# **Step 9: Explore Eligible and Active Roles**

#### **Objective**

Understand the difference between **Eligible** and **Active** roles in Microsoft Entra Privileged Identity Management (PIM), and how they impact user access to privileged resources.

#### 1. Role Types in PIM

Role	Description
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Eligible	User does not have access by default. Must activate the role
	temporarily through PIM (Just-In-Time). This is the recommended
	approach.
Active	User has permanent access to the role. No activation is needed. This
	is less secure and should be avoided unless necessary (e.g., break-
	glass accounts).

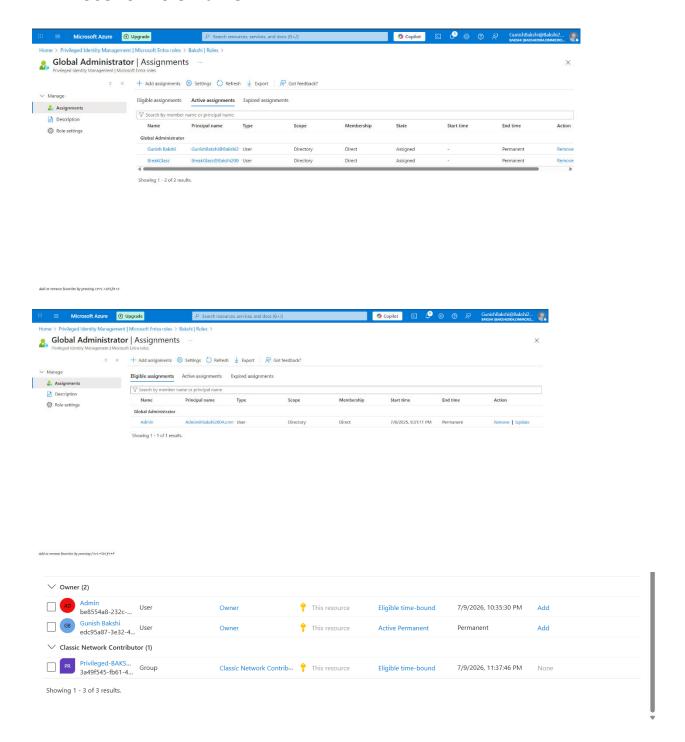
### 2. View Role Assignments

## Steps:

- 1. Navigate to Microsoft Entra ID → Privileged Identity Management
- 2. Choose either Entra Roles or Groups
- 3. Click Assignments
- 4. View both:
  - My roles: Roles assigned to you
  - All assignments: Roles assigned across the tenant

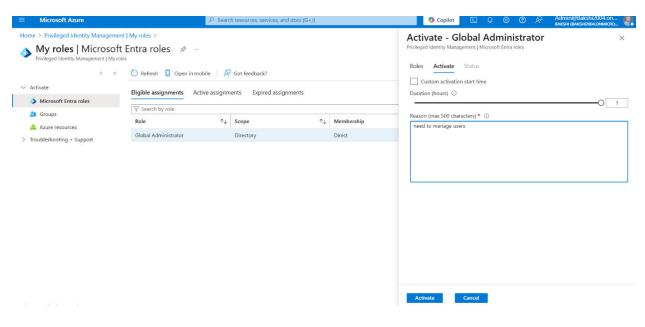
### You can filter by:

- Assignment Type (Eligible vs Active)
- User or Role Name

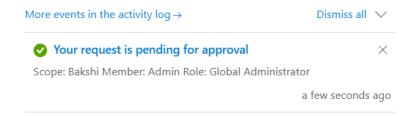


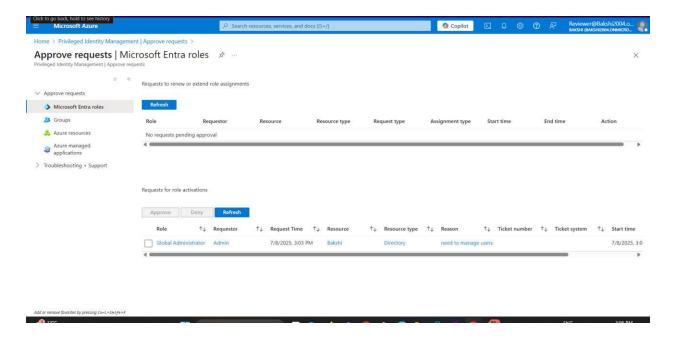
#### 3. Test Role Activation (Eligible)

- 1. Select a role you are eligible for (e.g., User Administrator)
- 2. Click Activate
- 3. Provide justification (if required), and configure ticket number if enforced
- 4. Verify the access is granted only for the configured time (e.g., 1 hour)

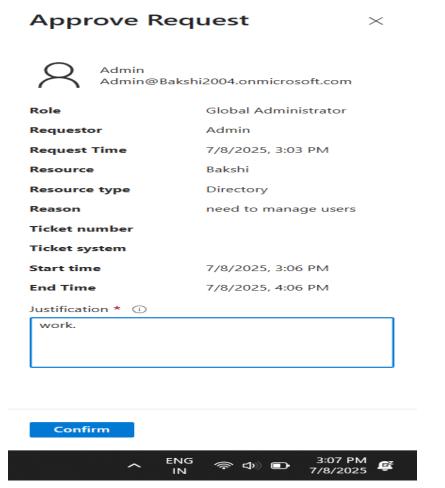


### • Request





#### • Reviewer will activate





#### • Active account

# **Summary of This Step**

- Eligible roles promote JIT access and reduce risk
- Active roles should be minimized except for break-glass accounts
- Role assignments reviewed and tested
- Eligible role activation successfully verified