

# DNS Configuration Using Ansible

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## Session - 38 Agenda:

1. DNS Configuration Using Ansible

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[vikasnehra@ansible-server ~]$ ping node1
```

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PING node1.nehraclasses.local (192.168.229.129) 56(84) bytes of data.  
64 bytes from node1.nehraclasses.local (192.168.229.129): icmp_seq=1 ttl=64 time=1.61 ms  
64 bytes from node1.nehraclasses.local (192.168.229.129): icmp_seq=2 ttl=64 time=0.529 ms  
^C  
--- node1.nehraclasses.local ping statistics ---  
2 packets transmitted, 2 received, 0% packet loss, time 1002ms  
rtt min/avg/max/mdev = 0.529/1.071/1.614/0.542 ms
```

```
[vikasnehra@ansible-server ~]$ vim dns-server.yml
```

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```

- name: Authoritative DNS Server Configuration Playbook
 hosts: node1
 become: true
 tasks:
 - name: Setting up the static hostname in the machine.
 command: hostnamectl set-hostname dns-primary.nehraclasses.edu
 - name: Installing the bind packages in the machine.
 dnf:
 name:
 - bind
 - bind-utils
 state: latest
 - name: Making changes in the /etc/named.conf configuration file. (Comment listen-on port 53 line)
 replace:
 path: /etc/named.conf
 regexp: 'listen-on port 53 { 127.0.0.1; }'
 replace: '//listen-on port 53 { 127.0.0.1; }'
 - name: Making changes in the /etc/named.conf configuration file. (Comment listen-on-v6 port 53 line)
 replace:
 path: /etc/named.conf
 regexp: 'listen-on-v6 port 53 { ::1; }'
 replace: '//listen-on-v6 port 53 { ::1; }'
 - name: Making changes in the /etc/named.conf configuration file. (Modify allow-query line)
 replace:
 path: /etc/named.conf
 regexp: 'allow-query { localhost; }'
 replace: 'allow-query { localhost; 192.168.229.0/24; }'
 - name: Making changes in the /etc/named.conf configuration file.
 blockinfile:
 path: /etc/named.conf
 insertafter: EOF
 block: |
 //forward zone
 zone "nehraclasses.edu" IN {
 type master;
 file "nehraclasses.edu.db";
 allow-update { none; };
 allow-query { any; };
 };



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```
//reverse zone
zone "229.168.192.in-addr.arpa" IN {
    type master;
    file "nehraclasses.edu.rev";
    allow-update { none; };
    allow-query { any; };
};
```

- name: Creating forward lookup zone file using ansible jinja2 template file.

```
template:
  src: forward.j2
  dest: /var/named/nehraclasses.edu.db
  owner: named
  group: named
```

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```

- name: Allowing DNS traffic in the firewall.

```
firewalld:
  service: dns
  zone: public
  permanent: true
  immediate: true
  state: enabled
```

- name: Starting & enabling the DNS service.

```
service:
  name: named
  state: started
  enabled: yes
```

...

```
[vikasnehra@ansible-server ~]$ vim forward.j2
$TTL 86400
@ IN SOA dns-primary.nehraclasses.edu. admin.nehraclasses.edu. (
    2020011800 ;Serial
    3600 ;Refresh
    1800 ;Retry
    604800 ;Expire
    86400 ;Minimum TTL
)
```

```
;Name Server Information
@ IN NS dns-primary.nehraclasses.edu.
;IP Address for Name Server
dns-primary IN A 192.168.229.129
;Mail Server MX Record
nehraclasses.edu. IN MX 10 mail.nehraclasses.edu.
; A Record for the following hostname
www IN A 192.168.229.50
mail IN A 192.168.229.60
;CNAME Record
ftp IN CNAME www.nehraclasses.edu.
```



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;Name Server Information
@ IN NS dns-primary.nehraclasses.edu.
dns-primary IN A 192.168.229.129
;Reverse lookup for name server
129 IN PTR dns-primary.nehraclasses.edu.
;PTR Record IP Address to Hostname
50 IN PTR www.nehraclasses.edu.
60 IN PTR mail.nehraclasses.edu.
```

```
[vikasnehra@ansible-server ~]$ ansible-playbook dns-server.yml
ERROR! couldn't resolve module/action 'firewalld'. This often indicates a misspelling, missing collection, or incorrect module path.
```

The error appears to be in '/home/vikasnehra/dns-server.yml': line 69, column 7, but may be elsewhere in the file depending on the exact syntax problem.

The offending line appears to be:

```
- name: Allowing DNS traffic in the firewall.
  ^ here
```

```
[vikasnehra@ansible-server ~]$ ansible-galaxy collection install ansible.posix
```

Starting galaxy collection install process

Process install dependency map

Starting collection install process

Downloading https://galaxy.ansible.com/download/ansible-posix-1.5.4.tar.gz to

/home/vikasnehra/.ansible/tmp/ansible-local-368818mc6rxp3/tmpe022\_emi/ansible-posix-1.5.4-94ib36oi

Installing 'ansible.posix:1.5.4' to '/home/vikasnehra/.ansible/collections/ansible\_collections/ansible/posix'  
ansible.posix:1.5.4 was installed successfully

```
[vikasnehra@ansible-server ~]$ ansible-playbook dns-server.yml
```

```
PLAY [Authoritative DNS Server Configuration Playbook]
```

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*****
```

```
TASK [Gathering Facts]
```

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*****
```

```
ok: [node1]
```

```
TASK [Setting up the static hostname in the machine.]
```

```
*****
```

```
changed: [node1]
```

```
TASK [Installing the bind packages in the machine.]
```

```
*****
```

```
changed: [node1]
```

```
TASK [Making changes in the /etc/named.conf configuration file. (Comment listen-on port 53 line)]
```

```
*****
```

```
changed: [node1]
```

```
TASK [Making changes in the /etc/named.conf configuration file. (Comment listen-on-v6 port 53 line)]
```

```
*****
```

```
changed: [node1]
```



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TASK [Making changes in the /etc/named.conf configuration file. (Modify allow-query line)]

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changed: [node1]

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changed: [node1]

TASK [Allowing DNS traffic in the firewall.]

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changed: [node1]

TASK [Starting & enabling the DNS service.]

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changed: [node1]

PLAY RECAP

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node1 : ok=11 changed=10 unreachable=0 failed=0 skipped=0 rescued=0 ignored=0

[vikasnehra@ansible-server ~]\$ ansible node1 -m command -a 'sudo systemctl status named'

node1 | CHANGED | rc=0 >>

● named.service - Berkeley Internet Name Domain (DNS)

  Loaded: loaded (/usr/lib/systemd/system/named.service; enabled; vendor preset: disabled)

  Active: active (running) since Fri 2023-07-28 13:06:32 IST; 23s ago

    Process: 21662 ExecStartPre=/bin/bash -c if [ ! "\$DISABLE\_ZONE\_CHECKING" == "yes" ]; then /usr/sbin/named-checkconf -z "\$NAMEDCONF"; else echo "Checking of zone files is disabled"; fi (code=exited, status=0/SUCCESS)

    Process: 21713 ExecStart=/usr/sbin/named -u named -c \${NAMEDCONF} \$OPTIONS (code=exited, status=0/SUCCESS)

  Main PID: 21750 (named)

  Tasks: 6 (limit: 10804)

  Memory: 24.5M

  CPU: 104ms

  CGroup: /system.slice/named.service

      └─21750 /usr/sbin/named -u named -c /etc/named.conf

[vikasnehra@ansible-server ~]\$ nslookup www.nehraclasses.edu

Server: 192.168.229.2

Address: 192.168.229.2#53

\*\* server can't find www.nehraclasses.edu: NXDOMAIN

[vikasnehra@ansible-server ~]\$ sudo vim /etc/resolv.conf

# Generated by NetworkManager

search localdomain nehraclasses.local

nameserver 192.168.229.129

[vikasnehra@ansible-server ~]\$ nslookup www.nehraclasses.edu

Server: 192.168.229.129

Address: 192.168.229.129#53

Name: www.nehraclasses.edu

Address: 192.168.229.50



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```
[vikasnehra@ansible-server ~]$ nslookup mail.nehraclasses.edu
```

Server: 192.168.229.129  
Address: 192.168.229.129#53  
Name: mail.nehraclasses.edu  
Address: 192.168.229.60

```
[vikasnehra@ansible-server ~]$ nslookup 192.168.229.50  
50.229.168.192.in-addr.arpa name = www.nehraclasses.edu.
```

```
[vikasnehra@ansible-server ~]$ nslookup 192.168.229.60  
60.229.168.192.in-addr.arpa name = mail.nehraclasses.edu.
```

```
[vikasnehra@ansible-server ~]$ #Our Authoritative DNS Server is Working Perfectly as Expected.#
```

Thank You

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Igniting The Minds