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ABSTRACT

In today's competitive business world, efficient project expense management is vital for organisational success. Companies often struggle to track expenses, manage vendors, monitor budgets, and generate reports. This project aims to develop a comprehensive database system that centralises expense tracking across multiple projects, vendors, and cost categories. The system enables organisations to control spending, prevent budget overruns, and produce insightful financial reports, ultimately optimising financial operations and improving decision-making.

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CHAPTER 1:

INTRODUCTION

1.1 INTRODUCTION:

The Project Expense Management System automates expense tracking, budgeting, and reporting for projects. It ensures accuracy, security, and real-time financial insights through role-based access and secure data management.

1.2 SCOPE OF THE WORK:

The Project Expense Management System encompasses the following functionalities:

- User Management: Register and manage multiple users with different Business
- Management: Store and organize multiple business entities
- Account Management: Maintain financial accounts with balance tracking
- Vendor Management: Store vendor information and contact details
- Customer Management: Track customer information and contact details
- Category Management: Define and manage expense categories with type classification
- Transaction Management: Record all financial transactions with date, amount, and descriptions
- Invoice Management: Generate and track customer invoices with payment status
- Budget Management: Set monthly or yearly budgets for expense categories with limit tracking
- Reporting: Generate expense reports, budget vs. actual analysis, and vendor payment summaries.

1.3 PROBLEM STATEMENT:

Organisations struggle with manual expense management due to scattered tracking, budget overruns, poor vendor management, weak audit trails, time-consuming reporting, and a lack of authorisation control.

1.4 AIM AND OBJECTIVES OF THE PROJECT:

The project aims to build a user-friendly system for efficient expense tracking and analysis. Its objectives include centralised data storage, secure role-based access, real-time budget monitoring, vendor management, automated reporting, audit trails, and multi-project tracking.

KEY OBJECTIVES:

1. Provide a centralised database for storing all expense-related information.
2. Implement role-based access control for enhanced security.
3. Enable real-time budget monitoring and alert generation for budget overruns.
4. Facilitate efficient vendor and customer payment management.
5. Generate comprehensive expense reports and financial analytics.
6. Maintain audit trails for compliance and verification.
7. Automate expense categorisation and allocation.
8. Provide multi-project expense tracking capabilities.

CHAPTER 2

SYSTEM SPECIFICATIONS

2.1 SOFTWARE SPECIFICATIONS:

Operating System	:	WINDOWS 11
Front – End	:	Python
Back - End	:	SqlLite
Language	:	python,SQL

2.2 HARDWARE SPECIFICATIONS

Processor	:	Intel i5
Memory Size	:	8GB (Minimum)
HDD	:	1 TB (Minimum)

CHAPTER 3

MODULE DESCRIPTION

Module 1: User Authentication & Management

This module handles user registration, login, and role-based access control. Users can have roles such as Admin (full access), Manager (create and view expenses), Accountant (view and process payments), and Viewer (read-only access).

Key Features:

- User registration with email verification
- Secure password authentication
- Role-based access control (RBAC)
- Session management
- Password recovery and reset

Module 2: Business & Account Management:

This module allows organizations to manage multiple businesses and their associated financial accounts.

Key Features:

- Create and manage business profiles
- Track multiple bank/financial accounts per business
- Real-time account balance updates
- Account statement generation

Module 3: Expense & Transaction Management:

This module is the core of the system, enabling users to record and categorize expenses.

Key Features:

- Record transactions with category assignment
- Support for multiple vendors and customers
- Transaction history and audit trails
- Transaction search and filtering
- Receipt attachment capability

Module 4: Budget Management:

Allows setting and monitoring budgets for different expense categories.

Key Features:

- Set budget limits per category and time period
- Real-time budget vs. actual tracking
- Budget alert notifications for overruns
- Budget variance analysis

Module 5: Reporting & Analytics:

Generates comprehensive financial reports and analytics.

Key Features:

- Expense reports by category, vendor, or time period
- Budget variance reports
- Cash flow analysis
- Vendor payment summaries
- Export to CSV/PDF formats

Module 6: Vendor & Customer Management:

Manages vendor and customer information with payment tracking.

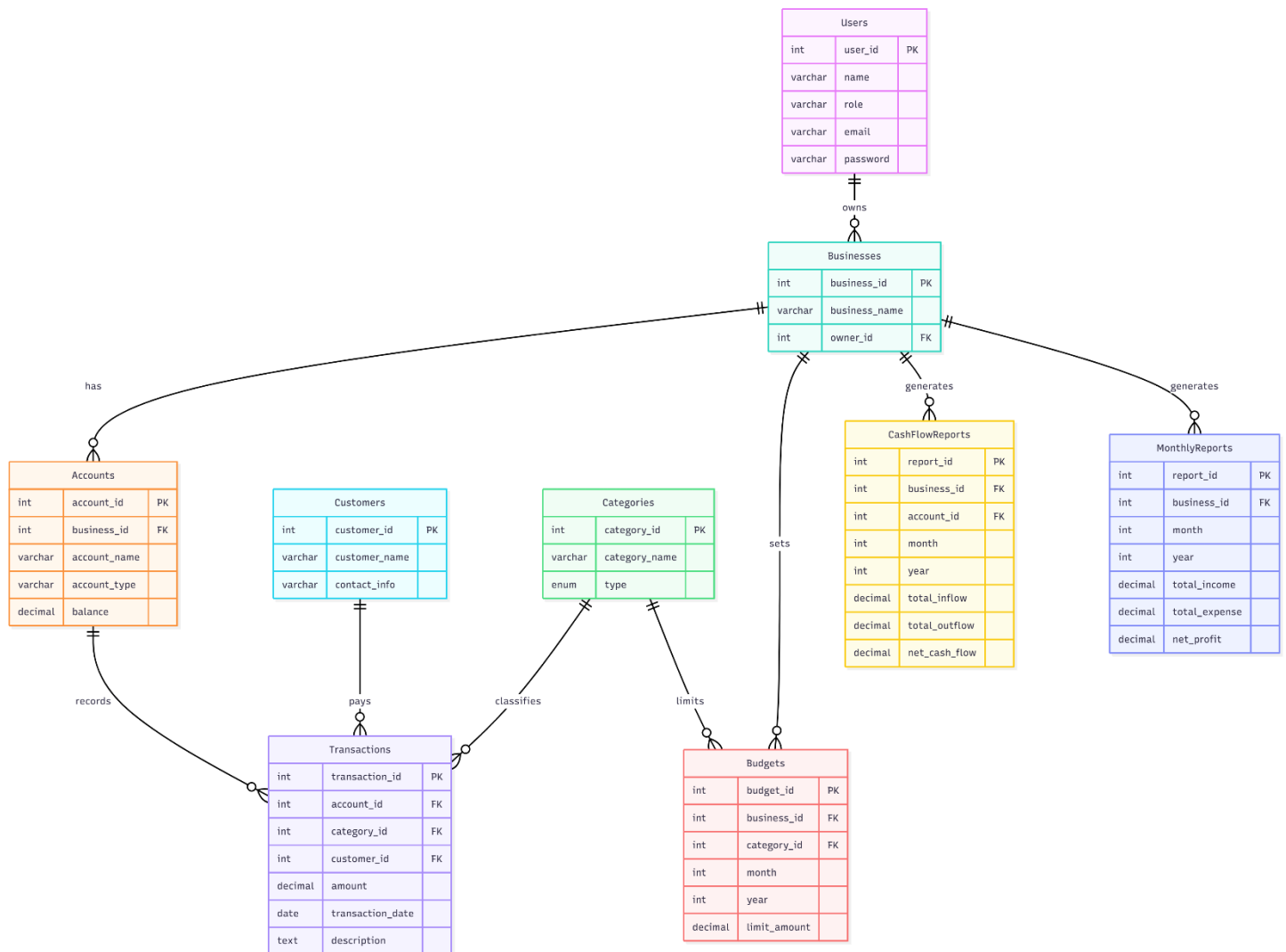
Key Features:

- Vendor profile management
- Customer invoice tracking
- Payment status monitoring
- Customer communication history

CHAPTER 4

DATABASE DESIGN

4.1 ENTITY RELATIONSHIP DIAGRAM



4.2 TABLE STRUCTURE

Users Table:

Users		
int	user_id	PK
varchar	name	
varchar	role	
varchar	email	
varchar	password	

Businesses Table:

Businesses		
int	business_id	PK
varchar	business_name	
int	owner_id	FK

Accounts Table:

Accounts		
int	account_id	PK
int	business_id	FK
varchar	account_name	
varchar	account_type	
decimal	balance	

Customers Table:

Customers		
int	customer_id	PK
varchar	customer_name	
varchar	contact_info	

Categories Table:

Categories		
int	category_id	PK
varchar	category_name	
enum	type	

Transactions Table:

Transactions		
int	transaction_id	PK
int	account_id	FK
int	category_id	FK
int	customer_id	FK
decimal	amount	
date	transaction_date	
text	description	

Budgets Table:

Budgets		
int	budget_id	PK
int	business_id	FK
int	category_id	FK
int	month	
int	year	
decimal	limit_amount	

CashFlowReports Table:

CashFlowReports		
int	report_id	PK
int	business_id	FK
int	account_id	FK
int	month	
int	year	
decimal	total_inflow	
decimal	total_outflow	
decimal	net_cash_flow	

MonthlyReports Table:

MonthlyReports		
int	report_id	PK
int	business_id	FK
int	month	
int	year	
decimal	total_income	
decimal	total_expense	
decimal	net_profit	

CHAPTER 5

SQL IMPLEMENTATION

Creation of Table:

```
expense_management > apps > users > models.py > Users
You, 4 weeks ago | 1 author (You)
1  from django.db import models
2
3
4
You, 4 weeks ago | 1 author (You)
5  class Users(models.Model):
6      user_id = models.IntegerField(primary_key = True)
7      name = models.CharField(max_length = 100)
8      role = models.CharField(max_length = 50)
9      email = models.CharField(max_length = 100)
10     password = models.CharField(max_length = 100)
11
12     def __str__(self):
13         return f"{self.name} ({self.role})"
14
```

Registrations Of The Table:

```
expense_management > apps > users > admin.py
You, 1 second ago | 1 author (You)
1  from django.contrib import admin
2  from .models import Users
3
4  admin.site.register(Users)
5
6
7
8
```

Insertion Of Values Into Table:

TABLES		custo...	customer...	email	user_id
> accounts_acco...		Filter	Filter	Filter..	Filter
> auth_group					
> auth_group_p...					
> auth_permission					
> auth_user					
> auth_user_gro...					
> auth_user_use...					
> budgets_budget					
> businesses_bu...					
> catogories_cat...					
> customers_cus...					
> django_admin...					
> django_conte...					
> django_migrat...					
> django_session					
> reports_cashfl...					
> reports_month...					

Logic Behind The Code:

```

from django.shortcuts import render, redirect, get_object_or_404
from apps.users.decorators import customer_required
from .models import Customer
from .forms import CustomerForm

@customer_required
def customer_list(request):
    customers = Customer.objects.all()
    return render(request, 'customers/customer_list.html', {'customers': customers})

def customer_create(request):
    if request.method == 'POST':
        form = CustomerForm(request.POST)
        if form.is_valid():
            form.save()
            return redirect('customer_list')
    else:
        form = CustomerForm()
    return render(request, 'customers/customer_form.html', {'form': form})

def customer_update(request, pk):
    customer = get_object_or_404(Customer, pk=pk)
    if request.method == 'POST':
        form = CustomerForm(request.POST, instance=customer)
        if form.is_valid():
            form.save()
            return redirect('customer_list')
    else:
        form = CustomerForm(instance=customer)
    return render(request, 'customers/customer_form.html', {'form': form})

def customer_delete(request, pk):
    customer = get_object_or_404(Customer, pk=pk)
    if request.method == 'POST':
        customer.delete()
        return redirect('customer_list')
    return render(request, 'customers/customer_confirm_delete.html', {'customer': customer})

```


Frontend For The Code:

Customers list HTML:

```

dj customer_list.html X  dj customer_confirm_delete.html  dj customer_form.html  dj base.html ...\custe >
expense_management > apps > customers > templates > customers > dj customer_list.html
You, 3 weeks ago | 1 author (You)
1  {% extends 'customers/base.html' %}
2  {% load static %}
3
4  {% block title %}Customers{% endblock %}
5
6  {% block content %}
7      <h2>Customers</h2>
8      <p><a class="btn" href="{% url 'customer_create' %}">Add customer</a></p>
9      <table class="table">
10         <thead>
11             <tr>
12                 <th>ID</th>
13                 <th>Name</th>
14                 <th>Email</th>
15                 <th>Actions</th>
16             </tr>
17         </thead>
18         <tbody>
19             {% for c in customers %}
20                 <tr>
21                     <td>{{ c.customer_id }}</td>
22                     <td>{{ c.customer_name }}</td>
23                     <td>{{ c.email }}</td>
24                     <td>
25                         <a href="{% url 'customer_update' c.customer_id %}">Edit</a> |
26                         <a href="{% url 'customer_delete' c.customer_id %}">Delete</a>
27                     </td>
28                 </tr>
29             {% empty %}
30                 <tr><td colspan="4">No customers yet.</td></tr>
31             {% endfor %}
32         </tbody>
33     </table>
34 {% endblock %}
35

```

Customers Delete HTML:

```

expense_management > apps > customers > templates > customers > dj customer_confirm_delete.html
You, 3 weeks ago | 1 author (You)
1  {% extends 'customers/base.html' %}
2  {% load static %}
3
4  {% block title %}Delete Customer{% endblock %}
5
6  {% block content %}
7      <h2>Delete Customer</h2>
8      <p>Are you sure you want to delete customer {{ customer.customer_name }} ({{ customer.customer_email }})</p>
9      <form method="post">
10         {% csrf_token %}
11         <button type="submit" class="btn">Yes, delete</button>
12         <a href="{% url 'customer_list' %}">Cancel</a>
13     </form>
14 {% endblock %}
15

```

Customers Form:

expense_management > apps > customers > templates > customers > **dj** customer_form.html

You, 3 weeks ago | 1 author (You)

```

1  {% extends 'customers/base.html' %}
2  {% load static %}
3
4  {% block title %}Customer Form{% endblock %}
5
6  {% block content %}
7      <h2>Customer</h2>
8      <form method="post">
9          {% csrf_token %}
10         <table>
11             {{ form.as_table }}
12         </table>
13         <button type="submit" class="btn">Save</button>
14         <a href="{% url 'customer_list' %}">Cancel</a>
15     </form>
16 {% endblock %}
17

```

Urls For The Site:

expense_management > apps > customers >  urls.py > ...

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```

1  from django.urls import path
2  from . import views
3
4  urlpatterns = [
5      path('', views.customer_list, name='customer_list'),
6      path('add/', views.customer_create, name='customer_create'),
7      path('edit/<int:pk>', views.customer_update, name='customer_update'),
8      path('delete/<int:pk>', views.customer_delete, name='customer_delete'),
9  ]
10

```

CHAPTER 6:

SCREENSHOTS

Home Page:

Expense
Management

Logged in as
Jeffery

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HomeBusinessesAccountsCustomersCategoriesTransactionsBudgets

ReportsDashboardLogout

Welcome to Users

This dashboard shows a quick summary of recent activity and links to reports generated from your data.

Current month (11/2025)

- Transactions this month: 0
- Total income: 0
- Total expenses: 0

Quick links

- [Reports home](#)
- [Monthly report](#)
- [Cashflow report](#)
- [View all users](#)

User Page:

Expense Management

Logged in as Jeffery

HomeBusinessesAccountsCustomersCategoriesTransactionsBudgets

ReportsDashboardLogout

Users

[Add new user](#)

ID	Name	Email	Actions
1	Tom (Sales)	Tom@gmail.com	Edit Delete
2	Sam (Finances)	Sam@gmail.com	Edit Delete
3	Max (Toys Business)	Max@gmail.com	Edit Delete

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Businesses:

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ReportsDashboardLogout

Businesses

Add business

Soap company

Owner: Tom (Sales)

Edit

Delete

Little Toys

Owner: Max (Toys Business)

Edit

Delete

Helping Finances

Owner: Sam (Finances)

Edit

Delete

Iron export

Owner: Nandy (Business)

Edit

Delete

Software As A Service

Owner: George (Business)

Edit

Delete

Accounts For the Businesses Created:

Expense Management

Logged in as Jeffery

HomeBusinessesAccountsCustomersCategoriesTransactionsBudgets

ReportsDashboardLogout

Accounts

Add account

ID	Business	Name	Type	Balance	Actions
1	Soap company (Owner: Tom)	Business account	debit card	1000000.0	Edit Delete
2	Little Toys (Owner: Max)	Business account	credit	500000.0	Edit Delete
3	Helping Finances (Owner: Sam)	Business account	debit card	300000.0	Edit Delete
4	Iron export (Owner: Nandy)	Business account	credit	100000.0	Edit Delete
5	Software As A Service (Owner: George)	Business account	debit card	250000.0	Edit Delete

Customers Accounts For The Businesses:

Expense Management

Logged in as Jeffery

HomeBusinessesAccountsCustomersCategoriesTransactionsBudgets

ReportsDashboardLogout

Customers

Add customer

ID	Name	Email	Actions
1	kumar	kumar@gmail.com	Edit Delete
4	rahul	rahul@gmail.com	Edit Delete
5	sundar	sundar@gmail.com	Edit Delete
6	janu	dd@gmail.com	Edit Delete

Different Type Of Categories:

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ReportsDashboardLogout

Categories

Add category

ID	Name	Type	Actions
1	Helping Finances	finance	Edit Delete
2	Iron export	Export	Edit Delete
3	Software As A Service	Online Service	Edit Delete
4	Little Toys	Toys	Edit Delete

Transaction History From Company to Customers:

Expense Management

Logged in as Jeffery

HomeBusinessesAccountsCustomersCategoriesTransactionsBudgets

ReportsDashboardLogout

Transactions

Add transaction

ID	Account	Category	Customer	Amount	Date	Actions
1	Business account (debit card) - Balance: 1000000.0	soap Company (Soap)	kumar (kumar@gmail.com)	50000.00	Nov. 5, 2025	Edit Delete
2	Business account (credit) - Balance: 500000.0	Little Toys (Toys)	rahul (rahul@gmail.com)	60000.00	Nov. 5, 2025	Edit Delete
3	Business account (debit card) - Balance: 300000.0	Software As A Service (Online Service)	sundar (sundar@gmail.com)	80000.00	Nov. 5, 2025	Edit Delete
4	Business account (credit) - Balance: 100000.0	Iron export (Export)	janu (dd@gmail.com)	45000.00	Nov. 5, 2025	Edit Delete

Setting Budgets For Next Transaction:

Expense Management

Logged in as Jeffery

HomeBusinessesAccountsCustomersCategoriesTransactionsBudgetsReportsDashboardLogout

Budgets

Add budget

ID	Business	Customer	Period	Limit	Actions
1	Soap company (Owner: Tom)	kumar (kumar@gmail.com)	11/2025	25000.0	Edit Delete
2	Little Toys (Owner: Max)	rahul (rahul@gmail.com)	11/2025	45000.0	Edit Delete
3	Helping Finances (Owner: Sam)	sundar (sundar@gmail.com)	11/2025	56000.0	Edit Delete
4	Iron export (Owner: Nandy)	janu (dd@gmail.com)	11/2025	23000.0	Edit Delete

Monthly Reports Based On The Transaction:

Expense Management

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Monthly Report — November 2025

Transactions this month: 4

Total income: 0.00

Total expenses: 235000.00

Net profit: -235000.00

Budget total: 149000.00

Income change vs previous month: N/A

Expenses change vs previous month: N/A

3-month rolling average expenses: 78333.33

Top expense categories


No expense transactions this month.

Category breakdown (by expense share)

Separate Credentials Login For Different Users:

Expense Management

Not logged in



Home

Businesses

Accounts

Customers

Categories

Transactions

Budgets

Reports

Dashboard

Login

Login

Username:

Password:

Are you a customer or a vendor?

If you're a customer or vendor, use the links below to enter your information and then log in.

- [Customer registration / enter info](#) (creates a customer record)
- [Vendor / Business registration](#) (create your business)

[Back to home](#)

CHAPTER 7

CONCLUSION AND FUTURE ENHANCEMENT

Conclusion

The Project Expense Management System provides organisations with a comprehensive solution for tracking, managing, and analysing project expenses. By implementing this system, organisations can:

- Achieve better financial visibility and control
- Prevent budget overruns through real-time monitoring
- Reduce time spent on expense management and reporting
- Ensure compliance and maintain audit trails
- Make data-driven financial decisions

This system demonstrates the practical application of database design principles and provides a scalable foundation for enterprise expense management.

Future Enhancements:

1. **Mobile Application:** Develop mobile apps for on-the-go expense tracking.
2. **AI-Powered Categorisation:** Implement machine learning for automatic expense categorisation.
3. **Integration with Banking Systems:** Direct bank feed integration for automated transaction import.
4. **Advanced Analytics:** Implement predictive analytics for budget forecasting.
5. **Multi-Currency Support:** Enable expense tracking in multiple currencies.
6. **Integration with Accounting Software:** Connect with QuickBooks, SAP, or other ERP systems.
7. **Real-time Notifications:** Email/SMS alerts for budget overruns and invoice due dates.
8. **Customizable Dashboards:** Allow users to create personalised dashboard view.

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