Full Stack Development with MERN

Project Documentation

1. Introduction

Project Title: OrderOnTheGo: Your On-Demand Food Ordering Solution

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2. Project Overview

Purpose:

FoodMunch is a fully functional and responsive food ordering website that enables users to register, log in, and browse various food menu items. The goal is to provide a seamless experience for both desktop and mobile users with secure authentication and dynamic data handling.

Features:

- User Registration & Login with JWT
- Responsive and modern UI using Bootstrap
- Reusable components in React
- Dynamic menu items from JSON
- MongoDB integration for persistent storage
- Password hashing and validation for security

3. Architecture

Frontend (React):

- Built using React 18
- Component-based architecture with Hooks
- React Router for client-side navigation
- Axios for API calls
- Responsive layout using Bootstrap 4

Backend (Node.js & Express.js):

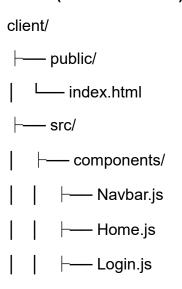
- RESTful API with Express.js
- JWT for authentication
- bcryptjs for password encryption
- Input validation with express-validator

Database (MongoDB):

 Uses Mongoose ODM o One primary collection: Users o Fields include: username, email, password, createdAt 4. Setup Instructions **Prerequisites:** Node.js (v14 or higher) MongoDB (v4.4 or higher) o npm (comes with Node.js) Installation: 1. **Clone the Repository** git clone https://github.com/madhukodali23/FoodMunch **Install Backend Dependencies** cd foodmunch/server npm install 2. **Install Frontend Dependencies** cd ../client npm install 3. **Environment Variables (Server/.env)** PORT=5000 JWT SECRET=your-secret-key-here MONGODB URI=mongodb://localhost:27017/foodmunch

5. Folder Structure

Client (React Frontend):



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Method Endpoint Description

POST /api/login Login existing user

GET /api/profile Get user profile (JWT required)

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Example:
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// POST /api/login Request Body
{
   "email": "user@example.com",
   "password": "mypassword"
}
// Response
{
   "token": "jwt_token_here"
}
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8. Authentication

- Password Hashing: Using bcryptjs before storing in MongoDB.
- **JWT Tokens:** Generated during login and sent to the client.
- Protected Routes: Middleware verifies token and grants access to private endpoints.
- Auth State: Stored in localStorage on the frontend for session management.

9. User Interface

- Built With:
 - Bootstrap 4
 - Font Awesome Icons
 - CSS Animations

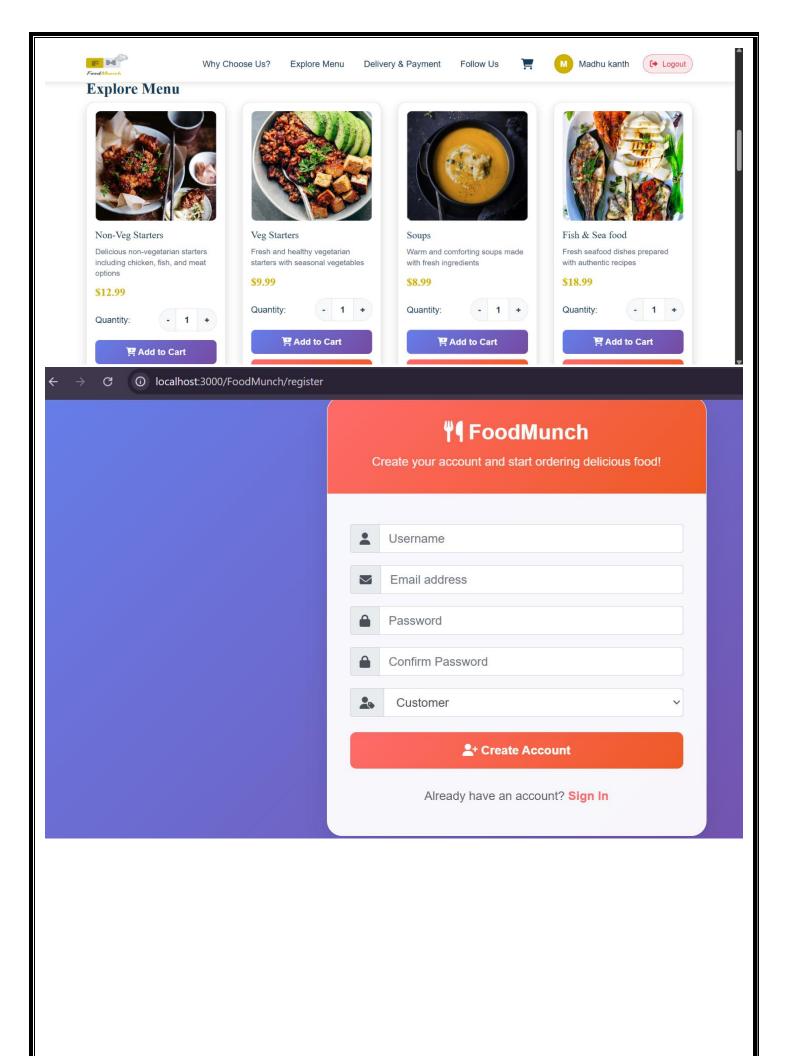
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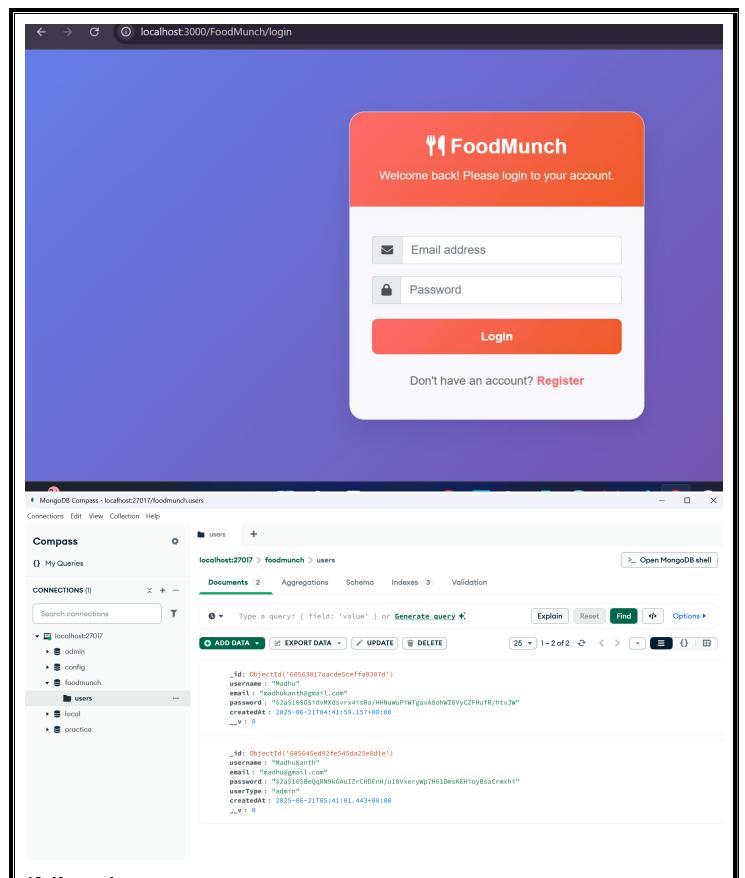
- Home Page: Menu categories, hero section, and call-to-action.
- Login/Register: Forms with validation and API connection.
- Navbar: Changes based on auth state.
- Menu Items: Rendered dynamically using menultems.js

10. Testing

- Manual Testing: Basic form validation, login/logout flow, and MongoDB integration.
- Tools: Postman for API testing, React Developer Tools for component debugging.

11. Screenshots or Demo





12. Known Issues

- No admin panel for adding/updating menu items
- No role-based access control (admin vs. user)
- Limited form validation on frontend
- Minimal error feedback on failed API calls

13. Future Enhancements				
Admin dashboard to manage menu items				
Integration with payment gateways (Razorpay/Stripe)				
Improved error handling and user feedback				
Add unit and integration tests (Jest, Supertest)				
Deployment on cloud platforms (Vercel + Render/Heroku)				