GSTBill: GST Invoice & Billing App

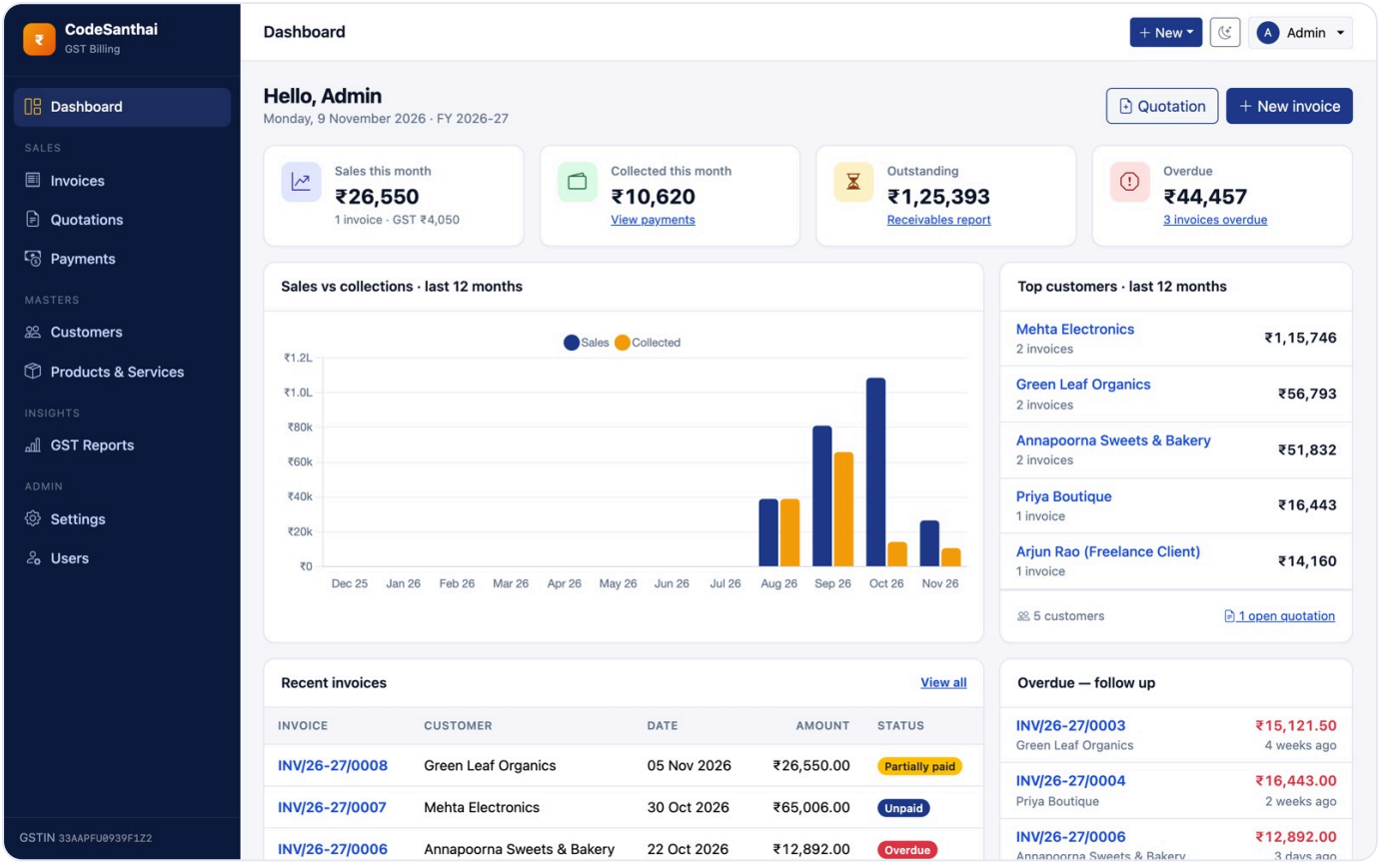
Self-hosted GST billing for Indian freelancers, agencies and small shops. Create GST tax invoices and quotations, collect payments by UPI QR, share on WhatsApp and email, and export the reports your CA needs for GSTR-1 and GSTR-3B.

VERSION	BUILT WITH	DATABASE
1.0.0 · 9 Nov 2026	Laravel 13 · PHP 8.3+	MySQL / MariaDB (or SQLite)

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Thank you for buying GSTBill. This guide covers installing the app on your server, setting up your business, and using every feature. If something here doesn't answer your question, see Support.



The dashboard after installing with sample data.

Main features

GST invoicing

- GSTIN, HSN/SAC, place of supply, reverse charge
- Automatic CGST + SGST or IGST
- Line discounts, round-off, amount in words (lakh/crore)
- HSN-wise tax summary on the invoice
- Bill of Supply for unregistered / composition sellers
- Financial-year numbering: `INV/26-27/0001`

Getting paid

- UPI QR for the exact balance due
- Signed customer link with Pay, PDF and Print
- WhatsApp share with your own message
- Email with the PDF attached
- Partial payments: UPI, cash, bank, card, cheque

GST reports (CSV)

- Sales register
- GST summary: B2B, B2C Large, B2C Small
- HSN/SAC summary (GSTR-1 Table 12)
- Outstanding & ageing

Everything else

- Quotations with one-click convert to invoice
- Admin and Staff users
- Logo, signature, accent colour, A4/A5/Letter
- Dark mode, works on mobile
- 3-step web installer, no terminal needed

Server requirements

Most Indian cPanel hosts (Hostinger, BigRock, MilesWeb, HostGator India and others) meet these out of the box. The installer checks them for you.

Item	Required
PHP	8.3 or newer
PHP extensions	pdo_mysql (or pdo_sqlite), mbstring, openssl, tokenizer, xml, ctype, fileinfo, **gd** (UPI QR and images in PDFs), **dom** (PDFs)
Database	MySQL 5.7+ or MariaDB 10.3+ (SQLite 3 also works for a single user)
Web server	Apache with `mod_rewrite`, or Nginx
HTTPS	Strongly recommended, so customer links open securely

> No Node.js, npm or build step is needed. All CSS and JavaScript are already in the download, and the app loads nothing from outside CDNs.

What's in the download

```
gstbill-v1.0.0.zip
├── README.md
├── LICENSE.txt
├── CHANGELOG.md
├── docs/
│   ├── documentation/index.html   ← this guide
│   └── installation.md
└── src/                           ← the application (upload this)
    ├── app/  bootstrap/  config/  database/  resources/  routes/  storage/
    ├── public/                    ← the web root (document root points here)
    └── vendor/                    ← PHP packages, already installed
```

The `vendor/` folder is included, so you do **not** need Composer or SSH on shared hosting.

Installation on cPanel / shared hosting

About 10 minutes. You need cPanel access and nothing else.

1. **Create a MySQL database.** In cPanel → *MySQL® Databases*, create a database (e.g. `user_gstbill`), create a user with a strong password, then add the user to the database with **All Privileges**. Write down the database name, username and password.

2. **Upload the files.** In cPanel → *File Manager*, upload the **contents of** `src/` into a new folder **outside** `public_html`, for example `/home/USER/gstbill`. Uploading the zip and using *Extract* is fastest.

3. **Point a domain at** `public/`**.** In cPanel → *Domains* (or *Subdomains*), create e.g. `billing.yourdomain.com` and set its **document root** to `/home/USER/gstbill/public`.

   > **Must you use** `public_html` **directly?** Upload everything into `public_html`. The included root `.htaccess` sends every request to `public/`, so `.env`, `vendor/` and `storage/` can't be opened from a browser. A separate document root (above) is still the safer option.

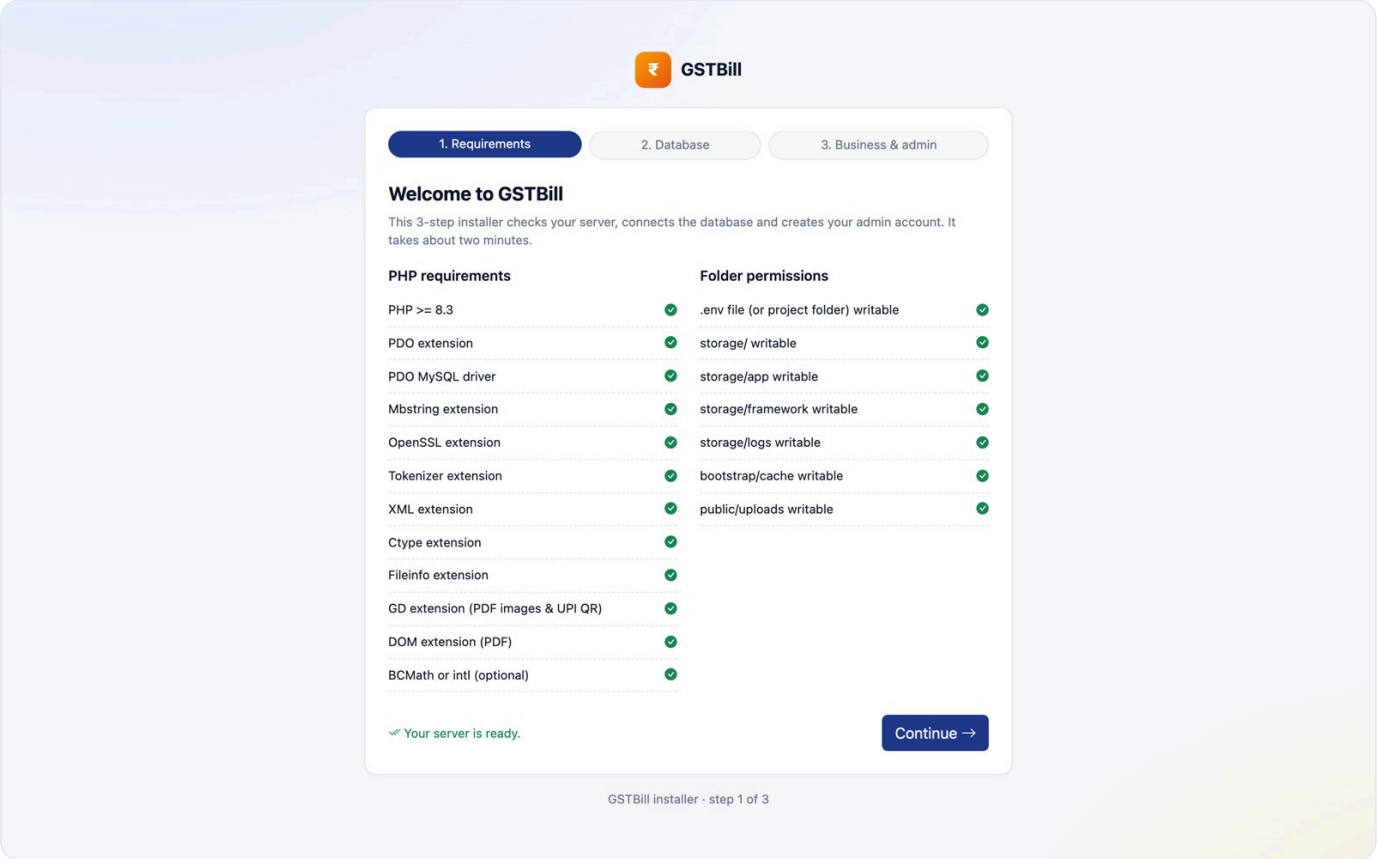
4. **Select PHP 8.3+.** cPanel → *MultiPHP Manager* → choose PHP 8.3 or newer for the domain. In *Select PHP Version* → *Extensions*, make sure `gd`, `pdo_mysql`, `mbstring`, `fileinfo` and `dom` are ticked.

5. **Set folder permissions.** `storage/`, `bootstrap/cache/` and `public/uploads/` → **775**. The project folder must be writable so the installer can create `.env` (755 or 775).

6. **Run the web installer.** Open your domain. You are taken to `/install` automatically.

Installer step 1: Requirements

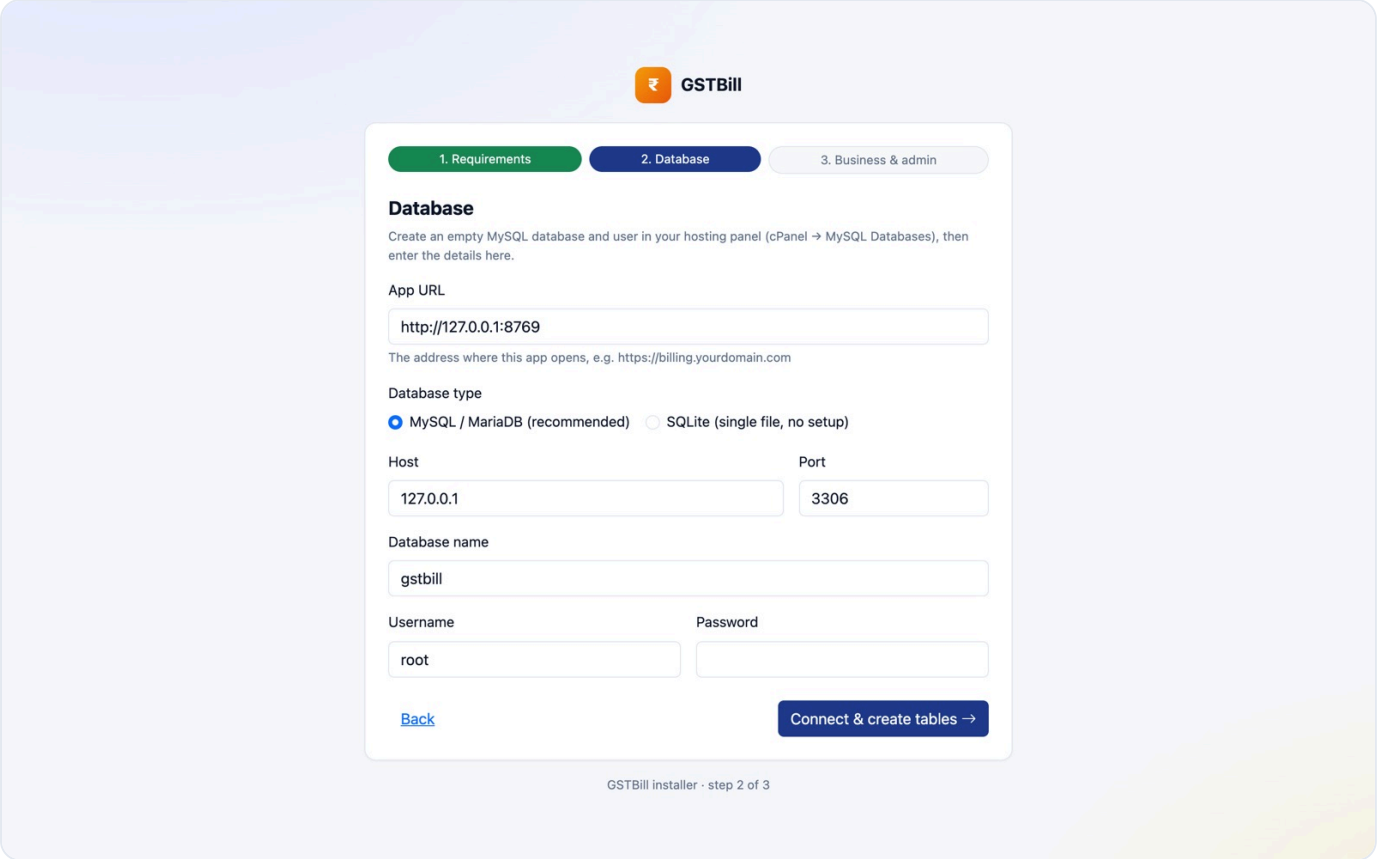
Every line should have a green tick. If one is red, fix it (usually a PHP extension or a folder permission) and reload the page.



Step 1 checks PHP, extensions and folder permissions.

Installer step 2: Database

Enter the **App URL** (your address, with `https://`) and the database details from step 1. The host is usually `localhost` and the port `3306`. The installer tests the connection, writes `.env`, creates the tables, and switches the app to production mode with debug turned off.



Step 2 connects the database and creates the tables.

Installer step 3: Business & admin

Enter your business name, GSTIN (your state is picked up from it automatically), and the admin email and password you will log in with. Tick **Add sample customers, products and invoices so I can explore** if you want to explore with demo customers and invoices first.

> When the installer finishes it locks itself. Visiting `/install` again just takes you to the app.

1. **Turn on SSL.** cPanel → *SSL/TLS Status* → *Run AutoSSL*. Then make sure `APP_URL` in `.env` starts with `https://`.
2. **Log in** and continue with After installing.

Installation on a VPS (Ubuntu + Nginx)

```
sudo apt install -y nginx mysql-server php8.3-fpm \
  php8.3-{mysql,mbstring,xml,gd,curl,zip,bcmath,intl} unzip
sudo mysql -e "CREATE DATABASE gstbill CHARACTER SET utf8mb4;
  CREATE USER 'gstbill'@'localhost' IDENTIFIED BY 'CHANGE_ME';
  GRANT ALL ON gstbill.* TO 'gstbill'@'localhost';"

sudo mkdir -p /var/www/gstbill && cd /var/www/gstbill
# copy the contents of src/ here, then:
cp .env.example .env
nano .env                    # set APP_URL and the DB_ values
php artisan key:generate --force
php artisan app:install      # asks for business + admin details (add --demo for sample data)
php artisan config:cache && php artisan route:cache && php artisan view:cache
sudo chown -R www-data:www-data storage bootstrap/cache public/uploads
```

Nginx server block:

```
server {
    listen 80;
    server_name billing.example.com;
    root /var/www/gstbill/public;
    index index.php;
    client_max_body_size 8M;

    location / { try_files $uri $uri/ /index.php?$query_string; }
    location ~ \.php$ {
        include snippets/fastcgi-php.conf;
        fastcgi_pass unix:/run/php/php8.3-fpm.sock;
    }
    location ~ /\.(?!well-known) { deny all; }
}
```

Then run `sudo certbot --nginx -d billing.example.com` for HTTPS.

Running on your own computer

Useful for trying the app or customising it. You need PHP 8.3+, Composer and MySQL (for example via Homebrew, XAMPP or Laragon).

```
cd gstbill
cp .env.example .env
# edit .env: DB_DATABASE, DB_USERNAME, DB_PASSWORD
# create the database first, e.g.  mysql -uroot -e "CREATE DATABASE gstbill"
composer install
php artisan key:generate --force
php artisan migrate --seed      # tables + demo data
php artisan serve               # open http://127.0.0.1:8000
```

Demo logins created by `--seed`: `admin@example.com` / `password` and `staff@example.com` / `password`.

> For the quickest start without MySQL, set `DB_CONNECTION=sqlite`, delete the other `DB_` lines, and run `touch database/database.sqlite` before migrating.

Run the automated tests with `php artisan test`.

After installing: 5-minute setup

Open **Settings** (admin only) and work through the tabs. Your invoices use these details.

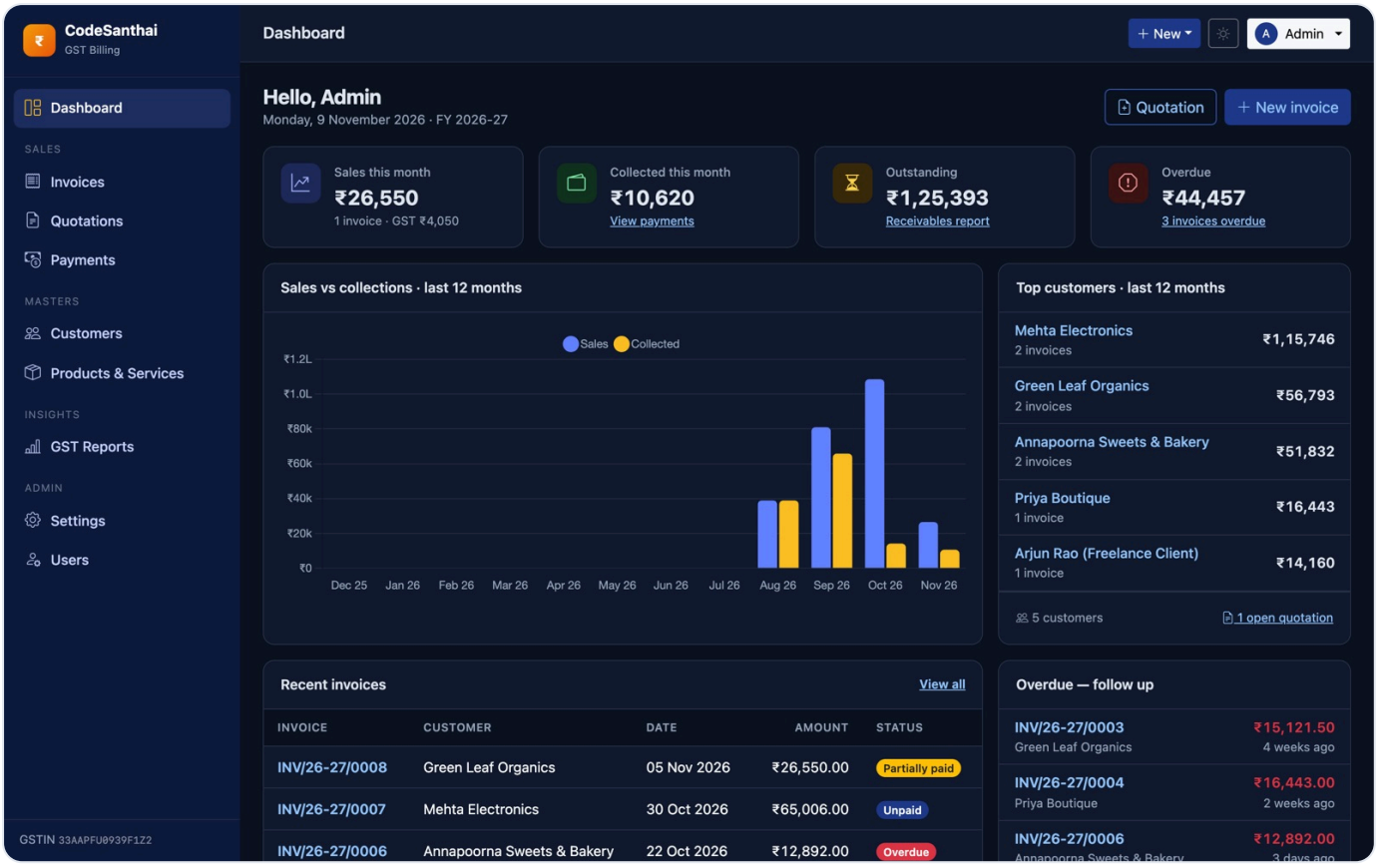
Tab	What to fill in
Business	Address, PIN, phone, email, logo, signature/stamp, authorised signatory
Invoice	Number prefix and starting number, due days, terms, notes, accent colour, paper size, WhatsApp message
Tax	The GST rates you use, the default rate, whether HSN/SAC is mandatory
Payments & UPI	Your UPI ID (for the QR code) and bank details for the invoice footer
Email	SMTP details, then press **Send test**

> **Moving from another billing tool mid-year?** In Settings → Invoice, set *Invoice starts at* to your next number (e.g. `128`) so your numbering continues without a gap.

Then add your customers and products, or add them as you go from the invoice form.

Dashboard

The home page shows this month's sales and GST, money collected this month, total outstanding, overdue amount, a 12-month sales vs collections chart, top customers, recent invoices and an overdue follow-up list. Click any figure to open the matching list or report.

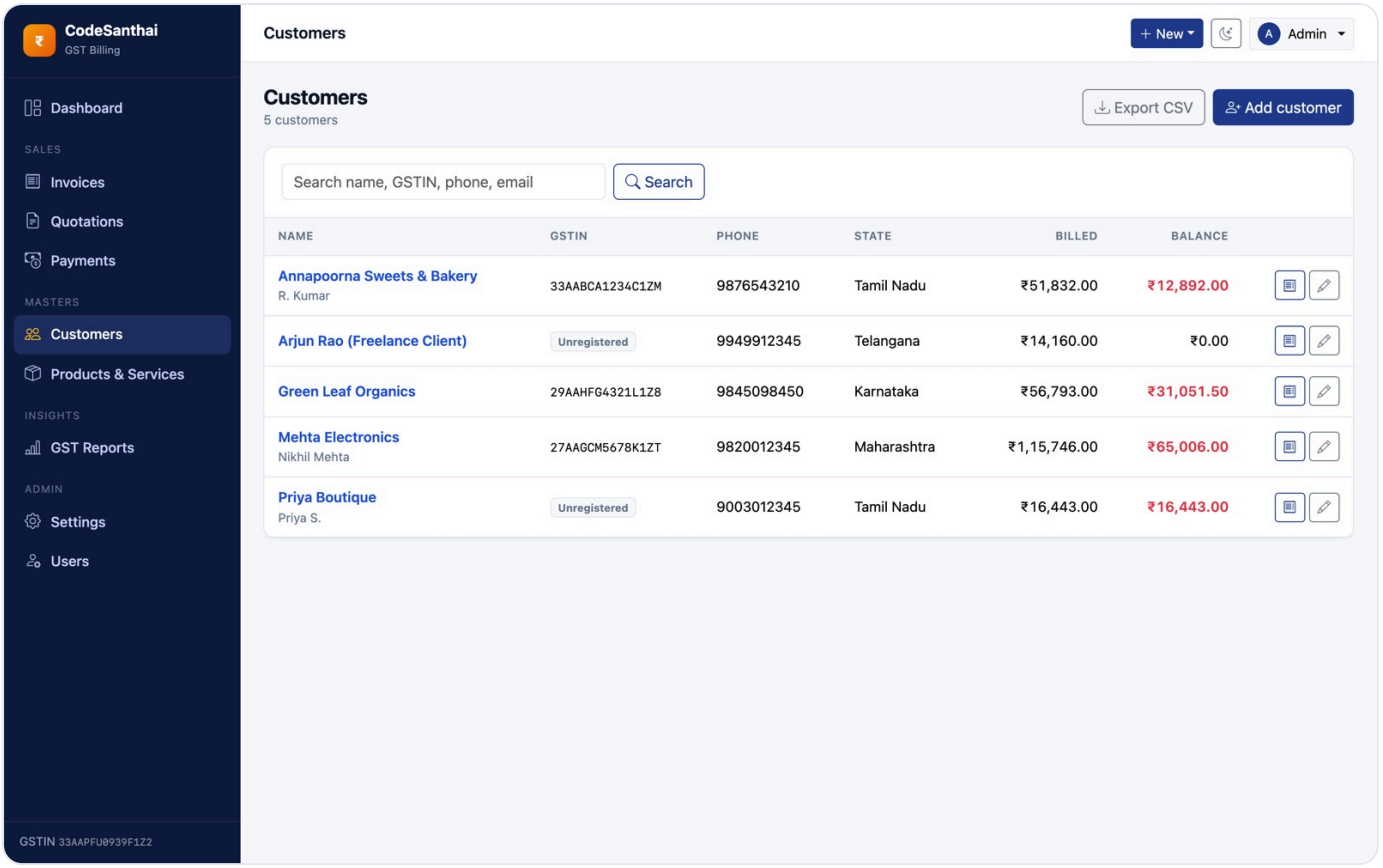


Dark mode: use the moon icon in the top bar. Your choice is remembered on that device.

Customers

Customers → Add customer. Enter the GSTIN for business (B2B) customers. GSTBill checks the 15-character format and the check digit, and sets the customer's state from the first two digits. Leave GSTIN empty for consumers (B2C) and choose their state.

The customer's state becomes the default **place of supply** on new invoices, which decides CGST+SGST vs IGST. Each customer page shows total billed, paid and outstanding, plus their invoices and quotations.

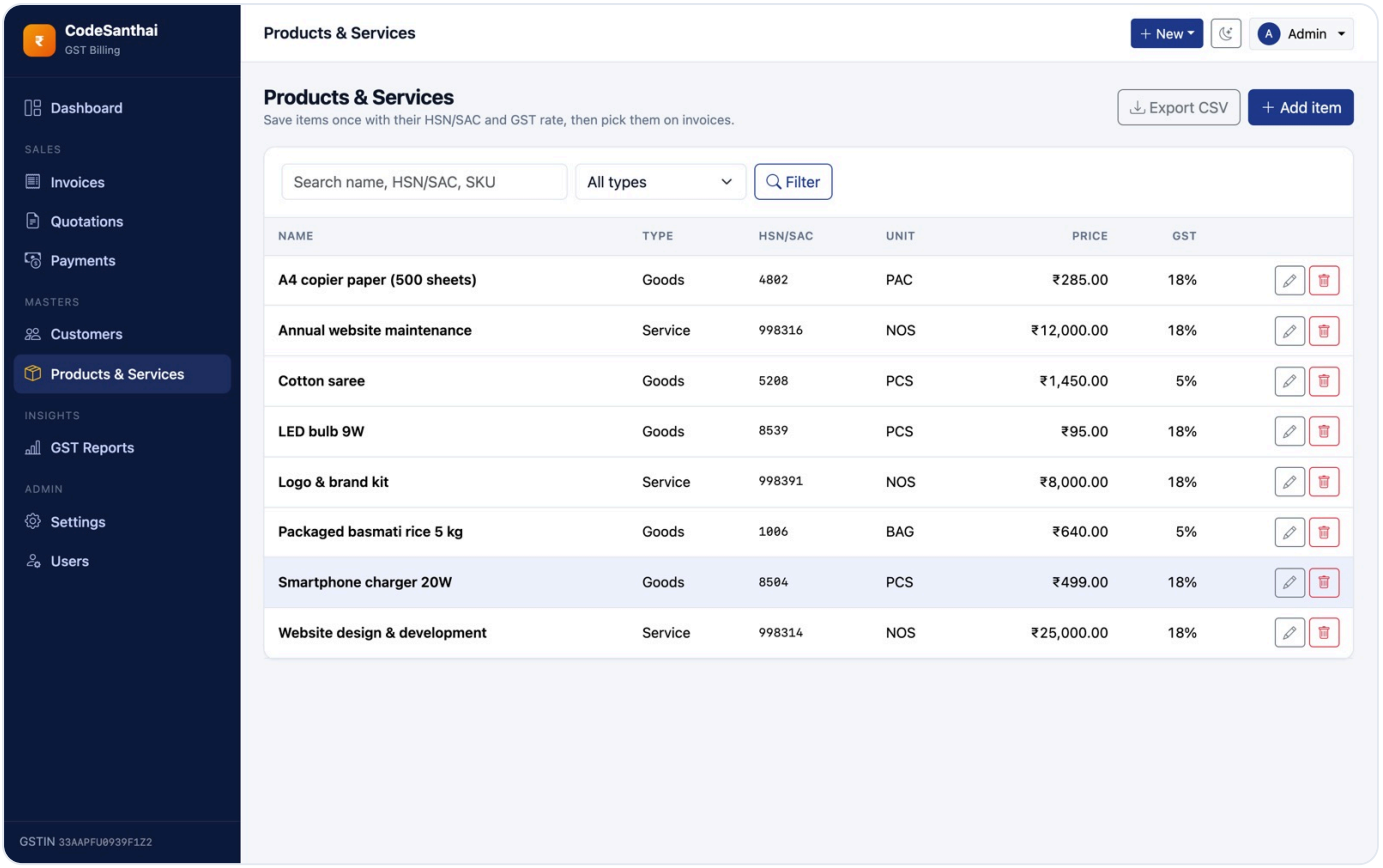


Customer list. Export to CSV from the top right.

> Each invoice keeps a copy of the customer's details from when it was created. Editing a customer later doesn't change invoices already issued, as GST rules require.

Products & services

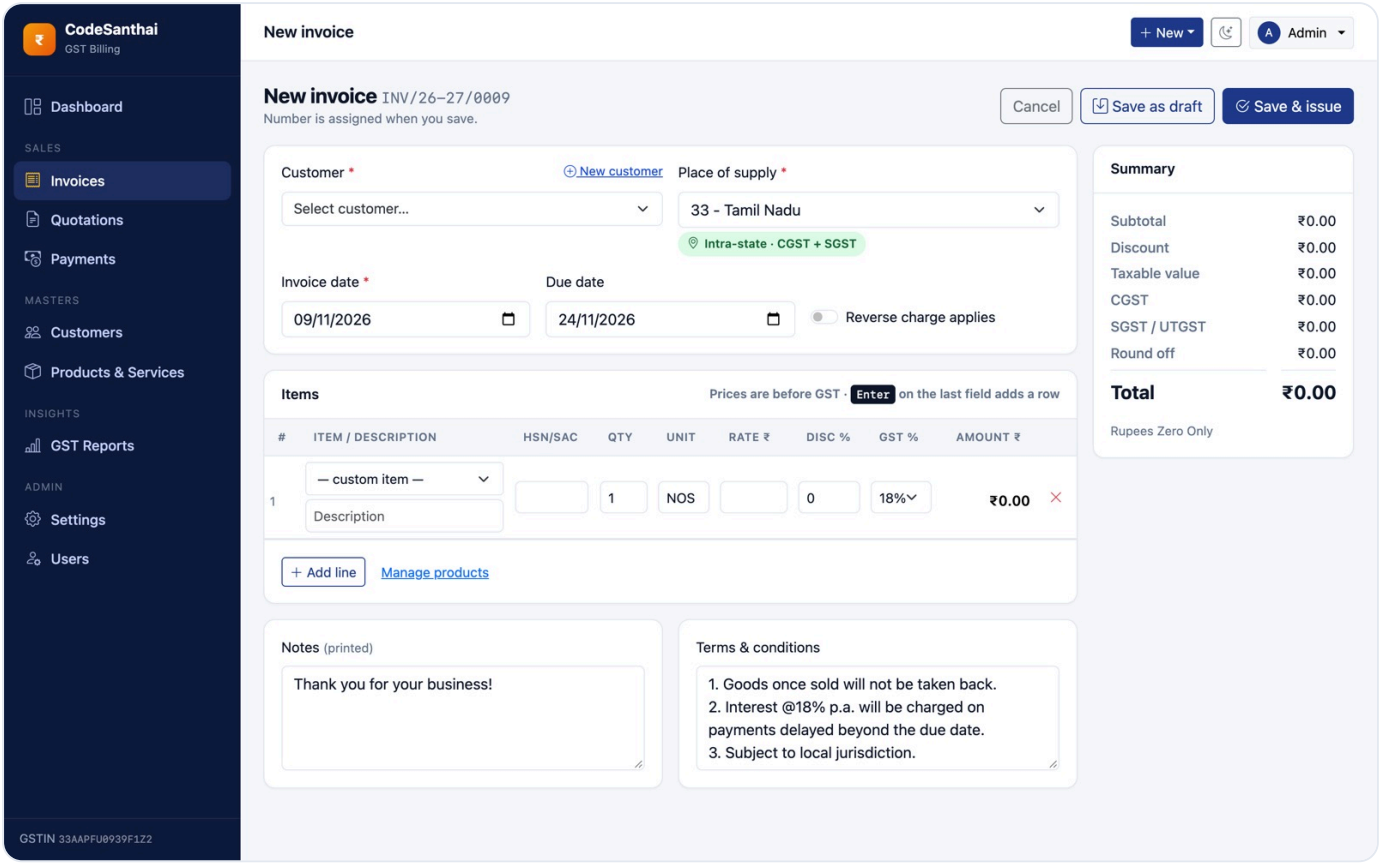
Save items you bill often with their HSN (goods) or SAC (services) code, unit (UQC such as NOS, KGS, BAG), price and GST rate. On the invoice form, picking a product fills the whole line. You can still change any value on that invoice.


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Products & Services
Save items once with their HSN/SAC and GST rate, then pick them on invoices.
Export CSV
+ Add item
Search name, HSN/SAC, SKU
All types
Filter
NAME
TYPE
HSN/SAC
UNIT
PRICE
GST
A4 copier paper (500 sheets) Goods 4802 PAC ₹285.00 18%
Annual website maintenance Service 998316 NOS ₹12,000.00 18%
Cotton saree Goods 5208 PCS ₹1,450.00 5%
LED bulb 9W Goods 8539 PCS ₹95.00 18%
Logo & brand kit Service 998391 NOS ₹8,000.00 18%
Packaged basmati rice 5 kg Goods 1006 BAG ₹640.00 5%
Smartphone charger 20W Goods 8504 PCS ₹499.00 18%
Website design & development Service 998314 NOS ₹25,000.00 18%

Invoices

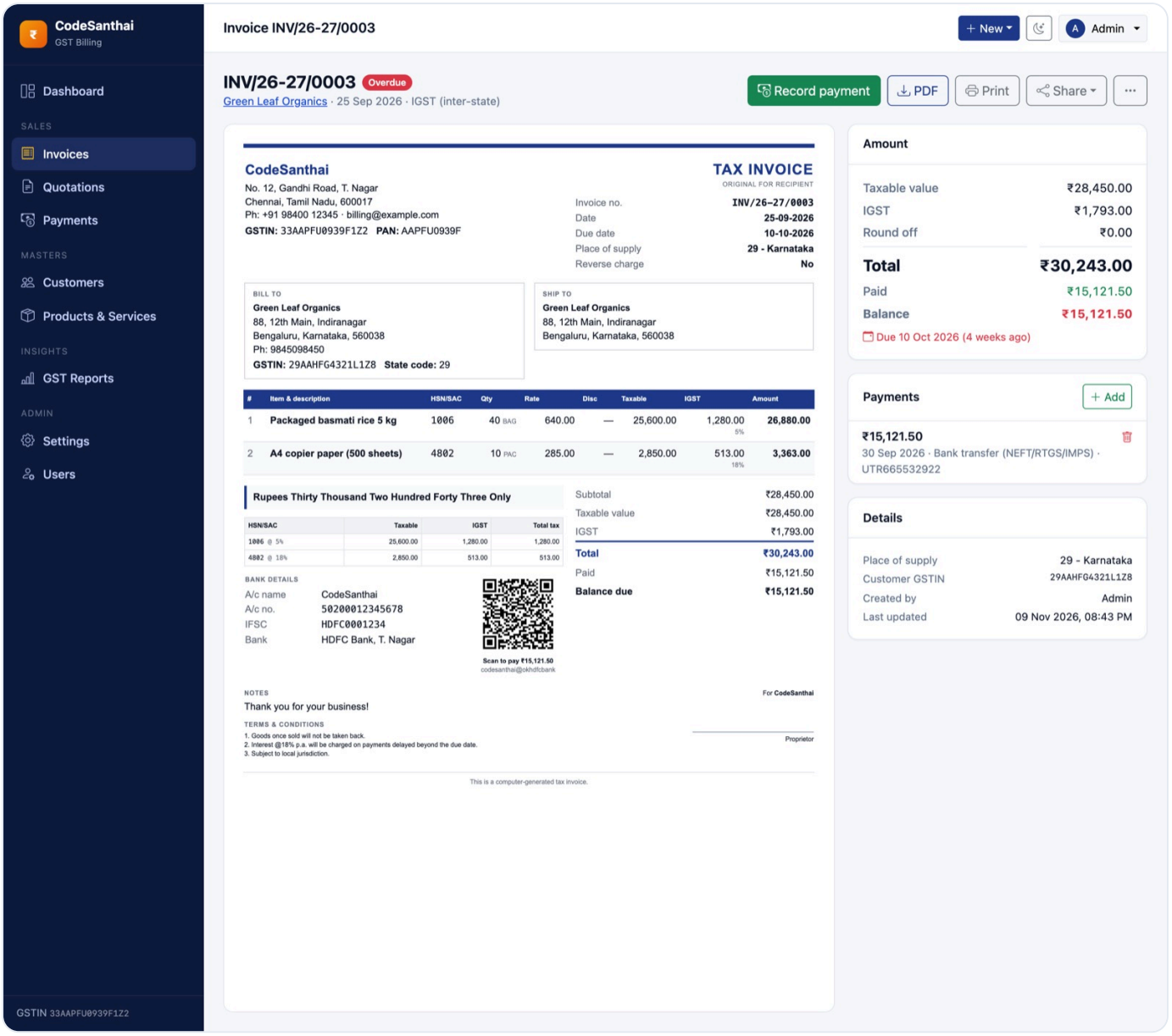
Creating an invoice

1. **Invoices → New invoice.** Choose the customer (or click *New customer* to add one without leaving the page).
2. Check the **place of supply**. The green badge shows whether it is *Intra-state · CGST + SGST* or *Inter-state · IGST*.
3. Add lines: pick a product or type a description, then quantity, rate, discount % and GST %. Press `Enter` on the last field to add another row.
4. The summary on the right updates as you type, including round-off and the amount in words.
5. Click **Save & issue**, or **Save as draft** to finish later.



Invoice page

The invoice page shows the invoice exactly as it prints, with buttons to **Record payment**, download the **PDF**, **Print**, and **Share** (WhatsApp, email, copy link). The ⋯ menu has Edit, Duplicate and Cancel.



An inter-state invoice with IGST, HSN summary, bank details and the UPI QR for the balance due.

Statuses

Status	Meaning
Draft	Not issued yet. Not counted in reports. Can't take payments.
Unpaid	Issued, nothing received yet.
Partially paid	Some payments recorded, balance remaining.
Paid	Fully paid.
Overdue	Shown automatically when the due date has passed and a balance remains.
Cancelled	Kept in your records with its number, but left out of sales and GST reports.

Editing, duplicating and cancelling

- **Edit** keeps the same invoice number. An invoice with payments can't be edited. Delete its payments first, or duplicate it.
- **Duplicate** creates a new draft with the same customer and lines, useful for monthly retainers.
- **Cancel** (admin only) is the correct way to void an issued invoice. Don't delete it, so your number series has no gaps.

Numbering

Numbers look like `INV/26-27/0001`: prefix, financial year, then a running number. The series restarts every 1 April. All of this can be changed in Settings → Invoice.

Bill of Supply

If your business is not GST registered (Settings → Business → *GST registered* off), documents print as **Bill of Supply** with no tax lines, as the law requires for unregistered and composition sellers.

How GST is calculated

- **Taxable value** per line = quantity × rate − discount.
- If the **place of supply** is the same state as your business, the GST is split equally into **CGST** and **SGST/UTGST**. Otherwise the full rate is charged as **IGST**.

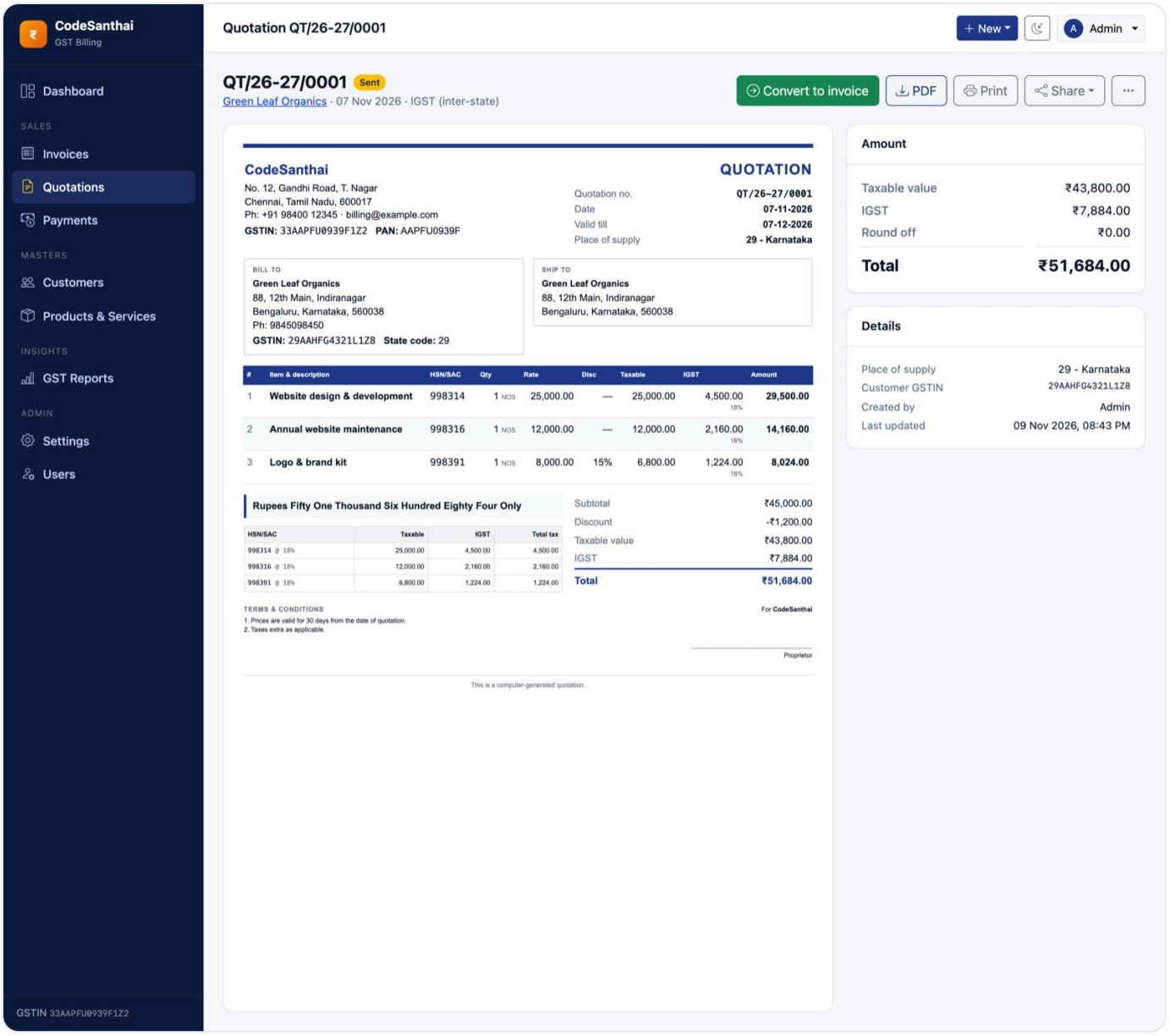
- Tax is rounded to the paisa per line. The grand total is rounded to the nearest rupee when *Round total* is on, and the round-off is shown separately.
- The HSN/SAC summary on the invoice groups taxable value and tax by code and rate.
- The default GST rates are the slabs in force from 22 Sept 2025: 0, 0.25, 3, 5, 18 and 40%. Edit the list in Settings → Tax.

> GSTBill helps you prepare GST documents and reports. Always confirm rates, HSN codes and return figures with your tax professional.

Quotations

Quotations (estimates) work like invoices, with their own numbering (`QT/26-27/0001`) and statuses: Draft, Sent, Accepted, Declined and Converted. Emailing a draft quotation marks it Sent automatically.

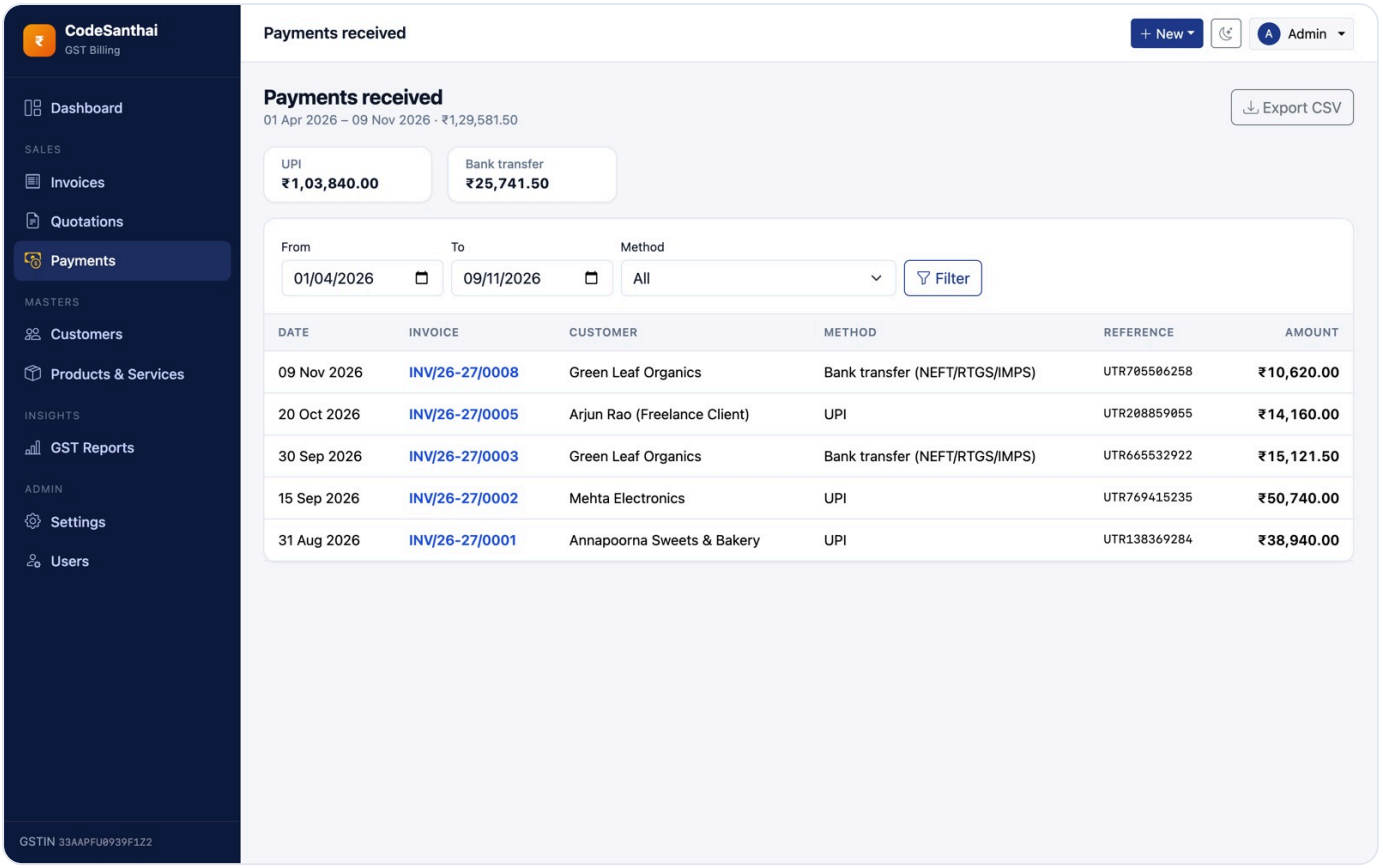
When the customer agrees, open the quotation and click **Convert to invoice**. A tax invoice is created with the same lines, and the quotation links to it.



Payments

On an issued invoice, click **Record payment**. Enter the date, amount, method (UPI, cash, bank transfer, card, cheque or other) and an optional reference or UTR number. Partial payments are fine. The app won't accept more than the balance due.

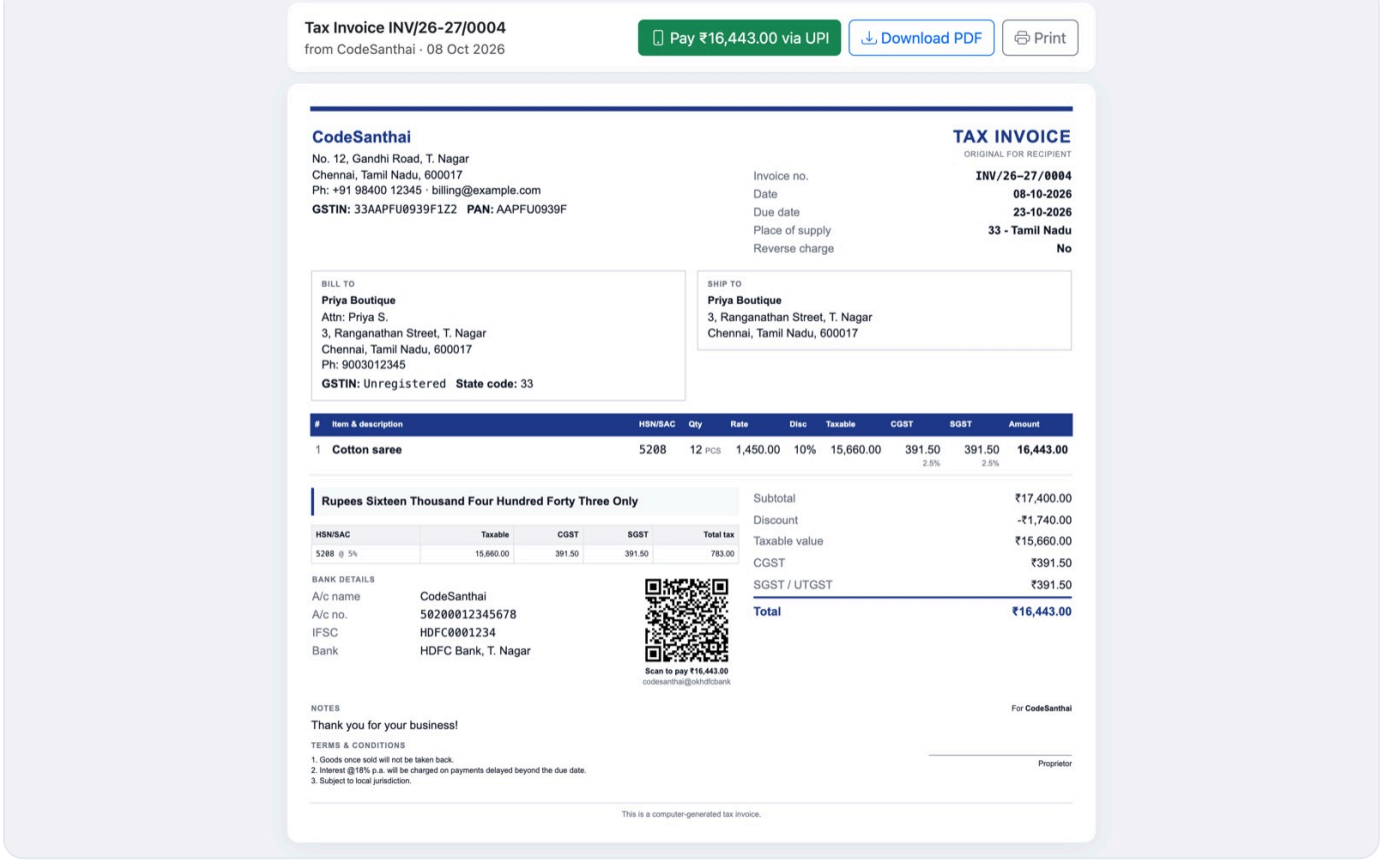
The **Payments** page lists all receipts with filters by date and method, totals by method, and CSV export. Admins can delete a wrongly entered payment, and the invoice balance updates automatically.

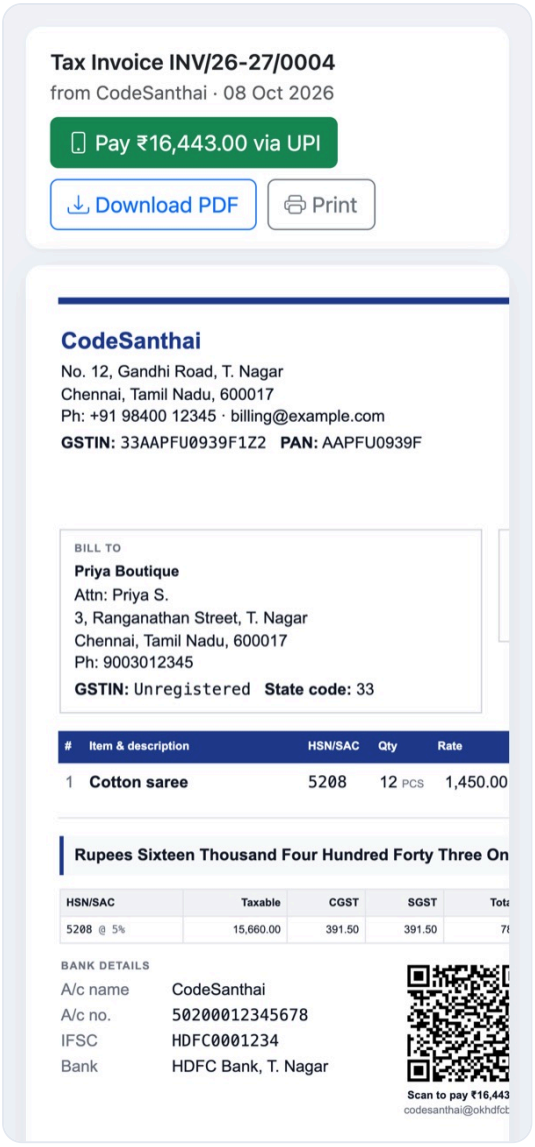


Sharing invoices & getting paid

Customer link

Every invoice has a secure, signed link. Your customer can open it without logging in to view the invoice, **Pay via UPI** (opens their UPI app with the amount filled in on mobile), download the PDF or print. Changing even one character of the link makes it stop working.


Tax Invoice INV/26-27/0004
from CodeSanthai · 08 Oct 2026
Pay ₹16,443.00 via UPI
Download PDF
Print
CodeSanthai
No. 12, Gandhi Road, T. Nagar
Chennai, Tamil Nadu, 600017
Ph: +91 98400 12345 · billing@example.com
GSTIN: 33AAPFU0939F1Z2 PAN: AAPFU0939F
TAX INVOICE
ORIGINAL FOR RECIPIENT
Invoice no. INV/26-27/0004
Date 08-10-2026
Due date 23-10-2026
Place of supply 33 - Tamil Nadu
Reverse charge No
BILL TO
Priya Boutique
Attn: Priya S.
3, Ranganathan Street, T. Nagar
Chennai, Tamil Nadu, 600017
Ph: 9003012345
GSTIN: Unregistered State code: 33
SHIP TO
Priya Boutique
3, Ranganathan Street, T. Nagar
Chennai, Tamil Nadu, 600017
Item & description HSN/SAC Qty Rate Disc Taxable CGST SGST Amount
1 Cotton saree 5208 12 PCS 1,450.00 10% 15,660.00 391.50 2.5% 391.50 2.5% 16,443.00
Rupees Sixteen Thousand Four Hundred Forty Three Only
HSN/SAC Taxable CGST SGST Total tax
5208 @ 5% 15,660.00 391.50 391.50 783.00
BANK DETAILS
A/c name CodeSanthai
A/c no. 50200012345678
IFSC HDFC0001234
Bank HDFC Bank, T. Nagar
Scan to pay ₹16,443.00
codesanthai@okhdfcbank
Subtotal ₹17,400.00
Discount -₹1,740.00
Taxable value ₹15,660.00
CGST ₹391.50
SGST / UTGST ₹391.50
Total ₹16,443.00
NOTES
Thank you for your business!
TERMS & CONDITIONS
1. Goods once sold will not be taken back.
2. Interest @18% p.a. will be charged on payments delayed beyond the due date.
3. Subject to local jurisdiction.
For CodeSanthai
Proprietor
This is a computer-generated tax invoice.



The same link on a phone.

WhatsApp

Share → WhatsApp opens WhatsApp with your message and the link filled in. Edit the message in Settings → Invoice. These placeholders are replaced automatically:

`{customer}` `{document}` `{number}` `{amount}` `{business}` `{link}`

Email

Share → Email sends the invoice with the PDF attached, using the SMTP details in Settings → Email.

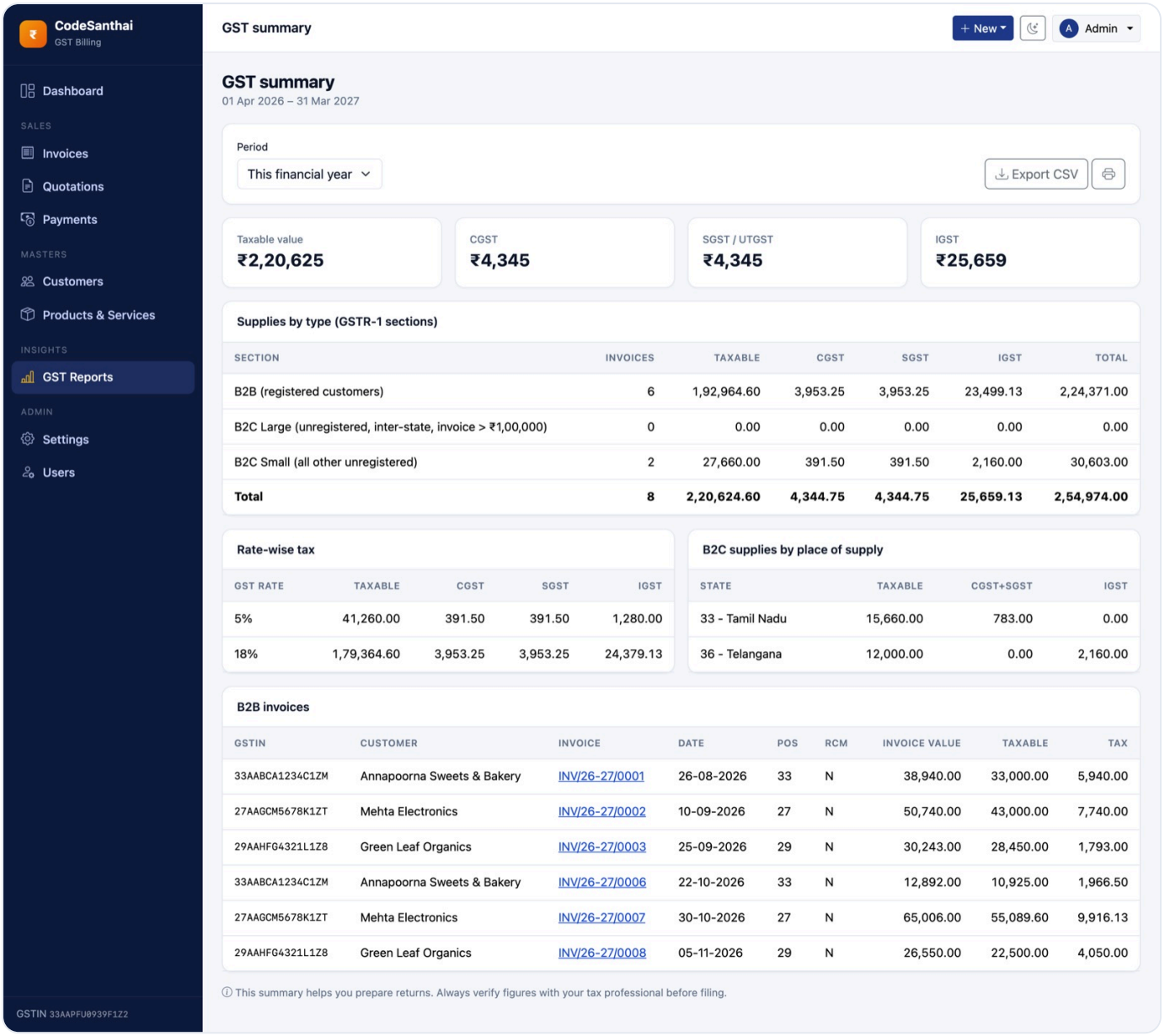
UPI QR code

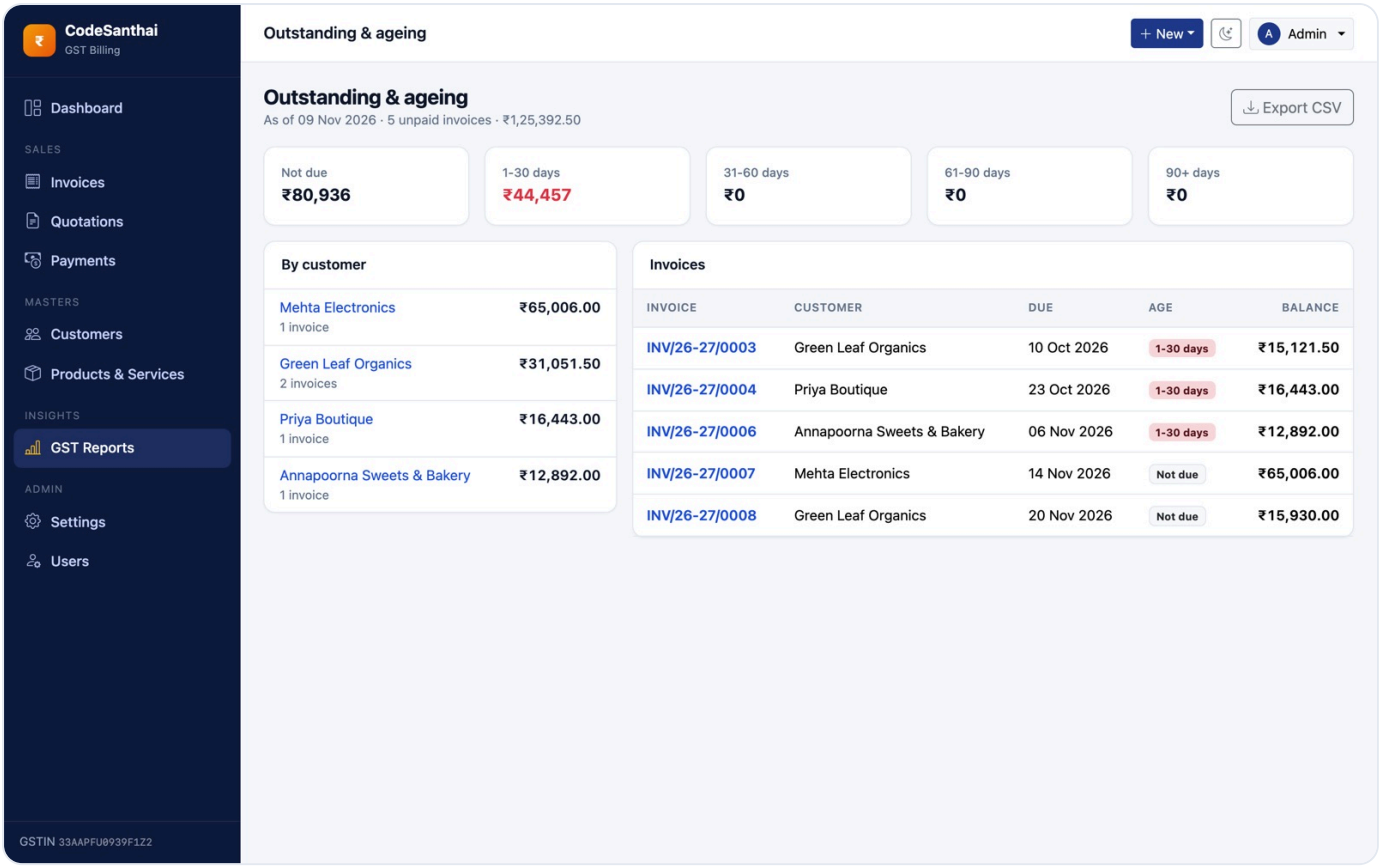
When a UPI ID is set and *Print UPI QR* is on, every invoice with a balance due shows a QR for exactly that balance. Customers scan it with any UPI app (GPay, PhonePe, Paytm, BHIM). The QR disappears once the invoice is fully paid.

GST reports

Open **GST Reports** and choose a period: this or last month, this or last quarter, this or last financial year, or a custom range. Every report has **Export CSV** and print buttons. Drafts and cancelled invoices are always left out.

Report	What it shows	Use it for
Sales register	Every invoice with taxable value, CGST, SGST, IGST, total and paid	Books of account, reconciliation
GST summary	B2B, B2C Large and B2C Small totals, rate-wise tax, B2C state-wise, B2B invoice list	GSTR-1 tables 4, 5 and 7; GSTR-3B table 3.1
HSN/SAC summary	Quantity, taxable value and tax grouped by HSN/SAC and rate	GSTR-1 table 12
Outstanding & ageing	Unpaid balances by invoice and by customer: not due, 1–30, 31–60, 61–90, 90+ days	Following up on payments


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Users
GSTIN 33AAPFU0939F1Z2
GST summary
+ New
Admin
GST summary
01 Apr 2026 – 31 Mar 2027
Period
This financial year
Export CSV
Taxable value
₹2,20,625
CGST
₹4,345
SGST / UTGST
₹4,345
IGST
₹25,659
Supplies by type (GSTR-1 sections)
SECTION INVOICES TAXABLE CGST SGST IGST TOTAL
B2B (registered customers) 6 1,92,964.60 3,953.25 3,953.25 23,499.13 2,24,371.00
B2C Large (unregistered, inter-state, invoice > ₹1,00,000) 0 0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00
B2C Small (all other unregistered) 2 27,660.00 391.50 391.50 2,160.00 30,603.00
Total 8 2,20,624.60 4,344.75 4,344.75 25,659.13 2,54,974.00
Rate-wise tax
GST RATE TAXABLE CGST SGST IGST
5% 41,260.00 391.50 391.50 1,280.00
18% 1,79,364.60 3,953.25 3,953.25 24,379.13
B2C supplies by place of supply
STATE TAXABLE CGST+SGST IGST
33 - Tamil Nadu 15,660.00 783.00 0.00
36 - Telangana 12,000.00 0.00 2,160.00
B2B invoices
GSTIN CUSTOMER INVOICE DATE POS RCM INVOICE VALUE TAXABLE TAX
33AABCA1234C1ZM Annapoorna Sweets & Bakery INV/26-27/0001 26-08-2026 33 N 38,940.00 33,000.00 5,940.00
27AAGCM5678K1ZT Mehta Electronics INV/26-27/0002 10-09-2026 27 N 50,740.00 43,000.00 7,740.00
29AAHFG4321L1Z8 Green Leaf Organics INV/26-27/0003 25-09-2026 29 N 30,243.00 28,450.00 1,793.00
33AABCA1234C1ZM Annapoorna Sweets & Bakery INV/26-27/0006 22-10-2026 33 N 12,892.00 10,925.00 1,966.50
27AAGCM5678K1ZT Mehta Electronics INV/26-27/0007 30-10-2026 27 N 65,006.00 55,089.60 9,916.13
29AAHFG4321L1Z8 Green Leaf Organics INV/26-27/0008 05-11-2026 29 N 26,550.00 22,500.00 4,050.00
This summary helps you prepare returns. Always verify figures with your tax professional before filing.



> **B2C Large** means inter-state invoices to unregistered buyers where the invoice value is above the threshold set in Settings → Tax (default ₹1,00,000).

Users & roles

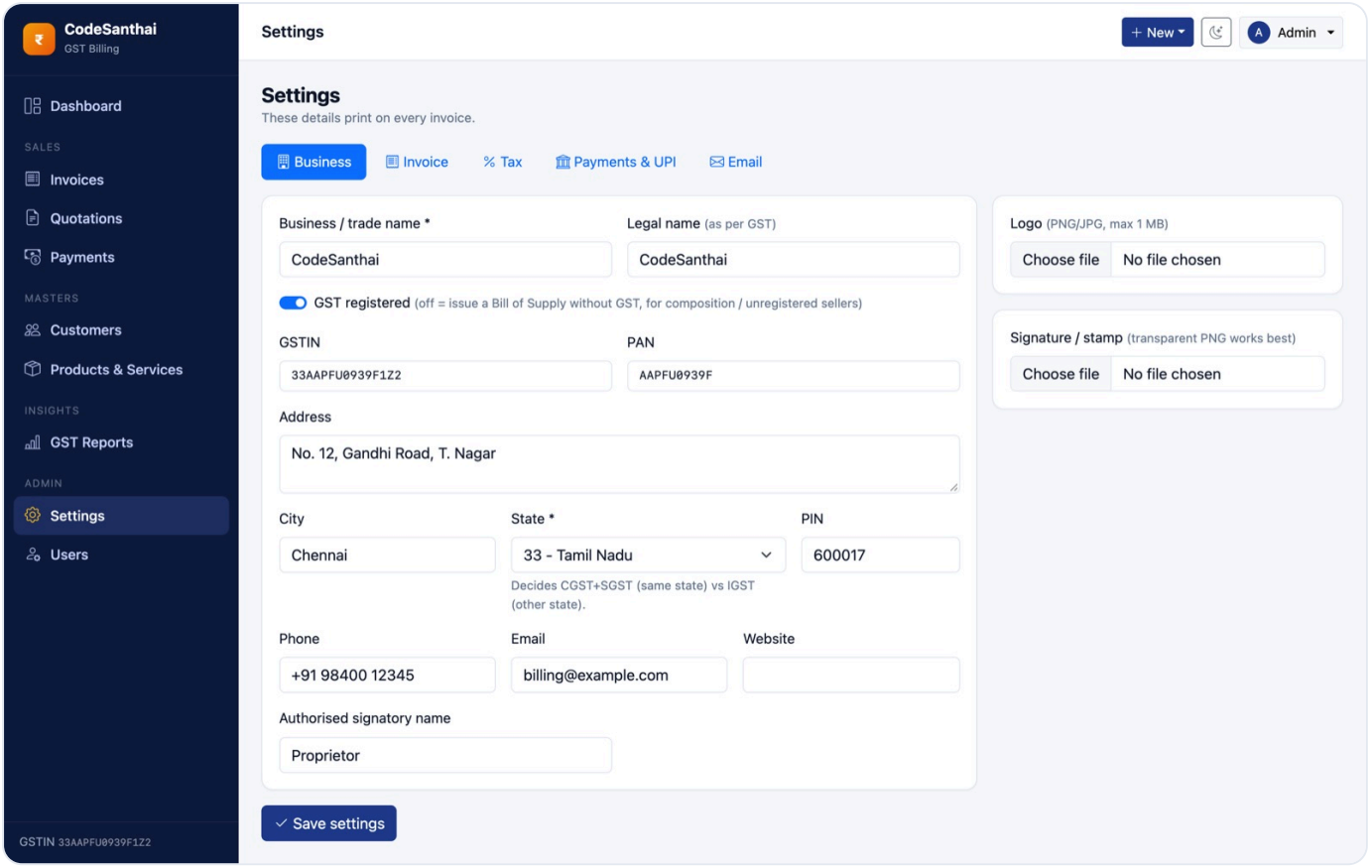
Action	Admin	Staff
Invoices, quotations, customers, products, payments, reports	✔	✔
Cancel invoices, delete payments	✔	—
Settings	✔	—
Add, edit and deactivate users	✔	—

Add users in **Users**. A deactivated user can't log in, but their past work stays. Everyone can change their own name, email and password from the menu under their name (top right).

Settings reference

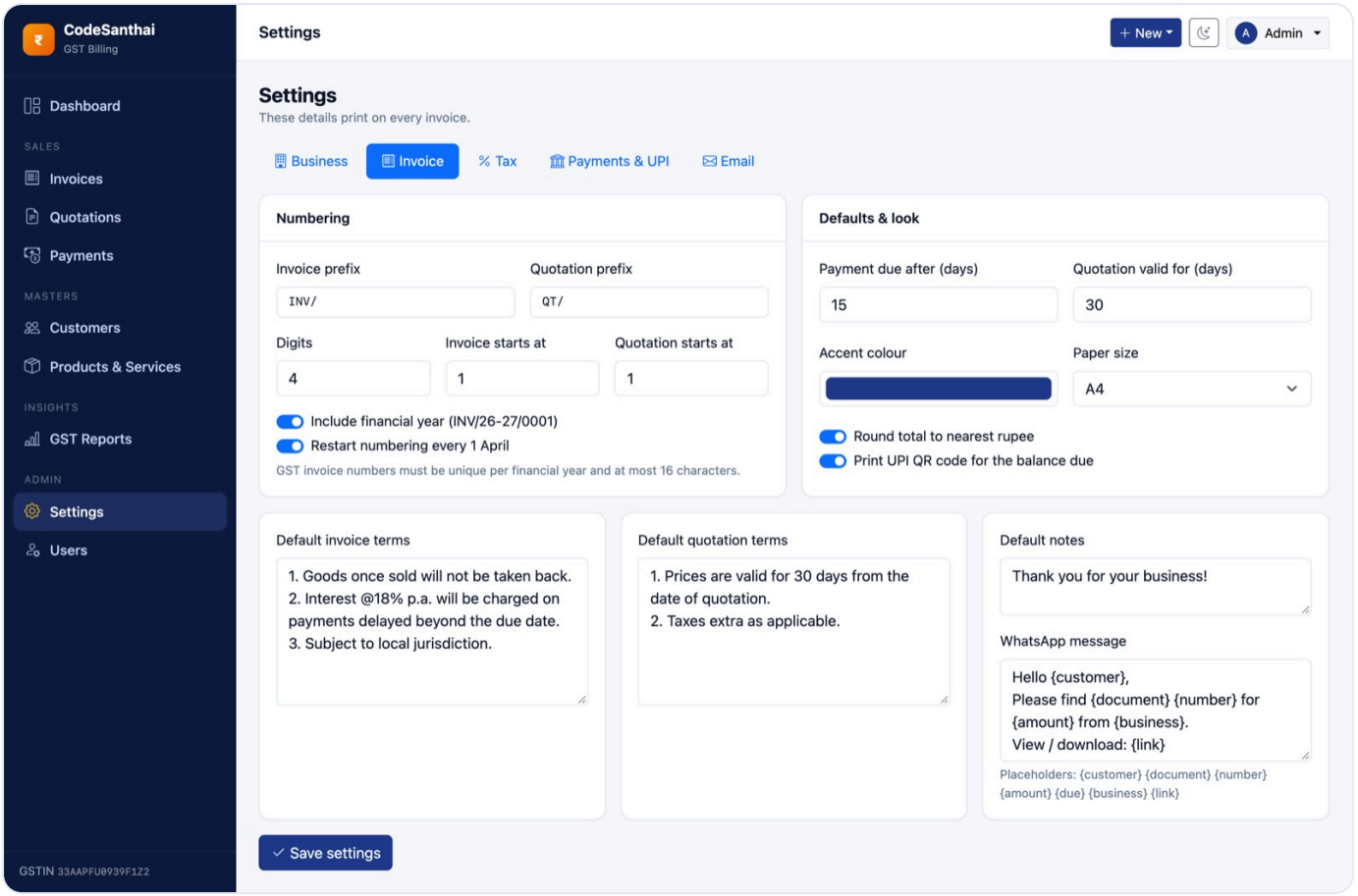
Business

Business/trade name, legal name, *GST registered*, GSTIN, PAN, address, city, state, PIN, phone, email, website, authorised signatory name, logo (PNG/JPG/WebP, up to 1 MB) and signature or stamp image (up to 512 KB).



Invoice

Invoice and quotation prefixes, number of digits, starting numbers, include financial year, restart every 1 April, payment due days, quotation validity, accent colour, paper size (A4/A5/Letter), round-off, print UPI QR, default terms and notes, and the WhatsApp message.

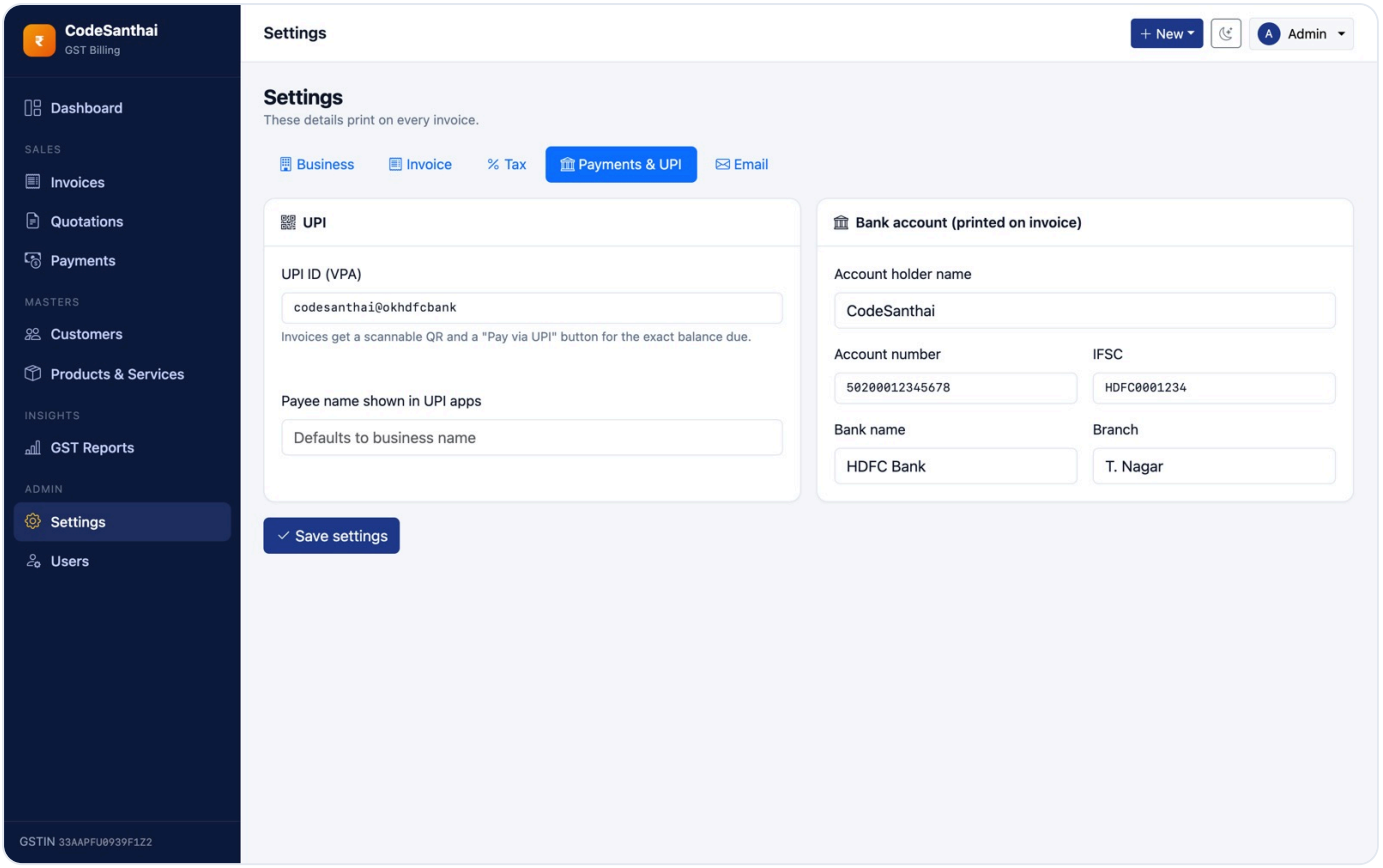


Tax

The GST rates offered on invoice lines, the default rate for new lines, the B2C Large threshold, and whether HSN/SAC is mandatory on every line.

Payments & UPI

UPI ID (VPA), payee name shown in UPI apps, and bank account name, number, IFSC, bank and branch printed on invoices.



Email

SMTP host, port, username, password, encryption, from address and from name. Use **Send a test email** to check them. For Gmail: host `smtp.gmail.com`, port `587`, TLS, and a Google *App Password* (not your normal password).

Updating to a new version

1. **Back up** your database, your `.env` file and the `public/uploads/` folder.
2. Upload the new `src/` files over the old ones. **Don't** overwrite `.env`, `storage/` or `public/uploads/`.
3. Run `php artisan migrate --force` (cPanel → *Terminal*, or SSH).
4. Clear caches: `php artisan optimize:clear`.

Download new versions from *My downloads* on codesanthai.tech.

Backups

Your data lives in two places. Back up both regularly:

- **The MySQL database** holds all customers, products, invoices, payments, users and settings. Use cPanel → *Backup*, or `mysqldump gstbill > backup.sql`.
- **The `public/uploads/` folder** holds your logo and signature images.

Keep a copy of `.env` too. It holds your app key and database password.

Running a public demo

To show GSTBill to your own clients on a public URL, use demo mode. **Never** turn it on for a real business installation.

1. Install normally with sample data (or run `php artisan migrate --seed`).
2. In `.env` set `DEMO_MODE=true`, then run `php artisan config:clear`.
3. Add one cron job (cPanel → *Cron Jobs*, every minute):

```
* * * * * cd /home/USER/gstbill && php artisan schedule:run >> /dev/null 2>&1
```

In demo mode:

- The login page shows the demo admin and staff logins as one-click buttons.
- A banner tells visitors the data resets every hour.
- Changing passwords, users or settings, and sending email, are blocked. Everything else works.
- Every hour all data is wiped and the sample data is loaded again, with dates relative to today. You can run it by hand with `php artisan app:demo-reset`. The command refuses to run unless `DEMO_MODE=true`.

Troubleshooting

Problem	Fix
500 error or blank page	Check `storage/logs/laravel.log`. Usually folder permissions or PHP below 8.3. To see the error on screen, briefly set `APP_DEBUG=true` in `.env`, then set it back to `false`.
"No application encryption key"	Make the project folder writable, or run `php artisan key:generate --force`.
404 on every page except the home page	Apache `mod_rewrite` is off, or the document root isn't `public/`.
PDF shows boxes instead of ₹	Make `storage/` writable. The PDF engine caches fonts there.
UPI QR missing	Add a UPI ID in Settings → Payments & UPI, keep *Print UPI QR* on, and enable the PHP `gd` extension. The QR only shows while a balance is due.
Emails not sending	Settings → Email → **Send test** shows the exact error. Port 587 with TLS works on most hosts.
Installer appears again after installing	The file `storage/app/installed` was deleted. Create it again (any content).
Forgot the admin password	Use *Forgot password* on the login page (needs email set up), or over SSH: `php artisan tinker` → `App\Models\User::where('email','you@x.com')->first()->update(['password'=>'newpass123']);`
Customer link says "Invalid signature"	`APP_URL` in `.env` must match the address customers use, including `https://`.

FAQ

Does it file my GST returns?

No. GSTBill prepares the figures and CSV files you or your CA need for GSTR-1 and GSTR-3B. Filing is done on the GST portal.

Does it generate e-invoices (IRN) or e-way bills?

Not in version 1.0. Businesses above the e-invoicing turnover limit must also report invoices to the IRP.

Can I run several businesses?

One installation is one business (one GSTIN). For a second business, install another copy with its own database. Check that your licence covers it.

Is my data sent anywhere?

No. Everything stays on your own server and database. The app doesn't call any outside service except the SMTP server you configure.

Can I change the invoice design?

Colours, logo, signature and paper size are in Settings. To change the layout itself, edit `resources/views/invoices/_document.blade.php`. The PDF, print view and customer page all use this one file.

Credits

GSTBill is built on these open-source projects. Their licences are respected and included in `vendor/`.

Component	Used for	Licence
Laravel 13	Application framework	MIT
Dompdf (via barryvdh/laravel-dompdf)	PDF invoices	LGPL-2.1 / MIT
chillerlan/php-qrcode	UPI QR codes	MIT / Apache-2.0
Bootstrap 5.3	User interface	MIT
Bootstrap Icons	Icons	MIT
Chart.js 4	Dashboard chart	MIT
Tom Select 2	Searchable dropdowns	Apache-2.0
DejaVu Sans	PDF font with the ₹ symbol	Bitstream Vera / free licence

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First release: GST tax invoices and quotations, CGST/SGST/IGST, HSN summary, PDF with UPI QR, WhatsApp and email sharing, payments, GST reports with CSV export, admin and staff users, web installer, and demo mode with hourly reset.

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