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- Problem Statement ID SIH1555
- Problem Statement Title Create a Virtual Herbal Garden that provides an interactive, educational, and immersive experience to users, showcasing the diverse range of medicinal plants used in AYUSH (Ayurveda, Yoga & Naturopathy, Unani, Siddha, and Homeopathy).
- Theme MedTech / Bio-Tech / Health-Tech
- PS Category Software
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VIRTUAL HERBAL GARDEN

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Proposed solution:

- ➤ The Virtual Herbal Garden is an innovative digital platform designed to offer users a comprehensive and interactive experience with medicinal plants
- By leveraging advanced technologies like 3D modeling and Augmented reality/Virtual Reality, the platform allows users to virtually explore a rich variety of medicinal plants.
- It offers comprehensive botanical details, skincare and hair-care tips, nutritional guidance, fitness advice, and insights into traditional medicinal practices, all conveniently accessible from the comfort of home.

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Approach:

- The Virtual Herbal Garden addresses this gap by bringing the experience online, making it accessible to a wider audience.
- This solution ensures that the rich heritage of traditional healing practices is preserved and made available to a broader population.

Innovation and Uniqueness:

- What sets the Virtual Herbal Garden apart is its use of **realistic 3D models** that users can interact with, along with high-quality content that enhances the learning experience.
- The platform also offers advanced search and filter functionalities, virtual tours, and user interaction features like bookmarking and note-taking.
- > This combination of technology and traditional knowledge bridging the gap between ancient wisdom and modern accessibility.

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TECHNICAL APPROACH



PROCESS IMPLEMENTATION

Research and Planning

✓ Conduct research on medicinal plants and gather data.

Design

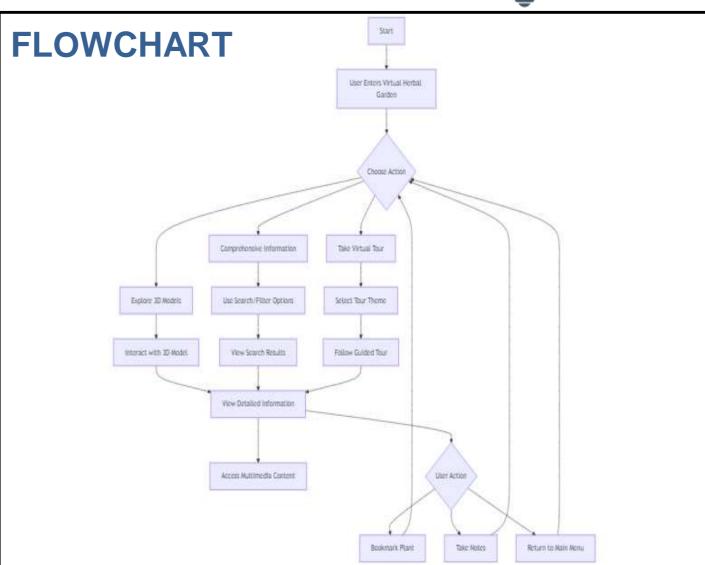
- ✓ Design the UI for the platform, ensuring it is intuitive and user-friendly.
- ✓ Create 3D models of the plants.

Development

- ✓ Develop the front-end using React.js and integrate it with the 3D models.
- ✓ Set up the backend server with Node.js and integrate the database.

TECH STACKS





FEASIBILITY AND VIABILITY-

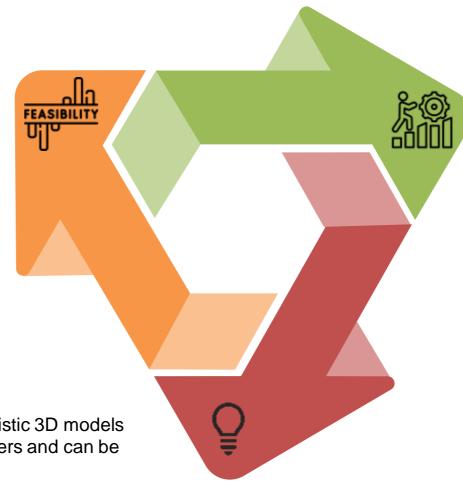


ANALYSIS OF FEASIBILITY OF IDEA

- It leverages established 3D modeling software and AR/VR technologies that are well-documented and supported.
- Platforms like Unity have extensive libraries and assets that facilitate the creation of interactive 3D environments

POTENTIAL CHALLENGES AND RISKS

- ➤ **High-Quality 3D Modeling:** Creating realistic 3D models of medicinal plants requires skilled designers and can be time-consuming.
- Performance Optimization: Ensuring that the virtual garden performs smoothly across different devices, especially on lower-end hardware, may pose challenges.



STRATEGIES FOR OVERCOMING THESE CHALLENGES

- Modular Development: Break down the project into smaller, manageable modules, allowing the team to focus on one aspect at a time.
- Cross-Platform Testing: Regularly test the platform on different devices and operating systems to identify and address compatibility issues.



IMPACT AND BENEFITS



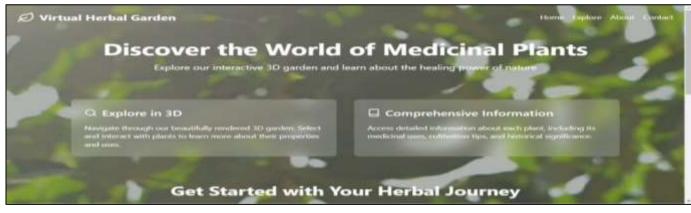


POTENTIAL IMAPCT ON TARGET AUDIENCE

- AYUSH Practitioners:
- Provides practitioners with a comprehensive digital reference for medicinal plants, aiding in their practice and education.
- Students & Researchers
- Serves as an innovative learning platform for students studying botany, pharmacology, or traditional medicine
- General Public:
- Allows users to explore herbal remedies from the comfort of their homes, promoting self-care and wellness practices.

BENEFITS OF SOLUTION

- Social Benefits:
- Health & Wellness: Educates the public about natural remedies, contributing to a healthier society.
- Economic Benefits:
- **Cost-Effective Education:** Reduces the need for physical resources (like printed materials) by providing a digital alternative, making education more affordable.











RESEARCH AND REFERENCES



- AYUSH Ministry Guidelines: Leveraged guidelines from the AYUSH Ministry to ensure accurate representation of medicinal plants and their uses. https://ayush.gov.in/
- Ethnobotany and Traditional Knowledge: Incorporated research from ethnobotanical studies and traditional Ayurvedic texts to curate the list of medicinal plants and their properties.
- Digital Herbarium Studies: Referenced existing digital herbariums and virtual gardens to understand best practices in creating interactive plant models and user-friendly interfaces. https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Virtual herbarium
- 3D Modelling and Interactive Media: Utilized academic papers on 3D modelling and interactive media for developing the immersive virtual environment.
- User Experience in Educational Platforms: Researched UX design principles specific to educational platforms to create a user-centric, engaging digital garden experience.