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This is to certify that the project titled “**ATTENDRO: Secure Biometric + App-Based Attendance Management for Polytechnic Institutes**” has been carried out by [Student Name] under my guidance and supervision in partial fulfillment of the requirements for the award of the Diploma in **Applied AI & ML** at **Rajarambapu Institute of Technology, Islampur**, during the academic year **2025–2026**.

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## Abstract (v)

This project delivers **Attendro**, a secure attendance platform that unifies biometric capture on an ESP32-based terminal with a modern web and mobile application stack. It addresses proxy attendance, delayed reporting, and fragmented records by integrating biometric verification, session-based controls, timetable-aware scheduling, and real-time analytics. The implementation uses **Supabase (PostgreSQL + Auth + Realtime)**, **React/React Native frontends**, and an **ESP32 + R307 fingerprint sensor** with offline buffering. Key outcomes include accurate presence capture, reduced manual effort, and faster compliance reporting.

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# **Chapter–1 Introduction (background of the Project Problem)**

## **1.1 Problem Statement**

Polytechnic institutes face proxy attendance, manual errors, delayed consolidation, and weak audit trails. Existing systems rely on manual entry or QR scans without biometric trust, leading to compliance gaps.

## 1.2 Objectives

- Achieve **high-trust attendance** using fingerprint biometrics (R307) with session-bound tokens.
- Provide **timetable-aware sessions** for classes/batches/subjects with substitution handling.
- Enable **real-time dashboards** for admins/faculty and **offline capture** on devices.
- Ensure **data integrity** via RBAC, RLS policies, and duplicate-prevention constraints.

## 1.3 Constraints and Assumptions

- Network intermittency on devices; must queue and sync when online.
- Student enrollment includes roll range per batch; device must enforce batch lock.
- Auth via Supabase; database is PostgreSQL; frontends are React/React Native.

# Chapter–2 Literature Survey (to finalize and define the Problem Statement)

- **Biometric attendance:** High accuracy but needs anti-spoofing and time/window validation.
- **Session-based control:** Tokens tied to class/subject/time reduce misuse.
- **Offline-first IoT:** Queueing on ESP32 with eventual consistency over Wi-Fi.
- **RBAC + RLS:** Database-level policies to segregate admin/faculty/student access.
- **Prior gaps:** Many systems miss batch locking, substitution workflows, and unified reporting.

# Chapter–3 Scope of the Project

## 3.1 In-Scope

- Admin web app: master data (faculty/students/classes/subjects), timetable, leaves, substitutions, reports.
- Faculty app: start sessions, unlock device, manual marking fallback, view attendance.
- ESP32 terminal: biometric capture, OLED guidance, offline queue, secure token validation.

- Supabase backend: Auth, PostgREST API, Realtime, edge functions for token issue and sync.

### 3.2 Out-of-Scope

- Face recognition; advanced geo-fencing; payroll integration.

### 3.3 Success Criteria

- =98% biometric match accuracy; <=2s average scan-to-record latency online; offline queue durability; zero duplicate marks per session.

## Chapter–4 Methodology / Approach

### 4.1 Architecture Overview

Three-tier model: presentation (web + mobile + device), API layer (PostgREST, edge functions, Realtime), data layer (PostgreSQL + storage). See Figure 1.

### 4.2 Process Flow

Faculty starts a session -> token issued -> device validates token -> students scan -> records stored/queued -> sync -> dashboard updates (Figures 3–4).

### 4.3 Data Model

Tables: profiles, faculty, classes, students, subjects, subject\_allocations, timetable\_slots, attendance\_sessions, attendance\_records, faculty\_leaves, substitution\_assignments, activity\_log. See Figure 2.

### 4.4 Security Controls

Eight-layer model: auth (JWT), RBAC/RLS, session token HMAC, batch lock, biometric FAR control, duplicate-prevention constraint, time-gate, device auth. See Figures 7–8 and Table 2.

### 4.5 Tools and Stack

- Frontend: React + TypeScript; React Native (planned).
- Backend: Supabase (Auth, PostgREST, Realtime, Edge Functions).
- Device: ESP32 DevKit V1, R307 sensor, SSD1306 OLED.
- Styling/Build: Vite, Tailwind.

# **Chapter–5 Details of Designs, Working and Processes**

## **5.1 Module Design**

- Master Data, Scheduling, Attendance, Leave/Substitution, Reports, Biometric (see Figure 11).

## **5.2 Device Interface & Wiring**

ESP32 <-> R307 over UART; ESP32 <-> OLED over I2C; pin map in Table 1; diagrams in Figure 5 and Figure 6.

## **5.3 Use Cases**

Actors: Admin, Faculty, Student, ESP32 device. Key cases: manage users, configure timetable, start session, unlock device, scan fingerprint, view reports (Figure 10).

## **5.4 Data Flow**

Context-level DFD in Figure 12: Faculty/Admin <-> System <-> Database.

## **5.5 Offline and Sync**

- Queue attendance when offline; retry with exponential backoff.
- Conflict rule: first valid mark per student per session wins; admin overrides flagged.

## **5.6 Validation Rules**

- Session time window +/-5 minutes; batch lock by roll range; one record per student per session; substitution must match approved leave.

# **Chapter–6 Results and Applications**

## **6.1 Expected Results (pilot targets)**

- Attendance accuracy  $\geq 98\%$ ; proxy attempts blocked by biometric + batch lock.
- Session setup  $< 30$  seconds; scan-to-record median  $< 2$  seconds online.

## **6.2 Applications**

- Daily compliance reports; defaulter lists; audit trails of overrides; rapid substitution handling during faculty leave.

### **6.3 Screens/Diagrams for Publication**

Include HTML diagrams exported to PDF/PNG from `project-report/diagrams/*.html` for journal or conference papers.

## **Chapter–7 Conclusion**

Attendro combines biometric assurance with timetable-aware sessions and robust RBAC to deliver reliable attendance data. The architecture is modular, offline-tolerant, and ready for production deployment in polytechnic settings.

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## **Appendices**

- Appendix A: API endpoint list (GET/POST attendance sessions, records, timetable, leaves, substitutions).
- Appendix B: Test plan and sample test cases (unit + integration for token issuance, duplicate prevention, batch lock).
- Appendix C: Deployment checklist (env vars, RLS policies, storage buckets, device enrollment).

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