

Micro-Tasks to Complete MVP for Account & Inventory Modules

Based on the existing Django ERP project structure (with apps for user management, accounting, inventory, etc.) ¹, below is a breakdown of micro-tasks needed to complete the MVP **within one day**. The tasks are grouped by area (UI/UX, backend, data, testing, deployment, documentation) for clarity. Each task is short, focused, and includes context from the current codebase to ensure it's achievable quickly.

UI/UX Setup Tasks

- **Configure Base Template & Tailwind:** Ensure the base template (e.g. `erp_base.html`) includes Tailwind CSS and static assets. Tailwind should be configured to scan the Inventory app's templates ². Also verify Django Crispy Forms is enabled (`CRISPY_TEMPLATE_PACK`) so forms render with consistent styling ³. This provides a coherent UI framework for forms and lists.
- **Implement Navigation for Modules:** Add UI navigation elements (such as sidebar links or menu items) for the **Account** and **Inventory** sections. For example, include menu links to inventory pages like Categories, Products, Warehouses, Stock, etc., as these are the main entry points for the module ⁴. This will let users easily access inventory features and account management from a common menu.
- **Design CRUD Pages for Inventory:** Style and finalize the template pages for Inventory CRUD operations. The views for Category, Product, Warehouse, and Location already exist (using Django class-based views) ⁵ ⁶ – ensure their corresponding templates (list and form pages) are implemented with Tailwind classes and Crispy Forms. Each form page should show field labels and validation errors neatly, and on successful save, a confirmation message (leveraging the `messages.success` calls in views) should appear ⁷. Keep layouts simple and responsive, using existing theming (the admin layout and theming were largely completed in an earlier phase).
- **Account Module UI:** Set up the user Account interface. If using **django-allauth**, integrate the allauth templates for login/logout (and signup if applicable) into the project. Confirm that the URLs for account actions are included (e.g. `path('accounts/', include('allauth.urls'))`) in the main URLs config ⁸. Provide basic styling for the login page (or use default styling if time is short) so that an admin/user can log in to access the system. Also, ensure there's a visible link or button for logging out and (if needed) for user registration or password reset flows.
- **Responsive & UX Testing:** Do a quick pass to test the UI on different screen sizes (desktop, tablet, mobile). Ensure that pages like inventory lists and forms are usable on smaller screens (Tailwind's utility classes can help adjust layout). Also test the general UX flow: for example, after saving a new Product, ensure the user is redirected back to the product list and sees the success message. Make any minor tweaks (spacing, button placement, titles on pages) to improve clarity and user experience within the limited time.

Backend Development Tasks

- **Review Models & Migrations:** Verify that all necessary models for the Account and Inventory modules are in place and migrated. This includes the custom user model and organization/tenant models (from the **usermanagement** and **tenancy** apps) and the inventory models (Product, ProductCategory, Warehouse, Location, InventoryItem, StockLedger, etc.). Run any missing migrations for these apps (e.g., `python manage.py migrate Inventory`) to ensure the database schema is up-to-date ⁹. If any model changes were made during UI tasks (unlikely for MVP), create migrations for them.
- **Finalize Inventory CRUD Logic:** Ensure the URL routes and view logic for inventory CRUD are fully wired. Check `Inventory/urls.py` to confirm it maps URLs for listing, creating, editing, and deleting Products, Categories, Warehouses, and Locations to the corresponding views. Each of those class-based views should already be restricting data by organization via the `OrganizationFilterMixin` ¹⁰. If any CRUD functionality is incomplete (for example, if Location management is only accessible through a Warehouse context), implement or adjust it similarly to other models. The goal is that an authenticated user can perform Create/Read/Update/Delete on all core inventory entities through the web UI.
- **Account Module Functionality: (User Management)** Verify that user authentication and organization management are operational. The project's **usermanagement** app handles authentication with a CustomUser model and role/permission system ¹. For MVP, ensure that:
 - An admin/superuser can log in (the `initialize_system` command should have created a default admin ¹¹).
 - The logged-in user has an active organization (the default org seeded in the system) so that Inventory data filters work.
 - If role-based permissions are in effect, the default roles ("Administrator" and "User") exist with proper permissions ¹². (It's okay if for MVP all logged-in users use the admin role to simplify testing.)
 - If using allauth, check that the allauth views (login, logout, etc.) work end-to-end. This might already be configured; just validate it by logging in and out.

(Accounting integration) If "Account module" refers to the accounting side (Chart of Accounts, Fiscal Year, etc.), ensure that at least minimal accounting data is in place. Inventory models have a foreign key to `accounting.ChartOfAccount` ¹³, so confirm that a ChartOfAccount exists (the default data seeding should create one). We do **not** need full accounting functionality in the MVP, just the presence of required data so inventory features don't break. (For example, ensure a default ChartOfAccount or dummy accounts are created for product cost tracking if the models expect it.)

- **Logging Setup:** Confirm that application logging is properly set up and important events are being logged. The code already uses Python's logging module (e.g., in the Inventory service) – for instance, when stock is updated, it logs an info message with details ¹⁴. Make sure the log level is set to INFO and logs are output to the console or a file. For MVP debugging, console logging is fine. Test this by performing an action like creating a product or executing a stock change (if possible) and observing the log output. This helps with monitoring the system's behavior during the demo.

- **Multi-Tenancy Hooks:** The system is designed to be multi-tenant (each request tied to an organization/tenant) ¹⁵. Ensure the tenant middleware is active (likely `ActiveTenantMiddleware` in settings, as noted in the Inventory README) ³. Confirm that `request.user.get_active_organization()` returns the correct organization for the logged-in user, which the Inventory views rely on ¹⁰. For MVP simplicity, you might have only one organization, but the mechanism should still be in place. If there's a need for the user to select an organization (in case of multiple), you could skip that for now or set a default active org on login. The key task is to verify that all queries in Inventory (and other modules) are automatically scoped to `organization=self.request.user.get_active_organization()`, which the provided mixin already handles.
- **Integrate Inventory Business Logic:** Utilize the service layer for any non-trivial inventory operations. For example, if you need to record initial stock or process a simple inventory transaction for the MVP, use the provided `InventoryService.create_stock_ledger_entry()` method rather than manipulating models directly ¹⁶. This function creates a `StockLedger` record and updates the `InventoryItem` (stock on hand) in one atomic transaction. A possible micro-task here is to create a very basic form or admin action to add stock: e.g., select a Product, a Warehouse, quantity, and call `create_stock_ledger_entry` to add stock (internally logged as a purchase or adjustment). Even if a dedicated UI isn't fully built for this, you can use the Django admin or a management command to simulate adding inventory data via the service for demonstration purposes. The main point is to ensure the core logic (like maintaining the immutable ledger and updating current stock levels) is exercised and working for MVP.
- **(Optional) API Endpoints:** If time permits and it's useful for the demo, verify the Django REST Framework integration. The project has an `api` app with minimal endpoints ¹⁷ and the roadmap indicates DRF was set up ¹⁸. As a stretch goal, you could expose a read-only API for inventory (e.g., an endpoint to list products or current inventory levels). This is not strictly necessary for the web app MVP, so only do this if other tasks are done early.

Data Processing & Initial Data Tasks

- **Seed Initial Data:** Populate the system with default and sample data for testing. Run the provided initialization script/command: `python manage.py initialize_system` as documented ¹⁹. This will set up essential data like default roles, permissions, an admin user, etc. Additionally, there is a comprehensive seeding script (`ERP/scripts/create_default_data.py`) that covers all models (user management, accounting, tenancy, etc.) and even demo data ²⁰. Use this to create a baseline dataset: an Organization (e.g., "Nepali Accounting System" as in the script), a Chart of Accounts, default fiscal year, currencies, etc., along with a superuser account. Having this data in place ensures the Account and Inventory modules have the necessary context (organization, currency, accounts) to function.
- **Verify Foreign Key Data:** After seeding, double-check that any required reference records are present for Inventory. In particular, ensure there is at least one **Organization** (should be created by the default data script) and at least one **ChartOfAccount** entry (since Inventory models link to `accounting.ChartOfAccount` for tracking inventory assets ¹³). The Inventory app might reference these for default behaviors (for example, choosing which account to credit for inventory

changes). If the seed script or init command didn't create a ChartOfAccount, create a minimal one manually (e.g., an "Inventory" account) so that foreign key relations are satisfied. Essentially, no dropdown or foreign key in the Inventory forms should be empty – populate products categories, units of measure, or any other master data needed if those models exist.

- **Test Data Throughput:** With the seeded data, perform a couple of end-to-end data additions to ensure the pipeline works:
 - Create a **Product Category** (e.g., "Electronics") and a **Product** under it (e.g., "Smartphone XYZ"). Use the Inventory UI to do this (Category -> Add, then Product -> Add).
 - Create a **Warehouse** (e.g., "Main Warehouse") and maybe a **Location** in it (if locations are used for sub-areas in the warehouse).
 - Add some stock for the product. Since the UI for operational transactions (like receiving stock) might not be fully built, you can simulate a purchase receipt via the Django shell or admin. For instance, use the `PurchaseReceiptService.receive()` method by creating a dummy Purchase Order object or directly call `InventoryService.create_stock_ledger_entry` for the product ²¹. Add a quantity (`qty_in`) and `unit_cost` to create a StockLedger entry and update `InventoryItem`. After doing so, verify that:
 - The **InventoryItem** record for that product/warehouse now exists with the correct quantity on hand.
 - A new **StockLedger** entry was recorded (transaction type "purchase" or whatever was used).
 - The logging for this transaction appeared (as mentioned earlier). This manual data flow test confirms that the Inventory module's core logic is functioning with the seeded data.
- **Data Integrity Checks:** Check the correctness of calculations and constraints with the sample data:
 - If you added stock, look at how the unit cost was calculated on the `InventoryItem`. The service uses a moving average cost logic (simplified) when `qty_in > 0` ²². Ensure that makes sense for your test values (e.g., if you added 10 units at cost 100 each, the unit cost should reflect 100 in this simple case).
 - Ensure that creating or deleting items updates related data appropriately (though deletion of, say, a Product that has stock ledger entries might be restricted or should be avoided in MVP to prevent integrity issues).
 - If any anomaly arises (for example, negative stock or cost not updating), note it down but it might not be fixable within the day – just avoid those edge actions during the demo. The focus is to demonstrate the happy path: adding and viewing inventory.
- **Ensure Idempotency for Setup:** If you rerun the default data script or commands, make sure it doesn't duplicate data (the script is designed to be idempotent for setup ²³). This is just to save time in case you need to reset the environment – you can drop the DB or reuse the script without spending extra time cleaning up.

Testing & QA Tasks

- **Functional Testing of CRUD:** Manually go through each CRUD function in the UI for Account and Inventory modules:
- **User Accounts:** Log in with the admin account. If user registration is part of MVP, test the signup flow (or create a test user via admin). Ensure login, logout, and (if available) password reset all work as expected using the allauth flows.
- **Inventory Entities:** Using the web interface, create a new Product Category, edit it, and delete it (to confirm the list updates). Do the same for a Product, Warehouse, and Location. Each time, verify that the expected success message appears (the views add messages like “Product created successfully” on form valid ²⁴) and that the data is correctly saved (check the list view for the new/updated entry ⁵). Also test the Inventory Item list and Stock Ledger pages (they should at least display without error, even if empty initially). This ensures all CRUD pages wired to the database are working end-to-end.
- **Permissions and Access Test:** The system has a role-based permission setup (Admin vs User roles) ¹². For MVP, you might keep things open (especially if using a superuser for demo), but it’s good to verify the basic permission behavior:
 - Log in as a normal user (if you created one). This user by default might have the “User” role with only view permissions. Attempt to access an Inventory create page – it should either deny access or not show the option if permissions are correctly applied. (If this is hard to configure in a day, you can note that fine-grained permissions will be enforced later. At minimum, ensure that unauthorized users cannot access the Django admin or other restricted areas.)
 - Ensure the superuser (or Admin role user) can access everything. This is likely the case since the Super Admin bypasses permission checks ²⁵.
 - If the project uses Django’s permission system, you might quickly confirm in the admin that permissions for add/change/delete on inventory models exist and are granted to the Admin role. This testing prevents surprises during demo (like a form not saving because of permission issues).
- **Multi-Tenancy QA:** If multi-tenancy is part of the design, do a quick check for data isolation:
 - If possible, create a second Organization (through admin or a script) and assign a user to it. Then log in as that user and ensure they don’t see the data from the first organization. For example, the product list for Org B user should be empty if Org B has no products, whereas Org A’s user sees the products they created. The `OrganizationFilterMixin` in views should handle this by filtering queryset by the user’s active org ¹⁰. Even if you don’t fully demo multi-org scenario, testing it once verifies that the scoping works (and you can mention the system is multi-tenant-ready).
 - Also test that if a user has no active organization (perhaps an edge case), the Inventory pages handle it gracefully (currently, `get_active_organization()` returning `None` leads to `queryset.none()` ²⁶, which just shows no data – acceptable for now).
- **Edge Case Testing:** Within the limited time, try a few quick edge cases on forms:

- Leave required fields blank and submit – ensure the form shows validation errors and doesn't crash.
- Try adding a duplicate code for Product or Warehouse if unique constraints exist (the form should error, or the database will throw an IntegrityError which Django will catch and show form errors). This ensures the basic integrity is maintained.
- If the system has any custom validations (e.g., no negative stock), you might not have time to implement them now, but at least ensure that typical misuse doesn't break the app (for example, the UI probably doesn't allow entering stock quantities directly at the moment, so no risk of negatives unless via admin).
- **Logging Verification:** As you test, keep an eye on the server logs. Each inventory operation (especially ones using the service layer) should produce log entries. For instance, creating a stock ledger entry logs a detailed message with transaction info ²⁷. Confirm you see these logs in the console. Also verify that any error tracebacks or warnings are addressed: fix any easy ones (like missing template or URL 404s) to polish the MVP. Logging will also be useful during demo if something goes wrong – you can quickly glance at the console to diagnose.
- **Final Smoke Test:** After all fixes, do one more full pass as the end-user: log in, navigate through the account/profile page (if any), then to each inventory section, and log out. The application should feel cohesive and error-free in this flow. This is your rehearsal for the demo and ensures confidence that everything essential works within the MVP scope.

Deployment & Environment Tasks

- **Environment Configuration:** Prepare the runtime environment. Create a `.env` file (or set environment variables) with required settings like the Django secret key and database connection info. The project uses environment variables for DB engine, name, user, password, host, etc. ²⁸ – fill those in with actual values. For an MVP demo, using a simple database (SQLite for zero config, or PostgreSQL if already set up) is fine. Adjust `DB_ENGINE` and related vars for your choice (e.g., SQLite would use `sqlite3` and a filepath for DB name). If the code is currently configured for MSSQL by default ²⁹, make sure to override that for ease of setup (unless you have SQL Server ready to use). Double-check that `DJANGO_SECRET_KEY` is set (you can use the default from settings for dev).
- **Static Files & Build Process:** Handle static assets required for the UI:
 - If Tailwind CSS is used via a build tool (e.g., django-tailwind or a separate NPM build), run the build to generate the CSS. Ensure the Tailwind output CSS is collected in Django's static files. If there's no time to set up a full build pipeline, you might include a pre-built Tailwind CSS file (from the design phase) just to ensure styling works.
 - Run `python manage.py collectstatic` if you plan to serve static files in a production-like environment (for the dev server it may not be needed, but for deployment it is). This will gather static files including Tailwind CSS, JS libraries, etc., into the static root.
 - Verify that your base template is loading the static CSS/JS correctly. Open a page and check the browser dev tools to confirm styles are applied (e.g., Tailwind classes are actually styling elements). If not, you may need to adjust static file settings or paths quickly.

- **Run Server Locally:** Start the Django server on your local machine for a final verification. Use `python manage.py runserver` ³⁰ and log in to the app in a browser. This is essentially a dress rehearsal of the deployed app. While running locally, also test any differences that might appear in a production setting, such as:
 - Are static files being served (in dev they are, in prod you'd rely on WhiteNoise or similar – check that it's configured if needed)?
 - Any settings differences between DEBUG True/False that could cause issues (for MVP, you can run in DEBUG=True to simplify).
 - Ensure no debug/test code is left that could interrupt the user experience (like an `assert` or print statements left in code).
- **Deployment (if required):** If the goal is to deploy the MVP for stakeholder access, choose a quick deployment path:
 - If using Heroku or a platform, make sure you have the necessary config (Procfile, runtime.txt for Python version, etc.). Push the code and monitor the deployment logs for errors.
 - If containerizing, ensure the Dockerfile is correct and build/run the container to test. For example, the container should run migrations and then start gunicorn/daphne, etc. Given time constraints, a simple Heroku or PythonAnywhere deployment might be fastest.
 - Set up environment variables on the server (same as your .env). Particularly ensure the database is accessible (you might use Heroku Postgres or a remote DB).
 - Once deployed, visit the app URL and perform a quick sanity check (login, navigate a couple pages) to confirm it works outside of your local environment.
- **Post-Deployment Smoke Test:** After deployment, do a quick smoke test on the live environment. This includes logging in with the admin credentials (which you may need to create on the production DB – either via migrating the local sqlite data or just rerunning `initialize_system` on prod). Visit the inventory pages to ensure data displays. This step is mainly to catch any environment-specific issues (e.g., static files not loading due to DEBUG=False settings or a missing Tailwind build in production). Fix any critical issues immediately if found (for instance, if you see a 500 error, check logs on the server, etc.). Aim to have a stable deployed version for the MVP demo.

Documentation Tasks

- **Update README with Usage Instructions:** Modify the project README or create a new section for the MVP release. Document how to set up and run the project (if not already clear). Include the steps to apply migrations, create an admin user, and run the server (these are partially in the README already ³¹, ensure they are up-to-date). Also describe how to access the Inventory module in the UI (e.g., “After logging in, click on ‘Inventory’ in the navigation to manage products and stock.”). Keep it short but sufficient for someone new to run the MVP and understand its basic features.
- **In-Code Documentation & Comments:** As you finish implementing the tasks, add comments or docstrings in critical areas of the code for clarity. For example, in the Inventory services or views, note any assumptions or simplifications made for the MVP (e.g., “# TODO: Enhance cost calculation

(currently using simple average) ²² " or "# TODO: Add form and view for PurchaseReceipt in future"). These comments won't be in the user-facing docs, but they help any future developer (or your future self) to quickly pick up where you left off after the MVP demo.

- **Prepare Demo Script/Notes:** Write down a short script or list of things to demonstrate for the MVP, essentially a mini user guide:
 - Example: "Login as admin (user: admin, pw: ...). Go to Inventory > Products: add a new product. Go to Inventory > Stock: see the stock level (will be 0 initially for new product). Use admin panel to simulate adding stock (if no UI yet for that) and then refresh Stock page to see updated quantity," etc.
 - Having these notes ensures you cover all highlights of the MVP and also communicates any manual steps needed (like using the admin for stock adjustments if the UI isn't there).
 - If possible, include screenshots in documentation for key screens (login page, product list, etc.), since a picture can quickly show the progress to stakeholders.
- **Record Known Limitations:** Document what is **not** covered in this MVP but is planned or out of scope due to time. For example, "The Inventory module currently allows manual CRUD of master data and viewing stock levels, but does not yet have a user-facing interface for recording sales or purchases – these can be added in future sprints." Mention that certain advanced features (like detailed accounting integration, multi-organization switching UI, or background tasks for inventory) are not in the one-day MVP. This manages expectations and provides a clear boundary of the MVP's functionality in the documentation.
- **Clean Up & Finalize Docs:** Ensure all relevant existing docs (if any) are updated. For instance, if there's an **Inventory/README.md** for developers, update it if you made changes to setup steps (like Tailwind build or new dependencies). Also, remove or mark outdated info. Given logging is an important part of the system, you might include in the README how to enable more verbose logging or where to find logs. Finally, proofread the documentation for clarity and completeness – it should be understandable even to someone who wasn't involved in the development.

By completing the tasks above, you will cover the full spectrum needed for the MVP – setting up a functional UI/UX, solidifying backend logic, preparing necessary data, testing the flows, deploying the application, and delivering documentation. Each task is scoped to be achievable quickly, ensuring that by the end of the day, the **Account & Inventory** modules of the project are ready to demonstrate with basic but end-to-end functionality. Good luck with the MVP launch!

Sources:

- Project README – ERP system overview and setup ¹ ¹⁹ ¹²
- Inventory App README – integration steps and design notes ³² ⁴
- Inventory Module Code – views, services, and logging in the Inventory app ⁵ ¹⁴ ¹⁶
- Roadmap Notes – indicating completed backend setup and pending inventory features ¹⁸ ³³

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