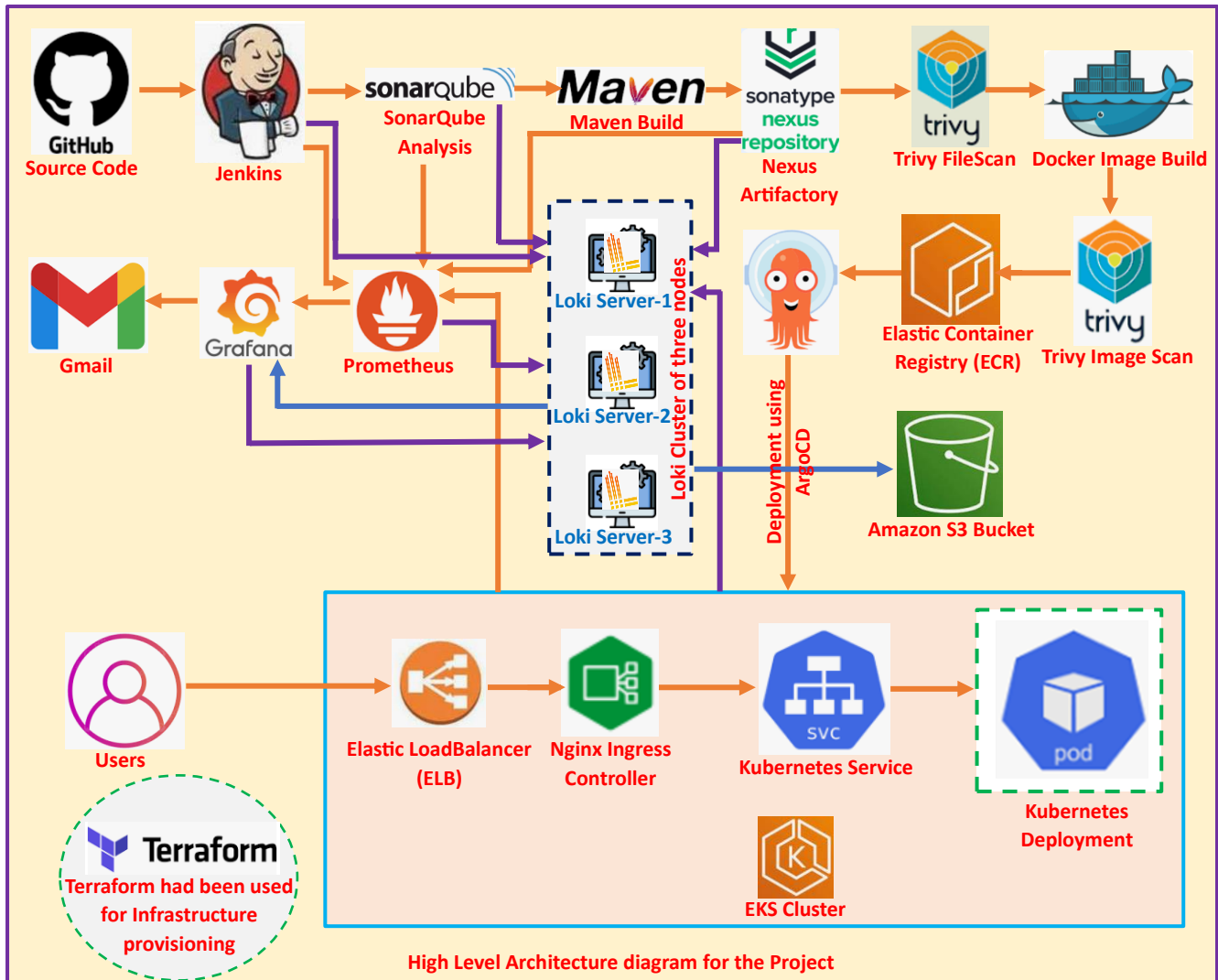
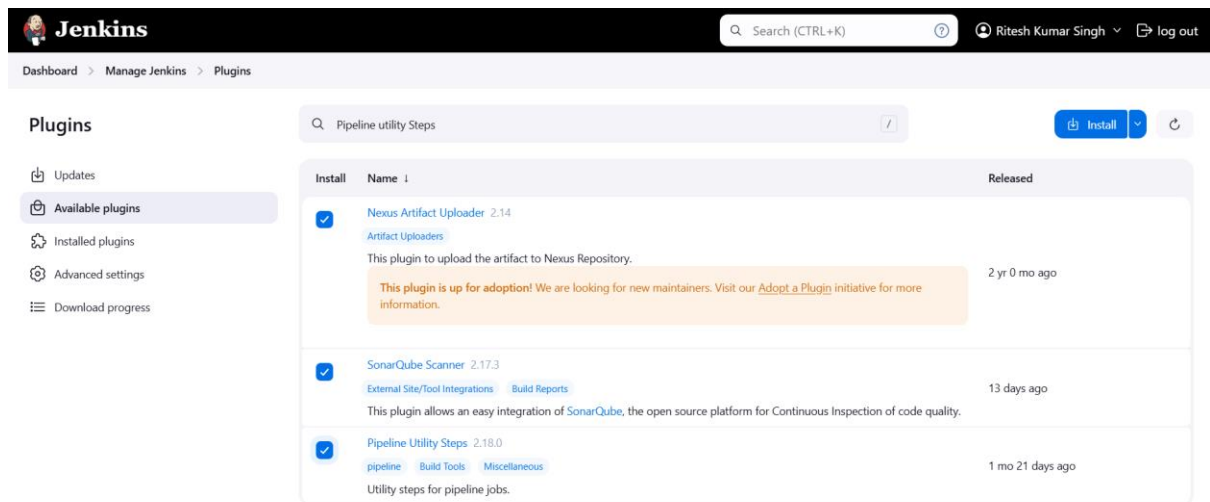


## DevOps Project Blogging App Deployment Monitoring using Prometheus and Grafana and Log Aggregation using Loki, Promtail and Grafana

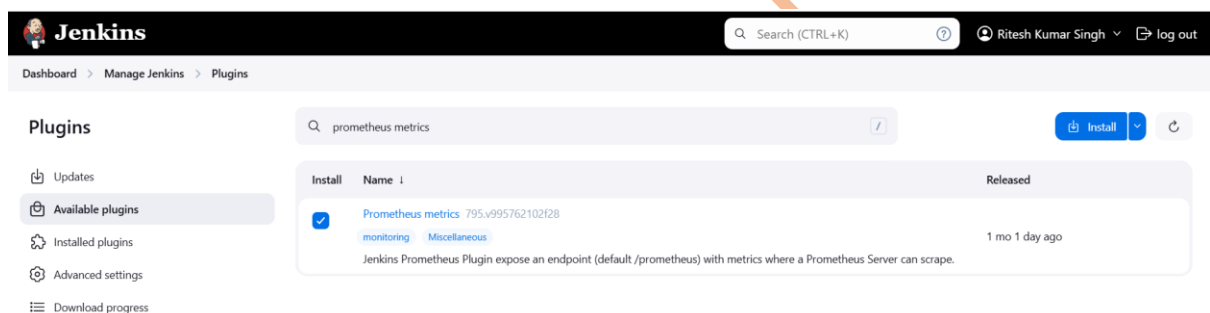


This DevOps Project deals with creation of Infrastructure using Terraform and setup of CI/CD Pipeline using Jenkins, Monitoring using Prometheus and Grafana and Log Aggregation using Loki, Promtail and Grafana. SonarQube was used for Code-Analysis and Maven was used as the Build Tool. Nexus Artifactory was used to keep the Artifacts as shown in the Architecture diagram above. Trivy was used for FileScan and Docker Image Scan. The Docker Image was kept in the Elastic Container Registry (ECR) and which was deployed to EKS Cluster using the ArgoCD as shown in the high-level architecture diagram above. User was able to access the Application through the Ingress and hence the Kubernetes Service. For this project the source code was

For this project I had installed Nexus Artifact Uploader, SonarQube Scanner and Pipeline Utility Step Plugin in the Jenkins as shown in the screenshot attached below.



I had installed Prometheus metrics plugin in the Jenkins to monitor Jenkins Job through Prometheus and Grafana as shown in the screenshot attached below.



After Installation of Prometheus metrics as explained above in Jenkins I restarted the Jenkins as shown in the screenshot attached below.

Dashboard > Manage Jenkins > Plugins

### Plugins

- Updates
- Available plugins
- Installed plugins
- Advanced settings
- Download progress**


Email Extension	✓ Success
Mailer	✓ Success
Theme Manager	✓ Success
Dark Theme	✓ Success
Loading plugin extensions	✓ Success
JavaMail API	✓ Success
Commons HttpClient 3.x API	✓ Success
Nexus Artifact Uploader	✓ Success
SonarQube Scanner	✓ Success
Commons Compress API	✓ Success
Pipeline Utility Steps	✓ Success
Loading plugin extensions	✓ Success
Pipeline: REST API	✓ Success
Prometheus metrics	⚠ prometheus plugin doesn't support dynamic loading. Jenkins needs to be restarted for the update to take effect.
Loading plugin extensions	✓ Success

→ [Go back to the top page](#)  
(you can start using the installed plugins right away)

→ ☐ Restart Jenkins when installation is complete and no jobs are running

REST API Jenkins 2.479.2

jenkins-ms.singhritesh85.com/manage/pluginManager/updates/



Jenkins is restarting

Your browser will reload automatically when Jenkins is ready

**Safe Restart**  
Builds on agents can usually continue.

To Add Jenkins Slave with the Jenkins Master, follow the steps as written here. Go to **Manage Jenkins > Nodes**. Then provide the further details as mentioned in the screenshot attached below.

**Jenkins** Search (CTRL+K) Ritesh Kumar Singh log out

Dashboard > Manage Jenkins > Nodes >

Name ?  
Slave-1

Description ?  
This is a Slave Node.  
Plain text [Preview](#)

Number of executors ?  
2

Remote root directory ?  
/home/jenkins

Dashboard > Manage Jenkins > Nodes >

Labels ?  
Slave-1

Usage ?  
Use this node as much as possible

Launch method ?  
Launch agents via SSH

Host ?  
10.10.4.48

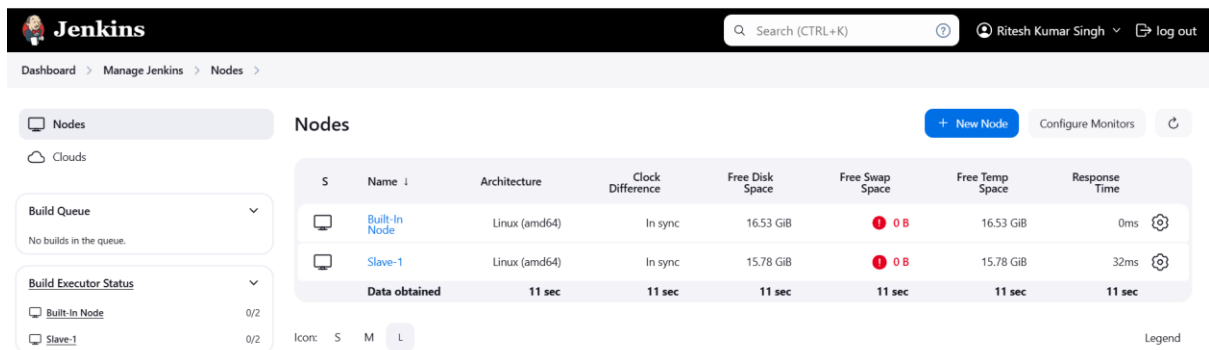
Credentials ?  
jenkins/\*\*\*\*\* (jenkins-cred)  
[+ Add](#)

Dashboard > Manage Jenkins > Nodes >

Host Key Verification Strategy ?  
Non verifying Verification Strategy  
[Advanced](#)

Availability ?  
Keep this agent online as much as possible

Finally, the Jenkins Slave was added to the Jenkins Master as shown in the screenshot attached below.



Installation of node-exporter and promtail had been done using the helm chart in the EKS Cluster as written below.

```
helm repo add prometheus-community https://prometheus-community.github.io/helm-charts
kubectl create ns node-exporter
helm install my-prometheus-node-exporter prometheus-community/prometheus-node-exporter --version 4.37.1 --set service.type=LoadBalancer -n node-exporter
```

```
[root@ip-10-10-4-48 ~]# helm repo add prometheus-community https://prometheus-community.github.io/helm-charts
[root@ip-10-10-4-48 ~]# kubectl create ns node-exporter
[root@ip-10-10-4-48 ~]# helm install my-prometheus-node-exporter prometheus-community/prometheus-node-exporter --version 4.37.1 --set service.type=LoadBalancer -n node-exporter
```

Below screenshot shows the Kubernetes Service which was created for node-exporter using the helm chart.

```
[root@ip-10-10-4-48 ~]# kubectl get svc -n node-exporter
NAME                                TYPE                CLUSTER-IP      EXTERNAL-IP      PORT(S)          AGE
my-prometheus-node-exporter         LoadBalancer        172.17.0.139     a-2.us-east-2.elb.amazonaws.com  9100:30875/TCP   10m
```

I had updated the prometheus configuration file, **/etc/prometheus/prometheus.yml** as shown in the screenshot attached below.

```
- job_name: "EKS"
  static_configs:
    - targets: ["a-2.us-east-2.elb.amazonaws.com:9100"]
```

After updating the prometheus configuration file I restarted the prometheus service and checked the prometheus service status as shown in the screenshot attached below.

```
[root@ip-10-10-4-48 ~]# systemctl restart prometheus.service
[root@ip-10-10-4-48 ~]# systemctl status prometheus.service
● prometheus.service - Prometheus
   Loaded: loaded (/etc/systemd/system/prometheus.service; enabled; vendor preset: disabled)
   Active: active (running) since Mon 2023-08-14 10:10:10 UTC; 10s ago
```

I installed the promtail using the helm chart as shown in the screenshot attached below. After cloning helm chart from GitHub, I updated the values.yaml file of promtail helm chart with Loki Servers Private IP Addresses as shown in the screenshot attached below.

```
# -- The log level of the Promtail server
# Must be reference in `config.file` to configure `server.log_level`
# See default config in `values.yaml`
logLevel: info
# -- The log format of the Promtail server
# Must be reference in `config.file` to configure `server.log_format`
# Valid formats: `logfmt, json`
# See default config in `values.yaml`
logFormat: logfmt
# -- The port of the Promtail server
# Must be reference in `config.file` to configure `server.http_listen_port`
# See default config in `values.yaml`
serverPort: 3101
# -- The config of clients of the Promtail server
# Must be reference in `config.file` to configure `clients`
# @default -- See `values.yaml`
clients:
  - url: http://10.10.10.10:3100/loki/api/v1/push
  - url: http://10.10.10.10:3100/loki/api/v1/push
  - url: http://10.10.10.10:3100/loki/api/v1/push

# -- Configures where Promtail will save it's positions file, to resume reading after restarts.
# Must be referenced in `config.file` to configure `positions`
positions:
  filename: /run/promtail/positions.yaml
# -- The config to enable tracing
enableTracing: false
# -- A section of reusable snippets that can be reference in `config.file`.
# Custom snippets may be added in order to reduce redundancy.
```

git clone <https://github.com/singhritesh85/helm-chart-promtail.git>

kubectl create ns promtail && helm upgrade --install promtail ./helm-chart-promtail -f ./helm-chart-promtail/values.yaml -n promtail

kubectl get pods -n promtail --watch

```
[root@10.10.10.10 ~]# git clone https://github.com/singhritesh85/helm-chart-promtail.git
```

```
[root@10.10.10.10 ~]# kubectl create ns promtail && helm upgrade --install promtail ./helm-chart-promtail -f ./helm-chart-promtail/values.yaml -n promtail
namespace/promtail created
```

```
[root@10.10.10.10 ~]# kubectl get pods -n promtail --watch
```

NAME	READY	STATUS	RESTARTS	AGE
promtail-m 5	1/1	Running	0	32s
promtail-x 2	1/1	Running	0	32s

I had provided restricted access to the deployment user **jenkins** using Service Account, Role and Role Binding as shown in the screenshot attached below. The deployment user had all the accesses in the

namespace **blogapp** but does not have access for the entire EKS cluster. That means deployment user jenkins access was restricted to the namespace **blogapp** in the EKS Cluster.

```
[root@ip-10-10-4-48 ~]# cat sa-role-rolebinding.yaml
apiVersion: v1
kind: ServiceAccount
metadata:
  name: jenkins
  namespace: blogapp
---
apiVersion: rbac.authorization.k8s.io/v1
kind: Role
metadata:
  name: user-role
  namespace: blogapp
rules:
- apiGroups: ["*"]
  resources: ["*"]
  verbs: ["*"]
---
apiVersion: rbac.authorization.k8s.io/v1
kind: RoleBinding
metadata:
  name: user-rolebinding
  namespace: blogapp
roleRef:
  apiGroup: rbac.authorization.k8s.io
  kind: Role
  name: user-role
subjects:
- namespace: blogapp
  kind: ServiceAccount
  name: jenkins
```

```
[root@ip-10-10-4-48 ~]# kubectl apply -f sa-role-rolebinding.yaml
serviceaccount/jenkins created
role.rbac.authorization.k8s.io/user-role created
rolebinding.rbac.authorization.k8s.io/user-rolebinding created
```

Created Kubernetes Secrets Which Token was utilized in the kubeconfig file (which was shared with the deployment user jenkins) as shown in the screenshot attached below.

```
[root@~]# cat secrets.yaml
apiVersion: v1
kind: Secret
type: kubernetes.io/service-account-token
metadata:
  name: mysecretname
  namespace: blogapp
  annotations:
    kubernetes.io/service-account.name: jenkins
```

```
[root@~]# kubectl apply -f secrets.yaml
secret/mysecretname created
[root@~]# kubectl get secrets -n blogapp
NAME                                TYPE                                DATA  AGE
mysecretname                        kubernetes.io/service-account-token 3      5s
[root@~]# kubectl describe secrets mysecretname -n blogapp
Name:         mysecretname
Namespace:    blogapp
Labels:       <none>
Annotations:  kubernetes.io/service-account.name: jenkins
              kubernetes.io/service-account.uid: 1
Type:         kubernetes.io/service-account-token

Data
====
namespace: 7 bytes
token:      [REDACTED]
ca.crt:    1187 bytes
```

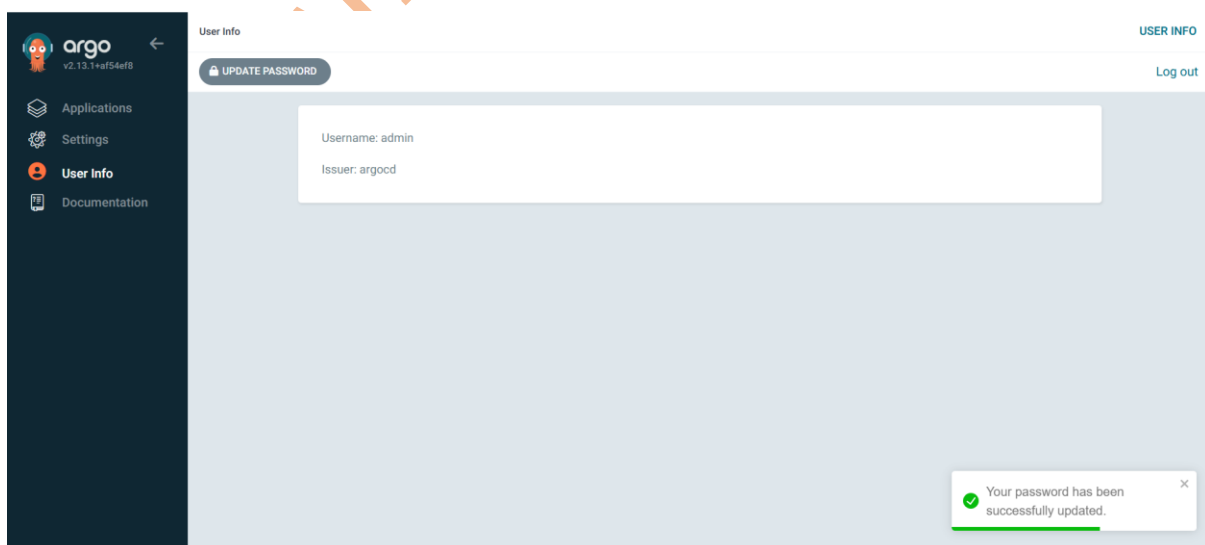
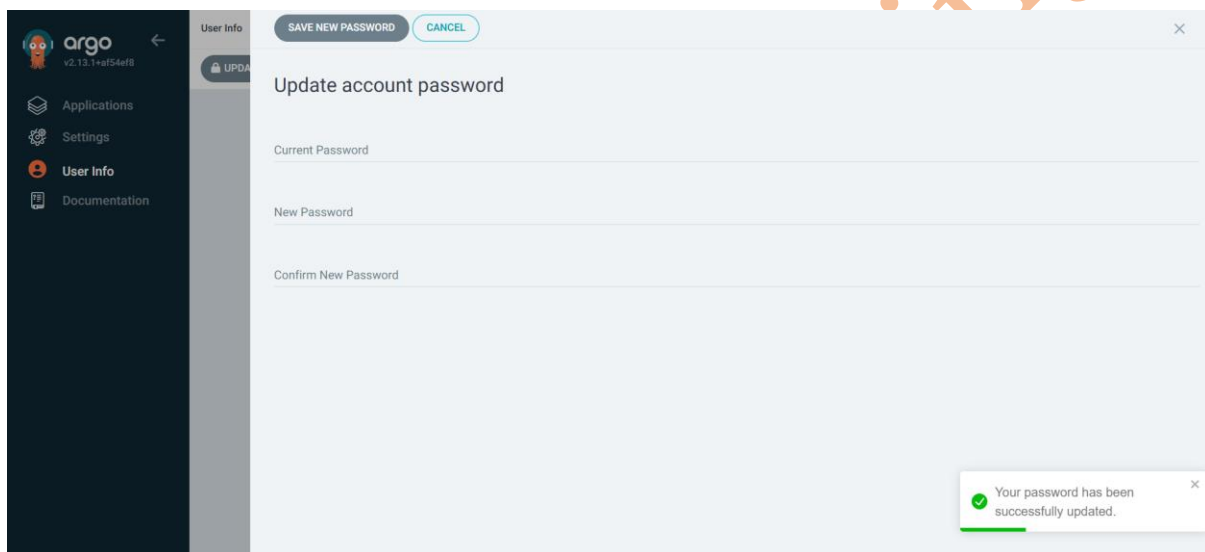
```
[jenkins@ip-10-10-4-48 ~]$ cat ~/.kube/config
clusters:
- cluster:
    certificate-authority-data: [REDACTED]
    server: https://[REDACTED].gr7.us-east-2.eks.amazonaws.com
    name: arn:aws:eks:us-east-2:[REDACTED]:cluster/eks-demo-cluster-dev
contexts:
- context:
    cluster: arn:aws:eks:us-east-2:[REDACTED]:cluster/eks-demo-cluster-dev
    user: jenkins
  name: dexter
current-context: dexter
kind: Config
preferences: {}
users:
- name: jenkins
  user:
    token: [REDACTED]
```

Kubernetes Ingress for ArgoCD was created using the Ingress Rule as shown in the screenshot attached below.



```
[root@ ~]# cat argocd-ingress-rule.yaml
apiVersion: networking.k8s.io/v1
kind: Ingress
metadata:
  name: minimal-ingress
  namespace: argocd
  annotations:
    kubernetes.io/ingress.class: nginx
    nginx.ingress.kubernetes.io/backend-protocol: "HTTPS"    ### You can use this option for this particular case for ArgoCD but not for all
#    nginx.ingress.kubernetes.io/ssl-redirect: "false"
spec:
  ingressClassName: nginx
  rules:
  - host: argocd.singhritesh85.com
    http:
      paths:
      - path: /
        pathType: Prefix
        backend:
          service:
            name: argocd-server    ### Provide your service Name
            port:
              number: 80    #### Provide your service port for this particular example you can also choose 443
```

I had updated the ArgoCD password as shown in the screenshot attached below.



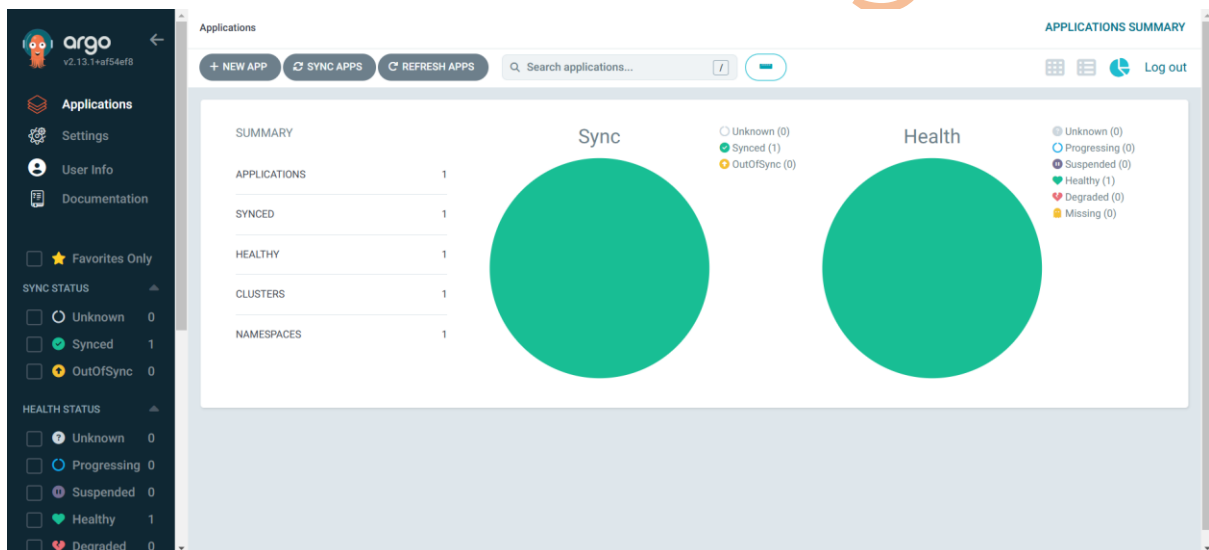
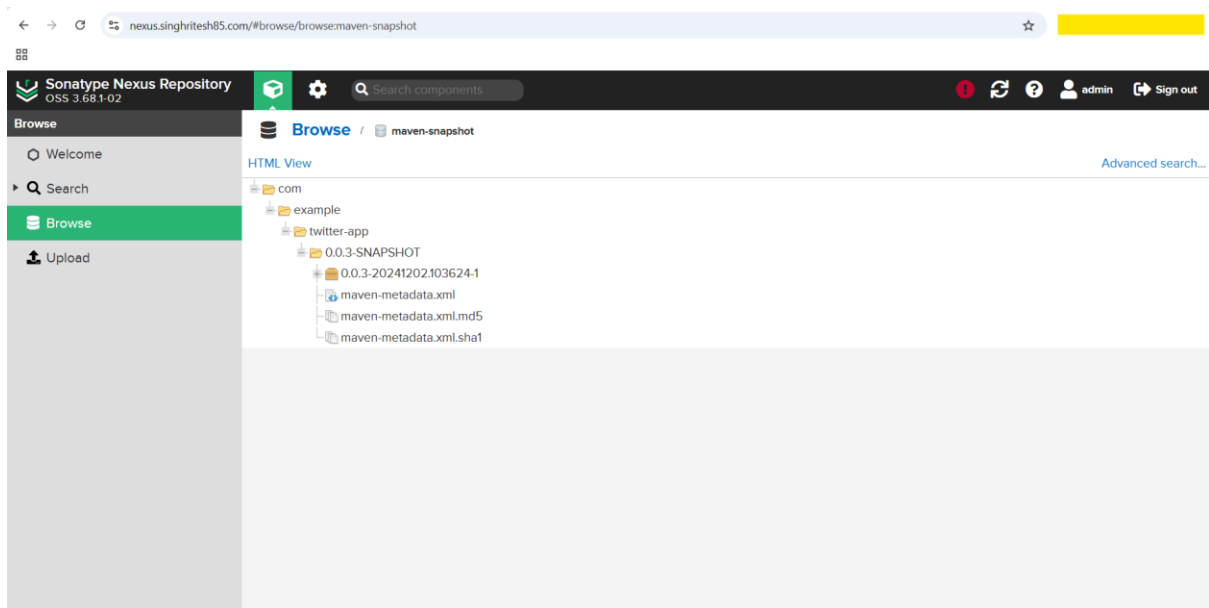
Kubernetes Ingress for Blogging Application was created using the Ingress Rule as shown in the screenshot attached below.

```
[root@ ~]# cat ingress-rule.yaml
apiVersion: networking.k8s.io/v1
kind: Ingress
metadata:
  name: blogapp-ingress
  namespace: blogapp
  annotations:
    kubernetes.io/ingress.class: nginx
spec:
  ingressClassName: nginx
  rules:
  - host: blogapp.singhritesh85.com
    http:
      paths:
      - path: /
        pathType: Prefix
        backend:
          service:
            name: blogapp-folo
            port:
              number: 80
```

```
[root@ ~]# kubectl get ing -A
NAMESPACE   NAME          CLASS   HOSTS                                ADDRESS                                PORTS   AGE
argocd       minimal-ingress  nginx   argocd.singhritesh85.com            8.us-east-2.elb.amazonaws.com        80      4h9m
blogapp      blogapp-ingress  nginx   blogapp.singhritesh85.com            8.us-east-2.elb.amazonaws.com        80      3h56m
```

The Screenshot for SonarQube, Nexus and ArgoCD after running the Jenkins Job is as shown in the screenshot attached below.

The screenshot displays the SonarQube web interface. The top navigation bar includes links for Projects, Issues, Rules, Quality Profiles, Quality Gates, and Administration. A search bar is present on the right. The main content area shows a list of projects, with 'twitter-app' highlighted and marked as 'Passed'. Below the project name, various quality metrics are displayed: Bugs (0), Vulnerabilities (0), Hotspots Reviewed (0.0%), Code Smells (3), Coverage (37.4%), Duplications (0.0%), and Lines (454). The interface also includes filters for Quality Gate (Passed/Failed), Reliability (A-E rating), and Security (Vulnerabilities). The footer indicates the SonarQube version and provides links to the community edition, LGPL v3, and other resources.



Below screenshot show Jenkins Job after its successful execution.

S	W	Name ↓	Last Success	Last Failure	Last Duration
✓	☁	test-1			

After successful execution of Jenkins Job Kubernetes Pod, Service and Deployment was created.

```
[jenkins@jenkins-7f8b4d4b4d ~]$ kubectl get all -n blogapp
NAME READY STATUS RESTARTS AGE
pod/blogapp-folo-7f8b4d4b4d 1/1 Running 0 126m

NAME TYPE CLUSTER-IP EXTERNAL-IP PORT(S) AGE
service/blogapp-folo ClusterIP 172.17.0.192 <none> 80/TCP 136m

NAME READY UP-TO-DATE AVAILABLE AGE
deployment.apps/blogapp-folo 1/1 1 1 136m

NAME DESIRED CURRENT READY AGE
replicaset.apps/blogapp-folo-7f8b4d4b4d 0 0 0 136m
replicaset.apps/blogapp-folo-7f8b4d4b4d 4 1 1 126m
[jenkins@jenkins-7f8b4d4b4d ~]$ kubectl get nodes
Error from server (Forbidden): nodes is forbidden: User "system:serviceaccount:blogapp:jenkins" cannot list resource "nodes" in API group "" at the cluster scope
```

Below screenshot shows the entry for Route53 to create the Record Set.

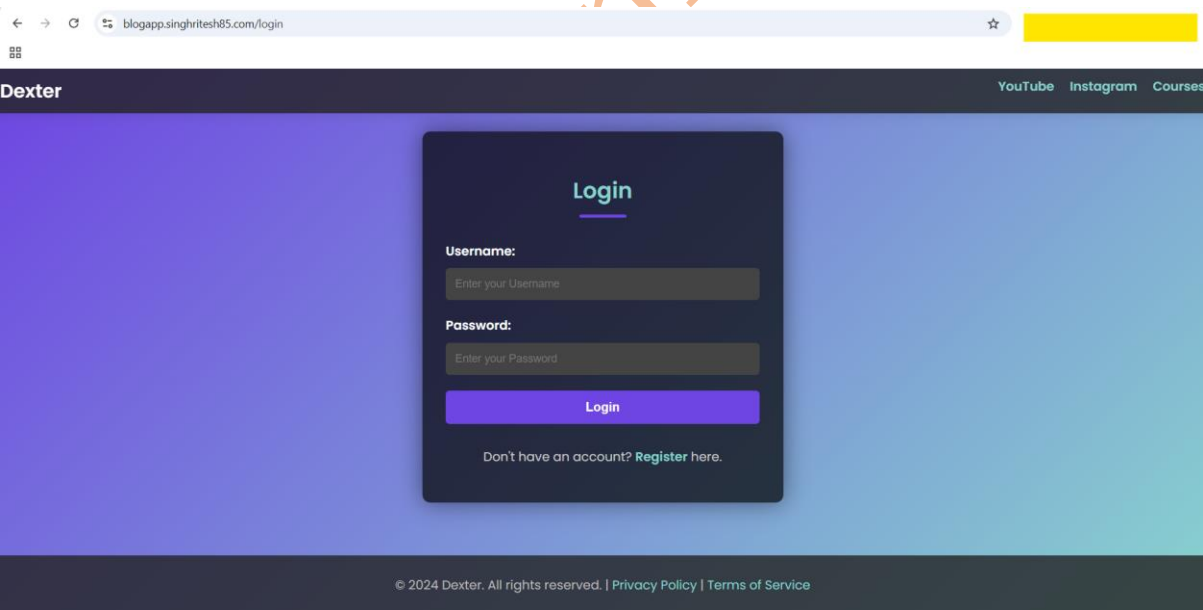
singhritesh85.com

Automate mode is the current search behavior optimized for best filter results. [To change modes go to settings.](#)

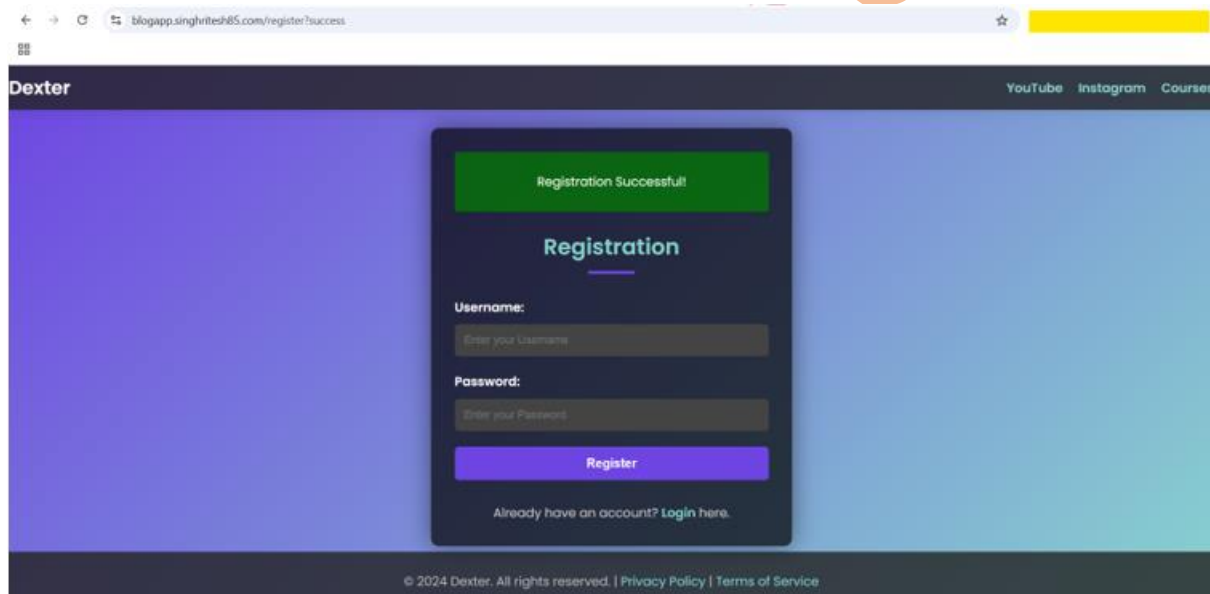
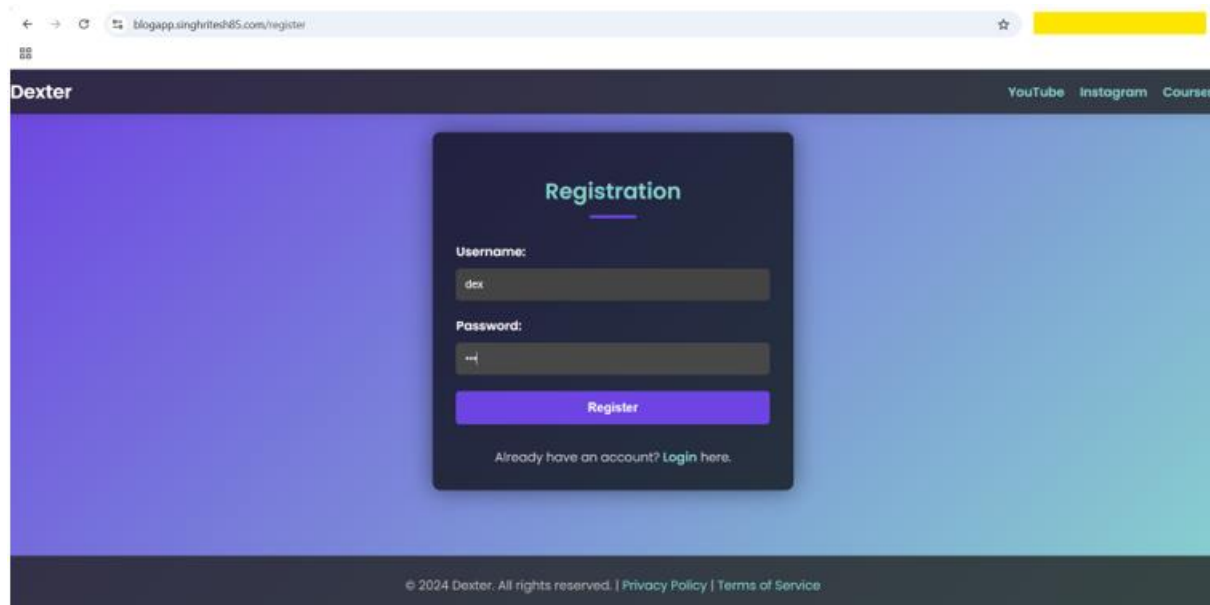
Filter records by property or value    Type    Routing p...    Alias    < 1 >    ⚙

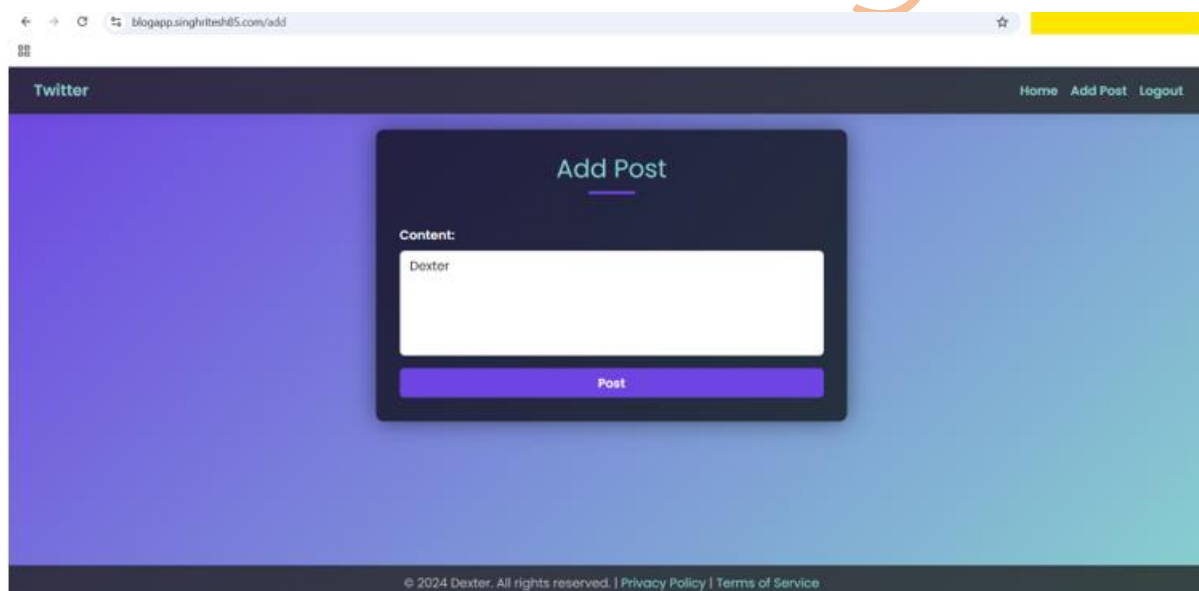
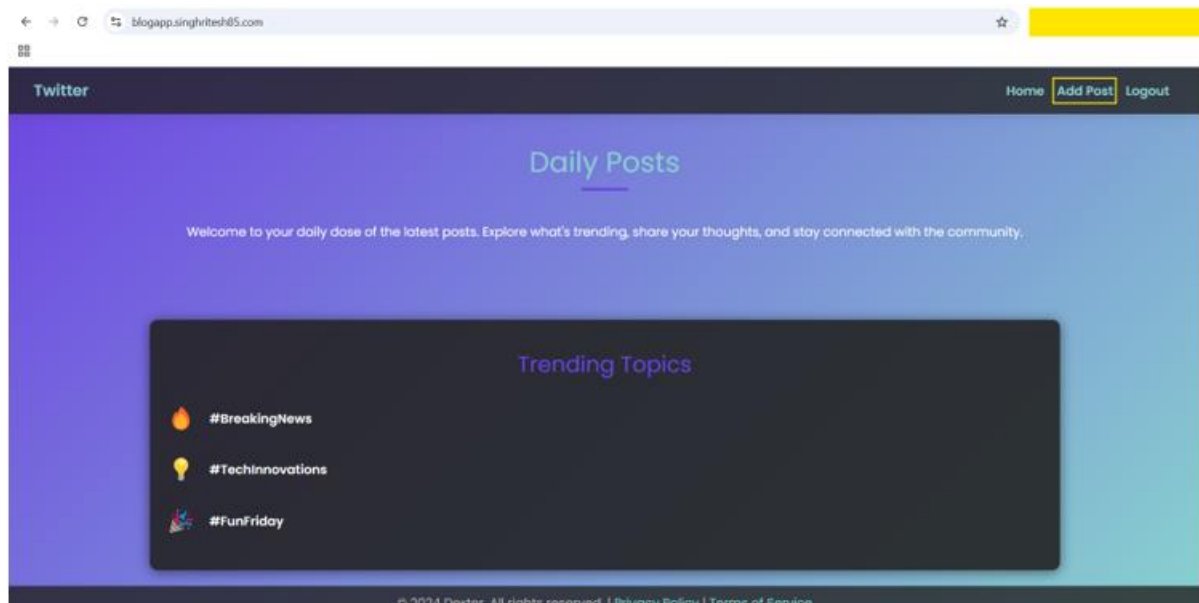
<input type="checkbox"/>	Record name	Type	Routin...	Differ...	Alias	Value/Route traffic to
<input type="checkbox"/>	singhritesh85.com	NS	Simple	-	No	
<input type="checkbox"/>	singhritesh85.com	SOA	Simple	-	No	
<input type="checkbox"/>	...	CNAME	Simple	-	No	
<input type="checkbox"/>	argocd.singhritesh85.com	A	Simple	-	Yes	
<input type="checkbox"/>	blogapp.singhritesh85.com	A	Simple	-	Yes	
<input type="checkbox"/>	grafana.singhritesh85.com	A	Simple	-	Yes	
<input type="checkbox"/>	jenkins-ms.singhritesh85.com	A	Simple	-	Yes	
<input type="checkbox"/>	loki.singhritesh85.com	A	Simple	-	Yes	
<input type="checkbox"/>	nexus.singhritesh85.com	A	Simple	-	Yes	
<input type="checkbox"/>	sonarqube.singhritesh85.com	A	Simple	-	Yes	

Finally, using the URL I started accessing the Application.



I registered a new user and logged in through that user and checked that I was able to read the blogs or create a new blogs.

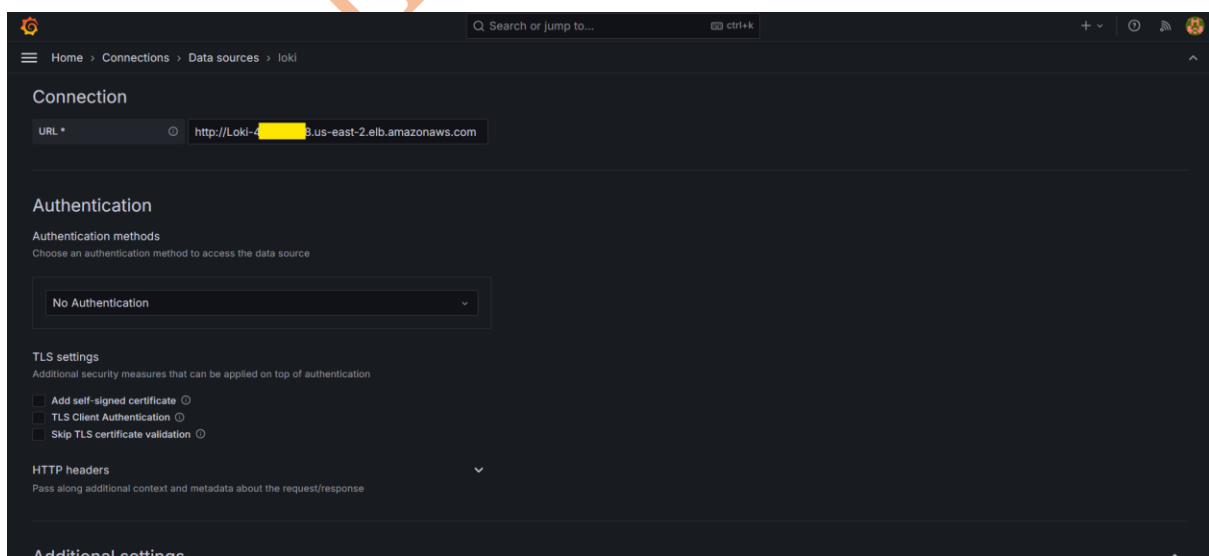
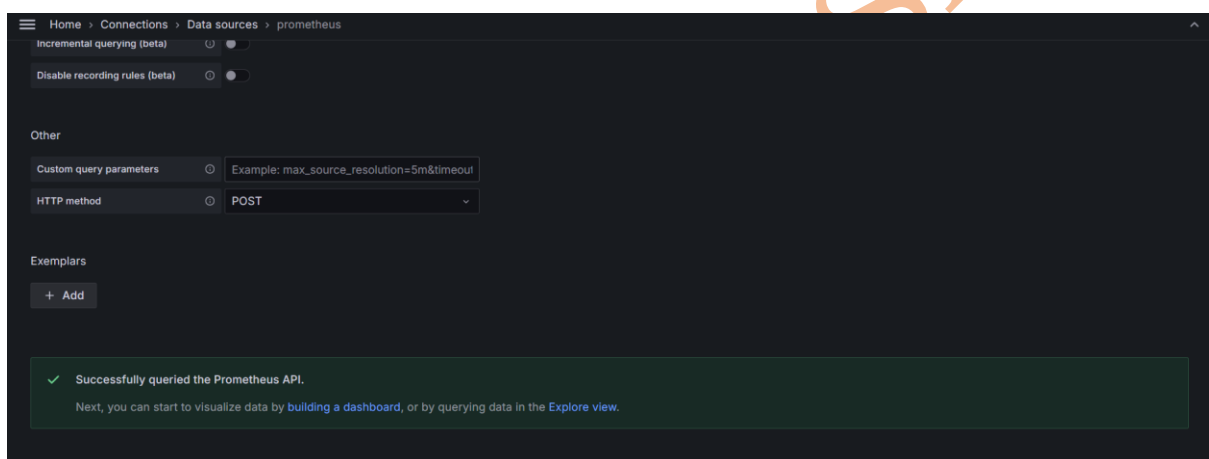
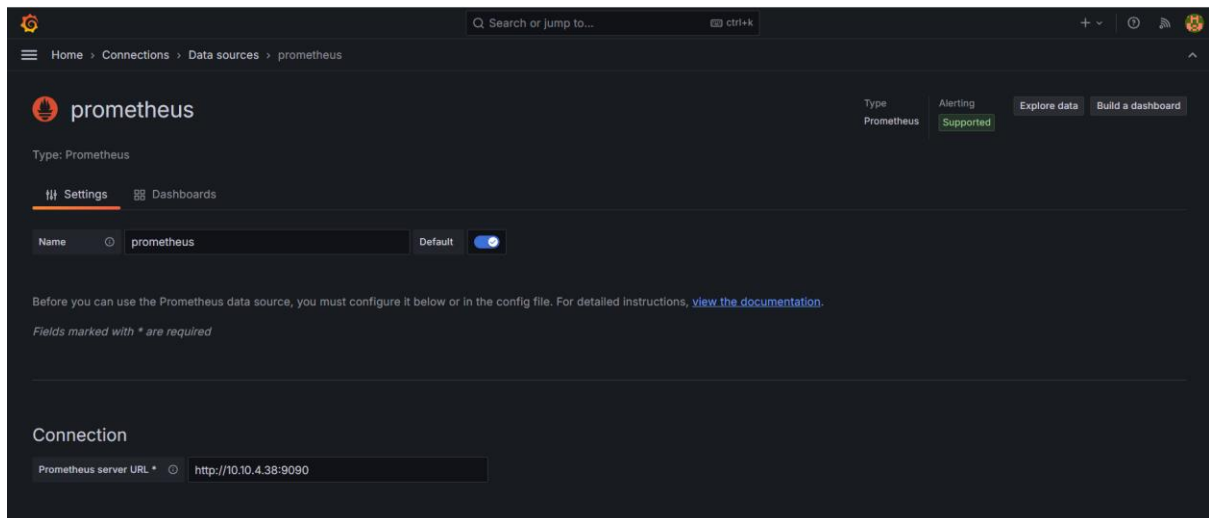


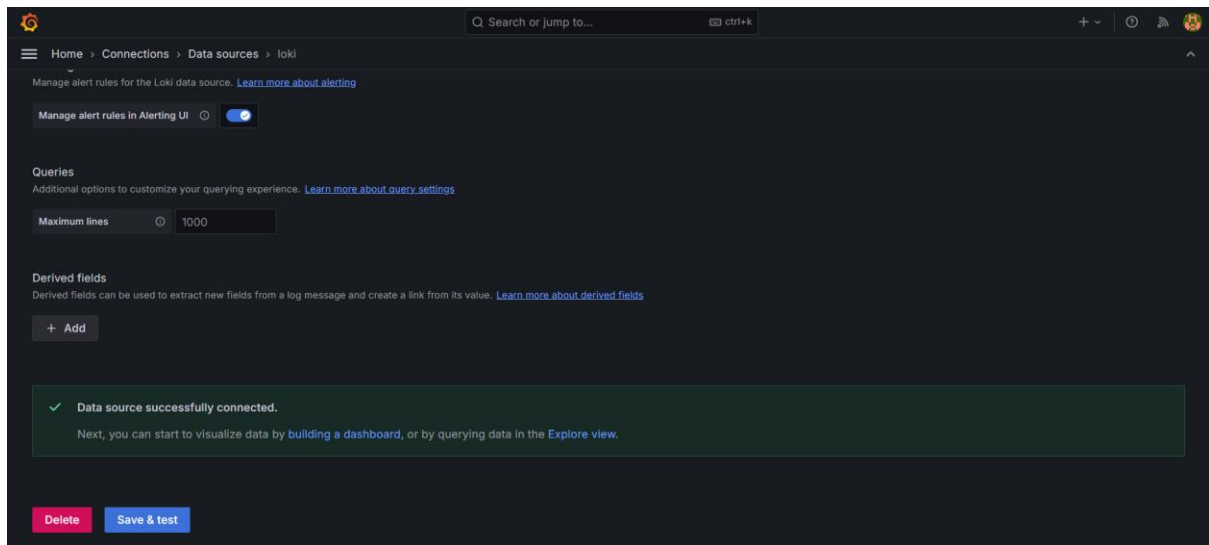


## Monitoring Using Prometheus and Grafana and Log Aggregation using Loki

For Monitoring Tool I had used Prometheus and Grafana. To monitor SonarQube I had used SonarQube-Prometheus-Exporter which was installed using terraform at the path **/opt/sonarqube/extensions/plugins**. It was downloaded from the link <https://github.com/dmeiners88/sonarqube-prometheus-exporter/releases/download/v1.0.0-SNAPSHOT-2018-07-04/sonar-prometheus-exporter-1.0.0-SNAPSHOT.jar>. These steps had been covered in the terraform **user\_data\_sonarqube.sh**. It is basically a bootstrap script for SonarQube Server. For Monitoring Jenkins, you need to install the plugin Prometheus metrics and then restart Jenkins, these steps already been discussed at the starting. The configuration for prometheus had already been done in the terraform. I had taken sonarqube username and password as **admin** and **Admin123** respectively, you can choose as of your own choice and update the terraform script accordingly (Prometheus needs username and password to extract the metrics from SonarQube). I

had provided the terraform script with this GitHub Repository. Below Screenshot shows how I had integrated Prometheus and Loki with Grafana.

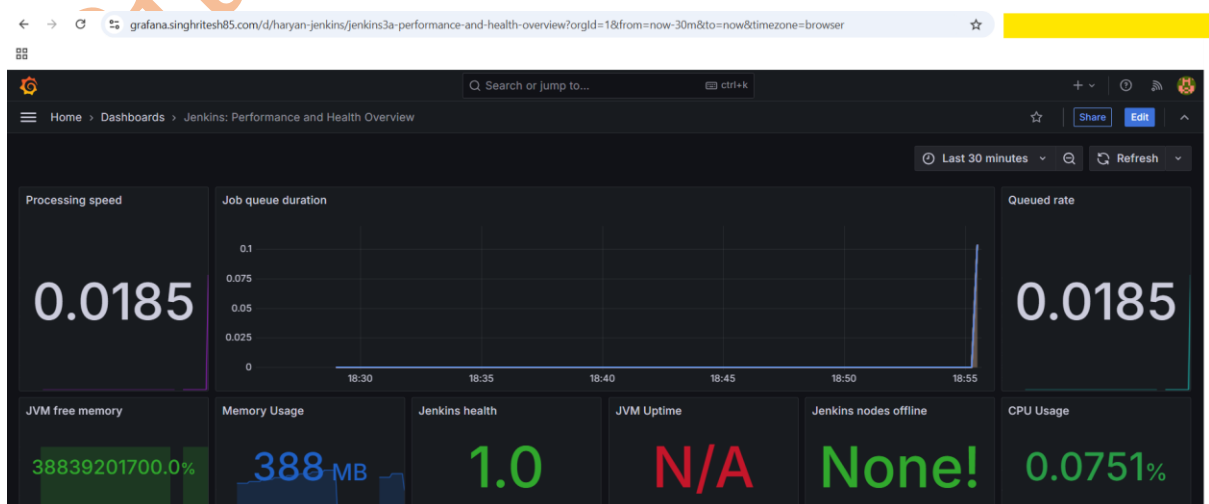




Finally, I checked the Prometheus Console and I was able to see all the Targets was UP.

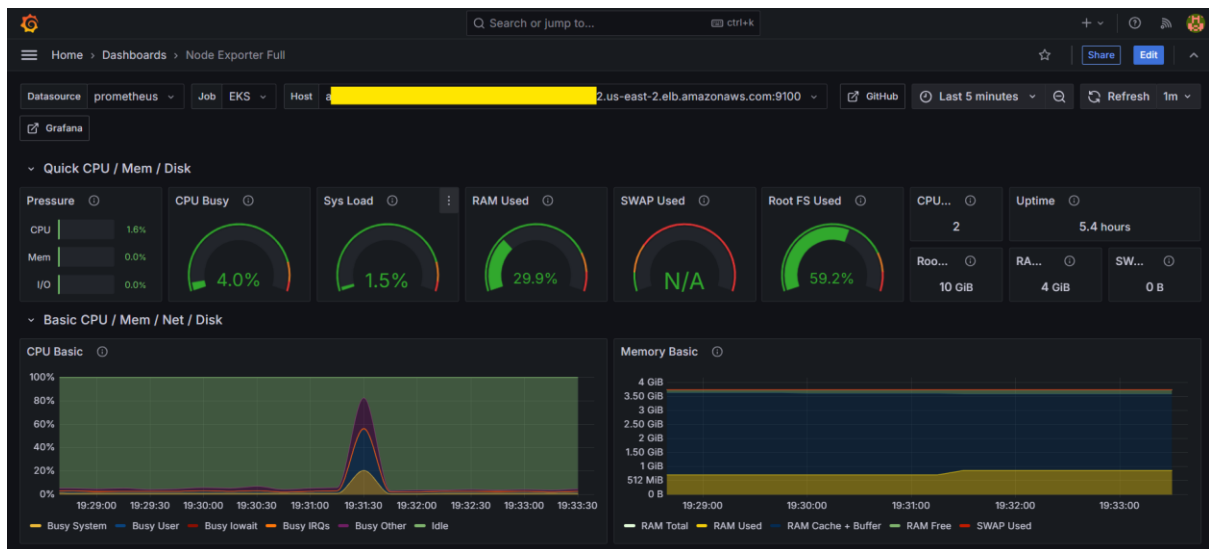
Endpoint	State	Labels	Last Scrape	Scrape Duration	Error
http://10.10.4.181:9100/metrics	UP	instance="10.10.4.181:9100" job="BlacboxExporter-Server"	15.173s ago	19.581ms	
http://a8c3c98eea7564e7599ccdbb10c1ea46-304052122.us-east-2.elb.amazonaws.com:9100/metrics	UP	instance="2.us-east-2.elb.amazonaws.com:9100" job="EKS"	8.775s ago	33.821ms	
http://10.10.4.173:9100/metrics	UP	instance="10.10.4.173:9100" job="Grafana-Server"	8.843s ago	33.892ms	

For Monitoring Jenkins Job using Prometheus I created the Grafana Dashboard using the Grafana ID 9964.

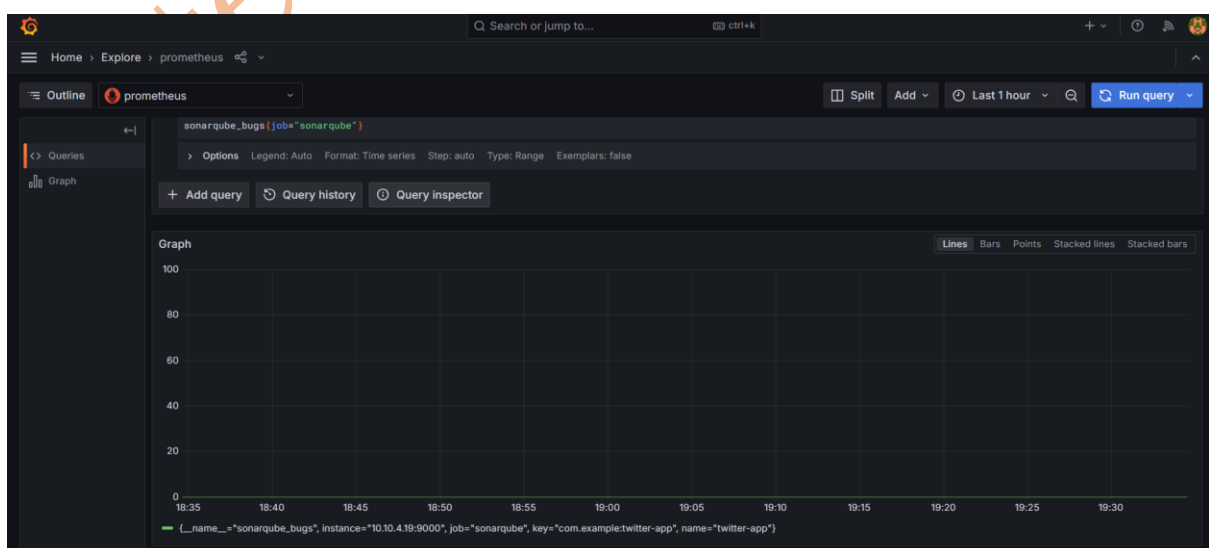
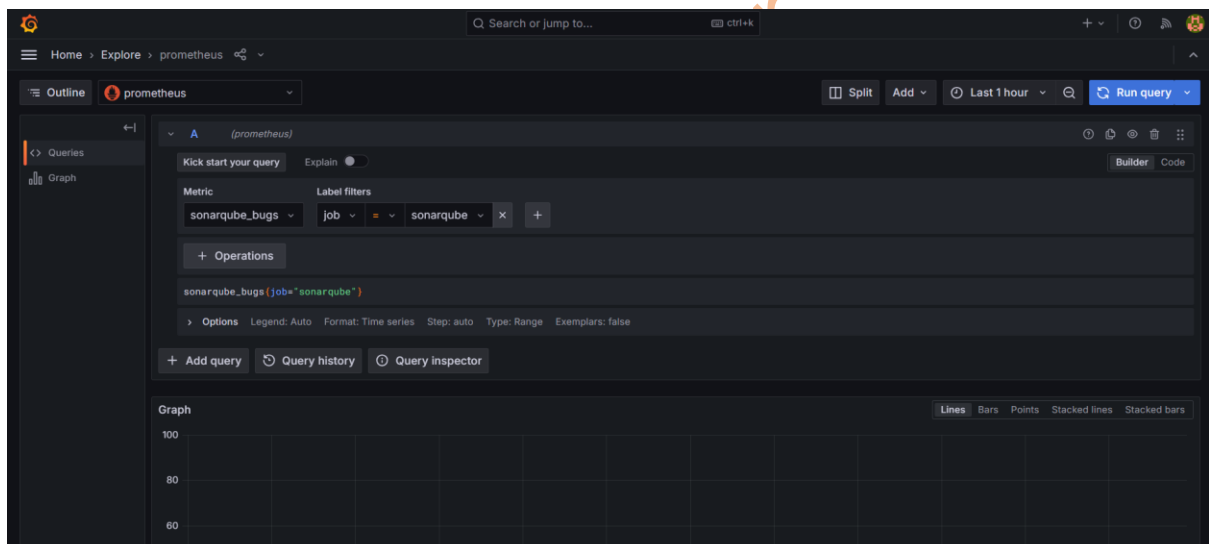




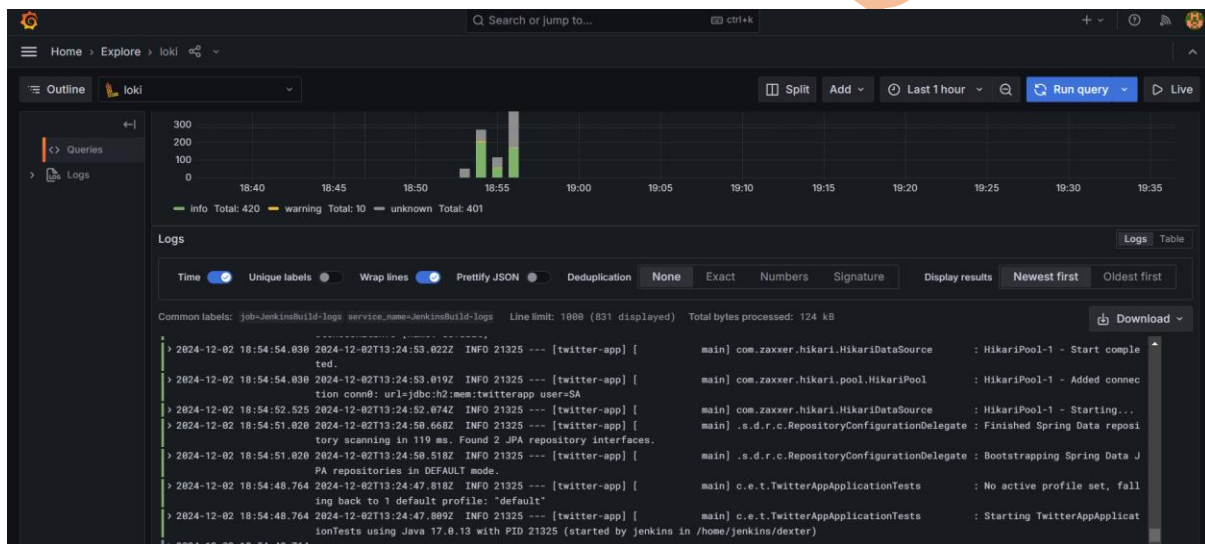
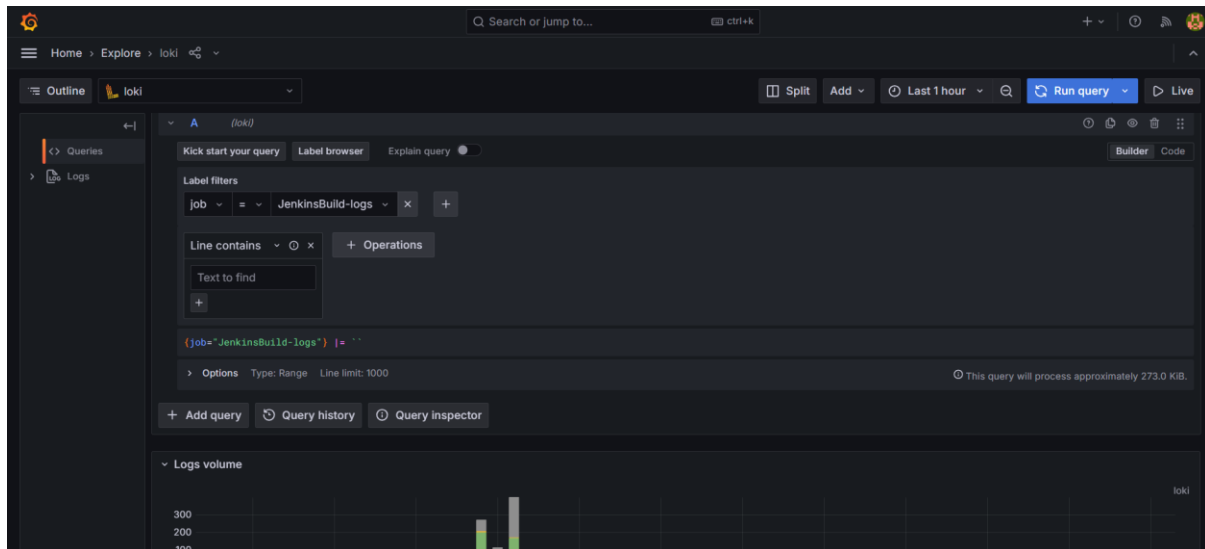
For Monitoring all the Servers and EKS Cluster health using the Node Exporter I used Grafana ID 1860.



Grafana Metrics I started exploring as shown in the screenshot attached below.



Logs using Loki through Grafana I started exploring as shown in the screenshot attached below.



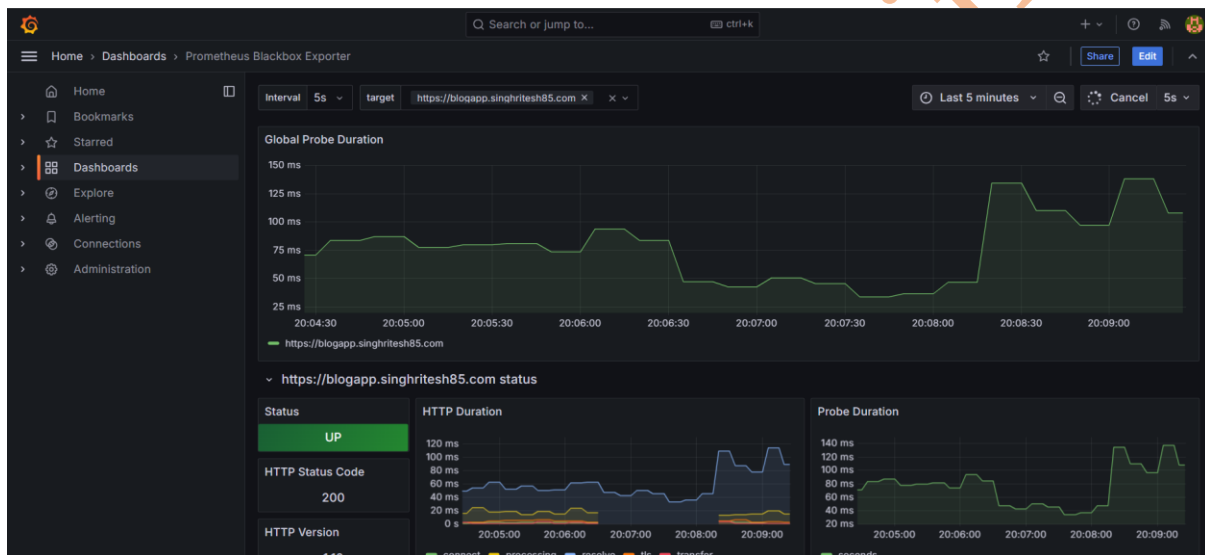
To achieve synthetic monitoring using Prometheus Blackbox Exporter I updated the `/etc/resolv.conf` file for Blackbox Exporter Server as shown in the screenshot attached below. I had used Google's Public DNS Server which is shown in the attached screenshot below.

```
[root@~]# cat /etc/resolv.conf
; generated by /usr/sbin/dhclient-script
search us-east-2.compute.internal
options timeout:2 attempts:5
nameserver 8.8.8.8 #10.10.0.2
```

Finally, I was able to perform the synthetics monitoring on the Blogging Application URL as shown in the screenshot attached below. Application URL **https://blogapp.singhritesh85.com** had been monitored using blackbox exporter.

I had installed Blackbox Exporter on a different server and not on the Prometheus Server. **The module name** is `monitor_website.yml` present of the blackbox exporter server at the path `(/opt/blackbox_exporter_linux_amd64/monitor_website.yml)`. Prometheus blackbox operator is used for endpoint monitoring (Synthetic Monitoring) across the protocol http, https, TCP and ICMP. In this project I am monitoring the Application URL **https://blogapp.singhritesh85.com** with the help of Prometheus Blackbox-Exporter. Prometheus blackbox exporter will send the metrics to Prometheus. For this project Prometheus acts as a DataSource for Grafana and send metrics to Grafana which we can see with the help of Charts and Graphs.

To create the Grafana Dashboard for Application URL Monitoring using blackbox exporter I had used the Grafana ID **7587** and below is the created Dashboard.



## Configuration of Alerts in Grafana

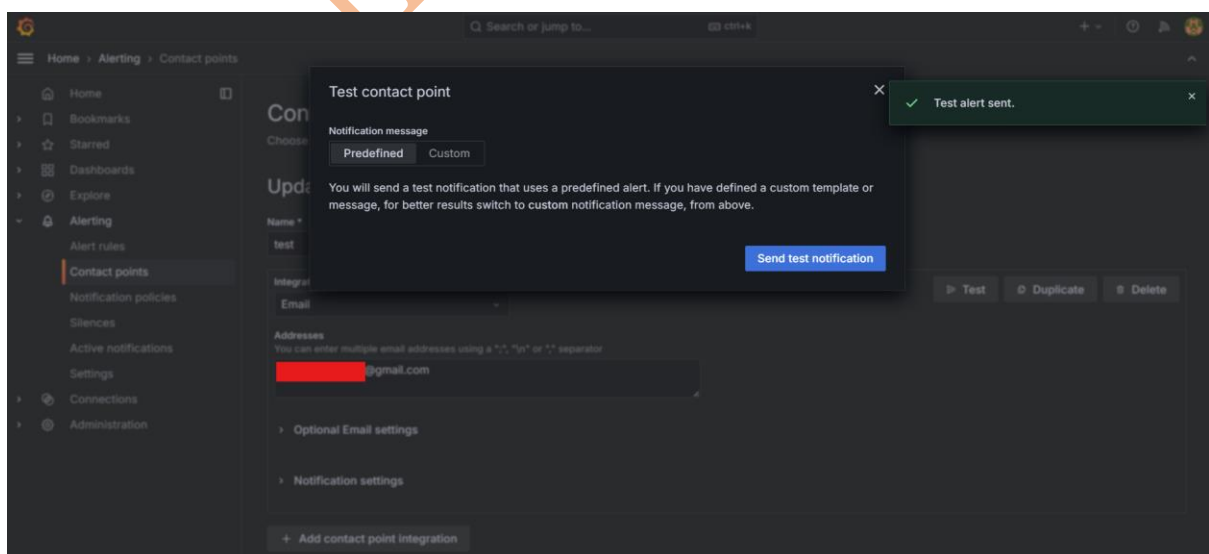
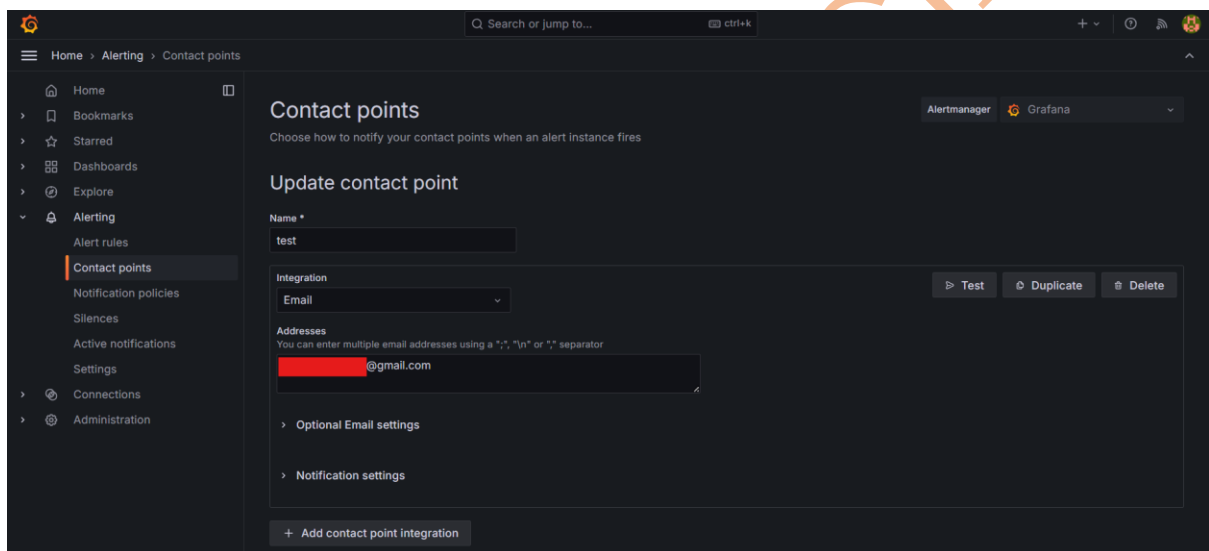
To configure Alerts in Grafana, first I created **contact points** with the Email ID and changed smtp settings in the configuration file `/etc/grafana/grafana.ini` of Grafana as shown in the screenshot attached below.

```
[root@ ~]# cat /etc/grafana/grafana.ini
```

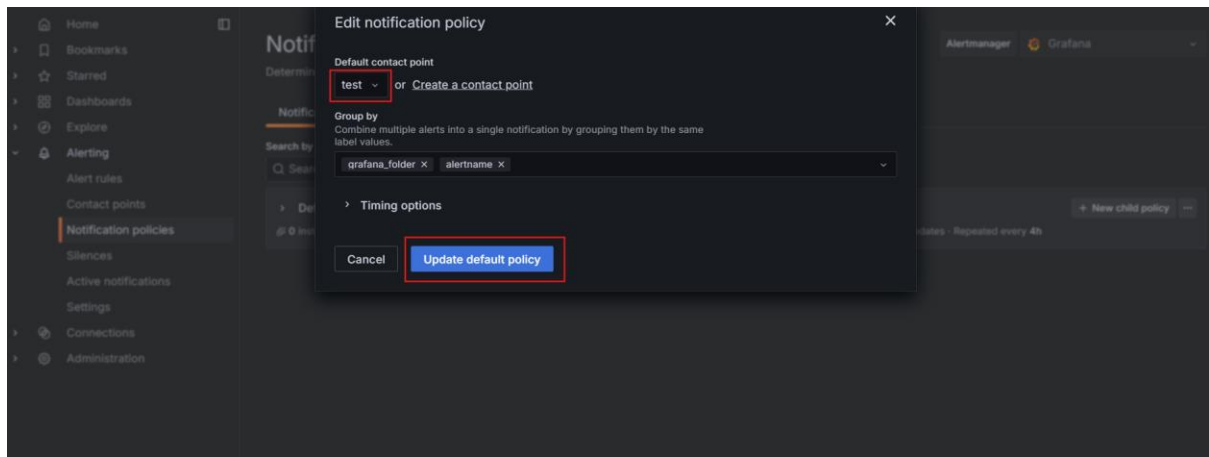
```
##### SMTP / Emailing #####
[smtp]
enabled = true
host = smtp.gmail.com:587
user = [REDACTED]@gmail.com
# If the password contains # or ; you have to wrap it with triple quotes. Ex ""#password;""
password = [REDACTED]
;cert_file =
;key_file =
skip_verify = true
from_address = [REDACTED]@gmail.com
from_name = Grafana
# EHLO identity in SMTP dialog (defaults to instance_name)
;ehlo_identity = dashboard.example.com
# SMTP startTLS policy (defaults to 'OpportunisticStartTLS')
;starttls_policy = NoStartTLS
# Enable trace propagation in e-mail headers, using the 'traceparent', 'tracestate' and (optionally) 'baggage' fields (defaults to false)
;enable_tracing = false

[smtp.static_headers]
# Include custom static headers in all outgoing emails
;Foo-Header = bar
;Foo = bar

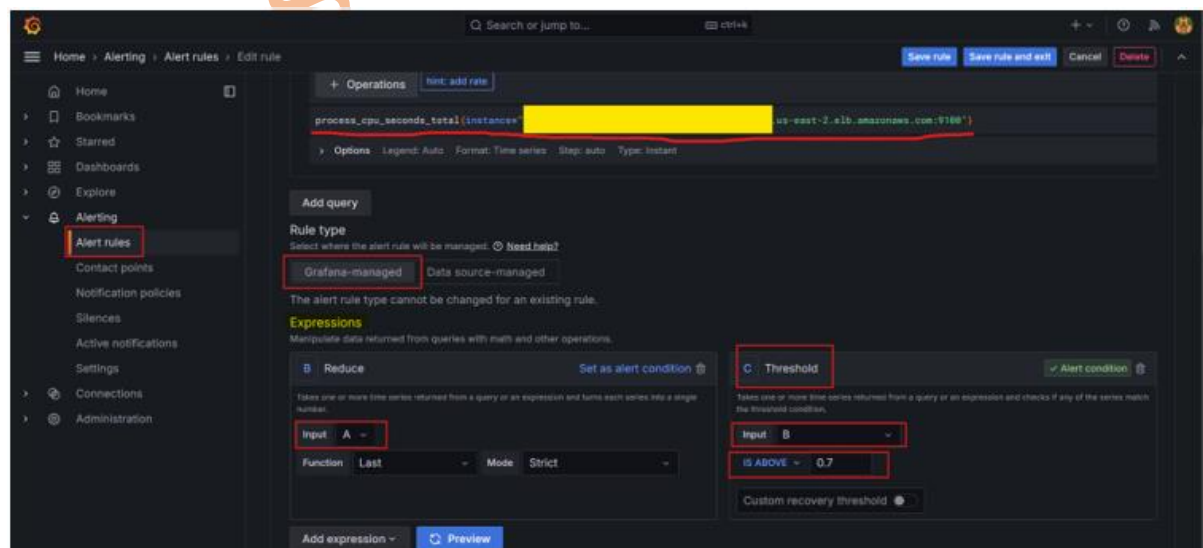
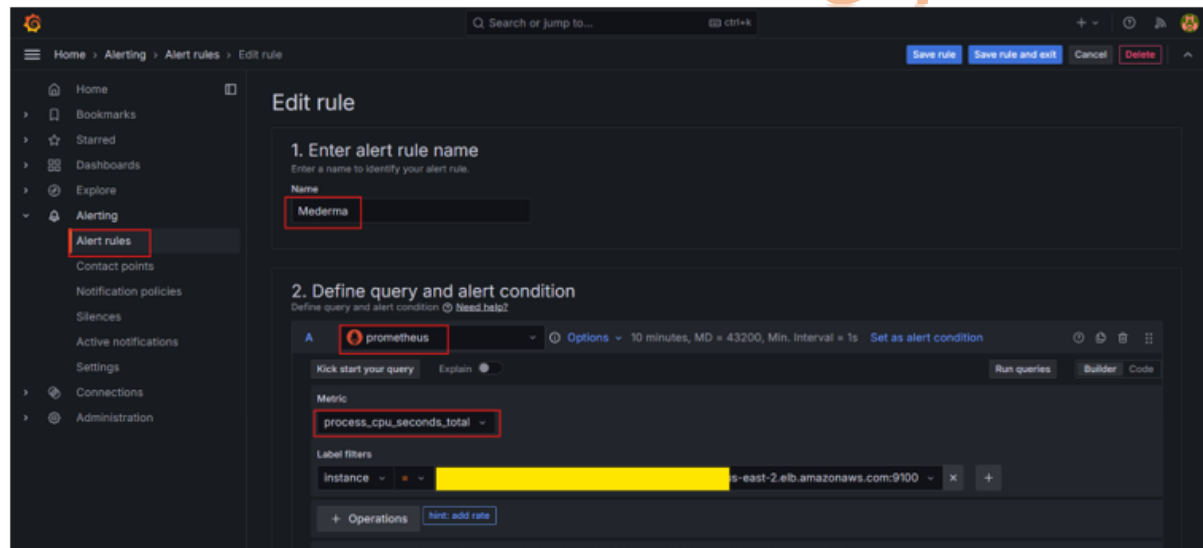
[emails]
;welcome_email_on_sign_up = false
;templates_pattern = emails/*.html, emails/*.txt
;content_types = text/html
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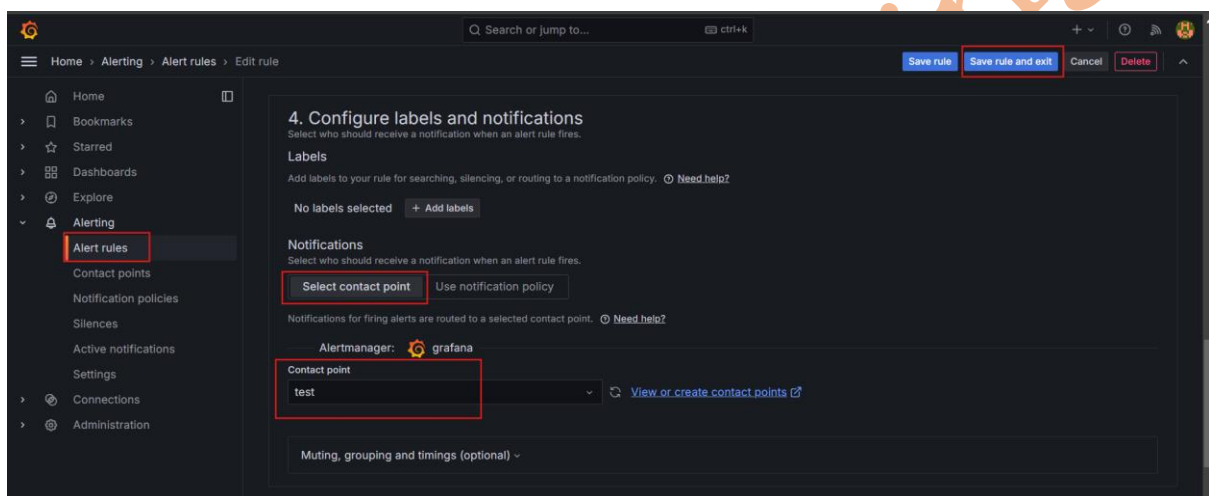
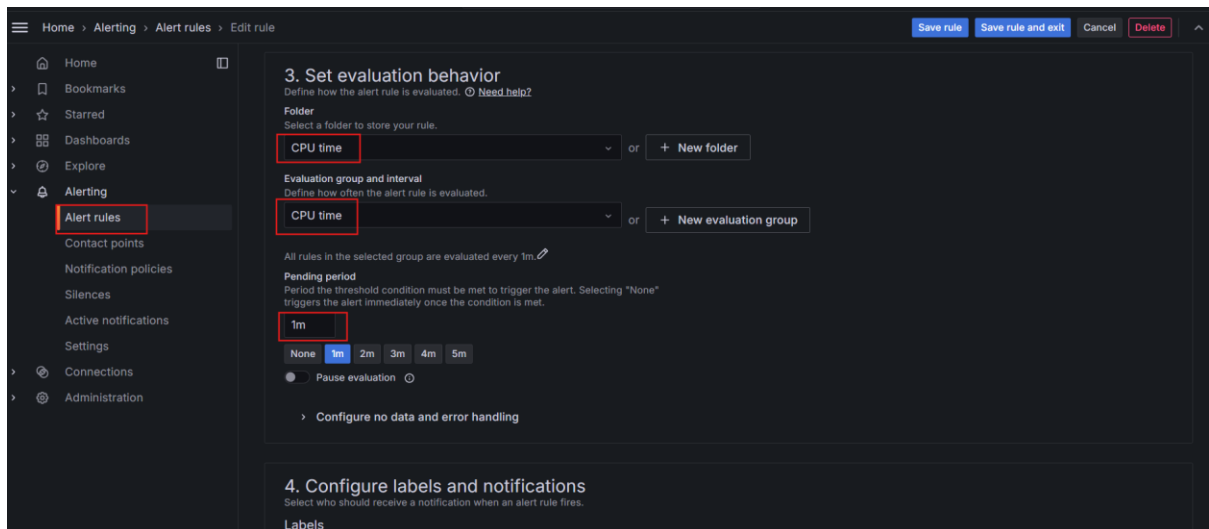


The Default **Notification Policy** had been changed as shown in the screenshot attached below.

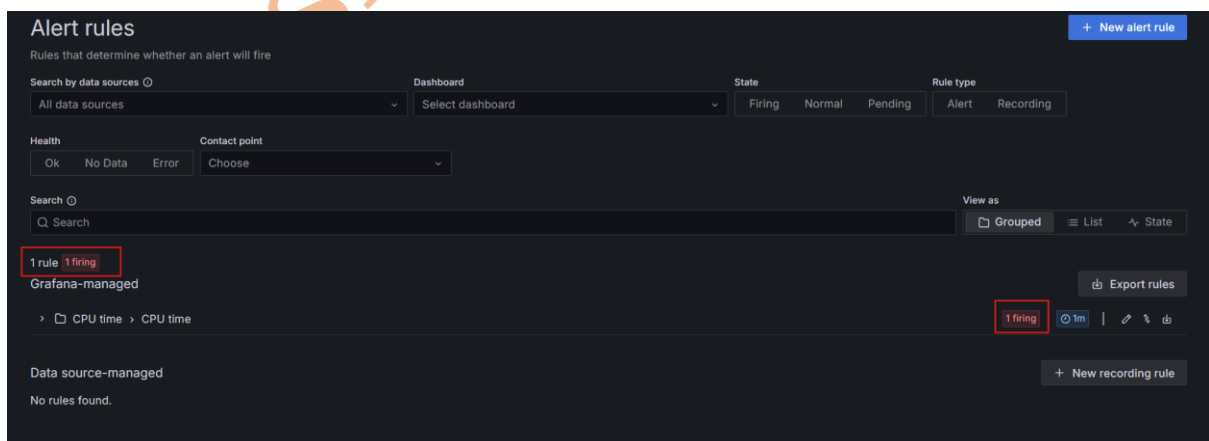


Configure **Alert Rule** as shown in the screenshot attached below.





If the Alert Rule is in firing state after condition crosses the threshold condition, then Grafana console screenshot will be showing the same as shown in the screenshot attached below.



An Email will be sent to the Email ID as shown in the screenshot attached below.



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🔥 1 firing instances

Firing

Mederma

View alert

Values

A= B= C=

Labels

alertname

Mederma

grafana\_folder

CPU time

instance

us-east-2.elb.amazonaws.com:9100

job

EKS

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