

Task 3

Objective: High Availability + Auto Scaling Architecture Deployment

Steps Performed:

1. VPC & Networking Setup

- Created a custom VPC for secure networking.
- Configured **two public subnets** across different Availability Zones.
- Configured **two private subnets** to host backend EC2 instances.
- Attached an **Internet Gateway** to enable public subnet access.
- Created route tables:
 - Public route table → IGW.
 - Private route table → NAT Gateway (for outbound access from private instances).

2. Application Load Balancer (ALB) Setup

- Created an **Internet-facing Application Load Balancer** across two public subnets.
- Configured a security group for ALB allowing:
 - HTTP (80) from anywhere.
 - HTTPS (443) (optional).
- Created a **Target Group** using Instance target type.
- Configured health checks using:
 - Protocol: HTTP
 - Path: /
- Attached the Target Group to the ALB Listener (HTTP:80).

3. EC2 Launch Template Configuration

- Created a Launch Template defining:
 - Amazon Linux 2023 AMI (Free Tier eligible)
 - Instance type: t2.micro
 - Security group allowing port 80 **only from ALB security group**
 - User data script to install and run a simple web server:
 - #!/bin/bash
 - dnf install -y httpd
 - systemctl start httpd
 - systemctl enable httpd
 - echo "Hello from ASG Instance" > /var/www/html/index.html
- Ensured **Auto-assign public IP was disabled** (private EC2 instances).

4. Auto Scaling Group (ASG) Deployment

- Created an ASG using the Launch Template.
- Selected **two private subnets** across different AZs for High Availability.
- Attached the ASG to the previously created Target Group.
- Configured scaling parameters:
 - Minimum capacity: 1
 - Desired capacity: 2
 - Maximum capacity: 3
- Enabled **ELB health checks** to ensure unhealthy instances are replaced automatically.

5. High Availability Validation

- EC2 instances launched automatically inside private subnets.
- ALB performed health checks and routed traffic only to **healthy instances**.
- Terminated one instance to validate:
 - ASG automatically launched a replacement instance.
 - ALB continued routing traffic without downtime.

Outcome:

- A fully functional **Highly Available, Auto-Scaling architecture** is deployed.
- Traffic successfully flows:
Internet → ALB → Target Group → Private EC2 Instances (ASG)
- The application remains accessible even if an AZ or instance fails.
- EC2 instances are secure in private subnets, reachable only through ALB.
- System is now scalable, fault-tolerant, and production-ready.

Screenshots

1. Application Load Balancer

Load balancers (1/1) What's new?

Elastic Load Balancing scales your load balancer capacity automatically in response to changes in incoming traffic.

Name	Status	Type	Scheme	IP address type	VPC ID	Availability Zones
my-app-alb	Active	application	Internet-facing	IPv4	vpc-025eb7803f2573fae	2 Availability Zones

Load balancer: my-app-alb

Details

Load balancer type: Application	Status: Active	VPC: vpc-025eb7803f2573fae	Load balancer IP address type: IPv4
Scheme: Internet-facing	Hosted zone: Z0173938T07WNTVAEPZN	Availability Zones: subnet-064cc64100e55af8e1, subnet-06fce6e551d086fe3	Date created: December 4, 2025, 21:21 (UTC+05:30)

2. Target Group

ap-south-2.console.aws.amazon.com/ec2/home?region=ap-south-2#TargetGroups:

aws Search [Alt+S] Asia Pacific (Hyderabad) Account ID: 3224-0285-1464 mohak1702

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Target groups (1/1) Info | What's new?

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Name	ARN	Port	Protocol	Target type	Load balancer	VPC ID
my-target	arn:aws:elasticloadbalancing:ap-south-2:322402851464:targetgroup/my-target/74787d57e7e544fd	80	HTTP	Instance	my-app-alb	vpc-025eb7803f2573fae

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Details

Target type Instance	Protocol : Port HTTP: 80	Protocol version HTTP1	VPC vpc-025eb7803f2573fae
IP address type IPv4	Load balancer my-app-alb		

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