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Practical No 4 : To install and configure web server

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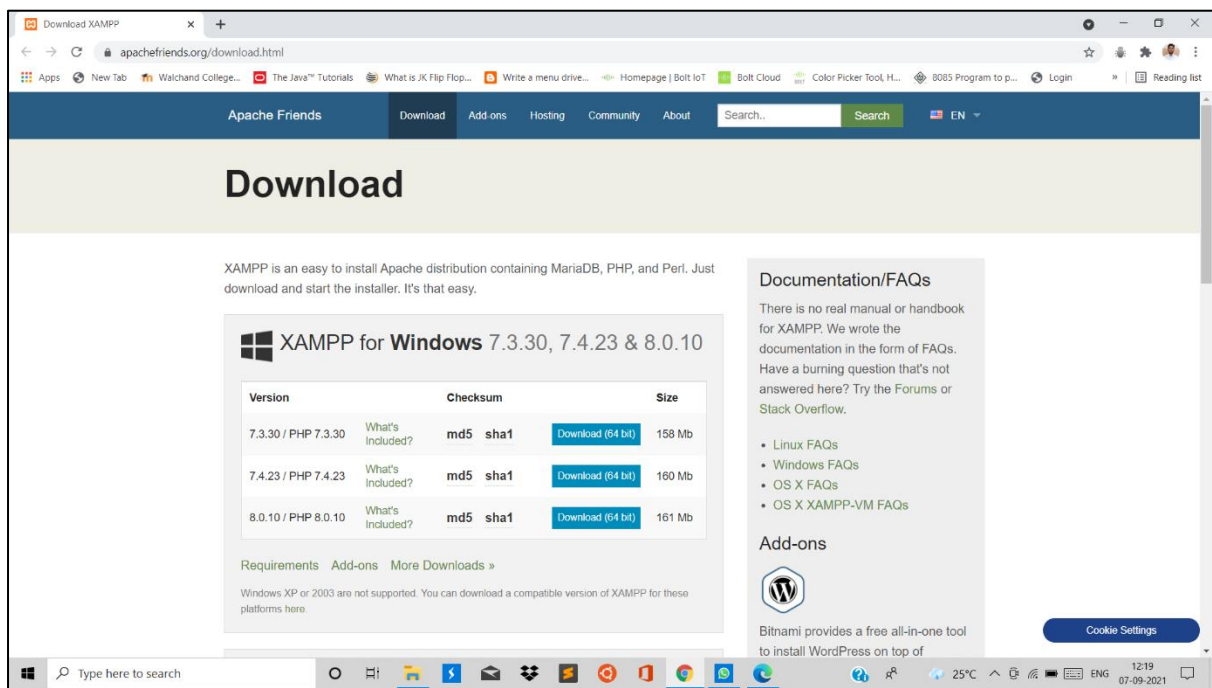
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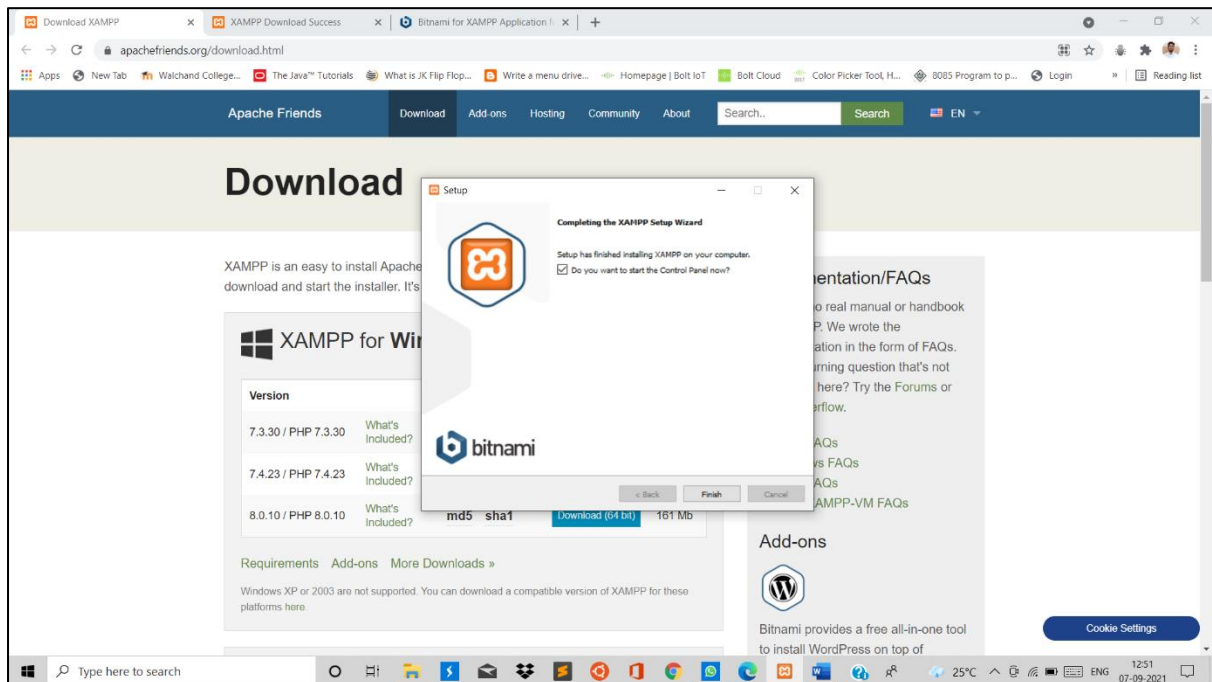
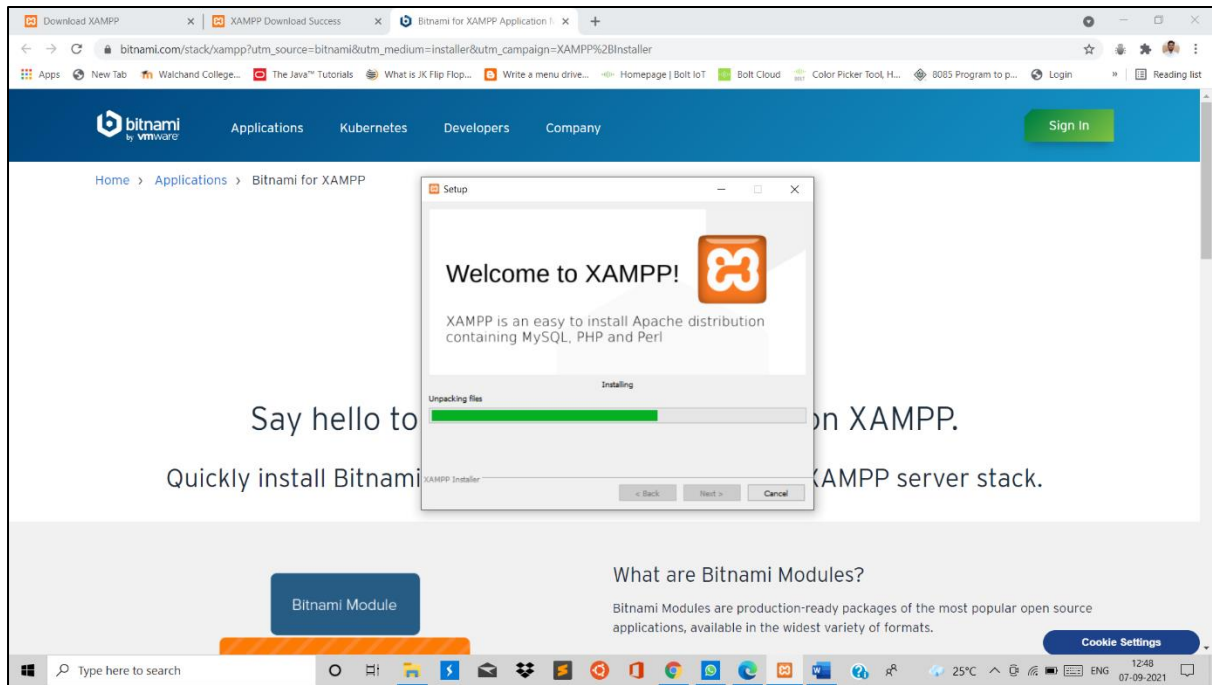
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Problem Statement 1:

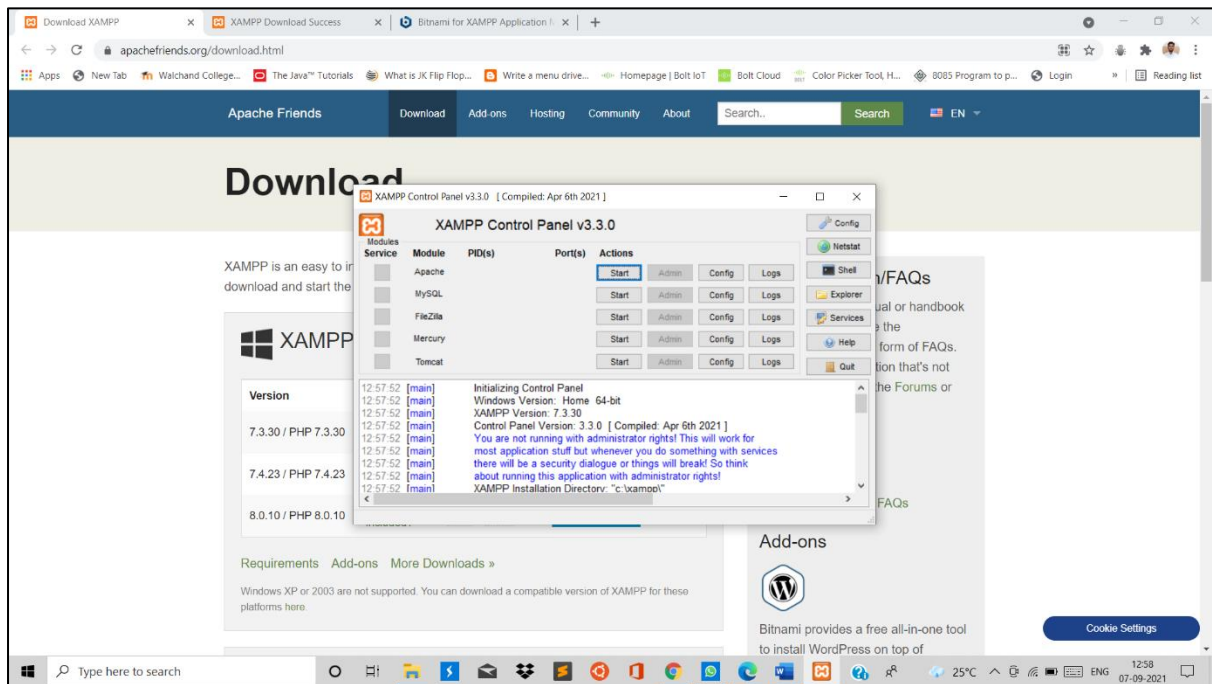
1. Install a web server on your machine. Run the server locally.

Installed XAMPP from <https://www.apachefriends.org/download.html>.



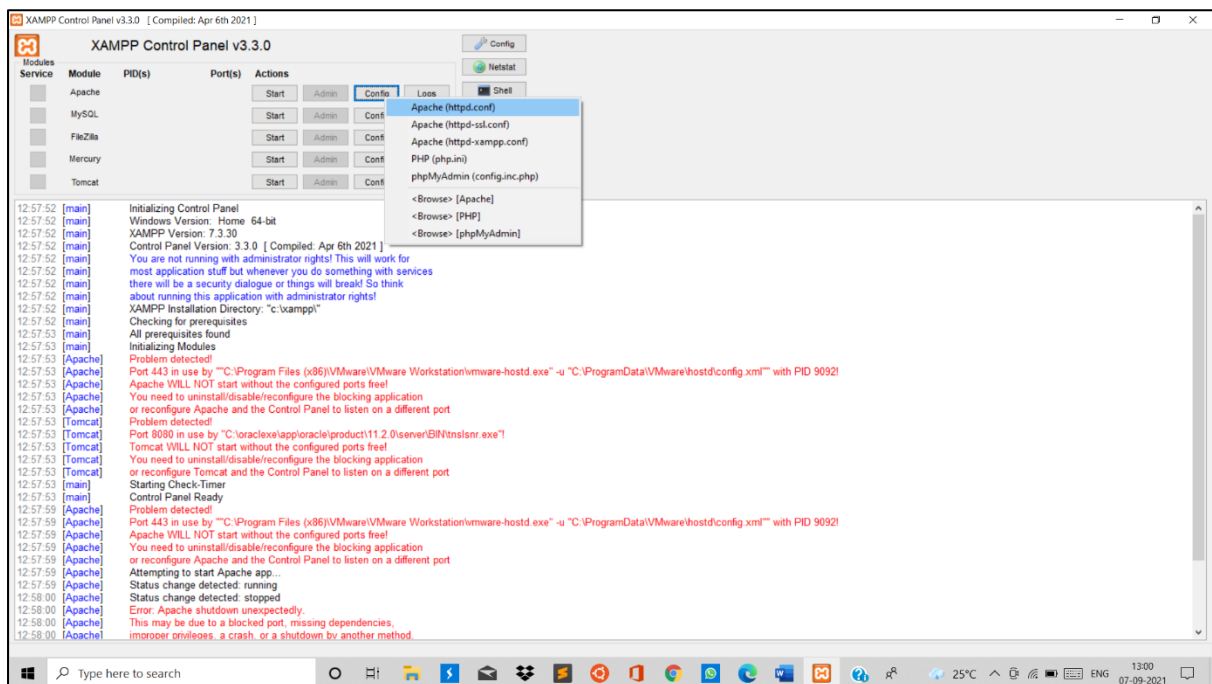


After installation start XAMPP control panel and start Apache services.

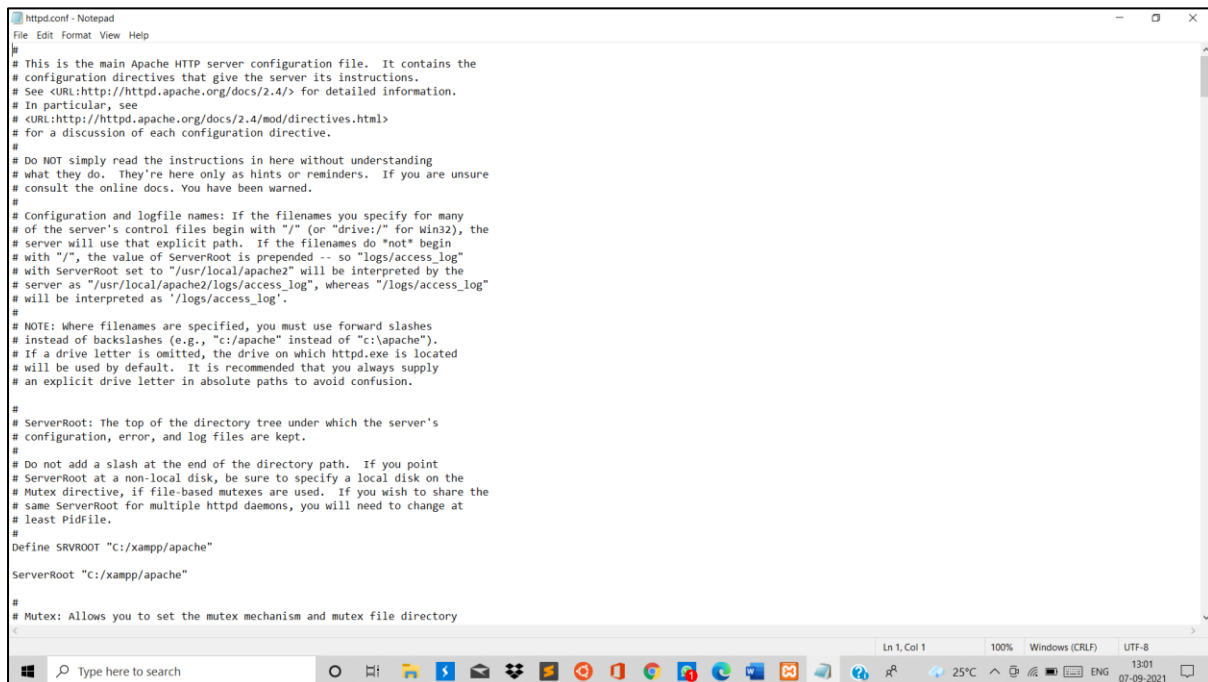


2. Locate and study its configuration files.

Moved to Apache->config->Apache(httpd.conf)



It opened in a notepad.



```
# httpd.conf - Notepad
#
# This is the main Apache HTTP server configuration file. It contains the
# configuration directives that give the server its instructions.
# See <URL:http://httpd.apache.org/docs/2.4/> for detailed information.
# In particular, see
# <URL:http://httpd.apache.org/docs/2.4/mod/directives.html>
# for a discussion of each configuration directive.
#
# Do NOT simply read the instructions in here without understanding
# what they do. They're here only as hints or reminders. If you are unsure
# consult the online docs. You have been warned.
#
# Configuration and logfile names: If the filenames you specify for many
# of the server's control files begin with "/" (or "drive:/" for Win32), the
# server will use that explicit path. If the filenames do "not" begin
# with "/", the value of ServerRoot is prepended -- so "logs/access_log"
# with ServerRoot set to "/usr/local/apache2" will be interpreted by the
# server as "/usr/local/apache2/logs/access_log", whereas "/logs/access_log"
# will be interpreted as "/logs/access_log".
#
# NOTE: Where filenames are specified, you must use forward slashes
# instead of backslashes (e.g., "c:/apache" instead of "c:\apache").
# If a drive letter is omitted, the drive on which httpd.exe is located
# will be used by default. It is recommended that you always supply
# an explicit drive letter in absolute paths to avoid confusion.
#
#
# ServerRoot: The top of the directory tree under which the server's
# configuration, error, and log files are kept.
#
# Do not add a slash at the end of the directory path. If you point
# ServerRoot at a non-local disk, be sure to specify a local disk on the
# Mutex directive, if file-based mutexes are used. If you wish to share the
# same ServerRoot for multiple httpd daemons, you will need to change at
# least PidFile.
#
# Define SRVROOT "C:/xampp/apache"
#
ServerRoot "C:/xampp/apache"
#
# Mutex: Allows you to set the mutex mechanism and mutex file directory
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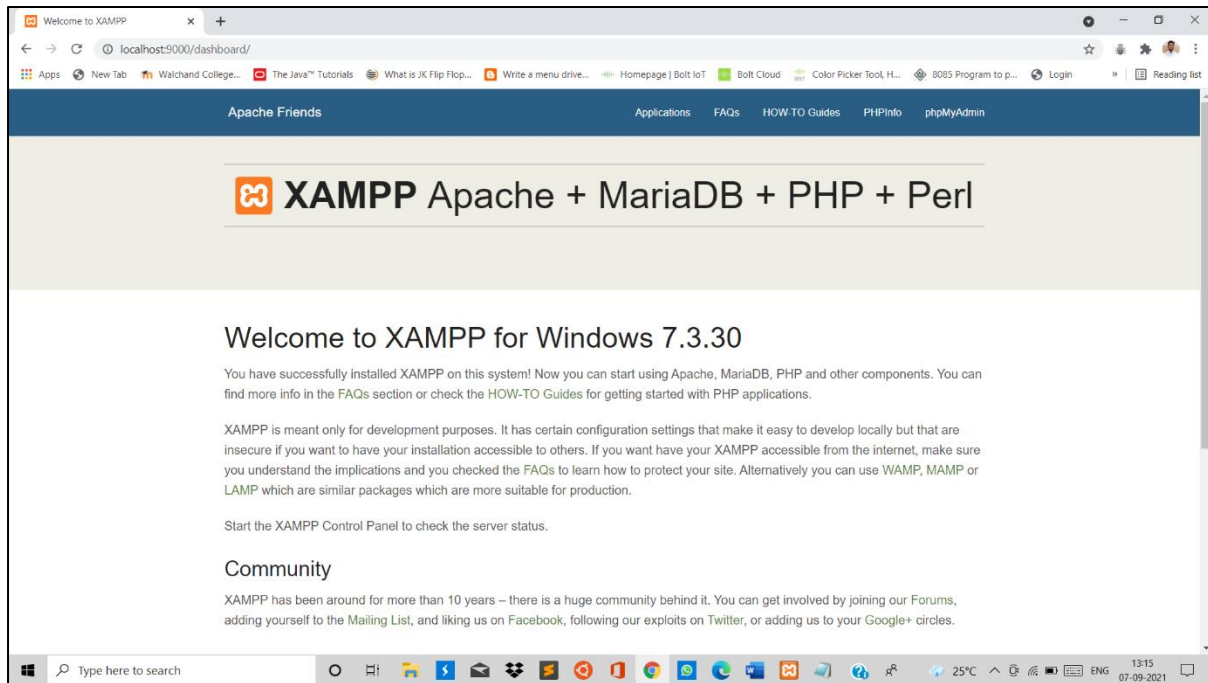
3. Change the port number in the configuration file to any other valid port number. Return the server locally using newly assigned port number.

Before changing port

```
#
# Change this to Listen on specific IP addresses as shown below to
# prevent Apache from glomming onto all bound IP addresses.
#
#Listen 12.34.56.78:80
Listen 80
```

After changing port

```
#
# Change this to Listen on specific IP addresses as shown below to
# prevent Apache from glomming onto all bound IP addresses.
#
#Listen 12.34.56.78:9000
Listen 9000
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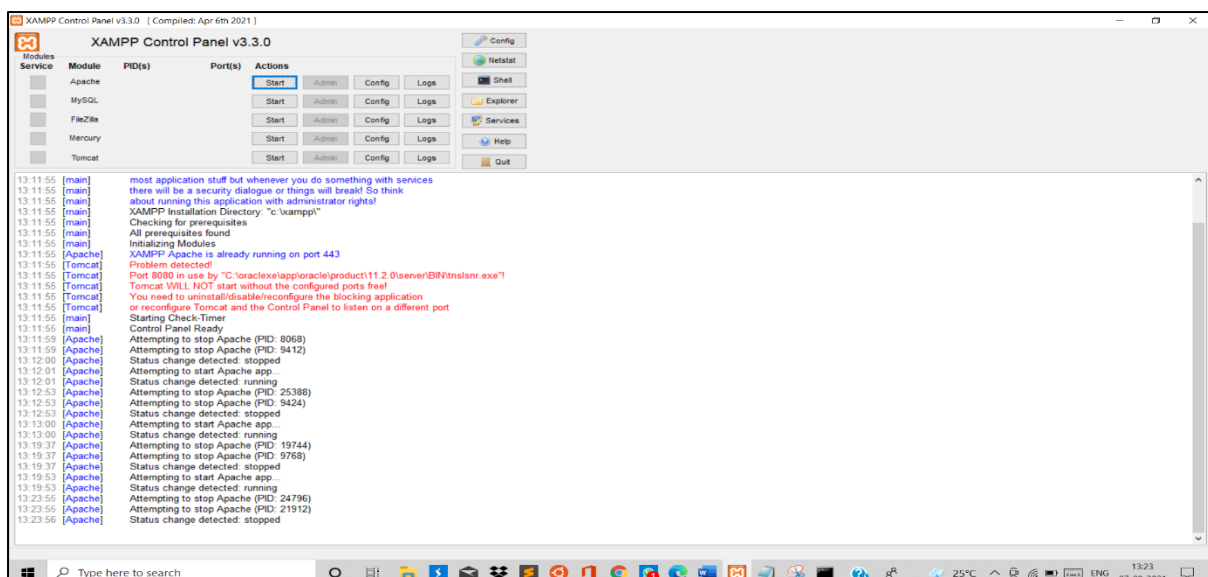


4. Change the default IP address (127.0.0.1 or localhost) and port number of the server in the configuration file to any other valid IP address and port number. Re-run the server and access it in a network from another machine.

Before changing IP and port

```
#
# Change this to Listen on specific IP addresses as shown below to
# prevent Apache from glomming onto all bound IP addresses.
#
#Listen 12.34.56.78:9000
Listen 9000
```

Stopped the XAMPP server.



After changing port and IP

```
#  
# Change this to Listen on specific IP addresses as shown below to  
# prevent Apache from glomming onto all bound IP addresses.  
#  
#Listen 192.168.58.39:80  
Listen 80
```

```
#  
ServerName 192.168.58.39:80  
  
#  
# Deny access to the entirety of your server's filesystem. You must  
# explicitly permit access to web content directories in other  
# <Directory> blocks below.
```

Now using changed IP address, I was able to access XAMPP dashboard on <http://192.168.58.39/dashboard/>

