- EITS Sales Representative Guide
- Site Inspector Manual
- Technical Specialist Handbook
- · Manager Dashboard Guide

Conclusion

This documentation provides a comprehensive roadmap for implementing EITS-specific ERPNext customizations. The phased approach ensures systematic development and testing, while the detailed technical specifications enable proper implementation of business requirements.

Next Steps:

- 1. Complete Phase 1 development and testing
- 2. Conduct user training for Phase 1 features
- 3. Gather feedback and refine before Phase 2
- 4. Continue with subsequent phases based on business priorities

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