Task 1: Enable Required GCP APIs

Step 1: Install Ansible on the VM

```
sudo apt update
sudo apt install -y ansible
ansible --version
gcloud services enable compute.googleapis.com
gcloud services enable iam.googleapis.com
gcloud services enable cloudresourcemanager.googleapis.com
```

Task 2: Authenticate Terraform with GCP

Step 1: Authenticate with GCP

```
gcloud auth login
gcloud config set project ""
gcloud auth application-default login
ssh-keygen -t rsa -f ~/.ssh/id_rsa -C terraform -N ""
```

Task 3: Provision a GCE VM using Terraform

Step 1: Navigate to Terraform Directory

```
cd ~/Desktop/Project/terraform
project_id = "your-project-id"
resource "google_compute_instance" "apache_vm" {
  name = "apache-vm"
  machine_type = "e2-medium"
  zone = var.zone
  boot_disk {
    initialize_params {
      image = "ubuntu-os-cloud/ubuntu-2204-lts"
    }
}
```

```
}
 network_interface {
 network = "default"
 access_config {}
}
tags = ["http-server"]
 metadata = {
 ssh-keys = "${var.ssh_user}:${file(var.public_key_path)}"
}
}
resource "google_compute_firewall" "allow_http" {
name = "allow-http"
network = "default"
allow {
 protocol = "tcp"
 ports = ["80"]
source_ranges = ["0.0.0.0/0"]
target_tags = ["http-server"]
}
terraform init
terraform apply
gcloud compute instances list
```

Task 4: Configure Web Server using Ansible

Step 1: Navigate to Ansible Directory

```
cd ~/Desktop/Project/ansible
ansible_user= ansible_ssh_private_key_file=~/.ssh/id_rsa
- hosts: web
become: yes
tasks:
 - name: Update APT cache
  apt:
   update_cache: yes
 - name: Install Apache
  apt:
   name: apache2
   state: present
 - name: Copy custom index.html
  copy:
   src: index.html
   dest: /var/www/html/index.html
   owner: www-data
   group: www-data
   mode: '0644'
 - name: Ensure Apache is running
  service:
   name: apache2
   state: started
   enabled: yes
```

ansible-playbook -i inventory.ini site.yml

Task 5: Verify Apache Landing Page

Step 1: Open Browser

Visit:

http://<EXTERNAL_VM_IP>

Step 2: Confirm Output

You should see:

Welcome your-name

1. Checking the GCE Virtual Machine Name (15 marks)

gcloud compute instances list --filter="name=apache-vm"

2. Checking the GCE Instance Type (5 marks)

gcloud compute instances describe apache-vm --zone= --format="value(machineType)"

3. Checking the OS Image Used (5 marks)

gcloud compute instances describe apache-vm --zone= -format="value(disks[0].licenses)"

4. Checking if the Tag is Attached to the VM (5 marks)

gcloud compute instances describe apache-vm --zone= --format="value(tags.items)"

5. Checking if SSH Key Metadata is Set for VM (10 marks)

gcloud compute instances describe apache-vm --zone= --format="value(metadata.items)"

6. Checking the Firewall Rule Name (15 marks)

gcloud compute firewall-rules list --filter="name=allow-http"

7. Checking the Source Range Allowed for Firewall (5 marks)

gcloud compute firewall-rules describe allow-http --format="value(sourceRanges)"

8. Checking if the VM is Reachable via Public IP (20 marks)

gcloud compute instances describe apache-vm --zone= -format="value(networkInterfaces[0].accessConfigs[0].natIP)"

ping <EXTERNAL_VM_IP>

9. Checking if the Landing Page is Up and Running (20 marks)

curl http://<EXTERNAL_VM_IP>