

E-Smart Security For E-Business

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Abstract—E-Smart Security for E-Business is a web-based application intended to automate and make more secure the buying and selling of electronic commodities. The system takes over the conventional manual processes with an automated central solution that enhances efficiency, accuracy, and security in business. It incorporates four primary modules (Administrator, Branch, Customer, and Supplier) that perform vital functions of managing stock, order processing, and user interaction. The admin has complete control over the system, and branches, suppliers, and customers access pertinent features for the convenience of smooth transactions. The site is built based on PHP front-end and MySQL database to provide a strong and flexible architecture. It includes real-time tracking of orders, secure authentication of the user, and automated grievance redressal functions. By facilitating electronic workflows, the system prevents duplication of paperwork, facilitates coordination between various departments, and maintains high data integrity. It also offers advanced security features to safeguard confidential business data from misuse. E-Smart Security for E-Business optimizes business processes by avoiding human errors, facilitating better data management, and providing a friendly interface to all parties involved. The system enables speedy decision-making with precise reports and analysis, helping businesses streamline their sales and inventory functions. The future could see AI-powered recommendations, third-party payments integration, and sophisticated analytics to further improve its capabilities.

I. INTRODUCTION

E-Smart Security for E-Business is an integrated web-based system created to enable easy buying and selling of electronic products using a safe, automated, and efficient mechanism. Conventional business processes are largely based on manual operations, which contribute to redundancy, errors, and inefficiencies in managing orders, tracking inventories, and processing transactions. This system seeks to do away with such obstacles by offering a centralized computer platform that simplifies business activities and maintains data integrity and security. It enables businesses to

improve their management of inventory, sales, and customer relations, minimizing the reliance on documents and manual record-keeping. The platform consolidates various stakeholders, such as administrators, suppliers, and customers, into their respective access and functions to facilitate uncomplicated coordination of the different business activities. The Administrator module is essential to manage all operations in the system. Administrators can manage product listings, monitor orders, and control user access, making sure that all transactions are smooth. Suppliers can log into the system, accept order requests, update product stock, and ship orders, making the supply chain more efficient. Consumers, meanwhile, can view electronic items, order, monitor shipments, and utilize secure payment channels for assured convenient and open shopping. With the introduction of real-time tracking, automated business workflows, and secure authenticating mechanisms, the system maximizes operational efficiency and guarantees timely order fulfillment as well as unauthorized access to sensitive business information. Developed with PHP for front-end and MySQL for database management, E-Smart Security for E-Business is secure, flexible, and scalable and can fit into businesses of any size. The software offers high-speed data processing, allowing businesses to process a large number of transactions with ease. It also offers extensive reporting and analytics, enabling businesses to make informed data-driven decisions for inventory management, sales forecasting, and customer behavior.

II. LITERATURE SURVEY

Manual processes in e-business are a major challenge impacting efficiency, accuracy, and security. Physical documentation and manual intervention by people cause delays, redundancy of data, and errors in managing orders and tracking inventory. The lack of centralized digital infrastructure causes companies to face miscommunication, redundancy of records, and lack

of access to real-time data. These inefficiencies translate to increased operating costs, delayed decision-making, and lower customer satisfaction.

to maintain data integrity and regulatory Another significant problem with manual systems is the absence of security and access control. Confidential business information, such as customer information, payment history, and supplier transactions, tend to be kept in paper files or unsecured databases and are at risk of unauthorized access and data breaches. Moreover, manual processes lack real-time fraud detection and encryption mechanisms, and the risk of financial anomalies and cyber attacks is higher. This insecurity is problematic since it makes it hard for companies compliance.

In addition, manual systems do not facilitate automation of workflow, which results in delays in approval, payment processing, and complaint resolution. These jobs must be done manually by the employees, which restricts scalability and productivity as the business operations expand. Businesses suffer from operational bottlenecks and inefficiencies in managing high volumes of transactions without automated tracking and reporting tools. To avoid these limitations, organizations need to implement centralized, technology-based solutions that improve business performance, security, and customer satisfaction.

2.1 Existing system

The current E-Smart system functions through manual procedures. In its present form, managers must interact face-to-face with dealers and clients to communicate expectations and requirements. This approach is time-consuming and labor-intensive. The information collected through these interactions is often unreliable, redundant, and difficult to manage. Furthermore, connecting and coordinating with clients in remote locations proves to be difficult and inefficient. The lack of automation leads to poor coordination and inconsistent follow-ups.

"Since the system operates manually, it is more prone to human mistakes, making it difficult and time-consuming to maintain precise records.". Furthermore, certain sections of the E-Smart system contain confidential data, intended only for administrative access. Enforcing access restrictions and data security manually is difficult and inefficient, making it challenging to maintain appropriate user-level permissions.

"This scenario highlights the critical role of system analysis as a fundamental phase in the software development lifecycle."The objective of system analysis is to assess the flaws in the current setup and define clear goals for a more efficient system. It plays a key role in the design and implementation of new systems by involving the collection of relevant information and the creation of a structured development plan.

System analysis is a complex task that requires collaboration among stakeholders, the resolution of differing perspectives, and a thorough understanding of organizational needs. It also calls for innovative thinking and strategic planning to design solutions that are efficient, scalable, and aligned with user requirements.



Figure 1: System Architecture

III. PROPOSED SYSTEM

The proposed system aims to replace the current manual workflow with a fully automated and centralized e-business platform. This system enables seamless communication between administrators, branches, suppliers, and customers through secure, role-based logins. It provides real-time visibility into inventory, orders, payments, and transaction status, reducing the need for physical interaction and paperwork. The system offers a user-friendly web interface where clients can place and track orders, suppliers can respond to requests, and administrators can monitor and control the entire operation from a central dashboard. With built-in data validation, workflow automation, and secure authentication, the platform minimizes errors, prevents redundancy, and improves overall efficiency.

IV. MODULES

Administrator Module

The Administrator Module serves as the central control unit of the entire e-business platform. It is designed to provide system administrators with complete authority to manage and configure all aspects of the system. Through this module, the administrator can create and manage branch accounts, assign user roles, and oversee supplier and customer registrations. Additionally, the module allows the administrator to view, approve, or modify purchase and sales orders, track billing and payment records, and monitor the overall inventory and transaction flow across all branches. It offers features for generating system-wide reports, analyzing performance metrics, and ensuring data consistency. Security and access control are also managed within this module, enabling the administrator to safeguard sensitive information and enforce proper user permissions. This module ensures smooth operation, coordinated workflow, and centralized supervision of the platform.

Branch Module

The Branch Module is designed to allow individual branches within the organization to manage their local operations efficiently. Through this module, branch users can register and maintain records of both customers and suppliers, including their contact details, discount structures, and transaction histories. Branches are responsible for sending purchase requests to suppliers and handling incoming sales requests from customers. The module provides tools for reviewing, accepting, or modifying these requests based on inventory levels and business rules. It also enables branches to update stock information, generate localized reports, and track financial performance. Communication with customers and suppliers is streamlined through automated email notifications, improving response times and service quality.

Customer Module

The Customer Module enables clients to interact with the system by submitting sales requests and tracking their orders online. Once registered, customers receive login credentials via email, allowing them to securely access their accounts. Within the module, customers can view product availability, check invoice and payment details, and monitor the status of their orders in real time. They

can also update their profile information and change their login credentials if needed. The system ensures that customers receive timely updates and notifications regarding their transactions, enhancing transparency and customer satisfaction. This module simplifies the buying process and offers a convenient, user-friendly interface for all customer interactions.

Supplier Module

The Supplier Module provides suppliers with an online interface to manage and respond to purchase requests from branches. Suppliers receive login details via email, enabling them to securely access the system and update their credentials if necessary. Through this module, suppliers can view current purchase orders, respond with availability and pricing details, and confirm delivery timelines. It also allows them to track the status of orders and communicate directly with branch users for clarifications or updates. The module helps streamline procurement by reducing manual follow-ups and ensuring accurate, real-time data sharing between branches and suppliers, resulting in better coordination and faster order fulfillment.

V. ALGORITHM

Authentication & Security

Authentication and security are critical components of the E-SMART Security for E-Business system, ensuring that only authorized users gain access to sensitive functionalities. The platform uses secure password storage methods, such as hashing algorithms like SHA-256 or bcrypt, to prevent exposure of user credentials in the event of a data breach. To maintain session integrity and prevent unauthorized access, token-based authentication—particularly using JSON Web Tokens (JWT)—is implemented, enabling secure and stateless user sessions. Additionally, CAPTCHA verification is integrated into login and request forms to block automated bots and reduce the risk of brute-force attacks. These security measures collectively safeguard the system from common threats, protect user data, and ensure that transactions and operations are conducted in a secure digital environment.

Order Matching & Processing

The Order Matching and Processing component of the E-SMART system is designed to handle

incoming transactions in a structured and efficient manner. It utilizes queue-based techniques such as First-Come-First-Serve (FCFS) and Priority Queues to ensure that customer orders and supplier requests are processed in the correct sequence or based on urgency. This approach helps maintain fairness in request handling and avoids delays in high-demand situations. For systems dealing with a large volume of complaints or transactions, batch processing logic is applied to process data in grouped intervals, such as handling 500 orders at a time or processing based on date segmentation. This not only improves system performance but also ensures that the workflow remains uninterrupted and scalable as the business grows. These methods collectively enhance the responsiveness and reliability of the order management process within the platform.

Search and Filtering

The Search and Filtering functionality in the E-SMART system plays a vital role in improving data accessibility and user experience. To ensure quick retrieval of information, efficient search algorithms such as binary search or indexed lookups are implemented, enabling the system to locate specific records like orders, customers, or suppliers within large datasets swiftly. For enhanced flexibility, especially when users input incomplete or slightly incorrect information, fuzzy search techniques like the Levenshtein Distance algorithm are used. This allows the system to return relevant results even when there are minor spelling errors or variations in search queries. Together, these algorithms ensure that users can access accurate data with minimal effort, which is essential for maintaining efficiency in day-to-day operations and decision-making.

Grievance Management

The Grievance Management system within the E-SMART platform is designed to efficiently handle customer complaints and service issues through a structured, automated approach. Upon submission, each complaint is categorized and assigned a unique ID for tracking purposes. The system uses rule-based classification algorithms to evaluate the nature and content of the complaint, directing it to the appropriate customer service representative (CSR) or department based on predefined criteria such as keywords, priority level, or complaint type. To maintain a balanced workload, load balancing techniques like Round-Robin or Least Recently Used (LRU) are used to distribute tasks evenly

among available CSRs. This ensures timely resolution, reduces response time, and prevents any single agent from being overwhelmed. The structured approach enhances accountability, improves customer satisfaction, and provides a transparent framework for evaluating service quality and support performance.

VI. RESULT AND CONCLUSION

The developed system successfully addresses the limitations of the previous manual process by offering a centralized, automated platform for managing the e-business operations. Users including administrators, branch managers, suppliers, and customers can now interact seamlessly through secure logins and role-specific dashboards. The system enables real-time order processing, accurate inventory tracking, automated email notifications, and efficient data handling. Functional modules work together to streamline workflows, reduce human error, and provide better visibility into transactions. During testing, the system demonstrated stability, responsiveness, and accurate output generation, confirming that the core objectives of usability, performance, and data integrity were achieved. The implementation of the E-SMART e-business platform marks a significant improvement over the traditional manual system. By integrating automated processes with user-friendly interfaces and robust data management, the system ensures higher efficiency, faster communication, and reduced operational overhead. It not only simplifies the tasks of managing sales and purchase orders but also enhances security and user accountability through proper access controls. The modular design of the system allows for future scalability and integration of additional features. Overall, the project successfully meets the functional and technical requirements and provides a strong foundation for ongoing digital transformation.

VII. FUTURE ENHANCEMENT

To further improve the capabilities of the E-SMART system, several enhancements are planned for future development. One of the key areas of expansion includes integrating artificial intelligence to provide smart product recommendations based on user behavior and purchase history. Additionally, incorporating advanced data analytics and real-time

dashboards will help administrators and branches make quicker, data-driven decisions. The inclusion of third-party payment gateway integration will offer customers more flexibility and security during online transactions. To enhance user experience, the system can be extended to support mobile platforms through a dedicated app, ensuring accessibility on the go. Furthermore, implementing multi-language support and chatbot-based customer assistance will cater to a wider user base and streamline communication. These enhancements will not only increase system efficiency but also make the platform more adaptive to the growing demands of digital commerce.

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