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Internet of Things (IoT)

# Connecting Raspberry Pi as a Device to Watson IoT using Node-RED

This recipe will help you to connect your Raspberry Pi to the Watson IoT Platform approach of Node-RED.

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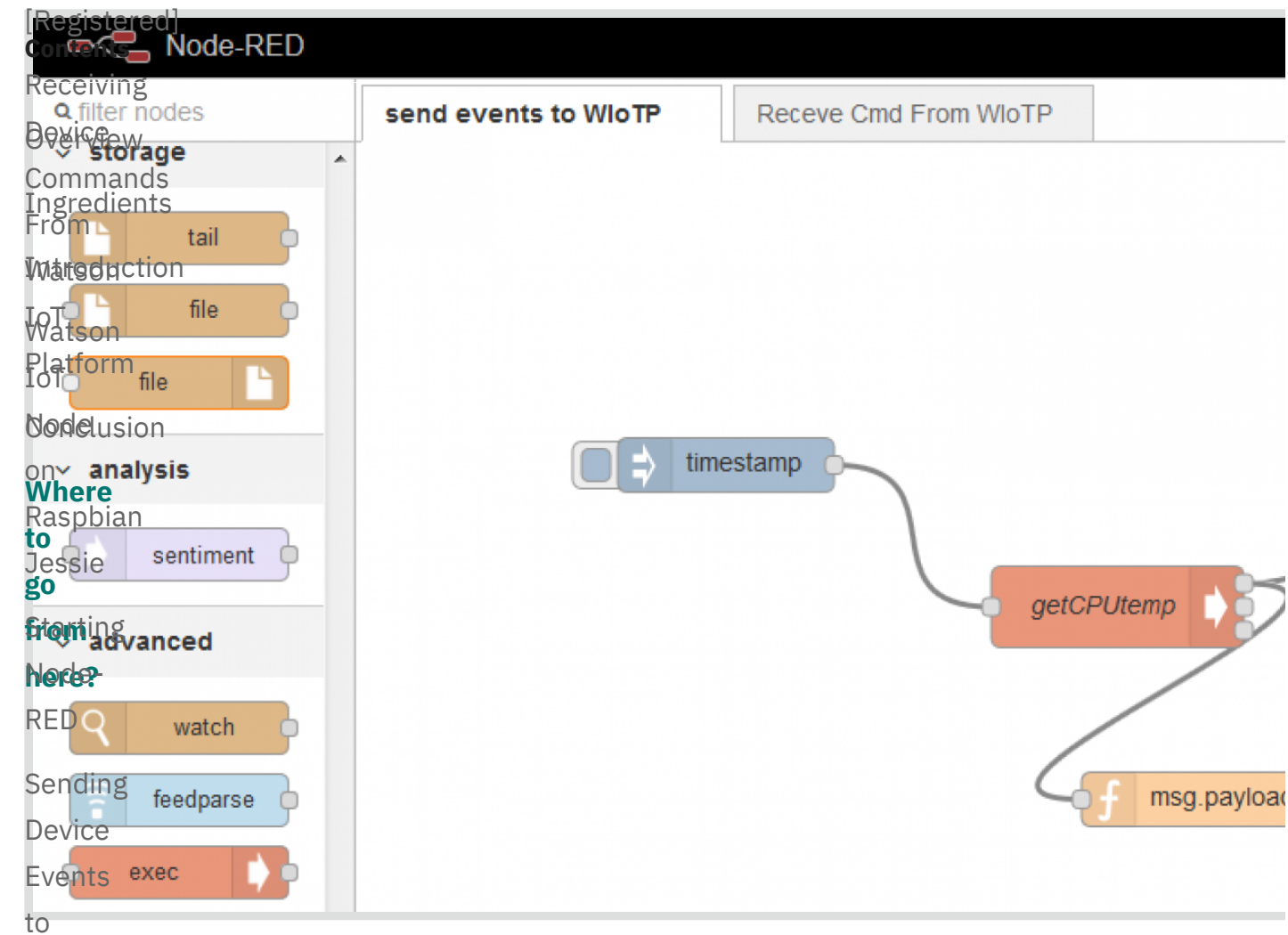
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## Ingredients

Hardware Platform

1. Raspberry Pi Model B/ Model B+/ 2
2. Minimum 8GB SD card with latest Raspbian operating system([Raspbian Jessie](#) or higher)

## Step-by-step

### 1 Introduction

The Watson IoT Node is a pair of Node-RED nodes for connecting your device to the IBM Watson IoT Platform as a Device or as a Gateway.

In this recipe, you will learn

1. How to install Watson IoT Node in Raspberry Pi,
2. Connect the Raspberry Pi, as a device to the IBM Watson IoT Platform, and
3. Learn how to send events to the platform and receive commands from it.

For more information about the Watson IoT Node please [click here](#).

### 2 Watson IoT Node on Raspbian Jessie

The latest version of [Raspbian Jessie](#) has both Node-RED and Watson IoT node pre-install step.

If you already have an older version of Jessie, you can install or upgrade Node-RED using the manager:

```
sudo apt-get update  
sudo apt-get install nodered
```

*At this stage we have installed Watson IoT Node in Raspberry Pi.*

### 3 Starting Node-RED

To **start Node-RED**, there are two ways:

1. on the Desktop, select **Menu -> Programming -> Node-RED**.
2. run the following command in a new terminal window.  
`node-red-start`

To **stop Node-RED**, run the following command in a new terminal window:

```
node-red-stop
```

You can then access the Node-RED editor by entering <http://localhost:1880> in the browser

**To connect to the Node-RED editor via network:**

Once Node-RED is running – open the browser program in the host machine and then browse to `ip-address-returned};1880/`. One way to find the IP address of the Pi is to use the command

```
hostname -I
```

**Autostart on boot:**

To have the Node-RED application started, when the Pi system boots, please refer to the step [Running the Node-RED](#), on the [nodered.org](http://nodered.org) site.

*After this step you will be able to access Node-RED editor, with the Watson IoT Nodes, in it events to the IBM Watson IoT Platform and receive commands from the same.*

## 4 Sending Device Events to Watson IoT Platform [Quick Start]

- In the Node-RED editor, which you have opened in the browser (either on Raspberry Pi or on a host machine), click on **Menu – > Import -> Clipboard**
- Copy the json from this [link](#) and paste it in the clipboard
- Click on **Ok** button then place the flow in the workspace
- Click on deploy button to start

Now the CPU temperature from your Raspberry Pi is sent to the Watson IoT Platform once a minute. You can also verify that in the debug tab.

[Click here](#) to open the QuickStart Dashboard

## 5 Registering your Device In Watson IoT Platform

To explore and make use of the full capabilities of Watson IoT Platform (including bidirectional communication) and register your device(s) in the platform. This section shows how you can setup the same.

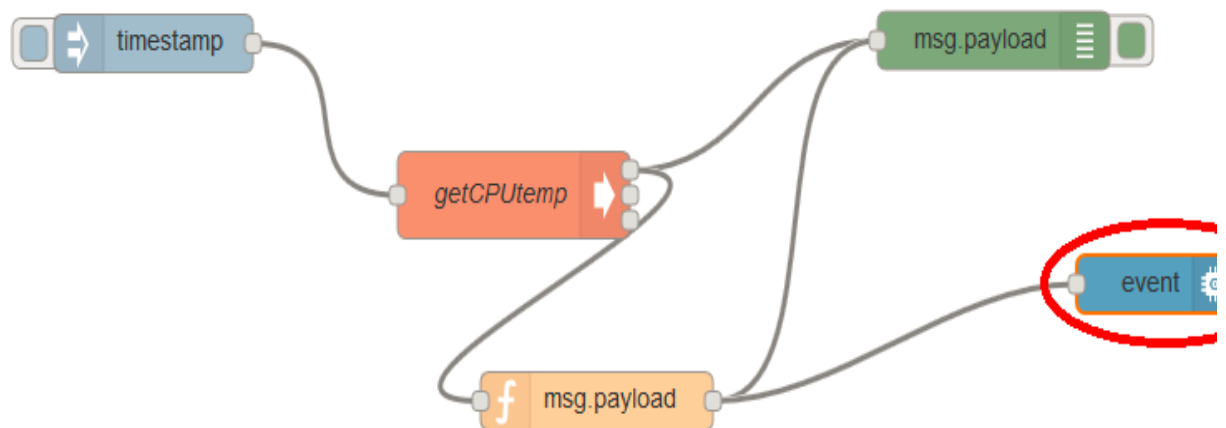
Carry out the [steps present in this recipe](#) to register your device(s) in IBM Watson Internet of Things Platform.

At this step, we have successfully created the Watson IoT service and registered your device.

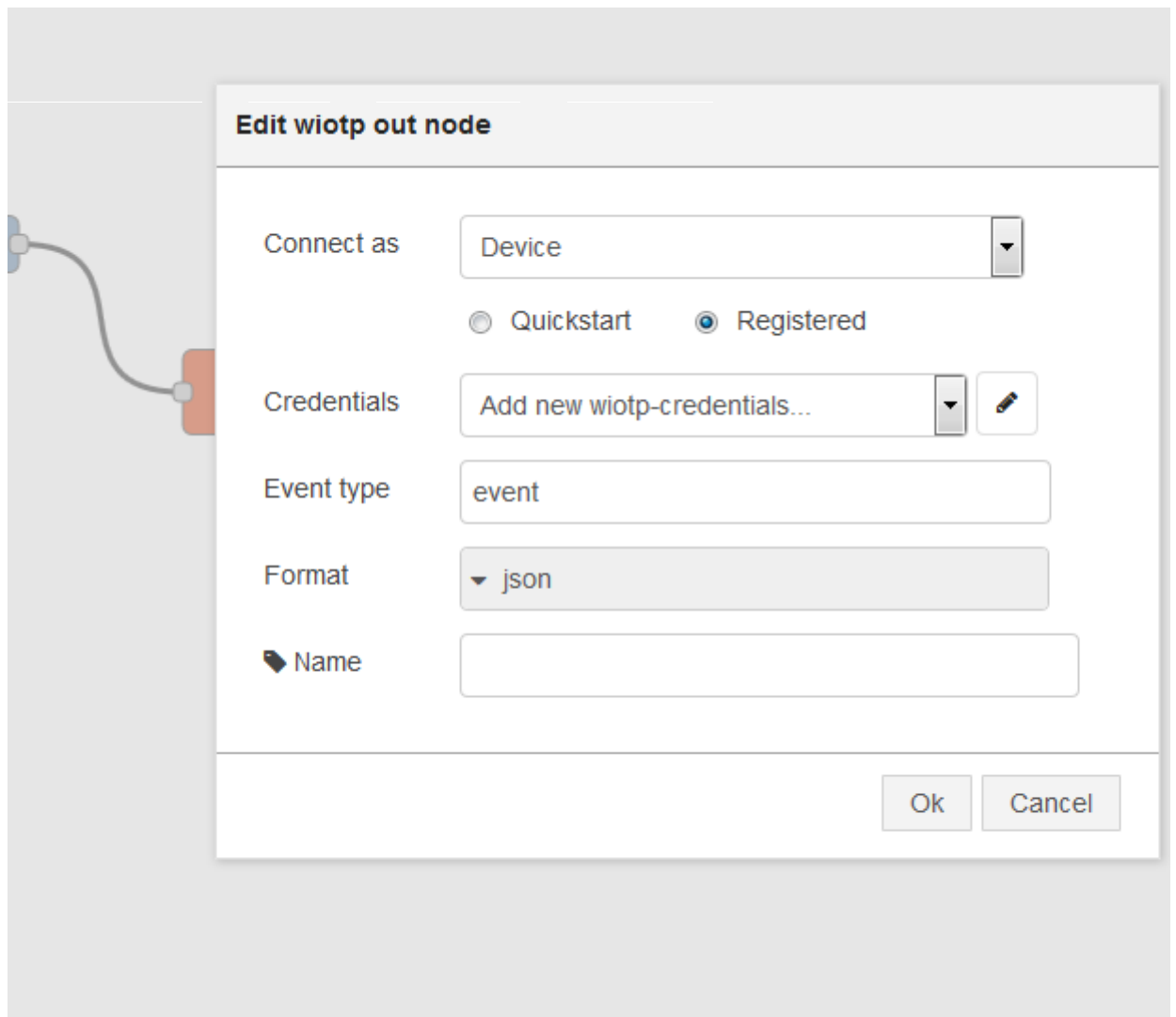
## 6 Sending Device Events to Watson IoT Platform [Registered Device]

Once you have registered your device in the Watson IoT organization make the following modifications to the flow.

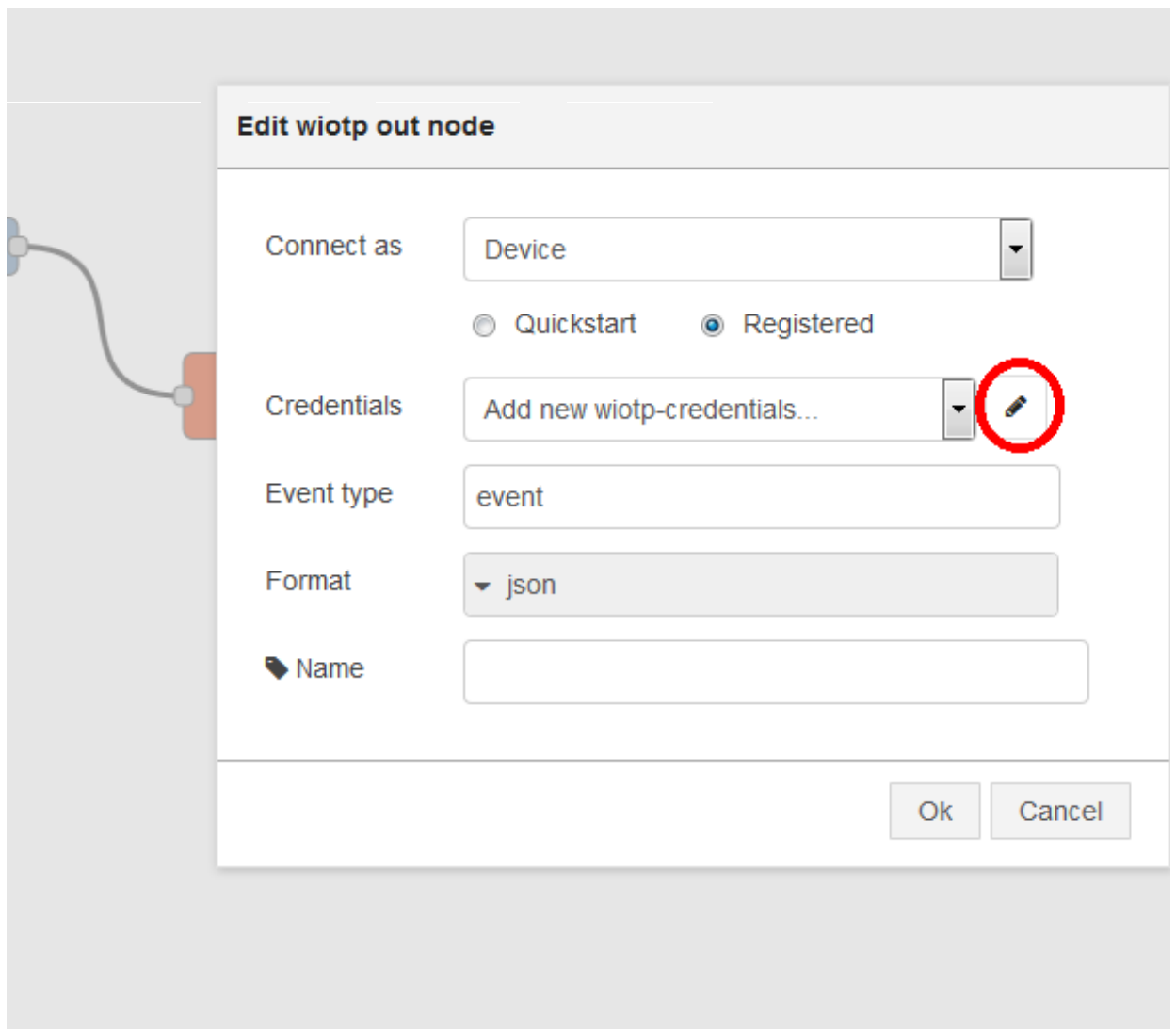
- Double click on the event node.



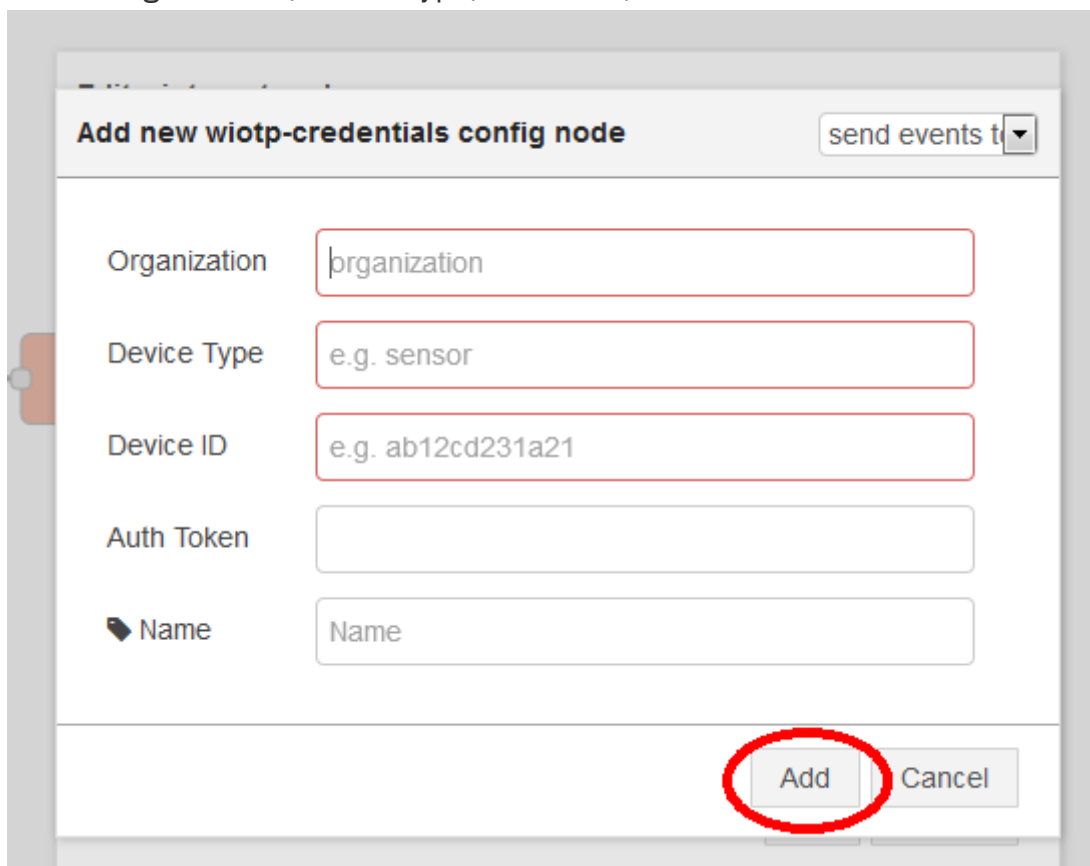
- Select connection as Registered .



- Select edit button in Credentials.



- Fill the Organization, Device Type, Device ID, Auth Token and then click on the **Add** button





- Click on the **Ok** Button.
- Click on deploy button to start.

*Now Node-RED flow will start sending events to your organization.*

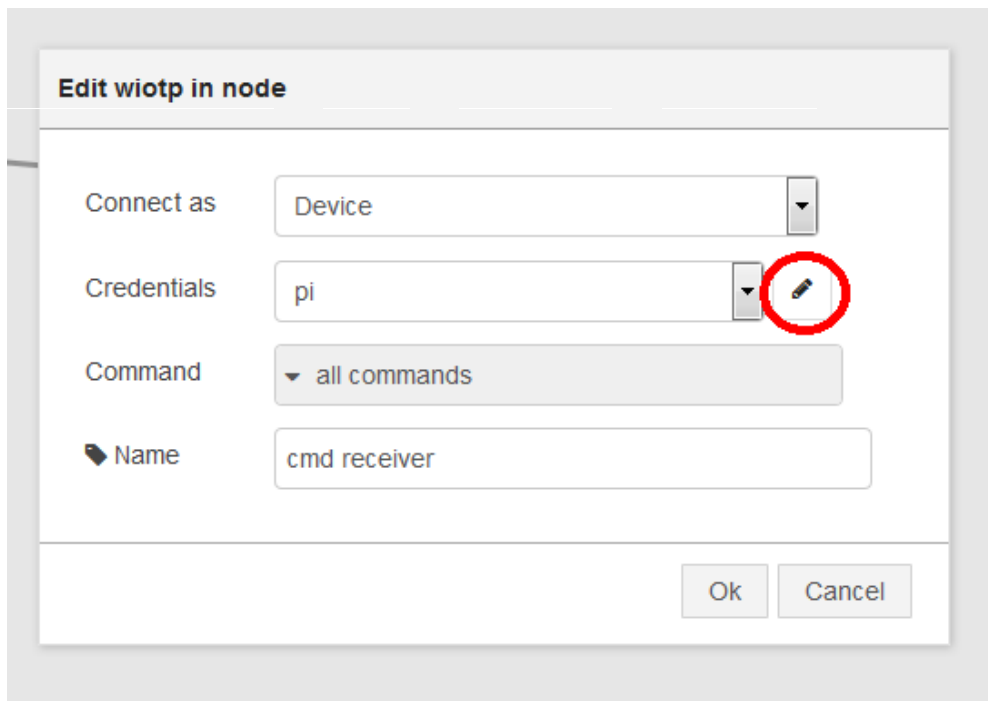
## 7 Receiving Device Commands From Watson IoT Platform

In order to receive commands from the IBM Watson IoT Platform we need to register our d follow the step Register Your Device in Watson IoT Platform given above.

- In the Node-RED editor, which you have opened in the browser (either on Raspberry Pi click on **Menu-> Import – >Clipboard**.
- Copy the json from this [link](#) and paste it in that clip board.
- Click on **Ok** button then place the flow in the work place.
- Double click on cmd receiver.



- Select edit button in Credentials.



**Edit wiotp in node**

Connect as: Device

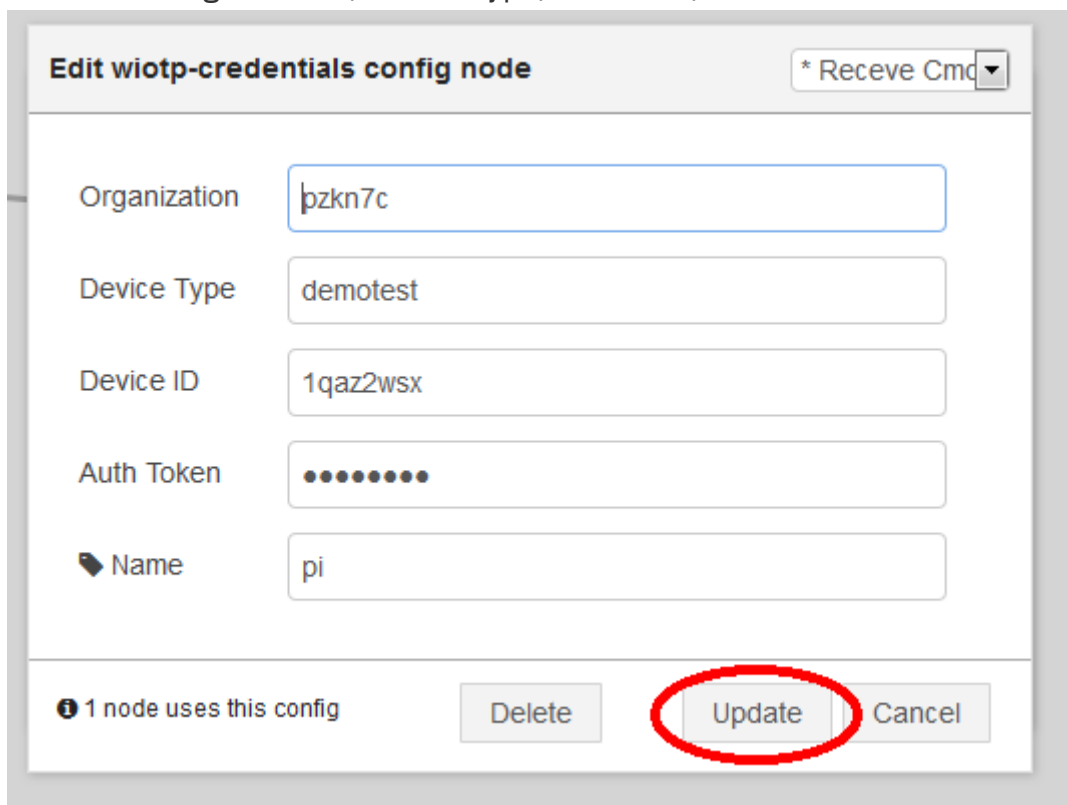
Credentials: pi (edit icon circled in red)

Command: all commands

Name: cmd receiver

Ok Cancel

- Fill the Organization, Device Type, Device ID, Auth Token and then click on update button



**Edit wiotp-credentials config node** \* Receive Cmd

Organization: pzk7c

Device Type: demotest

Device ID: 1qaz2wsx

Auth Token: .....

Name: pi

1 node uses this config

Delete Update (circled in red) Cancel

- Click on the **Ok** Button.
- Click on the deploy button to start the flow.

**Note :** You will need an external application that is sending commands to this Raspberry Pi

*Now you can receive the commands from Watson IoT Platform which will be displayed in t*

## 8 Conclusion

Now we have seen how to deploy Watson IoT Node in the Raspberry Pi as a device and send commands to the Watson IoT Platform and receive commands from the Platform using Node-RED without an

## 9 Where to go from here?

The [next part of the recipe](#) shows how to use the Raspberry Pi work as a gateway.

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