

MediaWiki Installation and Configuration on RHEL-7

OS = RHEL-7.2
Mediawiki = 1.28
PHP = 5.6
MariaDB = 5.7
Apache = 2.4

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1- Installation

=> First we must to install EPEL and Webtatic repository to install require dependency of Mediawiki-1.28.

```
[root@ip-172-31-4-125 ~]# rpm -Uvh https://dl.fedoraproject.org/pub/epel/epel-release-latest-7.noarch.rpm
```

```
[root@ip-172-31-4-125 ~]# rpm -Uvh https://mirror.webtatic.com/yum/el7/webtatic-release.rpm
```

```
[root@ip-172-31-4-125 ~]# yum install php56w php56w-opcache php56w-gd php56w-mbstring php56w-xml php56w-mysql php56w-intl
```

```
[root@ip-172-31-4-125 ~]# yum install httpd
```

=> Download Mediawiki--

```
[root@ip-172-31-4-125 ~]# wget https://releases.wikimedia.org/mediawiki/1.28/mediawiki-1.28.2.tar.gz
```

```
[root@ip-172-31-4-125 ~]# tar -xvzf mediawiki-1.28.2.tar.gz
```

```
[root@ip-172-31-4-125 ~]# mv mediawiki-1.28.2 /var/www/html/mediawiki
```

```
[root@ip-172-31-4-125 ~]# yum install mariadb-server
```

=> Create Database for Mediawiki--

```
[root@ip-172-31-4-125 ~]# mysql -u root -p
```

```
MariaDB [(none)]> create database my_wiki;
```

```
MariaDB [(none)]> grant all on my_wiki.* to 'wiki'@'localhost' identified by 'hrhk';  
Query OK, 0 rows affected (0.00 sec)
```

```
MariaDB [(none)]> flush privileges;
```

```
MariaDB [(none)]> exit
```

=> Setting Up MediaWiki --

Open your favorite browser and type URL – http://your_ip_address/mediawiki

Note:- If you want to use domain name instead of ip than you need to configure virtualhost in apache.



MediaWiki 1.28.2

LocalSettings.php not found.

Please [set up the wiki](#) first.

Click on Set up the wiki

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Language

Your language:

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en - English ▼

Wiki language:

[help](#)

en - English ▼

[Continue](#) →

Select Language and click on Continue -

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Click on Continue again :-

MySQL settings

Database host:
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Identify this wiki

Database name:
[help](#)

Database table prefix:
[help](#)

User account for installation

Database username:
[help](#)


Database password:
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Fill out require DB credential detail and click on continue :-

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Upgrade existing installation

 There are MediaWiki tables in this database. To upgrade them to MediaWiki 1.28.2, click **Continue**.

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Click on continue :-

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Database settings

Database account for web access

☒ Use the same account as for installation

Storage engine:

- ☒ InnoDB
☐ MyISAM

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Database character set:

- ☒ Binary
☐ UTF-8

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Click on continue :-

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Name

Name of wiki:

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MyGov

Project namespace:

[help](#)

- ☒ Same as the wiki name: MyGov
☐ Project
☐ Other (specify)

Administrator account

Your username:

[help](#)

Admin

Password:

password

Password again:

password

Email address:

[help](#)

mediawiki@mygov.in

[help](#)

☐ Subscribe to the release announcements mailing list.

[help](#)

☒ Share data about this installation with MediaWiki developers.



You are almost done! You can now skip the remaining configuration and install the wiki right now.

☒ Ask me more questions.

☐ I'm bored already, just install the wiki.

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- Existing wiki
- Welcome to MediaWiki!
- Connect to database
- Upgrade existing installation
- Database settings
- **Name**
- Options
- Install
- Complete!

[Restart installation](#)

Mention Mediawiki name and admin username(in mycase Admin), credntial and click on continue:-

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Options

User rights profile:

- ☒ Open wiki
- ☐ Account creation required
- ☐ Authorized editors only
- ☐ Private wiki

Wikis work best when you let as many people edit them as possible. In MediaWiki, it is easy to review the recent changes, and to revert any damage that is done by naive or malicious users.

However, many have found MediaWiki to be useful in a wide variety of roles, and sometimes it is not easy to convince everyone of the benefits of the wiki way. So you have the choice.

The **Open wiki** model allows anyone to edit, without even logging in. A wiki with **Account creation required** provides extra accountability, but may deter casual contributors.

The **Authorized editors only** scenario allows approved users to edit, but the public can view the pages, including history. A **Private wiki** only allows approved users to view pages, with the same group allowed to edit.

More complex user rights configurations are available after installation, see the [relevant manual entry](#).

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- ☒ No license footer
- ☐ Select a custom Creative Commons license

Leave it default and click on continue button :-

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Complete!

Congratulations! You have installed MediaWiki.

The installer has generated a `LocalSettings.php` file. It contains all your configuration.

You will need to download it and put it in the base of your wiki installation (the same directory as `index.php`). The download should have started automatically.

If the download was not offered, or if you cancelled it, you can restart the download by clicking the link below:

[Download LocalSettings.php](#)

Note: If you do not do this now, this generated configuration file will not be available to you later if you exit the installation without downloading it.

When that has been done, you can [enter your wiki](#).

Did you know that your wiki supports [extensions](#)?

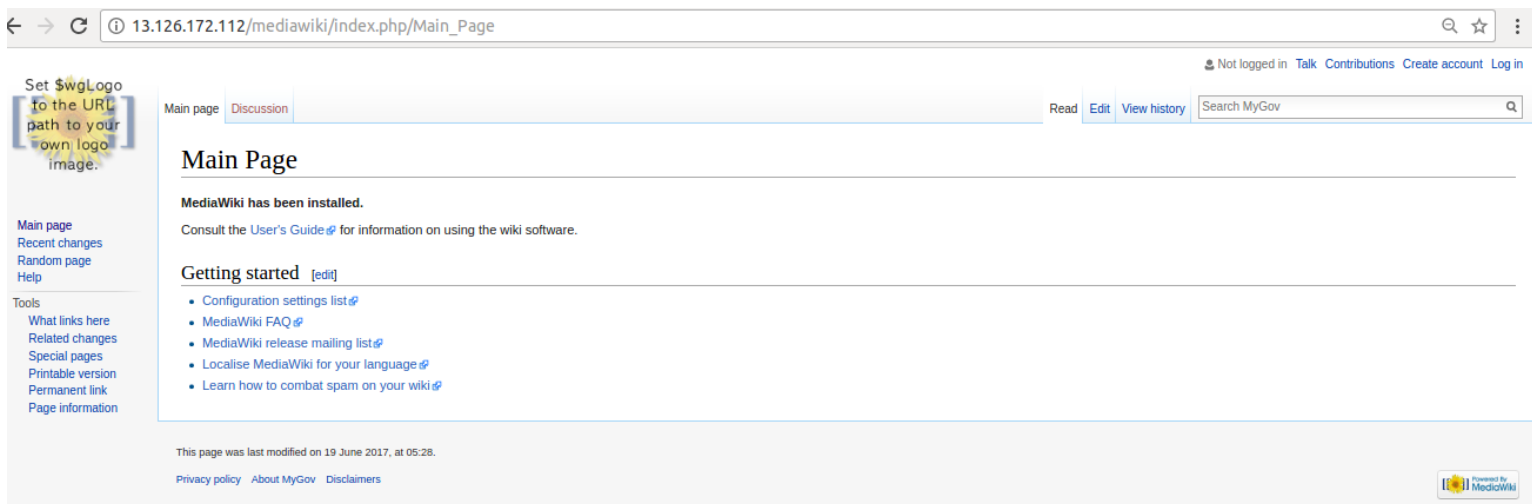
You can browse [extensions by category](#) or the [Extension Matrix](#) to see the full list of extensions.

=> Now Installation has been completed and **LocalSettings.php** file will be downloaded automatically if not then click on Download button.

=> In next step you will have to move or copy **LocalSettings.php** file to mediawiki root directory.

[root@ip-172-31-4-125 ~]# mv Downloads/LocalSettings.php /var/www/html/mediawiki/

=> Now open wiki again from your browser :- http://your_ip_address/mediawiki



=> *You will see home screen of MediaWiki and Login using Admin credential which we created in earlier step.*

2- Configuring Security :-

We will make secure our wiki from public users and no one will be able to see any hosted document without login on wiki. To do this we will have to change LocalSettings.php file which is kept into mediawiki root directory.

```
[root@ip-172-31-4-125 ~]# cd /var/www/html/mediawiki/
[root@ip-172-31-4-125 mediawiki]# vim LocalSettings.php
```

go to in end of file using **shift+g** and append below line.

```
$wgGroupPermissions['*']['read'] = false;
```

```
# Add more configuration options below.

$wgGroupPermissions['*']['read'] = false;
```

After making any changes in this file we will have to update it using below command.

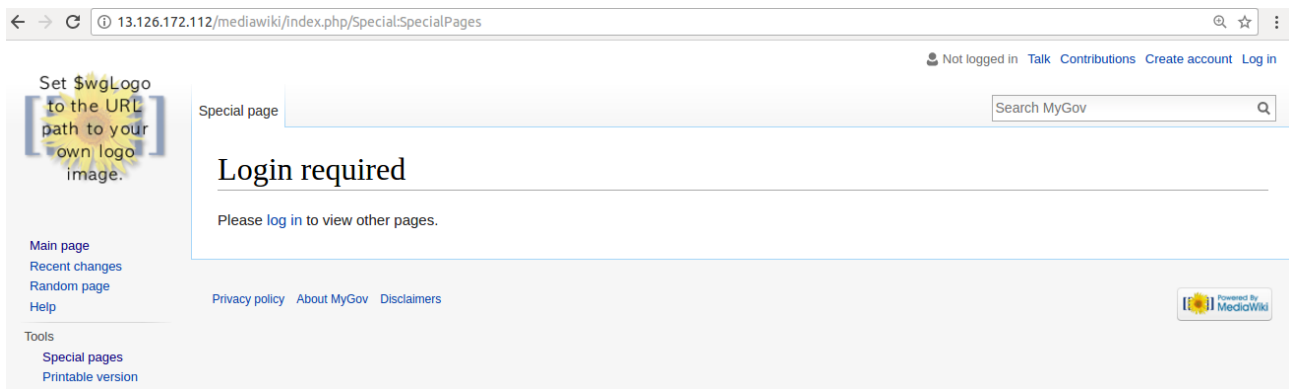
```
[root@ip-172-31-4-125 mediawiki]# php maintenance/update.php
```

You will see below message on success.

```
Purging caches...done.

Done in 0.1 s.
[root@ip-172-31-4-125 mediawiki]#
```

=> *Now wiki will be require Login before any activity :*



3- Installing of Moderation Extension :-

Go to extensions directory under mediawiki root directory:-

```
[root@ip-172-31-4-125 ~]# cd /var/www/html/mediawiki/extensions/
```

```
[root@ip-172-31-4-125 extensions]# git clone https://github.com/edwardspec/mediawiki-moderation.git
Cloning into 'mediawiki-moderation'...
remote: Counting objects: 2815, done.
remote: Total 2815 (delta 0), reused 0 (delta 0), pack-reused 2815
Receiving objects: 100% (2815/2815), 507.14 KiB | 151.00 KiB/s, done.
Resolving deltas: 100% (1956/1956), done.
```

```
[root@ip-172-31-4-125 extensions]# mv mediawiki-moderation/ Moderation
```

=> *Now we will have to enable this module.*

```
[root@ip-172-31-4-125 extensions]# vim ../LocalSettings.php
=> Append below entries.
```

```
wfLoadExtension( 'Moderation' );
$wgGroupPermissions['sysop']['moderation'] = true; # Allow sysops to use Special:Moderation
$wgGroupPermissions['sysop']['skip-moderation'] = true; # Allow sysops to skip moderation
$wgGroupPermissions['bot']['skip-moderation'] = true; # Allow bots to skip moderation
$wgGroupPermissions['checkuser']['moderation-checkuser'] = false; # Don't let checkusers see IPs on Special:Moderation

$wgAddGroups['sysop'][] = 'automoderated'; # Allow sysops to assign "automoderated" flag
$wgRemoveGroups['sysop'][] = 'automoderated'; # Allow sysops to remove "automoderated" flag
```

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$wgGroupPermissions['sysop']['moderation'] = true; # Allow sysops to use Special:Moderation
$wgGroupPermissions['sysop']['skip-moderation'] = true; # Allow sysops to skip moderation
$wgGroupPermissions['bot']['skip-moderation'] = true; # Allow bots to skip moderation
$wgGroupPermissions['checkuser']['moderation-checkuser'] = false; # Don't let checkusers see IPs on Special:Moderation

$wgAddGroups['sysop'][] = 'automoderated'; # Allow sysops to assign "automoderated" flag
$wgRemoveGroups['sysop'][] = 'automoderated'; # Allow sysops to remove "automoderated" flag
```

= > Update new configuration --

```
[root@ip-172-31-4-125 extensions]# php ../maintenance/update.php
```

=> To check Moderation page use below url :-

http://your_ip_address/mediawiki/index.php/Special:Moderation

```
[root@ip-172-31-4-125 extensions]#
```

Below are the other Usefull Parameters of LocalSettings.php:-

\$wgModerationPreviewLink = true; (*To enable Preview button for Moderation*).

Administrator notification settings

\$wgModerationNotificationEnable = true;

\$wgModerationNotificationNewOnly = true;

\$wgModerationEmail = \$wgEmergencyContact;

#Loading Nuke extention

wfLoadExtension('Nuke');

\$wgGroupPermissions['sysop']['nuke'] = false;

\$wgGroupPermissions['nuke']['nuke'] = true;

Note:- Don't forget to run update command after making any changes in LocalSettings.php file.

3- Enabling Notification with Comment on Every Approval and Rejected Documents during moderation:-

By default mediawiki doesn't provide any notification facility on moderation to inform about document status to document owner or editor.

So make it working we need to make little changes in moderation code which is written in PHP language. So let's start..

=> *First of all we will add a TextArea to pass comment on Document.*

```
[root@ip-172-31-4-125 ~]# cd /var/www/html/mediawiki/extensions/Moderation/
```

```
[root@ip-172-31-4-125 Moderation]# vim SpecialModeration.php
```

Append Below Code after line number 342.

```
$line .= "<form id = 'demo' method='post'><textarea name = 'reject_comment' id =  
'comment_'. $result->id.'" rows='2' cols='5' placeholder= 'Click here for any Comment  
regarding Document'></textarea></form>";
```

```
343 $line .= "<form id = 'demo' method='post'><textarea name = 'reject_comment' id = 'comment_'. $result->id.'" rows='2' cols='5'  
placeholder= 'Click here for any Comment regarding Document'></textarea></form>";
```

=> *Now need to implement notifications on Approval and Reject Button.*

```
[root@ip-172-31-4-125 Moderation]# vim action/ModerationActionApprove.php
```

=> *Append below code under "public function executeApproveOne()" method.*


```

$dbhost = 'localhost:3036';
$dbuser = 'wiki';
$dbpass = 'hrhk';
$conn = mysql_connect($dbhost, $dbuser, $dbpass);
if(! $conn ) {
    die('Could not connect: ' . mysql_error());
}
$sql = "SELECT * from moderation where mod_id=$this->id";
mysql_select_db('my_wiki');
$retval = mysql_query( $sql, $conn );
if(! $retval ) {
    die('Could not get data: ' . mysql_error());
}
while($row = mysql_fetch_array($retval, MYSQL_ASSOC)) {
    $message= "MOD ID :{$row['mod_id']} \n ".
        "USER NAME : {$row['mod_user_text']} \n ".
        "Approved Document : {$row['mod_title']} \n ".
        "Comment : {$row['comment']} \n ";
    $subject= "Your Document {$row['mod_title']} Has Been Approved";
    $mod_user= "{$row['mod_user']}";
}
# echo "$message";
mysql_close($conn);
/*New DB connection for User Table */

$conn1 = mysql_connect($dbhost, $dbuser, $dbpass);

if(! $conn1 ) {
    die('Could not connect: ' . mysql_error());
}

$sql1 = "select * from user where user_id=$mod_user";
mysql_select_db('my_wiki');
$retmail = mysql_query( $sql1, $conn1 );

if(! $retmail ) {
    die('Could not get data: ' . mysql_error());
}
while($row1 = mysql_fetch_array($retmail, MYSQL_ASSOC)) {
    $EMAIL = "{$row1['user_email']}";
}
$headers = 'From: mediawiki@mygov.in';

mail("$EMAIL", "$subject", $message, $headers);
mysql_close($conn1);

/*New DB connection completed here */

```

[root@ip-172-31-4-125 Moderation]# vim action/ModerationActionReject.php

=> *Append below code under “**public function executeRejectOne()**” method.*

```

$dbhost = 'localhost:3036';
$dbuser = 'wiki';
$dbpass = 'hrhk';
$conn = mysql_connect($dbhost, $dbuser, $dbpass);
if(! $conn ) {
    die('Could not connect: ' . mysql_error());
}
$sql = "SELECT * from moderation where mod_id=$this->id";
mysql_select_db('my_wiki');
$retval = mysql_query( $sql, $conn );

if(! $retval ) {
    die('Could not get data: ' . mysql_error());
}
while($row = mysql_fetch_array($retval, MYSQL_ASSOC)) {
    $message= "MOD ID :{$row['mod_id']} \n ".
        "USER NAME : {$row['mod_user_text']} \n ".
        "REJECTED PAGE : {$row['mod_title']} \n ".
        "Comment : {$_GET['comment']} \n ";

    $subject= "YOUR PAGE REJECTED {$row['mod_title']}";
    $mod_user= "{$row['mod_user']}";
}
mysql_close($conn);

/*New DB connection for User Table */

$conn1 = mysql_connect($dbhost, $dbuser, $dbpass);

if(! $conn1 ) {
    die('Could not connect: ' . mysql_error());
}

$sql1 = "select * from user where user_id=$mod_user";
mysql_select_db('my_wiki');
$retmail = mysql_query( $sql1, $conn1 );

if(! $retmail ) {
    die('Could not get data: ' . mysql_error());
}
while($row1 = mysql_fetch_array($retmail, MYSQL_ASSOC)) {
    $EMAIL = "{$row1['user_email']}";
}
$headers = 'From: mediawiki@mygov.in';
mail("$EMAIL", "$subject", $message, $headers);
mysql_close($conn1);

```

***Mediawiki has been configured with moderation functionality.
Thanks..***