

Phase 8: Data Management & Deployment

Objective:

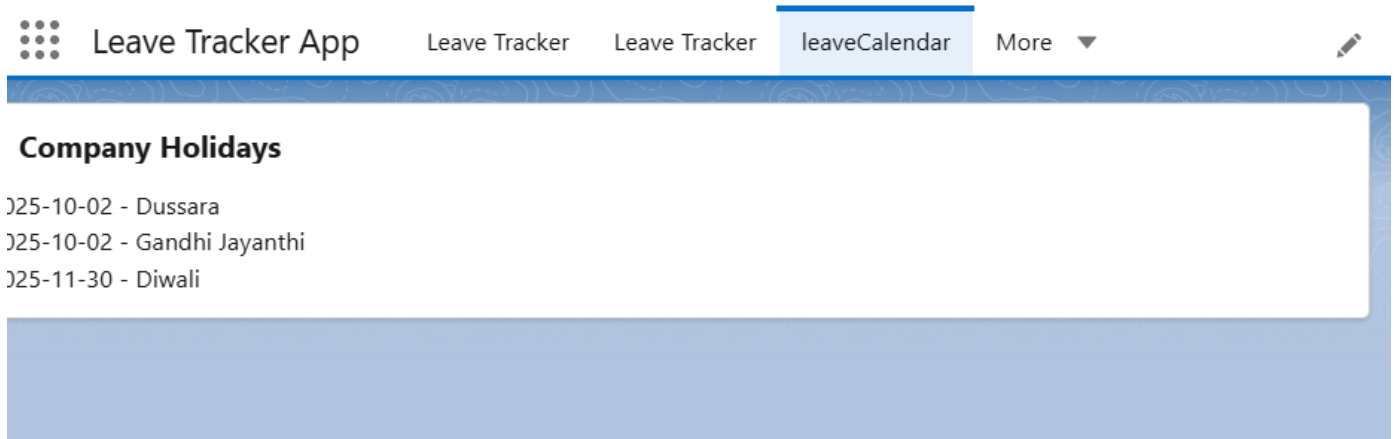
To ensure smooth and error-free deployment of Leave Tracker customizations from development to higher environments (UAT, Production) using best practices and tools.

Data Import Wizard

- Used to load initial employee data (Users, basic LeaveRequest__c records).
- Supports CSV files.
- Best for small/medium data volumes (< 50,000 records).

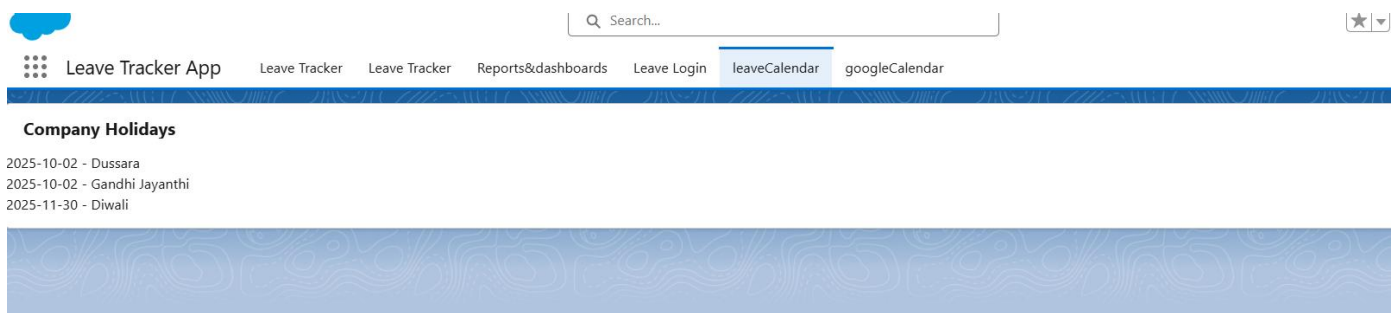
Calendar:

- Google Calendar / Outlook Tab: Embed or sync employee calendars inside Salesforce.
- Purpose: Employees can see leave requests alongside their personal/work calendar to avoid conflicts.



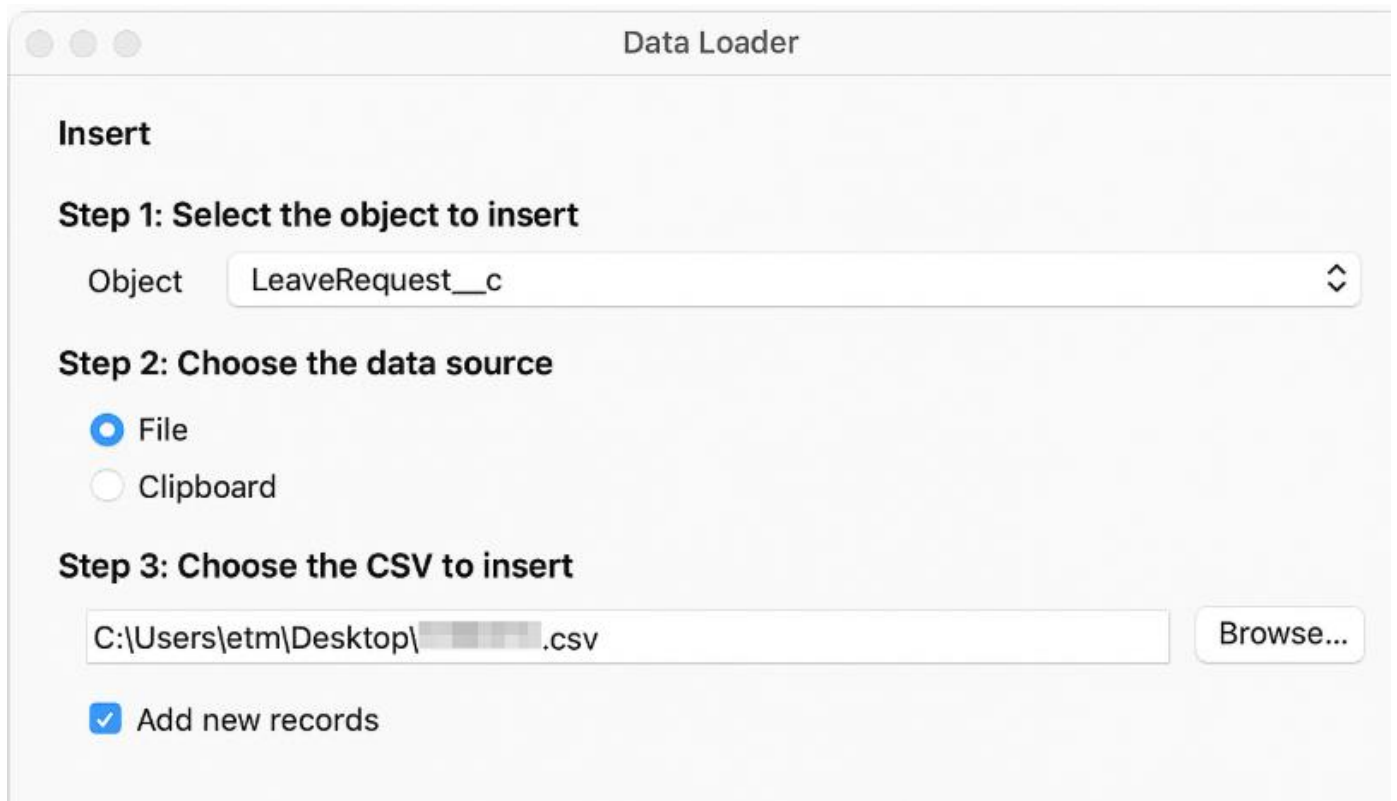
API-Based Integrations (Advanced)

- Google Calendar API / Microsoft Graph API: Automatically push approved leaves to external calendars using Apex or middleware.
- Purpose: Real-time syncing of leave events with company calendars.



Data Loader

- Used to perform bulk operations (insert, update, delete, upsert) for large datasets.
- Example: Bulk upload of historical leave records.
- Supports command-line interface for automation.



The screenshot shows the 'Data Loader' application window. It has a title bar with three window control buttons (minimize, maximize, close) on the left. The main content area is titled 'Insert' and contains three steps:

- Step 1: Select the object to insert**
Object: (with a dropdown arrow icon on the right)
- Step 2: Choose the data source**
☒ File
☐ Clipboard
- Step 3: Choose the CSV to insert**

At the bottom, there is a checkbox labeled 'Add new records' which is checked.

Change Sets

Used Change Sets for deploying metadata between environments (Sandbox → Production).

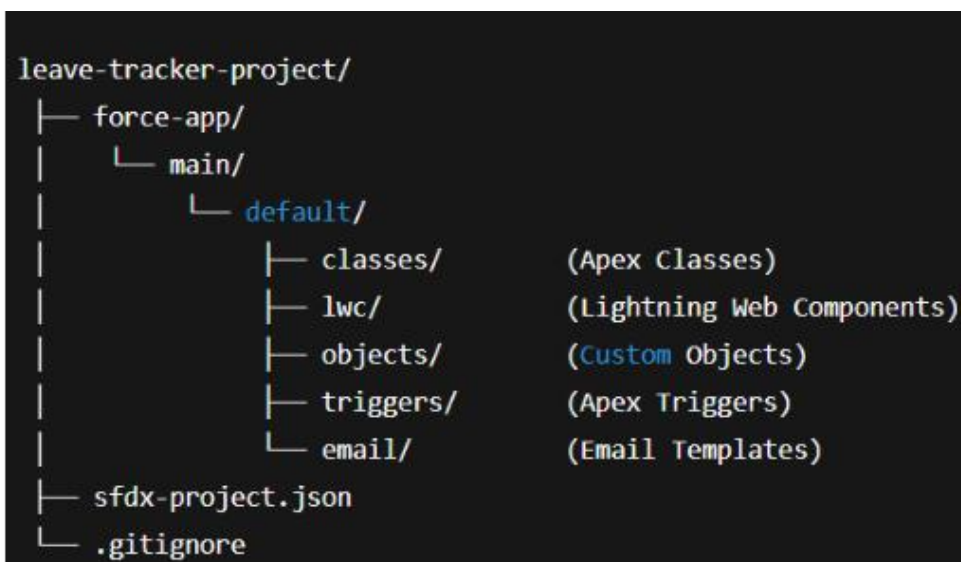
Included:

- Custom Objects (LeaveRequest__c)
- Apex Classes (LeaveRequestController, Triggers)
- Lightning Web Components (applyLeave, myLeaves, leaveRequest)
- Email Templates & Flows

VS Code Deployment Setup

Prerequisites

- Install Visual Studio Code.
- Install Salesforce CLI (SFDX).
- Install Salesforce Extension Pack in VS Code.
- Connect Org → `sfdx force:auth:web:login -d -a DevHub`.
- Sample Project Structure (VS Code)



- Retrieve metadata from source org
 - `sfdx force:source:retrieve -m ApexClass,CustomObject,LWC`
- Deploy metadata to target org
 - `sfdx force:source:deploy -p force-app/main/default`
- Run all tests before deployment
 - `sfdx force:apex:test:run --resultformat human --codecoverage`

Deployment Checklist

- Code Quality Check (PMD, Prettier for LWC).
- Apex Test Coverage $\geq 75\%$.
- Run Validation Deployment (test without committing).
- Backup Production metadata before final push.
- Post-deployment steps (activate Flows, verify Email Deliverability).