Proposal for Career Counselling Software

1. Introduction

This proposal outlines the development of a **Career Counselling Software** that includes a **portfolio website**, **mobile application (Android & iOS)**, and an **admin panel** for managing leads, students, counsellors, and Al-based analysis for career guidance. The software will facilitate lead generation, psychometric and aptitude assessments, Al-driven recommendations, and student-counsellor mapping.

2. Software Components & Features

2.1 Portfolio Website

The website will serve as a landing page to educate users about the platform, showcase services, and redirect students to the mobile application. It will include:

- Home Page: Overview of vision, mission, and goals.
- Services & Features Page: Explanation of career counselling offerings.
- Al-Powered Career Assessment: Introduction to Al-driven assessments.
- Contact Us Page: Inquiry submission form.
- Student Login/Signup: Redirection to mobile app.

2.2 Mobile Application (Android & iOS)

The mobile app will allow students to register, undergo assessments, and receive Al-driven career guidance. Key features include:

- User Authentication: Login/Signup with email, phone, or social accounts.
- Onboarding Process: Collection of primary student information.
- AI-Based Test Assignment: Psychometric or aptitude tests based on inputs.
- **Assessment Interface**: User-friendly test-taking environment.
- Al-Driven Career Report: Detailed insights & suggestions.
- Career News Section: Latest career-related updates.
- Counsellor Interaction: Chat, call, or schedule a session with assigned counsellors.

2.3 Admin Panel

The admin panel will act as the backend for managing students, counsellors, and Al-powered analytics. It will include:

- Lead Management: Capture and track student inquiries.
- Student Management: Maintain student profiles and test data.
- Al-Driven Analysis & Report Generation: Automated report creation based on test results.
- Counsellor Management: Assign and manage counsellors.
- Advanced Filtering & Search: Search students based on categories, budget, branches, and country of study.
- Recommendation Engine:
 - College List Generation
 - Horoscope & Birth Chart Recommendations
 - Al-Suggested Career Roadmap
- Approval Workflow:
 - Primary & Secondary Review Process
 - o Final Report Approval & Student Submission
- Newsletter Posting: Regular updates and career insights for students.

3. Process Flow

- 1. **Lead Generation**: Students arrive via the website and are redirected to the app.
- Student Registration & Primary Data Collection: Students enter basic details.
- 3. **Al-Based Assessment Assignment**: The Al agent assigns an aptitude or psychometric test.
- 4. **Test Completion & Al Analysis**: Al analyzes the test results.
- 5. Advanced Search & Filtering: Admin applies filters for best-fit colleges.
- 6. **Career Recommendations**: Al generates a report based on test results, preferences, and horoscope.
- 7. **Approval Process**: The report undergoes primary and secondary approvals.
- 8. Counsellor Assignment & Review: A counsellor is mapped to the student.
- 9. Student Receives Final Report: The final career report is shared with the student.
- 10. **Guidance Session**: Students can consult with assigned counselors.
- 11. (Future Scope) Admission Tracking: Admission follow-up (not in the current phase).

4. Technical Architecture

4.1 Technology Stack

- Frontend:
 - Website: React.js / Next.js
 - Mobile App: Flutter (Android & iOS)
- Backend:
 - Node.js / Express.js
 - o Al Processing: Python (TensorFlow, OpenAl API, or custom models)
- Database:
 - PostgreSQL / MongoDB
- Cloud Services:
 - AWS / Azure for hosting & storage
 - Firebase for authentication & notifications

5. Development Scope of work, Timelines & Milestones

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This document outlines the detailed **Scope of Work (SOW)** for the development of the **Career Counselling Software**, covering all phases from design to deployment and final delivery.

2. Project Phases & Deliverables

2.1 Design Phase

- Wireframing: Creation of wireframes for the website, mobile app, and admin panel.
- UI/UX Design:
 - User interface design for web, mobile, and admin.
 - User experience flow optimization.
 - o Prototyping and design revisions.

2.2 System Design & Architecture

- System Architecture Planning:
 - o Defining microservices and monolithic components.
 - Deciding cloud infrastructure and hosting approach.

Database Design:

- Schema definition for students, counsellors, tests, reports, and recommendations.
- Relational (PostgreSQL) and NoSQL (MongoDB) considerations.

2.3 API Development & Integration

API Listing & Documentation:

- o RESTful API endpoints for mobile and web.
- o Authentication (JWT, OAuth, Firebase Auth).

Backend Development:

- Implementation of Al-based test assignment.
- Report generation and Al-driven recommendations.
- Counsellor management and student-counsellor mapping.
- Newsletter and career news module.

2.4 Frontend Development

- Web Application (Portfolio Site):
 - o Home page, features, contact, and career insights.

• Mobile Application (Android & iOS):

- Registration & onboarding.
- Test-taking interface.
- o Career recommendation dashboard.
- Counsellor communication module.

Admin Panel:

- Lead management.
- Advanced student filtering & Al analysis.
- Approval workflow & report management.
- Counsellor and news management.

2.5 Al Model Development & Fine-Tuning

• LLM (Large Language Model) Fine-Tuning:

- o Training models on career guidance data.
- Al-based psychometric test analysis.
- College recommendation engine with horoscope integration.

2.6 Deployment & Hosting

AWS Cloud Setup:

- EC2 instances for backend & database.
- S3 for storage, CloudFront for CDN.
- RDS for database management.

- Test Hosting & Staging Environment:
 - Setup of a staging server for internal testing.
- Production Hosting & Live Deployment:
 - Final cloud infrastructure for live users.

2.7 Mobile App Store Setup & Deployment

- Google Play Store Setup:
 - Developer account setup.
 - o App submission & approval process.
- Apple App Store Setup:
 - Developer account creation.
 - App submission & compliance testing.
- App Store Listing & Optimization:
 - Writing descriptions, adding screenshots & metadata.
 - SEO optimization for app discoverability.

2.8 Testing & Quality Assurance (QA)

- Functional Testing: Ensuring all features work as expected.
- Load & Stress Testing: Simulating high traffic scenarios.
- **Security Testing**: Vulnerability assessments & encryption verification.
- Cross-Platform Testing: Ensuring seamless experience on Android, iOS, and web.
- Bug Fixing & Performance Optimization: Resolving issues from testing feedback.

2.9 Final Delivery & Handover

- Final Version Deployment: Deployment of stable production version.
- **Documentation & Training**: Providing user manuals & admin training.
- Post-Launch Support: Bug fixes, updates, and feature enhancements.

Phase	Task	Duration
Phase 1	Requirement Gathering & Wireframing	1 Weeks
Phase 2	UI/UX Design & Prototyping	2 Weeks
Phase 3	Backend & Al Development	5 Weeks
Phase 4	Website & Mobile App Development	6 Weeks
Phase 5	Admin Panel Development	

Phase 6	Testing & QA	2 Weeks
Phase 7	Deployment & Go-Live	1 Weeks

Total Estimated Time: ~17 Weeks (~4 Months)

6. Future Scope & Expansion

- Admission Tracking & Application Submission
- Integration with College Admission Portals
- Career Mentorship & Live Webinars
- Internship & Job Matching Engine
- Al Chatbot for Instant Career Guidance

7. Cost Estimation

7.1 Development Cost Breakdown

Module	Description	Cost (INR)
Website	Portfolio website with services, vision, contact, and redirection to app	25,000
Mobile App (Android & iOS)	Onboarding, test-taking, news section, report view functionality	75,000
Admin Panel	Lead management, counsellor management, test assignment, Al analysis, report generation, multi-level approval	85,000
Total Development Cost		₹2,00,000

7.2 Additional Features (Optional)

Feature	Description	Cost (INR)
Horoscope & Birth Chart Analysis	LLM fine-tuning for personalized recommendations	25,000
Payment Gateway Integration	Transaction management system setup	15,000

7.3 Third-Party Costs (Directly Paid by Client)

Service	Cost
AWS Cloud Hosting	As per usage (billed directly)
Domain Registration	Paid yearly(directly to provider)
Open AI API (GPT-4)	Paid directly (charges depends on usage -100 words ≈ 130 tokens Pricing: ~\$0.03 per 1,000 tokens Cost for 100 words: ~\$0.0039 (0.39 cents))
Google Play Store Developer Account	\$25 (One-time)
Apple App Store Developer Account	\$99 per year

7.4 Maintenance Charges

Service	Description	Cost (INR)
Monthly Maintenance	Weekly updates for packages and bugs, SLA (48-hour issue resolution), compliance adherence, logs monitoring, testing	10,000 per month (for the 1st year)

8. Conclusion

This Career Counselling Software will empower students with Al-driven career recommendations, structured counsellor guidance, and an advanced filtering system for finding the best-fit colleges. With a scalable architecture and robust backend, the system will streamline career counselling services efficiently.