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Abstract

The Travelous (Information Portal for Tourists) will facilitate local tourism industries and develop Bangladesh as an exciting tourist destination. It will assist tourists to find out new places and the available services for the tourists in the surrounding areas. Vendors will include information on their services in the portal. A user can be a contributor to the system also. (S) He can add a new place or add review to a place. As an additional feature, a user can indicate himself as a host and may provide rental services to the explorers who would prefer a home-like environment to stay than any commercial mean. This system allows user to easily get all the tourist information of a place. Here he can maintain an account. Vendors can sign up with an account and uploads their offer's detail and vendor detail to advertise their business. Tourists can be a host here and can serve the other tourists.

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1 Introduction

A portal is a website that acts as a multi sources or single source for all information on a specific domain. So this Information portal for Tourists will be a web portal which offers the tourists a broad array of information of tourist spots, attractions, cultures, and about the related vendors, arranged in a way that is most convenient for the tourist to access and receive the service of knowledge and adventure. It is designed, implemented in a way that it can become the starting or entry point of a tourist introducing him into various information, resources and other sites in the internet about tour. It has the facility for tourists to check and search the different tourist spots around the world, different vendors including hotels, travel agents, tour guide and restaurants. Here a tourist can hold an account give his reviews about a place or add a place as a tourist attraction, track his adventure diary and be a host as well. Here vendors also can have an account and give their special offers to the tourists and let tourists know about their facilities. The main aim of this web site is to create a gateway for tourists where they can come and design their trip.

1.1 Motivation

In our country there are many tourist spots but not all of them are very popular or known to all even though they are very attractive and historically nourished or naturally beautiful. There are very few websites that gives a tourist a whole bunch of knowledge and travel facility information all together. That's why I considered the information portal for tourists as my project. This website will give a tourist so many information about our country's tourist spots, help him to manage his tour and make the tour more enjoyable and easier.

1.2 Objective

Primary Objectives:

- To increase the efficiency and services to the tourists and vendors through better application of technology in their respective tasks.
- To be able to stand from competitors in the portal sites.

Specific objectives:

- To enable the search option for the tourists to search any place he wants to visit and get the information about it.
- To enable an option for the vendors to upload their offers and let the tourists know about them.
- To enable the tourists to have a visualization of the spots before planning the tour.
- To enable the tourists to maintain a travel diary.

1.3 Purpose of the project

Before going to a place, a tourist has to know many things about that place and the scenario of that place's life style. So that he could plan a tour with all necessary information and enjoy the adventure without any complexity. This website will give him almost all the necessary information that he might need before going to a tour. Here a tourist can search a place or search a country for its interesting tourist spots, make a travel diary, give review about a place. A vendor can add offers, add places as a tourist spot. An admin can keep track of all accounts and handle security options through admin panel.

1.4 Project scope

The information portal tourists will be a web based application which will be created by using .Net Platform. Its main aim is to simplify and improve the efficiency of the tour manager for both tourists and vendors. Minimize the time consumption for search or any information related to tour. A tourist can see categorized spots with their full information of a city or country. A tourist can also be a host and have a visual confirmation of his hosting.

1.5 Related Works

There are some travel websites that gives almost similar facilities to the tourists. Some gives information of tourist spots and some of them gives the hotel or restaurant reservation, offer accepting ability and travel agent's information. The Kayak is one of them. It allows tourists to find cheap flight and package deals from an array of travel websites, it also notifies when any decrease in tourist's preferred journey fare. The SkyScanner is a travel search engine, which gives facility to check for flights, hotels and car rentals from providers across the board. The Expedia helps traveler to book their flights, tour packages, hotels, car rentals, cruises, in-destination activities and other tourist services. ^[1] The TripAdvisor provides reviews of travel-related content including interactive travel forums. There are some other websites with same objectives like, MakeMyTrip, ClearTrip, Musafir etc.

1.6 Used Tools & Technologies

To build up this Information Portal, the main language of programming C# on .Net platform using Entity Framework 6.0 in MVC 5 methodology is used. It is a database first project where SQL server is used to maintain system database. For designing the view for both front end and backend, I have used HTML, CSS.

- Programming Language: C#
- Framework: .Net, Entity Framework 6.0
- Database system: MS SQL server 2012, MS SQL Server 2017
- Markup languages: HTML, CSS
- IDE: Visual Studio 2015

1.7 Limitations

- Requires internet connection and the person must be computer literate.
- It may not show the complete details of the users after accepting an offer or service.
 Sometimes system falls.
- For booking purpose or receiving any service tourist have to directly go to vendor's website.

1.8 Structure

The book is structured as follows:

In Chapter 1, There is a short overview of the project topic, its scope, my purpose of creating the project on this topic and the technology that are used to create this portal.

In Chapter 2, Contains the review of other websites that are created on project topic (Information Portal for Tourists). Their facilities and how they have been created.

In Chapter 3, Has the detail description about the project topic. how it is designed, its work flow, user category detail, database format, detail of the technologies that have been used.

In Chapter 4, It is the place where the created website has been evaluated by showing different types of data. Here the functionalities of Travelous has been shown.

In Chapter 5, Has been designed with the conclusion and future works. Here conclusion includes what I have learned by working on this project, what can be done in future to make the Travelous a nourished and an excellent website.

2 Literature Review

Before going on a vacation a tourist or a person has to check many things about the place he is going to visit and he needs many facilities and services like accommodation, food, transport, hospital facility, banking facilities and above all the fare system of any service he is going to take at that place, so that he can travel without any tension. So there are some travel websites that gives the information of those facilities and services provider's information and detail of their offers. These travel websites give the information of tourist spots and some of them gives the hotel or restaurant reservation, offer accepting ability and travel agent's information. Some of these are only specialized in hotel information giving and some are only in Tourist spots or Travel agents information giving.

2.1 KAYAK

Kayak searches hundreds of travel sites at once from online travel agencies to airlines, hotel and rental car websites and gives the information a tourist need to make the right decisions for a tour. It is one of the leading travel websites.^[3] It is a fare aggregator and travel metasearch engine operated by The Priceline Group.

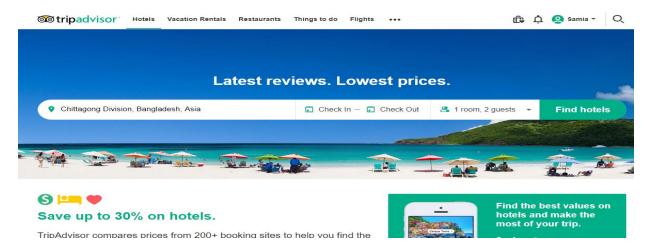
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Unlike other websites it doesn't sell anything but works as a tool for travelers which searches other websites and shows there offer in a brief. It also has a mobile app which does the same as the website. KAYAK is available in over 40 international sites and 21 languages. Each

year they process 1.5 billion queries for travel information. ^[4]To receive the facility of this website people has to visit https://www.kayak.co.in.

2.2 TripAdvisor

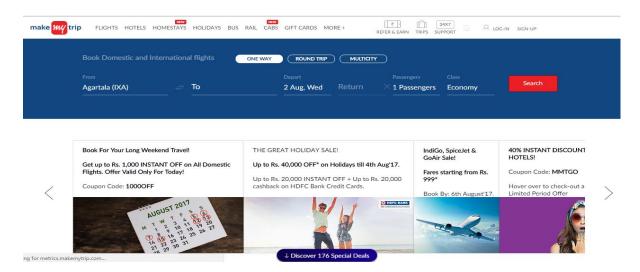
TripAdvisor, the world's most visited travel website. It is an American travel website company providing hotels booking as well as reviews of travel-related content. It also includes interactive travel forums. ^[4] TripAdvisor is an early adopter of user-generated content. Its address is <u>https://www.tripadvisor.com</u>. The website services are free to users, who provide most of the content, and the website is supported by a hotel booking



facility and an advertising business model. In its site there are more than 500 million reviews and opinions covering the world's largest selection of travel listings worldwide over 7 million accommodations, airlines, attractions, and restaurants. TripAdvisor also compares prices from more than 200 hotel booking sites so travelers can find the lowest price on the hotel that's right for them.

2.3 MakeMyTrip

MakeMytrip is an Indian online travel company founded in 2000. provides online travel services including flight tickets, domestic and international holiday packages, hotel reservations, rail and bus tickets based on India. The company has been recognized as one of India's best travel portals. ^[5] After Completing the domestic target it has also reached to the US market. Its address is <u>https://www.makemytrip.com</u>.

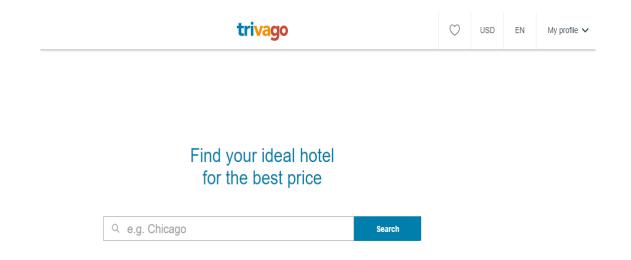


The company also operates through 65 retail stores across 50 cities in India, along with offices in New York City and Sydney.

This website has been created to empower the Indian travelers with instant booking and comprehensive choices of hotels and travel agents.

2.4 Trivago

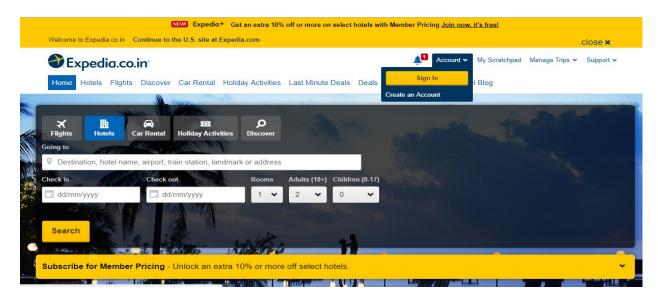
The famous website <u>https://www.trivago.com</u> is a website which is specialized in internetrelated services and products in the hotel, lodging and metasearch fields. Trivago N.V., often referred to as Trivago, is a German multinational technology company. ^[6] It was the first hotel search engine in Germany, and is one of the fastest growing companies in Germany.



It only gives a tourist the information about any hotels of any place, their pricing detail. A tourist can search any hotel according to his budget at this field. Trivago also has some Interesting features like Trivago Hotel Manager, which allows hoteliers to manage their presence on the Trivago site. The Hotel Manager Pro, which enables hoteliers to update and customize their own listings, as well as access analytics about competitor rates.

2.5 Expedia

Expedia.com is a travel website owned by Expedia Inc. The website can be used to book airline tickets, hotel reservations, car rentals, cruises, vacation packages and various

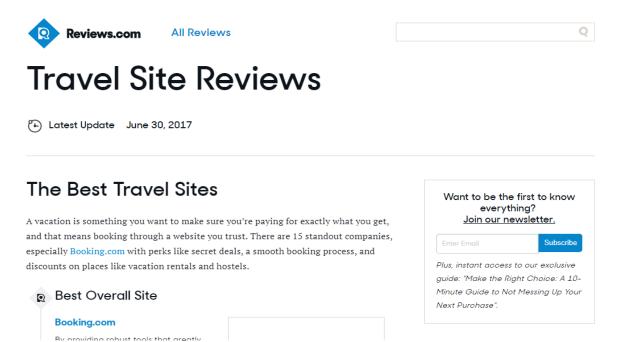


attractions and services via the internet or telephone agents. The site uses multiple global distribution systems like Amadeus or the Sabre reservation systems for flights and for

hotels, World span and Pegasus, along with its own hotel reservation system for contracted, bulk-rate reservations. Here a tourist can search for a place and can explore what he can do there by using the thing to do feature. To check out the facility a person has to visit <u>https://www.expedia.co.in</u>.

2.6 Reviews

Reviews.com only deals with reviews taken from the travelers about any hotel or travel agency or about their given offers to the tourists. To get the review a person has to go to <u>http://www.reviews.com/travel-sites</u>. Tourists can come here search for reviews for any place which will help them to decide their visit to that place. It also contains the reviews about travel websites like TripAdvisor, Expedia etc.



2.7 SkyParkSecure

SkyParkSecure is an online travel company offering airport parking at all UK airports. Earlier the web site was a simple booking system, enabling customers to search by a range of dates

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and display the results for the one product on offer. The site was quickly developed over the coming years to integrate the rapid addition of parking products across the UK. ^[11] This also enabled customers to choose from a wide range of airport parking services, but also enabled staff within the company to manage many of the customers' needs within the system. To take the facility a person has to visit <u>https://www.skyparksecure.com/</u> to their website.

3 Overview of Proposed System

Development of web based system requires analysis of the process to be digitized in order to enable a correct system, a system that functions as required and to assist the potential users of the system understand the general functionality of the system. The analysis specifies the system's objectives and constraints to which designers have to comply. The purpose of doing analysis is to transform the system's major inputs into structured specification. This website has four requirement sections. The admin section, common user section, registered tourist section and the vendor section.

3.1 Requirement analysis

- Each user type vendors or tourists need to register himself/herself a registered user for accessing necessary information. They also have a user password and email. They can log in to the system by using their email and password.
- Admin need to log in to the system to operate the system. Admin has an individual name or unique log in user email and password. Through this email and password admin can log in to the system.
- Admin can update all places information, block a place from the access of the other users. He/she can insert a new place to visit.
- Admin can see the information of the vendors including account holder's information and block them or their any offer if necessary.
- Admin can see all information of a tourists including their emergency information and can block them if needed.
- A common user can only search for a place, or vendor and see their address, likes and dislikes.
- ✤ A tourist can add a new place, insert pictures for that place.
- A tourist can become a local /international host and add his offers. He/she can update her hosting and account information as well.
- A vendor can add offers for his company, add a new place, update account and offer information.
- ✤ Admin can see any blocked accounts and places or expired offers.

3.2 Use Case Diagram

3.2.1 Use Cases for Common user

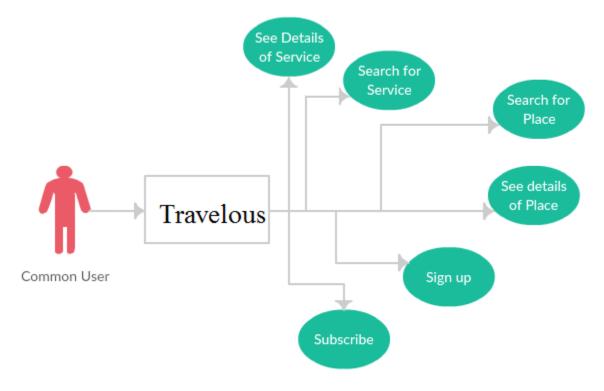


Fig 3.1: Use Case diagram for common user.

- Search place: A common non registered user can only search for a place with country and city name.
- Search Services: Non registered user only can search for a service by choosing country name and city name and giving his/her visit time.
- Subscribe: Non-registered user can subscribe to newsletter to for getting email about new places.
- See Service/ Place detail: common user can check the partial detail of service and place by searching.
- Sign Up: A common user can become a regular user by signing up.

3.2.2 Use Cases for Admin user

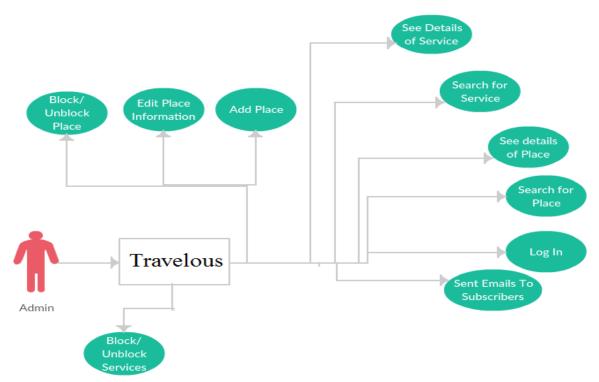


Fig 3.2: Use Case diagram for Admin

- Search a Place: Admin can search for a place with country and city name
- Search Services: Admin can search for a service by choosing country name and city name and by giving any time period
- See Service/ Place detail: Admin can check the full detail of service and place by searching.
- **Block/Unblock User/Service:** Admin can block/unblock any user/service.
- Send Email: Admin can email to the subscribers for new places.
- See Tourist/ Vendors Detail: Admin can see full detail of any users.
- Add Place: Admin can add any place for tourist attraction.
- **Edit/Block Place:** Admin can block/ edit place information if needed.

3.2.3 Use Cases for Vendors

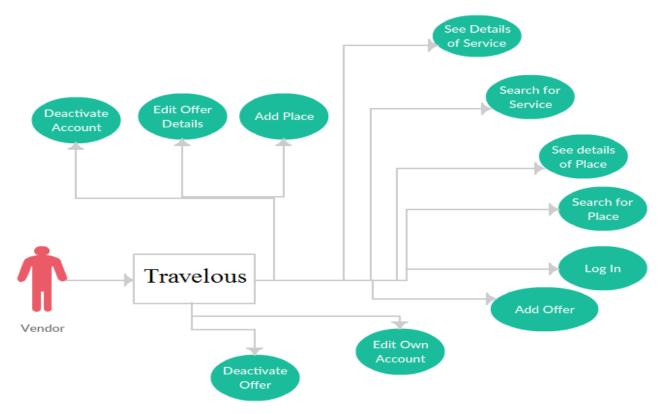


Fig 3.3: Use Case Diagram for Vendor

- Search place: Vendor can search for a place with country and city name.
- Search Services: A Vendor can search for other services by choosing country name and city name and by giving any time period.
- See Service/ Place detail: Vendor can check the partial detail of other services and full detail of a place by searching.
- > Add Offer: Vendor can add an offer for tourists.
- **Edit Offer:** Vendor can edit his own offers.
- **Edit Account:** Vendor can edit his/ her business and account information.
- > Add A Place: Vendor can a new place.

3.2.4 Use Cases for Tourists

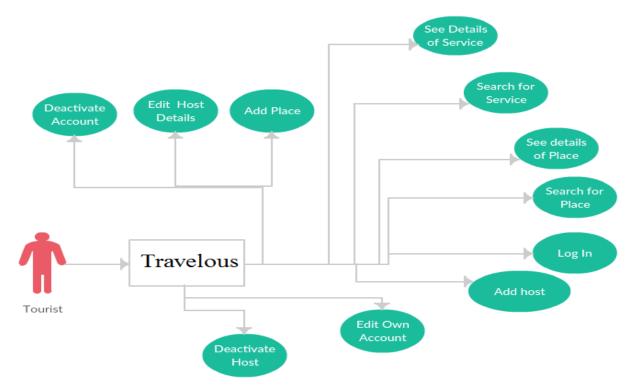


Fig 3.4: Use Case diagram for Tourists

- Search place: Tourist can search for a place with country and city name.
- Search Services: A tourist can search for other services by choosing country name and city name and by giving any time period.
- See Service/ Place detail: Tourist can check the necessary detail of services and full detail of a place by searching.
- **Be a Host:** Tourist can be a host for other tourists.
- **Edit Hosting:** Tourist can edit his hosting details.
- **Edit Account:** Tourist can edit his/ her emergency and account information.
- Like/Dislike a Place/Service: Tourist can like or dislike any place or service.
- > Add a new place: Tourist can add a new place as a tourist spot.

3.3 Activity Diagram

3.3.1 Activity diagram for Basic Search

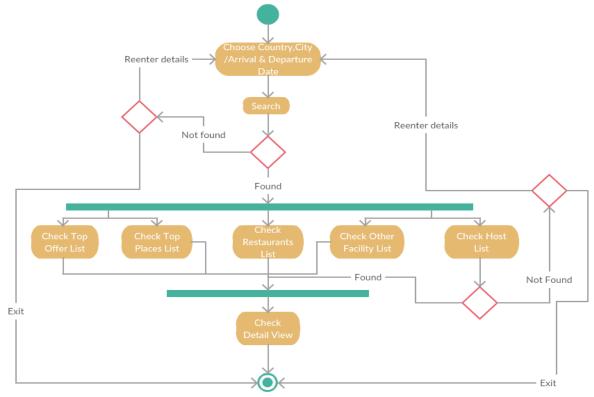


Fig 3.5: Activity Diagram for Basic Search.

Activity Flow Description:

This is a common Feature for registered or nonregistered user.

- A person has to Choose a Country/City where he/she wants to visit, here can he/she can also add his/her Arrival and Departure time for additional search.
- If there is any value found, then system will give him/her a list of searched vendors and hosts and place of that Country and City.
- From there the person can see the whole list of selected category and get the detail of selected Place/offer/Vendor/Service/Host.

3.3.2 Activity Diagram for Specific Search a Place/Vendor

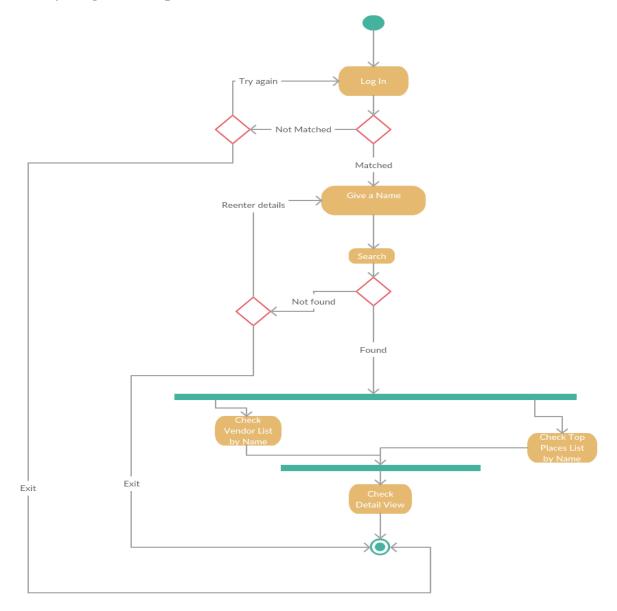


Fig 3.6: Activity Diagram for Searching a specific place/vendor by name.

Activity Flow Description:

This feature is only open for a registered Tourist or system Admin.

- A Tourist/Admin has to log in first, then he/she have to give a name for place for the place/vendor he/she want to search.
- If there is any value found, then system will give him/her a list of vendors and places with his given name.
- From there user can select a place or vendor for the detail view.

3.3.3 Activity Diagram for Adding a new Place

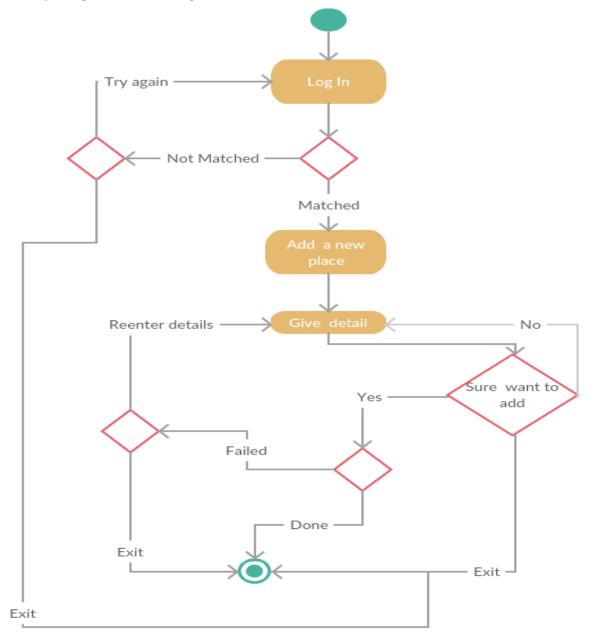
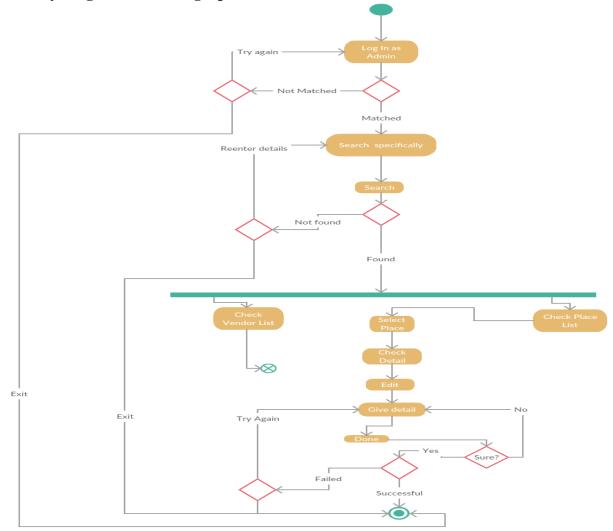


Fig 3.7: Activity Diagram for Add a new Place.

Activity Flow Description:

This feature is only open for registered users (Vendor/Tourist) and System Admin.

- User has to log in, then he/she has to choose add a new place option from the action list.
- ▶ He/she has to give the full detail of the place which she/he wants to add.
- > Then has to verify if he/she wants to add the place or not.



3.3.4 Activity Diagram for Editing a place

Fig 3.8: Activity Diagram for Editing a Place detail.

Activity Flow Description:

This feature is only open for the admin.

- Admin has to log in first to access the action.
- > Then he/she has to search a specific place by its name.
- From the place list he/she has to select the place for detail view and select the edit option.
- > Admin has to give the detail for edit and decide if he/she wants to edit or not.

3.3.5 Activity Diagram for User Sign Up

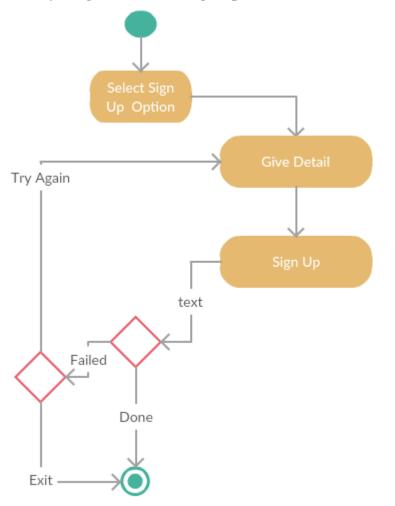


Fig 3.9: Activity Diagram for User Sign Up.

Activity Flow Description:

- A person has to select a sign up option whether he/she wants to be a vendor/regular tourist.
- > Then she/he has to give a required detail for signing up.
- If given detail is valid then the sign up will be done otherwise person has to try again.

3.3.6 Activity Diagram for Add Offer

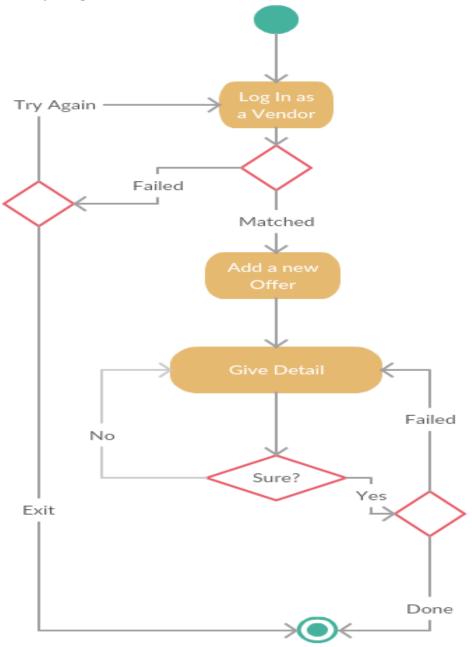


Fig 3.10: Activity Diagram for Adding a New Offer.

Activity Flow Description:

This option is only open for a Vendor.

- ➤ User has to select the Add a new offer option from the user home.
- > Then he/she has to fill the whole detail of the offer.
- If there is no problem, then the addition will be successful otherwise user has to try again.

3.3.7 Activity Diagram for To be a Host

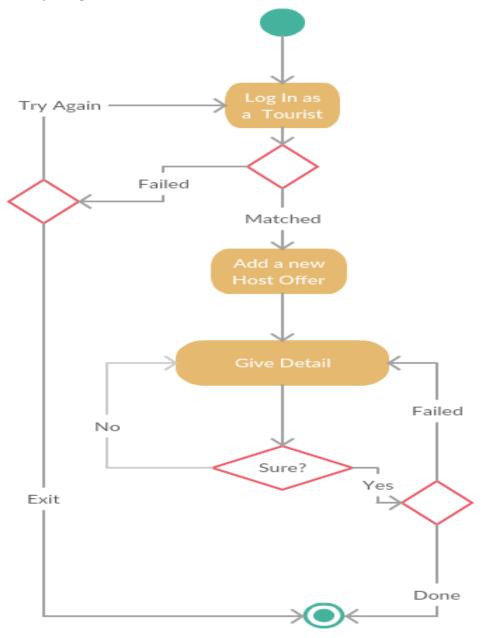


Fig 3.11: Activity Diagram for Adding a new Hosting Offer.

Activity Flow Description:

This option is only open for a Tourist.

- ➤ User has to select the Add a New Host Offer option from the user home.
- > Then he/she has to fill the whole detail of the offer.
- If there is no problem, then the addition will be successful otherwise user has to try again.

3.4 Class Diagram

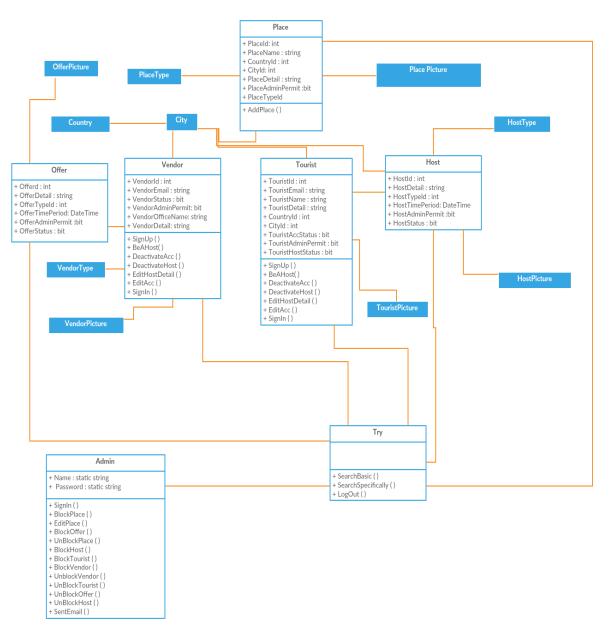


Fig 3.12: Class diagram for Travelous.

3.5 Database Design

3.5.1 Database Table List

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 ⊞ dbo.City ⊞ dbo.Country
 🗉 🌐 dbo.Host dbo.HostAlbum Image: Base of the second s ⊞ dbo.Offer ⊞ dbo.OfferPicture Image: Image: Base of the second s 🛨 🌐 dbo.Place Image: Image: Barborner Image: BaceType Image: dbo.Vendor Image: I dbo.VendorPicture
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Fig 3.13: Database Table List.

DES	DESKTOP-4NTE989\ourDB - dbo.Place 😕 🔀					
	Column Name	Data Type	Allow Nulls			
Þ ₿	Placeld	int				
	PlaceName	varchar(MAX)	\checkmark			
	Countryld	int	\checkmark			
	CityId	int	\checkmark			
	PlaceTypeld	int	\checkmark			
	PlaceAddress	varchar(MAX)	\checkmark			
	PlaceDetail	nvarchar(MAX)	\checkmark			
	PlaceAdminsPermit	bit	\checkmark			
	PlaceDateOfAccountCre	date	\checkmark			
	PlaceLike	int	\checkmark			
	PlaceDislike	int	\checkmark			
	PlaceProfilePicId	int	\checkmark			

3.5.2 Database Table for Place Information

Fig 3.14: Database Table of Place Information.

3.5.3 Database Table for Tourist Information

	Column Name	Data Type	Allow Nulls
▶8	TouristId	int	
	TouristName	varchar(MAX)	\sim
	TouristEmail	varchar(MAX)	\checkmark
	Countryld	int	\checkmark
	CityId	int	
	TouristPhnNo	varchar(MAX)	\checkmark
	TouristAddress	varchar(MAX)	\checkmark
	TouristEmergencyPhnNo	varchar(MAX)	\checkmark
	TouristsStatus	bit	\checkmark
	TouristsHostStatus	bit	\checkmark
	TouristAdminsPermit	bit	\checkmark
	TouristDateOfAccountCr	date	\checkmark
	TouristPassword	varchar(MAX)	\checkmark
	TouristProfilePicId	int	\checkmark

Fig 3.15: Database Table of Tourist Information.

DES	DESKTOP-4NTE989\TourDB - dbo.Host 😕 🗙				
	Column Name	Data Type	Allow Nulls		
▶8	Hostld	int			
	Touristld	int	\checkmark		
	HostingCountryld	int	\checkmark		
	HostingCityId	int	\checkmark		
	HostingPlaceAddress	varchar(MAX)	\checkmark		
	Rent	varchar(MAX)	\checkmark		
	HostingStartTime	date	\checkmark		
	HostingStopTime	date	\checkmark		
	HostingDetail	nvarchar(MAX)	\checkmark		
	HostingStatus	bit	\checkmark		
	HostAdminsPermit	bit	\checkmark		
	HostDateOfAccountCrea	date	\checkmark		
	HostLike	int	\checkmark		
	HostDislike	int	\checkmark		
	HostProfilePicId	int	\checkmark		
	HostTypeld	int	\checkmark		
	HostingPhnNo	varchar(MAX)	\checkmark		

3.5.4 Database table for Host Information

Fig 3.16: Database Table for Host Information.

3.5.5 Database Table for Vendor Details

DESKTOP-4NTE989\urDB - dbo.Vendor 🕘 🔀				
	Column Name	Data Type	Allow Nulls	
•8	Vendorld	int		
	VendorName	varchar(MAX)	\checkmark	
	VendorTypeld	int	\checkmark	
	VendorEmail	varchar(MAX)	\checkmark	
	VendorPhnNo	varchar(MAX)	\checkmark	
	VendorAddress	varchar(MAX)	\checkmark	
	VendorOfficeName	varchar(MAX)	\checkmark	
	Countryld	int	\checkmark	
	CityId	int	\checkmark	
	VendorOfficePhnNo	varchar(MAX)	\checkmark	
	VendorOfficeAddress	varchar(MAX)	\checkmark	
	VendorOfficeWebsite	varchar(MAX)	\checkmark	
	VendorsVendorShipDetail	nvarchar(MAX)	\checkmark	
	VendorsStatus	bit	\checkmark	
	VendorOfferStatus	bit	\checkmark	
	VendorAdminsPermit	bit	\checkmark	
	VendorDateOfAccountCr	date	\checkmark	
	VendorPassword	varchar(MAX)	\checkmark	
	VendorLike	int	\checkmark	
	VendorDislike	int	\checkmark	
	VendorProfilePicId	int	\checkmark	
	VendorOfficeMail	varchar(MAX)	\checkmark	

Fig 3.17: Database Table for Vendor Details.

3.5.6 Database Tables for Country & City

DESKTOP-4NTE989\rDB - dbo.Country 🖙 🔀						
Column Name	Data Type	Allow Nulls				
Countryld	int					
CountryName	varchar(50)	\checkmark				

Fig 3.18: Table for Country.

DES	DESKTOP-4NTE989\LTourDB - dbo.City 😐 🗙				
	Column Name	Data Type	Allow Nulls		
▶8	Cityld	int			
	CityName	varchar(50)	\checkmark		
	Countryld	int	\checkmark		

Fig 3.19: Table for City.

3.5.7 Database Table for Offer Information

DESKTOP-4NTE989\LourDB - dbo.Offer 👎 🗙				
	Column Name	Data Type	Allow Nulls	
₽ ₿		int		
	OfferName	varchar(MAX)	\checkmark	
	Vendorld	int	\checkmark	
	Countryld	int	\checkmark	
	Cityld	int	\checkmark	
	OfferTypeld	int	\checkmark	
	OfferPrice	varchar(MAX)	\checkmark	
	OfferDetail	nvarchar(MAX)	\checkmark	
	OfferStartTime	date	\checkmark	
	OfferStopTime	date	\checkmark	
	OfferStatus	bit	\checkmark	
	OfferAdminsPermit	bit	\checkmark	
	OfferDateOfAccountCre	date	\checkmark	
	OfferLike	int	\checkmark	
	OfferDislike	int	\checkmark	
	OfferProfilePicId	int	\checkmark	
			_	

Fig 3.20: Table for Offer Information.

3.5.8 Database Table for Offer Type and Host Type

DESKTOP-4NTE989\LB - dbo.OfferType 😕 🗙					
	Column Name	Data Type	Allow Nulls		
▶8	OfferTypeld	int			
	OfferTypeName	varchar(50)	\checkmark		

Fig 3.21: Table for Offer Type.

DESKTOP-4NTE989\DB - dbo.HostType 😕 🗙					
	Column Name	Data Type	Allow Nulls		
▶8	HostTypeld	int			
	HostTypeName	varchar(50)	\checkmark		

Fig 3.22: Table for Host Type.

3.5.9 Database Table for Place Picture Data

DESKTOP-4NTE989\dbo.VendorPicture DESKTO			P-4NTE989\Ldb
	Column Name	Data Type	Allow Nulls
₽ ₿	PlacePictureId	int	
	Placeld	int	\checkmark
	PlaceAlbumld	int	\checkmark
	PlacePictureData	varbinary(MAX)	\checkmark
	AlbumTypeld	int	\checkmark
	PlacePictureDateOfAdded	date	\checkmark
	PlacePictureAdminPermit	bit	\checkmark
	PlacePicturePrivacy	bit	\checkmark
	Countryld	int	\checkmark
	Cityld	int	\checkmark

Fig 3.23: Table for Place Pictures.

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DES	DESKTOP-4NTE989\dbo.VendorPicture 🗦 🔀 DESKTOP-4NTE989\Ldb						
	Column Name	Data Type	Allow Nulls				
▶ 8	VendorPictureld	int					
	Vendorld	int					
	VendorAlbumld	int					
	VendorPictureData	varbinary(MAX)					
	AlbumTypeld	int	\checkmark				
	VendorPictureDateOfAd	date	\checkmark				
	VendorPicturePrivacy	bit	\checkmark				
	VendorPictureAdminPer	bit	\checkmark				
	Countryld	int	\checkmark				
	CityId	int	\checkmark				
	Placeld	int	\checkmark				

3.5.10 Database Table for Vendor Picture and Vendor Type

Fig 3.24: Table for Vendor Picture.

DESKTOP-4NTE989\L dbo.VendorType 😐 🔀					
	Column Name	Data Type	Allow Nulls		
▶8	VendorTypeld	int			
	VendorTypeName	varchar(50)	\checkmark		

Fig 3.25: Table for Vendor Type.

3.6 Software requirements

For creating the website, we mainly required the following software, installed on the hosting system,

3.6.1 Web Server

• Internet Information Services (IIS Express)

3.6.2 Database Language

- SQL
- 3.6.3 Server Side Language
 - ASP.NET (C#)
- 3.6.4 Client Side Languages
 - HTML, CSS, JavaScript

3.6.5 Platform

• Entity Framework 6.0 in MVC 5 methodology

3.7 Software Platform

In this platform the tools are used fully open sources. For designing this project this HTML, CSS are used and in some cases JavaScript is used. IIS Express is used as web server and ASP.Net is used for database connecting codes SQL server is the database system.

3.7.1 HTML

HTML (Hypertext Markup Language) is the set of markup symbols or codes inserted in a file intended for display on a World Wide Web browser page. The markup tells the Web browser how to display a Web page's words and images for the user. Each individual markup code is referred to as an element (but many people also refer to it as a tag). Some elements come in pairs that indicate when some display effect is to begin and when it is to end.

3.7.2 CSS

A cascading style sheet (CSS) is a Web page derived from multiple sources with a defined order of precedence where the definitions of any style element conflict. The Cascading Style Sheet, level 1 recommendation from the World Wide Web Consortium (<u>W3C</u>), which is implemented in the latest versions of the Netscape and Microsoft Web browsers, specifies the possible style sheets or statements that may determine how a given element is presented in a Web page. CSS gives more control over the appearance of a Web page to the page creator than to the browser designer or the viewer.

3.7.3 JavaScript

JavaScript (JS) is a scripting languages, primarily used on the Web. It is used to enhance HTML pages and is commonly found embedded in HTML code. JavaScript is an interpreted language. Thus, it doesn't need to be compiled. JavaScript renders web pages in an interactive and dynamic fashion. This allowing the pages to react to events, exhibit special effects, accept variable text, validate data, create cookies, detect a user's browser, etc.

3.7.4 IIS Express

Internet Information Services (IIS) is an extensible web server created by Microsoft for use with the Windows NT family.IIS Express is a solid, lightweight alternative that's self-contained and designed to make it easy for developers to build and test websites. It also offers the power of IIS 7. The server is integrated into WebMatrix and does not ship with IIS Manager for IIS 7. Instead, it is managed from within WebMatrix or from the icon. The Microsoft WebMatrix is an integrated suite of tools to manage ASP.NET and PHP development. It works with both Visual Studio and Visual Web Developer. it does not require

an administrator account nor any code changes. In fact, people can use it with all forms of ASP.NET applications. Moreover, people can build and test applications using it in Visual Studio, but it needs to be installed separately and manually launched from the command line.

3.7.5 ASP.NET

ASP.NET is a Microsoft server-side Web technology. ASP.NET takes an object-oriented programming approach to Web page execution. Every element in an ASP.NET page is treated as an object and run on the server. An ASP.NET page gets <u>compiled</u> into an intermediate language by a .NET Common Language Runtime-compliant compiler. Then a JIT compiler turns the intermediate code to native machine code, and that machine code is eventually run on the processor. Because the code is run straight from the processor, pages load much faster than classic ASP pages, where embedded VBScript or JScript had to be continuously interpreted and cached. ASP.NET is used to create Web pages and Web services and is an integral part of Microsoft's .NET vision.

3.7.6 C# (C Sharp)

C# is a hybrid of C and C++, it is a Microsoft programming language developed to compete with Sun's Java language. C# is an object-oriented programming language used with XML-based Web services on the .NET platform and designed for improving productivity in the development of Web applications.^[1] C# boasts type-safety, garbage collection, simplified type declarations, versioning and scalability support, and other features that make developing solutions faster and easier, especially for COM+ and Web services. Microsoft critics have pointed to the similarities between C# and Java. ASP.NET is the portion of the .NET library used for making web sites where C# can be used to handle server side requirements.

3.7.7 Entity Framework and MVC

Entity Framework is an Object Relational Mapper (ORM) which is a type of tool that simplifies mapping between objects in our software to the tables and columns of a relational database. It is an open source ORM framework for ADO.NET which is a part of .NET Framework. An ORM takes care of creating database connections and executing commands, as well as taking query results and automatically materializing those results as the application objects. An ORM also helps to keep track of changes to those objects, and when instructed, it will also persist those changes back to the database. It can generate the necessary database commands for reading or writing data in the database and execute them. Queries can be expressed against domain objects using LINQ to entities. Entity Framework will execute the relevant query in the database and then materialize results into instances of domain objects.

The Model-View-Controller (MVC) is an architectural pattern that separates an application into three main logical components: the model, the view, and the controller. Each of these components are built to handle specific development aspects of an application. MVC is one of the most frequently used industry-standard web development framework to create scalable and extensible projects.

4 Evaluation of the System

4.1 User Interface

UI is a surface forming a common boundary between adjacent regions, bodies, substances or phases. A point at which independent systems or diverse group interact. A system of interaction or communication between a computer and another entity such as printer, or other computer. ^[7] So here is the UI of the Travelous. Where different type of options given to a user so that they can surf about tourism queries.

4.1.1 Home Page

The Home page for the general users



	Find a	Tour	
	Where would you	like to go?	
Select Country (select one):		Select City (select one):	
Select	~	Select	\sim

Fig 4.1: Home Page.

Description: In Home page, anyone can get access, log in or sign up as a registered tourist or vendor by going in the given link option.

	Find a Tour			
	Where would you like to go?			
Select Country (select one):		Select City (select one):		
Select	~	Select		
Arrival		Departure		
	Submit			

Fig 4.2: Search Form.

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Description: In the lower portion of the home page there is a segment named Find a Tour for general users, where they can choose Country, City, Arrival Date, Departure Date and search for any travel spot.

Just Travel	ous	HOME LOGIN	JOIN - JUST TRAVELOUS -
€	ñ	e	
No Data found	und No Data found No		No Data found
	Top place	to visit	
	Places where you'll fi		
<	Check Detail		

Fig 4.3: Results after searching a Travel spot.

4.1.3 Admin Sign In

Just Trave	lous	HOME	LOGIN	JOIN +	JUST TRAV
	Admin				
	Password Sign In	R INTO A STORYTELLER			

Fig 4.4: As admin Log In page.

Description: As admin has a unique name and password so he/she can only log in by that and get access to admin task by that.

Just Travelous							
	Admin Home						
	Activities						
R	2	26 New Places!		12 New Tourists!	7	New Vendors!	
	View List	٥	View List	0	View List	0	View List
MADMIN							
Home							
III Search							
I Place							
1 Offer -							
1 Host 🔻							
1 Tourist 🕶							
1 Vendor 🕶							

Fig 4.5: Admin Panel page after logged in.

4.1.4 Vendor Sign Up Page

Just Travelous		HOME	LOGIN	JOIN +	JUST TRAVELOUS+
Company Name Company Type	asd Hotel				
Country City Company's Website	Bangladesh V Dhaka V www.panpacific.com				
Company's Email Your Email	s@gmail.com s@mail.com				
Phone No. Password Confirm Password	+880255028008				
	Sign Up As a Vendor				

Fig 4.6: Vendor Sign Up Page.

Description: A vendor has to give all these Information for his/her business purpose and security also. After signing up a vendor goes directly to the vendor panel page to do his/her business.

4.1.5 Tourist Sign Up Page

	HOME LOGIN JOIN +
Name as	sd
Country Ba	angladesh 🗸
City Ra	angpur 🗸
Email s@	@mail.com
Phone No. +0:	12xxxxxxxx
Password ••	•
Confirm Password	••
Sig	gn Up As a Tourist

Fig 4.7: Tourist Sign Up page.

Description: By giving all necessary information a person can be a registered tourist of the site. Only after signing up a tourist can be a host or can add a new place.

4.1.6 Add a New Place

Add Place	
Place Profile Picture	Browse No file selected.
Name	Shundorban
Place Type	Natural Beauty Area
Place Address	gerhat district in southern Ba
Country	Bangladesh 🗸
City	Khulna 🗸
Place Detail	File - Edit - View - Format -
	★ Formats - B I E Ξ Ξ Ξ Ξ Ξ Ξ Ξ
	Mangrove Forest
	Powered by TryHCE
	Update

Fig 4.8: Form for adding a new Place.

Description: A registered user can a new place by giving its necessary Information. If the place is valid then the Admin will keep the place as open or she/she will block it after a certain time.

4.1.7 Add a new Offer for Hosting

Offer Profile Picture	Browse No file selected.	
Host Type	Local Tour Guide	
Countryld	Bangladesh V	
CityId	Sylhet V	
Business Phone No.	01300000000	
Price.	1000	
Address	b/a sss,sss,bangladesh	
Opening date.	31/08/2017	
Ending dat.	07/09/2017	
Facilities/ Detail	File - Edit - View - Format -	
	♠ Formats - B I E E E E E E E E E E E E E E E E E E	
	Powered by TryHCE	
	Update	

Fig 4.9: Form for adding a new hosting offer.

Description: For adding a new hosting offer a tourist has to give all these Information. Unless the offer will not be valid and The admin can block it any time.

4.1.8	Host List Page
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	Just Travelous		SEARCH SPECIFICALLY ADD PLACE	SAMIA BARI 🔍	JUST TRAVELOUS-
#		Host	Phn No	Likes	Detail
1	ø	Samia Bari	—	1	vbnjhhnmg Check Deter

Fig 4.10: Host List after searching a place.

Description: From the basic search page (Home page) user can get a host list of the searched place.

5 Conclusion

5.1 Conclusion

Travelous (Information portal for tourist) was a new learning for me. By working on it I came to learn many things about new technologies like Entity Framework 6.0 and mvc5. Though these methods are very popular in outer countries but in our country these are not very popular. By creating this website using these technologies I have learned a lot methods of object oriented programming also. Working on this topic gave me a knowledge of thinking about a problem deeply and how can I implement it on my code easy. I wanted to work on this topic because nowadays Information portal for tourists has become a new experience and has greatly impacted the lives of Travelers and Vendors in its short time of existence.^[7] It is expected to grow constantly in years to come with advancements in technology. Tourist portals has made travelers more active and efficient in their travels and also Vendor's product more effective for travelers. It has driven the travelling to a new level. It is forcing the vendors to make the necessary adjustments and changes to reach the new market of knowledgeable travelers. Online Tourist portals have evolved into sophisticated marketing channels for hoteliers and other vendors of all sizes. Never before have travelers been able to easily compare different travel options side-by-side in terms of price, time, and location. One of the greatest success stories in eCommerce is the development of Business to Business and Business to Consumer online sales of air travel, ground transportation, hotel accommodations, and tours.^[1] In the past 10 years growing Internet traffic and a major industry policy shift created an economic environment that helped accelerate travel related businesses such as hotels and airlines to establish methods for direct online bookings. According to the American Society of Travel Agents, after decades of offering travel agents a standard commission of at least 10 % with no cap, many of the larger airline carriers in the United States stopped paying base commissions to travel agents, beginning in March 2002. Not surprisingly, some of the very companies that supplied traditional brick and mortar travel agencies with information and services became their chief competitors. Earlier people has to go to the hotels or to the other vendors in person or call them for information. They never got an idea of a place before going there. People has to struggle a lot for accommodation, food

and visiting a new place. But these online tourist portals offer access to markets once unattainable by small hoteliers and hostel owners. This offers consumers/travelers a versatile experience. Not only can they show the multitude of travel options, but also offer trusted reviews and accurate local information. Some online travel portals have created their own brands that consumers trust and recognize as thought-leaders. Hoteliers leverage these brand when they list their property with them. Travelers now can surf about a place, make bookings, check essential needs before going to a place. Even they can use these websites as their tour guide as some of these websites shows the direction of the place. Basically tourist portals are offering a traveler a package by giving all necessary information about traveling.

5.2 Future Work

The Future plan of this project is to design, implementation and documentation in such a way that everyone can use this project for better performance. I will develop the site more dynamically and the database work as well. There are limitations in my project. In future I will add the following module for better improvement of the project:

- Online account verification
- Online booking system
- Online map director
- Online sms service for site holder.

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Appendix

Code:

Admin Controller

```
public class AdminController : Controller
{
public ActionResult SignIn(admin)
if (ModelState.IsValid)
{
try
{
bool result = adminClass.SignInAdmin(admin.AdminName, admin.AdminPassword);
if (result == true)
{
return RedirectToAction("UserPanel", "Home");
}
else
{
ViewData["message"] = "Wrong Name or Password";
return View(admin);
}
}
catch (Exception ex)
{
return View("Error", new HandleErrorInfo(ex, "Admin", "SignIn"));
}
}
else
{
return View(admin);
}
}
}
}
```

Home Controller

```
public class HomeController : Controller
{
    public ActionResult SignInUser(SignInUserViewModel siuvm)
    {
        if(ModelState.IsValid)
        {
        try
        {
```

```
if(siuvm.UserType==1)
{
return RedirectToAction("SignIn", "Vendor", new {Email=siuvm.Email,
Password=siuvm.Password});
}
else if(siuvm.UserType == 2)
{
return RedirectToAction("SignIn", "Tourist", new { Email = siuvm.Email, Password =
siuvm.Password });
}
else
{
TempData["Problem"] = "You have to choose a user type option.";
return View();
}
}
catch (Exception ex)
{
return View("Error", new HandleErrorInfo(ex, "Home", "SignInUser"));
}
}else
{
return View(siuvm);
}
}
public ActionResult LogOut()
{
Session.Abandon();
Response.Cookies.Add(new HttpCookie("ASP.NET_SessionId", ""));
return RedirectToAction("Index");
}
}
```

```
Host Controller
```

```
public ActionResult ShowHost(int HostId,int CountryId, int CityId, int Page)
{
HostDetailSearchViewModel sp = new HostDetailSearchViewModel();
if (HostId != 0)
{
var i = (from c in entity.Hosts
join e in entity.HostPictures on c.HostProfilePicId
equals e.HostPictureId into ppl
from e in ppl.DefaultIfEmpty()
join d in entity. Tourists on c. TouristId equals d. TouristId
join f in entity.Countries on c.HostingCountryId equals f.CountryId
join g in entity. Cities on c. HostingCityId equals g. CityId
join k in entity.HostTypes on c.HostTypeId equals k.HostTypeId
where c.HostId==HostId
orderby c.HostDateOfAccountCreation descending
select new
{
c.HostId,
d.TouristName,
e.HostPictureData,
d.TouristId,
f.CountryId,
g.CityId,
k.HostTypeId,
c.HostingPhnNo,
c.HostingPlaceAddress,
f.CountryName,
g.CityName,
c.HostingStartTime,
c.HostingStopTime,
```

```
c.HostingDetail,
c.Rent,
k.HostTypeName,
c.HostingStatus,
c.HostAdminsPermit
}).First();
if (i!=null)
{
sp.HostPictureData = i.HostPictureData;
sp.HostId = i.HostId;
sp.TouristId = Convert.ToInt32(i.TouristId);
sp.HostName = i.TouristName;
sp.HostAddress = i.HostingPlaceAddress;
sp.HostTypeName = i.HostTypeName;
sp.HostPhnNo = i.HostingPhnNo;
sp.CityId = i.CityId;
sp.CountryId = i.CountryId;
sp.HostTypeId = i.HostTypeId;
sp.HostPrice = i.Rent;
sp.HostingStartTime = Convert.ToDateTime(i.HostingStartTime);
sp.HostingEndTime = Convert.ToDateTime(i.HostingStopTime);
string st = CutDetail.StripHTML(i.HostingDetail);
sp.HostShortDetail = CutDetail.Truncate(st, 40);
sp.HostFullDetail = i.HostingDetail;
sp.HostTypeName = i.HostTypeName;
sp.hostAdminPermit = Convert.ToBoolean(i.HostAdminsPermit);
sp.HostStatus = Convert.ToBoolean(i.HostingStatus);
}
var q = sp;
TempData["CountryId"] = CountryId;
TempData["CityId"] = CityId;
```

```
return View(q);
}
else
{
return RedirectToAction("Search", "Home", new { CountryId = CountryId, CityId = CityId,
Arrival = "", Departure = "" });
}
```

```
Vendor Controller
Public ActionResult SignUp()
{
Vendor vendor = new Vendor();
vendor.VendorTypeId = VendorTypeId;
vendor.VendorEmail = vsuvm.VendorEmail;
vendor.VendorPhnNo = vsuvm.VendorPhnNo;
vendor.VendorOfficeName = vsuvm.VendorOfficeName;
vendor.CountryId = CountryId;
vendor.CityId = CityId;
if (vsuvm.VendorOfficeWebsite==null)
{
vendor.VendorOfficeWebsite = "Not given yet";
}
else
{
vendor.VendorOfficeWebsite = vsuvm.VendorOfficeWebsite;
}
vendor.VendorName = "Not given yet";
vendor.VendorAddress = "Not given yet";
vendor.VendorOfficeMail = vsuvm.VendorOfficeMail;
vendor.VendorOfficePhnNo = "Not given yet";
vendor.VendorsVendorShipDetail= "Not given yet";
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```

```
vendor.VendorOfficeAddress= "Not given yet";
vendor.VendorsStatus = true;
vendor.VendorOfferStatus = false;
vendor.VendorAdminsPermit = true;
vendor.VendorDateOfAccountCreation = DateTime.Now;
vendor.VendorPassword = vsuvm.VendorPassword;
vendor.VendorFavourite = 0;
entity.Vendors.Add(vendor);
if (entity.SaveChanges() > 0)
{
string userCode = "vendor";
Session["userCode"] = userCode.ToString();
Session["VendorEmail"] = vsuvm.VendorEmail;
Session["VendorOfficeName"] = vsuvm.VendorOfficeName;
var d = (from c in entity.Vendors where c.VendorEmail == vsuvm.VendorEmail select
c).FirstOrDefault();
int vendorId = Convert.ToInt32(d.VendorId);
Session["VendorId"] = vendorId;
Session["CountryId"] = vsuvm.CountryId;
Session["CityId"] = vsuvm.CityId;
Nullable<int> ProPicId = d.VendorProfilePicId;
if (ProPicId != null)
byte[] pic = (from c in entity.VendorPictures where c.VendorId == vendorId &&
c.AlbumTypeId == 1 orderby c.VendorPictureId descending select
c.VendorPictureData).First();
if (pic != null)
{
Session["pp"] = pic;
}
```

return RedirectToAction("UserPanel","Home");

```
}
```

}

```
Public ActionResult SignIn()
{
bool result = tl.SignInLogic(Email, Password);
if (result == true)
{
int touristId = (int)Session["TouristId"];
var d = (from c in entity.Tourists where c.TouristId == touristId select c).FirstOrDefault();
Nullable<int> ProPicId = d.TouristProfilePicId;
if (ProPicId != null)
{
byte[] pic = (from c in entity.TouristPictures where c.TouristId == touristId &&
c.AlbumTypeId == 1 orderby c.TouristPictureId descending select
c.TouristPictureData).First();
if (pic != null)
{
Session["pp"] = pic;
}
}
return RedirectToAction("Index", "Home");
}
else
{
Session["message"] = "no";
return RedirectToAction("SignInUser", "Home");
}
}
```

Offer Controller

```
public ActionResult AddOffer()
{
if ((string)Session["userCode"] == "vendor")
{
int VendorId = (int)Session["VendorId"];
var d = (from c in entity.Vendors where c.VendorId == VendorId select c).FirstOrDefault();
AddOfferViewModel aovm = new AddOfferViewModel();
aovm.CountryId = Convert.ToInt32(d.CountryId);
aovm.CityId = Convert.ToInt32(d.CityId);
aovm.VendorId = Convert.ToInt32(d.VendorId);
aovm.OfferTypeList = new SelectList(entity.OfferTypes, "OfferTypeId", "OfferTypeName");
return View(aovm);
}
else
{
Session["message"] = "please log in to add your offer.";
return RedirectToAction("Index", "Home");
}
}
Place Controller
public ActionResult AddPlace(AddPlaceViewModel apvm, HttpPostedFileBase AddPicture)
{
if (ModelState.IsValid)
{
try
{
int countryId = Convert.ToInt32(apvm.CountryId);
int cityId = Convert.ToInt32(apvm.CityId);
```

```
bool result;
result = pl.CheckPlaceExist(apvm.PlaceName, countryId, cityId);
if (result == false)
{
int placeTypeId = Convert.ToInt32(apvm.PlaceTypeId);
Place place = new Place();
place.PlaceName = apvm.PlaceName;
place.PlaceTypeId = Convert.ToInt32(apvm.PlaceTypeId);
place.CountryId = Convert.ToInt32(apvm.CountryId);
place.CityId = Convert.ToInt32(apvm.CityId);
place.PlaceAddress = apvm.PlaceAddress;
if (apvm.PlaceDetail == null)
{
place.PlaceDetail = "Not Given yet.";
}
else
{
place.PlaceDetail = apvm.PlaceDetail;
}
place.PlaceAdminsPermit = true;
place.PlaceDateOfAccountCreation = DateTime.Now;
place.PlaceFavourite = 0;
PlacePicture pp = new PlacePicture();
entity.Places.Add(place);
```

```
if (entity.SaveChanges() > 0)
{
```

var p = (from c in entity.Places where c.PlaceName == apvm.PlaceName && c.CountryId == apvm.CountryId && c.CityId == apvm.CityId select new { c.PlaceId, c.CountryId, c.CityId }).FirstOrDefault();

if (AddPicture != null)

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{
PlaceAlbum pa = new PlaceAlbum();
pa.PlaceAlbumName = "Profile Picture";
pp.PlacePicturePrivacy = true;
pp.PlacePictureDateOfAdded = DateTime.Now;
entity.PlacePictures.Add(pp);
if (entity.SaveChanges() > 0)
{
Place d= (from c in entity.Places where c.PlaceId == p.PlaceId select c).FirstOrDefault();
int pictureId = (from c in entity.PlacePictures
select c.PlacePictureId).First();
d.PlaceProfilePicId = pictureId;
entity.SaveChanges();
}
}
ModelState.Clear();
TempData["Success"] = "Added Successfully";
}
else
{
TempData["Success"] = "Problem occured";
}
}
else
{
TempData["Success"] = "Duplicacy found";
}
```

```
AddPlaceViewModel apvm1 = new AddPlaceViewModel();
apvm1.PlaceTypeList = new SelectList(entity.PlaceTypes, "PlaceTypeId",
"PlaceTypeName");
return View(apvm1);
}
catch (Exception ex)
{
return View("Error", new HandleErrorInfo(ex, "Place", "AddPlace"));
}
}
}
```

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