

Application Deployment using RENDER Platform:

- **React** → frontend
- **Express.js** → backend middleware
- **MongoDB Atlas** → cloud database

Below is a **complete project structure and working code** you can copy-paste to run.

Project code Github URL: <https://github.com/lakshminarayana-kodavali/MERN-KLN-PROJECT.git>

Your project should look like this:

```
pgsql

project-root/
├── backend/
│   ├── models/
│   ├── server.js
│   ├── package.json
│   └── .env
└── frontend/
    ├── src/
    ├── package.json
    └── build/
```

 **Keep both inside one root folder** and push the whole project to a **GitHub repo**.

NOTE: **Build** folder in **frontend project** will create automatically during **deployment**.

Modify Your Backend for Deployment

■ **backend/server.js**

Replace your existing code with this modified version
(You only need to update this one file.)

```
=====
const express = require("express");
const mongoose = require("mongoose");
const cors = require("cors");
const dotenv = require("dotenv");
const bcrypt = require("bcryptjs");
const path = require("path");
const User = require("./models/User");

dotenv.config();
```

```

const app = express();

app.use(cors());
app.use(express.json());

// ✅ Connect MongoDB
mongoose
  .connect(process.env.MONGO_URI)
  .then(() => console.log("✅ MongoDB Connected"))
  .catch((err) => console.log(err));

// ✅ Signup Route
app.post("/signup", async (req, res) => {
  const { name, email, password } = req.body;
  const userExists = await User.findOne({ email });
  if (userExists) return res.status(400).json({ msg: "User already exists" });

  const hashedPassword = await bcrypt.hash(password, 10);
  const user = new User({ name, email, password: hashedPassword });
  await user.save();
  res.json({ msg: "User registered successfully" });
});

// ✅ Login Route
app.post("/login", async (req, res) => {
  const { email, password } = req.body;
  const user = await User.findOne({ email });
  if (!user) return res.status(400).json({ msg: "User not found" });

  const isMatch = await bcrypt.compare(password, user.password);
  if (!isMatch) return res.status(400).json({ msg: "Invalid credentials" });

  res.json({ msg: "Login successful", user });
});

// ✅ Serve frontend build files after building React app
app.use(express.static(path.join(__dirname, "../frontend/build")));

app.get("*", (req, res) => {
  res.sendFile(path.join(__dirname, "../frontend/build", "index.html"));
});

const PORT = process.env.PORT || 5000;
app.listen(PORT, () => console.log(`⚡ Server running on port ${PORT}`));
=====
```

Modify Frontend API Base URL

In your `frontend/src/api.js` file, replace entire code like this:

```
import axios from 'axios';

const api = axios.create({
  baseURL: "/", // ✅ relative URL – works for both local & Render
});

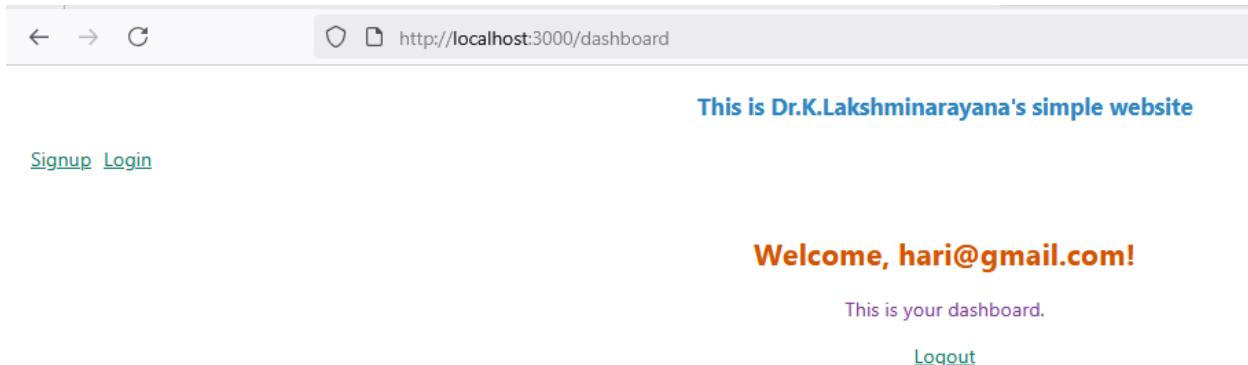
export default api;
```

Add Build Script in Backend

In your **backend/package.json**, update this section, with build command:

```
"scripts": {
  "start": "node server.js",
  "dev": "nodemon server.js",
  "build": "cd ..//frontend && npm install && npm run build"
}
```

Local output:



Push to GitHub

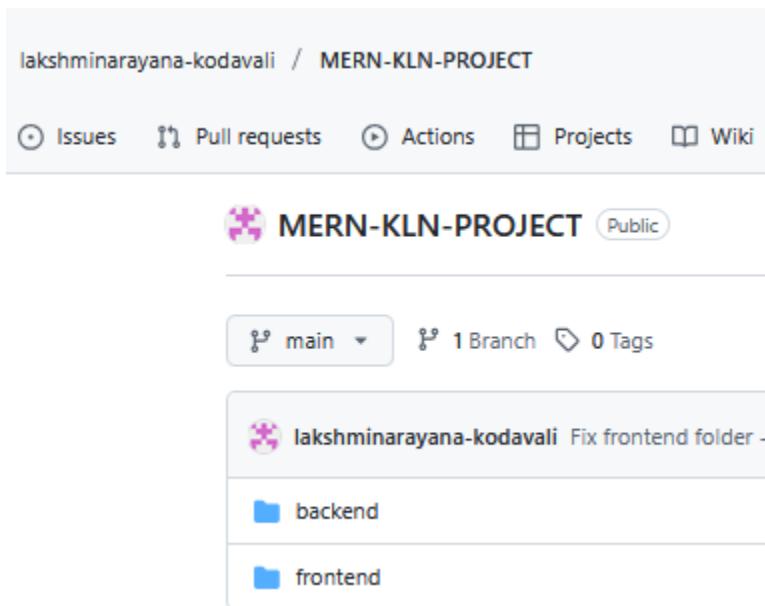
Make sure your folder structure is like this:

```
project-root/
|
└── backend/
    ├── package.json
    └── serv  "Ask ChatGPT"
|
└── frontend/
    ├── package.json
    ├── src/
    └── public/
```

Then push everything to a new GitHub repository.

Push Commands

```
git init
git add .
git commit -m "first commit"
git branch -M main
git remote add origin https://github.com/lakshminarayana-kodavali/MERN-KLN-PROJECT.git
git push -u origin main
```



Deploy Process on Render

1. Go to <https://render.com>
2. • Log in with GitHub.
3. • Click "New Web Service" → Connect your repo.
4. • In setup page, set these options:
 5. Setting Value

Root Directory

Build Command `npm install && npm run build`

Start Command `node server.js`

Environment Variables (add below)

Add environment variables:

`MONGO_URI = your-mongodb-atlas-uri`

`JWT_SECRET = anysecretkey`

`PORT = 5000`

Click **Deploy Web Service.**

Render will:

- install dependencies,
- build your React app,
- start your Express server,
- serve React from /frontend/build.

Update Later (Auto Deployment)

Login into Render for deployment:

The screenshot shows the Render dashboard at `dashboard.render.com`. The top navigation bar includes links for 'Sign in', 'New', 'Upgrade', and a user profile icon. The main menu has 'Projects' selected. On the left, there's a sidebar with 'Global' and 'and'. The main content area features three cards: 'Web Services' (described as a dynamic web app ideal for full-stack apps, API servers, and mobile backends), 'Private Services' (described as a web app hosted on a private network), and 'Background Workers' (described as long-lived services for processing async tasks). Each card has a 'New [Service Type] →' button. The user profile on the right shows 'kodavali.lakshmi@g...' with options for 'Account settings', 'Theme', and 'Sign out'.

Click on “New Web Service”

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re > ③ Deploy

[Git Provider](#) [Public Git Repository](#) [Existing Image](#)

Connect Git provider

Connect your Git provider to deploy from your existing rep



GitHub



GitLab



Bitbucket

Connect with HitHub and Select the project repository

Install Render

Install on your personal account lakshminarayana-kodavali

for these repositories:

All repositories
This applies to all current and future repositories owned by the resource owner.
Also includes public repositories (read-only).

Only select repositories
Select at least one repository. Also includes public repositories (read-only).

Select repositories ▾

Selected 1 repository.

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Setting Values

Root Directory Optional

If set, Render runs commands from this directory instead of the repository root. Additionally, code changes outside of this directory do not trigger an auto-deploy. Most commonly used with a [monorepo](#).

```
backend
```

Build Command

Render runs this command to build your app before each deploy.

```
backend/ $ npm install && npm run build
```

Start Command

Render runs this command to start your app with each deploy.

```
backend/ $ node server.js
```

Select Instance type: FREE

Instance Type

For hobby projects	Free	512 MB (RAM)	0.1 CPU	<small>⚠ Upgrade to enable more features</small>
	\$0 / month			<small>Free instances spin down after periods of inactivity. They do not support SSH access, scaling, one-off jobs, or persistent disks. Select any paid instance type to enable these features.</small>

Add environment variables:

Environment Variables

Set environment-specific config and secrets (such as API keys), then read those values from your code. [Learn more](#).

MONGO_URI	<code>mongodb+srv://kln:sairam66@cluster0.0bdsenl.mongodb.net/?retryWrites=true&w=majority&replicaSet=Cluster0</code>	
PORT	5000	
JWT_SECRET	

[+ Add Environment Variable](#) [Add from .env](#)

Click on “Deploy Web Service”

```
Oct 21 01:46:03 PM ①
Oct 21 01:46:04 PM ①  ==> Uploading build...
Oct 21 01:46:15 PM ①  ==> Uploaded in 5.0s. Compression took 5.5s
Oct 21 01:46:15 PM ①  ==> Build successful 🎉
Oct 21 01:46:19 PM ①  ==> Deploying...
Oct 21 01:46:40 PM ①  ==> Running 'node server.js'
Oct 21 01:46:43 PM ①  🚀 Server running on port 5000
Oct 21 01:46:46 PM ①  ✅ MongoDB Connected
Oct 21 01:46:49 PM ①  ==> Your service is live 🎉
Oct 21 01:46:49 PM ①  ==>
Oct 21 01:46:49 PM ①  ==> /////////////////////////////////
Oct 21 01:46:49 PM ①  ==>
Oct 21 01:46:49 PM ①  ==> Available at your primary URL https://mern-kln-project.onrender.com
```

Deployment link is Available at your primary URL:

<https://mern-kln-project.onrender.com>

I accessed the above project through my mobile and signup and signin with one record (Dohathi) successfully.

Login into mongodb atlas Cloud to check my database update

<https://www.mongodb.com/cloud/atlas>

```
_id: ObjectId('68f6c9ddcb9a34d892e76008')
name : "hari"
email : "hari@gmail.com"
password : "$2a$10$Nos5tgAtuz5S.KQP.LzpB.pws2lohuBbH7D0eaAfkJSwetY4/7z3S"
__v : 0
```

```
_id: ObjectId('68f742a8dcfac4d864e3c3a2')
name : "Dohathi"
email : "Dohathi@gmail.com"
password : "$2a$10$SJjn0Yb6H5.qSPpdrajRewzfuvI8xB7V2giADAm2GKrfWWTTATv92"
__v : 0
```

Database successfully updated with Dohathi record.