

# Governance.ai

## Compliance Bot (GST Filing Verification System)

### 1. Problem Statement

Indian businesses incur significant financial losses every year due to **avoidable GST non-compliance penalties**, including late fees and penal interest. These penalties are rarely caused by an inability to pay tax, but rather due to **verification failures** such as:

- Missed statutory deadlines
- Assumptions that returns are filed when they are only saved as drafts
- Lack of real-time confirmation from government systems
- Delayed receipt of GST notices, by which time penalties have already compounded

### 2. Proposal

The proposal is to build **Governance.ai – Free Compliance Bot**, an automated compliance verification system that:

- Accepts a GSTIN from a user via WhatsApp
- Periodically verifies GST filing status using a legal, API-based GST data provider
- Determines filing status (Filed / Pending) using deterministic rules
- Sends proactive alerts before statutory deadlines
- Operates on free or near-zero-cost infrastructure

### 3. Workflow Overview

- User sends GSTIN to Governance.ai WhatsApp number
- System validates GSTIN format
- GST filing data is fetched using a government-linked wrapper API
- Latest filed return period is identified
- Expected statutory filing period is calculated
- Filing status is derived by comparison
- User receives immediate confirmation (Filed / Pending)
- System continues automated monitoring near due dates

### 4. Technical Stack

**Backend** - Python, FastAPI (API orchestration, business logic, webhook handling)

**Database** - PostgreSQL Supabase (Store GSTIN, phone number, check status, timestamps)

**Messaging** - WhatsApp Cloud API Meta (User interaction, alerts, confirmations)

**Data Source** - GST Wrapper API via RapidAPI (Fetch GST return metadata without scraping or CAPTCHA bypass)

**Scheduler** - GitHub Actions/Cron-job.org (Trigger automated daily or deadline-based checks)

**Hosting**- Render (Host FastAPI backend with HTTPS support)

## 5. Detailed Implementation Process

### Phase 1: GST Data Source Integration (Obtain reliable GST return metadata legally)

- Register on RapidAPI
- Subscribe to GST Return Status API
- Test endpoint with real GSTINs
- Validate availability of:
  - ◆ Latest GSTR-3B filing period
  - ◆ Sync timestamps
- Document API response structure and rate limits
- Confirm working API and Stable JSON response schema

### Phase 2: Backend Development (Implement core logic and APIs)

- Create FastAPI project structure
- Implement GSTIN format validation
- Create API client for GST wrapper API
- Implement filing status derivation logic:
  - ◆ Calculate expected filing period
  - ◆ Compare with latest filed period
- Create webhook endpoint to receive WhatsApp messages
- Implement response handling and error cases

### **Phase 3: Database Setup** (Persist user and compliance data)

- Create Supabase project
- Define tables:
  - ◆ users (phone, gstin, created\_at)
  - ◆ compliance\_status (gstin, latest\_period, last\_checked)
- Store and update filing status per check

### **Phase 4: WhatsApp Cloud API Integration**

- Create Meta Developer account
- Create WhatsApp Cloud API app
- Obtain Phone Number ID and access token
- Configure webhook callback URL
- Implement message templates:
  - ◆ Filing confirmed
  - ◆ Pending alert
  - ◆ Deadline warning
- Test end-to-end message delivery

## **Phase 5: Scheduler & Automation**

- Create scheduled job (daily or deadline-based)
- Query all registered GSTINs
- Re-check filing status
- Trigger alerts if:
  - ◆ Filing is pending
  - ◆ Due date is approaching
- Log execution results

## **Phase 6: Hosting & Deployment**

- Push code to GitHub repository
- Deploy FastAPI app to Render / Railway
- Configure environment variables securely
- Verify HTTPS endpoint
- Re-validate WhatsApp webhook connectivity

## **Phase 7: Testing & Validation**

1. Test with multiple GSTINs
2. Validate Filed vs Pending logic across dates
3. Simulate deadline scenarios
4. Validate message clarity and timing

## **ASSIGNMENT – I (Seminar)**

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