

## **PRACTICAL:**

**Please Note the practical will be done in groups**

Two servers:

primary (your group)

secondary (next group)

- CentOS
- BIND 9
- domain: groupx.co.ke
- Primary IP address: 196.X.X.X
- Secondary IP address: 196.X.X.X

```
yum update -y
```

```
yum -y install bind bind-utils
```

### **Primary Server**

```
vi /etc/named.conf
```

In order for the name server to respond to external requests, the `named` process will need to be bound to a public IP address. The `any` value will bind to all IP addresses assigned to the server

```
...  
listen-on port 53 { any; };  
listen-on-v6 port 53 { any; };  
...
```

The name server will need to respond to all incoming queries for authoritative zones, but should not allow zone transfer requests by default nor allow recursive queries.

```
...
allow-query    { any; };
allow-transfer { none; };
recursion no;
...
```

Here is the full `named.conf` file example adjusted for authoritative name services.

```
options {
    listen-on port 53 { any; };
    listen-on-v6 port 53 { any; };
    directory    "/var/named";
    dump-file     "/var/named/data/cache_dump.db";
    statistics-file "/var/named/data/named_stats.txt";
    memstatistics-file "/var/named/data/named_mem_stats.txt";

    allow-query    { any; };
    allow-transfer { none; };
    recursion no;

    dnssec-enable yes;
    dnssec-validation yes;
    dnssec-lookaside auto;

    /* Path to ISC DLV key */
    bindkeys-file "/etc/named.iscdlv.key";
```

```
managed-keys-directory "/var/named/dynamic";  
};  
  
logging {  
    channel default_debug {  
        file "data/named.run";  
        severity dynamic;  
    };  
};  
  
zone "." IN {  
    type hint;  
    file "named.ca";  
};  
  
include "/etc/named.rfc1912.zones";  
include "/etc/named.root.key";
```

The path to the zone files and the zone details must be added to the `etc/named.rfc1912.zones` file.

```
vi /etc/named.rfc1912.zones
```

The domain name section will be declared long with the path to the file containing the zone information, that this is the master zone, and the IP address of the secondary server.

```
zone "yourdomain.co.ke" IN {
```

```
type master;

file "yourdomain.co.ke.zone";

allow-transfer { slave IP ADDRESS; };

};
```

Save and close the file.

## **CREATE ZONE FILE**

The actual zone file can now be created.

```
vi /var/named/yourdomain.co.ke.zone
```

```
$TTL 86400
@ IN SOA ns1.yourdomain.co.ke. root.yourdomain.co.ke. (
    2019041001 ;Serial
    3600      ;Refresh
    1800      ;Retry
    604800    ;Expire
    86400     ;Minimum TTL
)
; Specify our two nameservers
    IN NS ns1.yourdomain.co.ke.
    IN NS ns2.yourdomain.co.ke.
; Resolve nameserver hostnames to IP, replace with your two NS IP addresses.
ns1      IN A master IP
ns2      IN A slave IP

; Define hostname which you wish to resolve
@        IN A 196.1.4.146
www      IN A 196.1.4.146
```

Save and close

Restart named:

```
service named restart
```

Once named has started successfully, we'll want to ensure that it is enabled as a startup service, by running the following:

```
chkconfig named on
```

### Configure Secondary Server

Log into the secondary server and modify the `/etc/named.conf` file to match that of the primary server.

```
vi /etc/named.conf
```

Refer to the [Configure Primary Server](#) section for the `named.conf`. Once the file has been updated, the zone needs to be added to `/etc/named.rfc1912.zones` on the secondary server.

```
zone "yourdomain.co.ke" IN {  
    type slave;  
    file "slaves/yourdomain.co.ke.zone";  
    masters { masterIP; };  
};
```

Save the zone file and exit the editor. You should confirm there are no errors in the `named.conf` file before attempting to start the service.

```
named-checkconf
```

As was the case with the Primary:

service named start

chkconfig named on

At the master :

rndc reload

he following **dig** command can be run from either name server should return the records for the domain on that server.

`dig any yourdomain.co.ke @localhost`