

# VYA Platform Updates

Summary of improvements delivered over the past month

## Client App

### Smother Sign-In & Session Experience

- Fixed an issue where customers could get “stuck” after their session expired and were unable to reach the login page — the app now cleanly recovers and lets them sign back in.
- Added a **seamless background session refresh** so shoppers stay logged in longer without being interrupted mid-browsing or mid-checkout.
- Proactive token refresh kicks in before the session expires, so long browsing sessions don’t end with an unexpected logout.
- Eliminated confusing “unauthorized” error pop-ups that could appear during logout or while browsing public pages as a guest.
- When an admin invalidates a session (e.g. after a security event or password change), affected users are now cleanly signed out instead of seeing broken behavior.
- Customers are no longer bounced to the “unauthorized” page for routine permission checks, avoiding unexpected interruptions.
- The app now listens for server-side session updates and applies them immediately, keeping customer sessions in sync with the backend.

### Chat & Push Notifications

- Chat unread-count and notification checks no longer fire for **logged-out visitors** — guests get a faster, quieter load and the server receives fewer unnecessary requests.
- Cleaned up how push/chat calls behave around login and logout transitions so counts stay accurate and don’t flash stale values.

### Submissions Experience

- Added a **submission status badge** directly on product cards so customers can see at a glance where each of their entries stands (pending, approved, etc.) without needing to click in.
- Introduced **status filter chips** on the submissions view — customers can quickly filter by state instead of scrolling through the full list.
- Filtering now happens instantly on the customer’s device, so switching between statuses feels snappy with no extra loading time.

### Notifications

- Fixed notifications being **cut off mid-sentence** — customers can now read the full message text in the notification list.
- Improved typography and spacing so longer messages display cleanly in the dropdown.

### Maps

- Upgraded to Google’s newer **advanced marker system** so map pins render reliably and future Google Maps updates won’t break the experience.

- Improved city lookup to use Google's official client library — faster and more accurate when customers search or pin their location.

## **Performance & Stability**

- Adjusted caching so customers always receive the  **freshest page content**  while still benefiting from fast loads on repeat visits.
- Eliminated a couple of errors that appeared when the app first started — a cleaner, more reliable boot for every visitor.

## **Data Reliability**

- Resolved an issue where certain pages appeared empty due to a mismatched data source — content now loads correctly and consistently for all customers.

# Admin Dashboard

## Chat & Messaging

- Timestamps in chats are now shown in a friendly “2 minutes ago” style, with all “Invalid date” and future-time display bugs resolved.
- Toast pop-ups now appear for new incoming messages so nothing gets missed while working in another part of the dashboard.

## Notifications

- Notifications now update in real time — no more refreshing the page to see new alerts.
- “**Mark all as read**” button added to the notifications dropdown to clear the list in one click.
- Unread notifications are now visually distinct and show the full message (no more cut-off text).
- Fixed duplicate notification pop-ups in Chrome and several crash issues with the unread counter.

## Wallet & Transactions

- New **admin wallet transactions page** so you can review wallet activity across all users from one place.
- Cleaner transactions table with improved readability and polished styling.
- Removed confusing status column and filter from the transactions page to simplify the view.

## Sellers & Orders

- Account status column added to the sellers table so you can see which sellers are active/inactive at a glance.
- Removed the “fast create order” button from the order details page to prevent accidental duplicate orders.
- Decline order button now shows a loading state so it’s clear the action is processing.

## Dashboard Navigation

- Shortcut cards added to the home page for faster access to the most-used areas.
- Sidebar cleaned up: shorter labels, reordered items, and “Purchase Orders” renamed to “POs” for quicker scanning.

## Stability & Reliability

- Fixed the issue where users were being stuck in a logout loop.
- Improved session handling so the dashboard stays in sync with the backend and fails gracefully.
- Upgraded underlying messaging infrastructure for better speed and reliability going forward.
- Resolved several minor display issues (role dropdowns, pagination, product exports, date warnings).

## Backend & Platform

### Reliability & Order Accuracy

- **Fixed order confirmation & deposit calculations** — buyers are charged the correct deposit and orders reach confirmed status reliably, reducing disputes and manual corrections.
- **Automatic refunds on canceled orders** — protects customer trust and removes the need for finance-team intervention on cancellations.
- **Resilient order decline flow** — declined orders complete successfully even when the shipping provider fails, and admins are automatically notified if a shipment cancellation needs manual attention.
- **Purchase Order (PO) document generation fixed** — sellers receive properly named PO PDFs when orders confirm, eliminating missing documents.
- **Multiparty deal accuracy** — correct quantity deduction, accurate minimum-submission detection, and cleaner deal closure, preventing inventory mismatches on multi-seller deals.

### Financial & Wallet Protections

- **Overdraft protection on wallet withdrawals** — prevents negative balances and accidental over-charging of user wallets.
- **Canceled submissions can rejoin deals** — users who cancel by mistake can re-enter a deal without admin intervention.
- **Price slab and deal-transition fixes** — pricing is now enforced correctly across tiered quantity deals, preventing revenue leakage.

### Admin Tools

- **Admin wallet transactions dashboard endpoint** — full visibility into every wallet movement across the platform for auditing and support.
- **Admin wallet deposit tool** — admins can credit user wallets directly when needed (e.g. promotional balance, manual refunds).
- **Shared support inbox** — all admins can see and reply to support chats, removing the bottleneck on a single team member.

### Communication & Notifications

- **Migrated chat and notifications to Firebase** — real-time messaging and push notifications are more reliable, work offline, and deliver to mobile devices even when users aren't actively in the app.
- **Push notifications for offline chat users** — customers receive alerts on their phones when they miss a message, improving response times.
- **Price list notifications now sent at the right moment** — sellers get the buyer price list exactly when a deal enters the waiting stage, not on a delayed daily schedule. Empty deals no longer generate noise.

### Security & Session Management

- **Standardized error messages across the API** — clearer, more consistent error feedback for users and for the frontend team.

- **Suspended company handling improved** — suspended accounts receive a proper access-denied response instead of a confusing “gone” message.
- **Real-time session invalidation** — when an admin suspends a user or changes their role, the change takes effect immediately across all their devices instead of waiting for them to log out.
- **Lean session snapshot endpoint** — the app can quickly refresh user status without a heavy data reload, improving performance.

## Performance & Stability

- **API rate limit doubled (60 → 120 requests/minute)** — smoother experience for power users and admin dashboards under heavy load.
- Removed a harmful cleanup job that was deleting valid submission data.
- **Fixed declined-order viewing crashes** — admins can now review declined orders without errors.
- **Product catalog stability fix** — catalog pages load correctly even when a category has been removed.
- **Auto-match crash fixed** — automatic deal matching runs reliably without interruption.

## Quality Assurance

- **Comprehensive end-to-end test suite added** — covers buyer and seller flows plus admin dashboard, catching regressions before they reach production.