

Android Toast class provides a handy way to show users alerts but problem is that these alerts are not persistent which means alert flashes on the screen for a few seconds and then disappears

Create and Send Notifications

Step 1 - Create Notification Builder

```
NotificationCompat.Builder mBuilder = new NotificationCompat.Builder(this)
```

Step 2 - Setting Notification Properties

Once you have Builder object, you can set its Notification properties using Builder object as per your requirement. But this is mandatory to set at least following –

- A small icon, set by `setSmallIcon()`
- A title, set by `setContentTitle()`
- Detail text, set by `setContentText()`

```
mBuilder.setSmallIcon(R.drawable.notification_icon);
```

```
mBuilder.setContentTitle("Notification Alert, Click Me!");
```

```
mBuilder.setContentText("Hi, This is Android Notification Detail!");
```

Step 3 - Attach Actions

An action allows users to go directly from the notification to an Activity in your application, where they can look at one or more events or do further work.

The action is defined by a `PendingIntent` containing an `Intent` that starts an Activity in your application. To associate the `PendingIntent` with a gesture, call the appropriate method of `NotificationCompat.Builder`. For example, if you want to start Activity when the user clicks the notification text in the notification drawer, you add the `PendingIntent` by calling `setContentIntent()`.

Step 4 - Issue the notification

```
NotificationManager mNotificationManager = (NotificationManager)  
getSystemService(Context.NOTIFICATION_SERVICE);
```

// notificationID allows you to update the notification later on.

```
mNotificationManager.notify(notificationID, mBuilder.build());
```

Program :

Main Activity.java:

```

import android.app.Activity;

import android.app.NotificationManager;

import android.app.PendingIntent;

import android.content.Context;

import android.content.Intent;

import android.support.v4.app.NotificationCompat;

import android.os.Bundle;

import android.view.View;

import android.widget.Button;

public class MainActivity extends Activity {

    Button b1;

    @Override

    protected void onCreate(Bundle savedInstanceState) {

        super.onCreate(savedInstanceState);

        setContentView(R.layout.activity_main);

        b1 = (Button)findViewById(R.id.button);

        b1.setOnClickListener(new View.OnClickListener() {

            @Override

            public void onClick(View v) {

                addNotification();

            }

        });

    }

    private void addNotification() {

        NotificationCompat.Builder builder =

            new NotificationCompat.Builder(this)

                .setSmallIcon(R.drawable.abc)

                .setContentTitle("Notifications Example")

                .setContentText("This is a test notification");

```

```
Intent notificationIntent = new Intent(this, MainActivity.class);

PendingIntent contentIntent = PendingIntent.getActivity(this, 0, notificationIntent,
    PendingIntent.FLAG_UPDATE_CURRENT);

builder.setContentIntent(contentIntent);

// Add as notification

NotificationManager manager = (NotificationManager)
getSystemService(Context.NOTIFICATION_SERVICE);

manager.notify(0, builder.build());

}

}
```