Installation guide for MyBB Forum

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Forum Installation:

Following steps need to be followed to install the forum :

1. Open the website http://www.mybboard.net website.

2. Click at the download button at this page or open http://www.mybboard.net/downloads for downloading this forum. Click at the save button and select the path where you want to save this forum. This forum is downloaded in WinZip format. When downloading is completed, extract the downloaded files.

3. After unzipping these files, we see a folder named upload. This folder contains PHP files used in this forum. The next step is to upload files inside upload folder of the hosting server. Copy all files from upload folder and paste these files inside hosting server after creating a new folder named forum or forums. Files are uploaded to the server by using either SmartFTP, FileZilla, FlashFXP. Files can also be uploaded directly by accessing the hosting server account.

4. Define the following files with CHMOD 666 for making sure PHP writes to these files.

- ./inc/settings.php

- ./inc/config.php(We rename configuration file from config.default.php to config.php)

- ./inc/languages/*your_language*/*all files * (Optional)

- ./inc/languages/*your_language*/admin/*all files* (Optional)

5. Assign CHMOD to 777 for the following folders for making sure that PHP is written and executed.

- ./cache/

- ./chache/themes/

- ./uploads/

- ./uploads/avatars/

- ./admin/backups/ (optional)

6. Open the URL to copy the files inside forum. For example, www.getabike.com/forum. Append /install to the end of the URL to install the forum. For example, www.getabike.com/forum/install for installing this forum.

7. Follow the installation wizard in order to install this forum. Database details, forum details and admin information are required for installing the forum.

- This forum supports MySQL, SQLite and PostgreSQL databases. In case of MYSQL or SQLite database, username, password, database name and hostname or ip address of server are required. For SQLite database, the path to our database is only required.

- Forum details include name of our forum, URL to the forum directory, name and URL to the website.

- During installing this forum initial administrator account information is required. Username, password and email address must be known for initial admin account.

   (Note: This forum creates database tables and relationships between database tables automatically during installation of this forum.)

8. When installation of forum is completed, remove the install directory from the server.

9. After installation, login as administrator is possible by appending /admin at the end of URL. For example, www.getabike.com/forum/admin

10. After following these steps, forum is installed in the website successfully.

Upgrade Forum:

   If new version of this forum is available , then it can be easily upgraded to a new version. Following steps are followed in order to upgrade this forum.

1. Download the new version of the forum from the website http://www.mybboard.net.

2. After completion of downloading, unzip downloaded file.

3. Copy all files from the folder named upload and upload these files to our server. These files are uploaded inside the same directory where previous files are uploaded. Upload all the files except ./inc/settings.php. For example, previously the files were uploaded

inside www.getabaike.com/forum and now also the new files are uploaded inside the same directory.

4. Open the URL where files are uploaded and append /install/upgrade.php at the end of the URL for installing the forum. For example, one can write www.getabike.com/forum/install/upgrade.php at the end of URL for upgrading this forum.

5. Select the previously installed version of MyBB and click next. Follow other upgrade steps in order to upgrade forum successfully.

6. Upon completion of upgrading step, remove the /install directory from your server.

   (Note: The previous settings and data is not lost during upgrading of this forum)