Project features (draft)

1. User Authentication and Profiles $\mathscr O$

- Login and Registration: Users can register and log in using email, Google, or social media.
- Freelancer and Client Profiles:
 - Freelancer Profiles: Include skills, portfolio, hourly or project-based rates, and experience.
 - Client Profiles: Basic profile with previous orders or feedback (if applicable).

2. Gig Creation and Management @

- Service listing Creation Form: Freelancers can create service listings with a title, description, category, pricing, delivery time, and any additional services.
- Media Upload: Allow freelancers to upload images or videos showcasing their work.
- Gig Categories: Basic categorization to help clients find the services they need (e.g., design, writing, tech).

3. Order Placement and Management @

- Order Placement: Clients can select a gig and proceed with ordering, specifying any particular requirements.
- Order Management Dashboard:
 - For **Clients**: Track the status of orders (e.g., pending, in progress, completed).
 - For **Freelancers**: View current orders, delivery deadlines, and special instructions.

4. Messaging System (Chat) @

- **In-App Chat**: Real-time messaging between clients and freelancers to discuss project requirements, timelines, and expectations.
- Notification System: Send notifications for new messages, order status updates, and delivery deadlines.

5. Payment and Transactions \mathscr{O}

- Secure Payment Gateway: Integrate a payment provider (like Stripe or PayPal) to securely process transactions.
- Escrow Feature (Basic): Hold funds securely until the client marks the order as complete, ensuring fair payment.
- Payout to Freelancers: After completion, the freelancer receives payment minus platform fees. Ideally, this would support multiple payout options (bank transfer, PayPal).

6. Rating and Review System @

- Post-Order Review: After an order is completed, clients can leave a rating and a brief review.
- Public Rating Display: Aggregate reviews on freelancers' profiles to help clients choose the right freelancer.

7. Admin Dashboard @

- User and Content Management: Basic controls to manage users, gigs, orders, and resolve disputes.
- Analytics and Monitoring: Track platform metrics like user engagement, total transactions, and any flagged content.

8. Basic Search and Filters $\mathscr O$

• **Gig Search**: Enable clients to search gigs by keywords.

Filtering: Basic filters like category, price range, delivery time, and rating.