Project Documentation

Store Manager: Keep track of inventory

1.Introdution.

Project Title: Store Manager: Keep Track of Inventory

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Project Overview

- PurposeThe Store Manager Keep Track of Inventory project is designed to help shop owners and staff maintain accurate, real-time records of products and stock levels.
 Its main goal is to reduce manual errors, prevent stockouts or over-ordering, and give the business a clear picture of inventory at any moment.
- Features:
- Project posting and bidding
- Secure chat system
- Feedback and review system
- Admin control panel

3. Architecture

- a. Frontend: HTML/CSS/JavaScript (or react) user interface for viewing and managing products.
- b. Backend: Node.js with Express handles API requests and business logic.
- c. Database: MongoDB/MySQL stores product details, stock levels, and transactions.

4. Setup Instructions

a. Prerequisites:

- Install Node.js LTS from nodejs.org and verify with node -v / npm -v.
- Windows only: In PowerShell (Admin) run Set-ExecutionPolicy Unrestricted and confirm.
- Install Visual Studio Code or another code editor.
- Download and extract the Store Manager project code.

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- Unrestricted→ press Y.
- Download & Extract the Store Manager project folder.
- Open the folder in VS Code or terminal: cd store-manager.
- Run npm install to install dependencies.
- Start the app with npm start and open http://localhost:3000 in your browser.

5. Folder Structure

6. Running the Application

- Install Node.js & MongoDB.
- npm install
- Create .env with DB URL & POR
- npm start
- Open http://localhost:3000 in browser.

7. API Documentation

- a. User:
- /api/user/register
- /api/user/login
- b. Projects:
 - /api/projects/create
 - /api/projects/:id
- c. Applications:
 - /api/apply
- d. Chats:
- /api/chat/send
- /api/chat/:userId

8. Authentication

- Register/Login Users using /auth/register and /auth/login endpoints with hashed passwords.
- Generate JWT Token on login for secure access.
- Protect Inventory Routes using middleware that verifies the JWT before allowing CRUD operations.

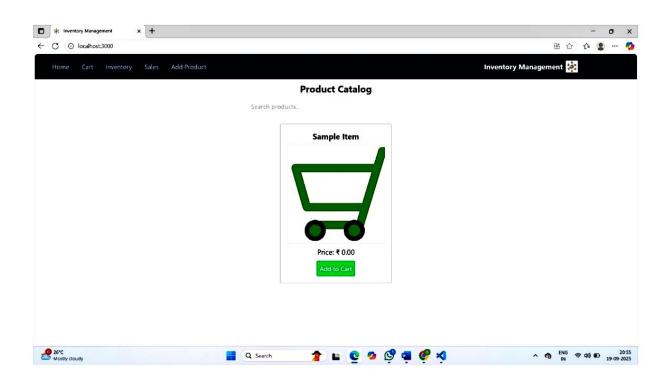
9. User Interface

- LoginPage: Username, Password, Login button.
- Dashboard: Shows total items, low stock alerts, navigation menu.
- Inventory Page: Table of items with Edit/Delete, Add Item button.
- Add/Edit Item Page: Form for name, quantity, price.
- Notifications: Success/failure messages.

10.Testing

- UnitTests: Test functions like add, update, delete items.
- APITests: Verify endpoints, responses, and JWT auth using Postman.
- UITests: Check forms, buttons, and dashboard functionality manually or with Cypress.

11.Screenshots or Demo



12.Known Issues

- No role-based access control; all users have full permissions.
- Limited input validation; negative quantities or prices may be accepted.

13.Future Enhancements

- Add role-based access (admin/staff).
- Enable real-time stock alerts.
- Generate inventory reports.
- Make UI mobile-friendly.
- Support barcode/QR code scanning.