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# **1. INTRODUCTION**

## **1.1 Introduction to Research Project**

A personal and experience-oriented environment that utilizes residual hearing in the process of language learning provides an effective language platform for hearing-impaired children. Conventional learning applications that are only limited to a pre-defined set of vocabularies and a pre-defined set of activities are unable to provide a learning environment that a child is comfortable dealing with. Bringing the learning environment into the child's own world will attract the child to the learning platform.

Normal-hearing children learn their first language by interacting with a person who is on the same ground, repetitively and frequently. The hearing-impaired children also should be provided with a similar experience by offering activities and vocabulary in relation to the child's background, culture, and environment, as well as by bringing up the residual hearing to a functional level with proper appliances. Simulation and response to the child's auditory experience are essential in the utilization of residual hearing.

The learning platform should provide materials that are suitable for the child's current state of linguistic ability and age. Words and sentences included in those activities should be at an appropriate level of difficulty to ensure a seamless learning experience. When creating teaching materials, the level of difficulty in course materials should consider both phonographic difficulty and contextual difficulty.

Preparing learning materials that are contextually similar to the words that the child has learned improves the vocabulary and helps the child to grasp the links and patterns in a language. In order to ensure repetitive and frequent use of previously learned words, new content should be presented, combining previously learned contents appropriately.

Regardless of the child's background, learning materials presented through the application should ensure the contents are appropriate for a child to learn. Context and intonation of the materials must be appropriate for a child, and in order to ensure this,

content censoring should be done for every individual element presented through the application.

## **1.2 Introduction to Individual Component**

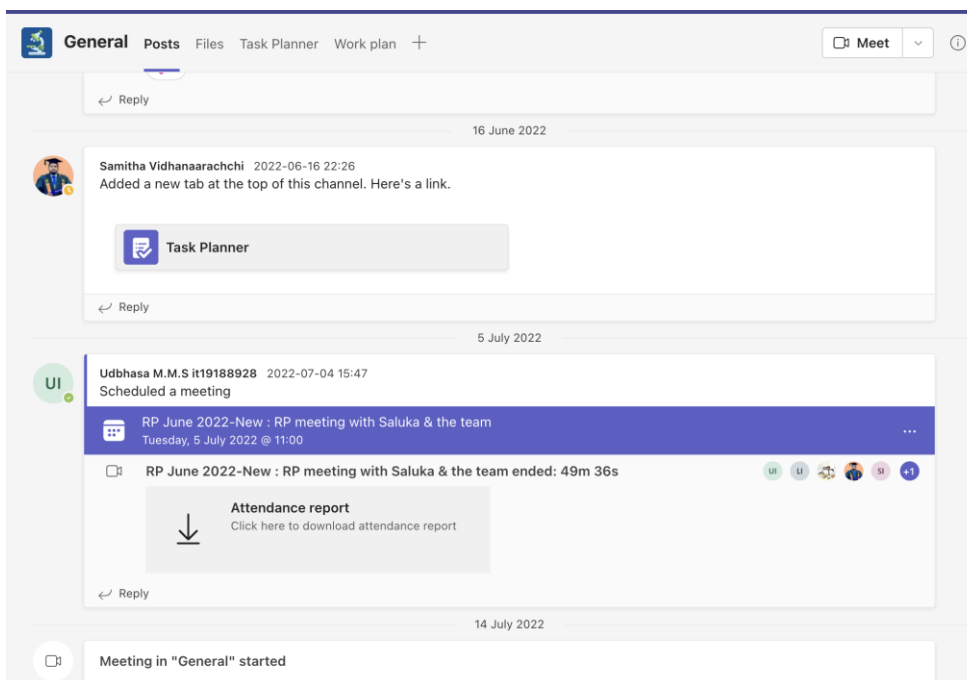
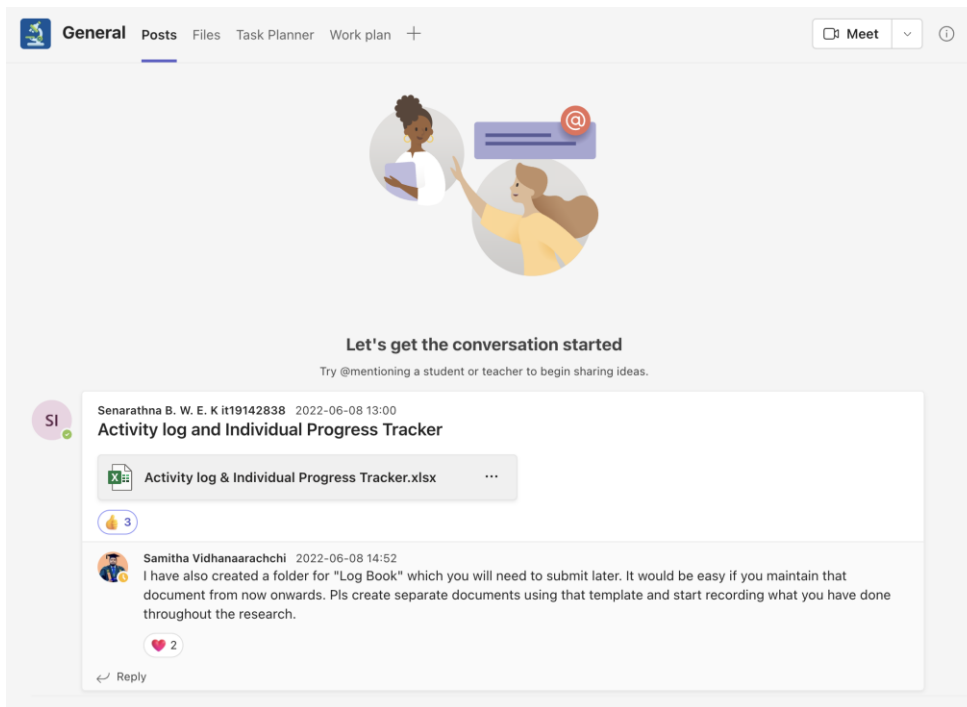
The main objective of this research is to implement an experience-oriented learning platform for hearing-impaired children to learn their first language by interacting with elements of the child's world that enable an effective linguistic acquiring process.

Appropriate utilization of residual hearing and different activities that replicate the natural language acquisition process to close the linguistic skill gap between hearing peers. Providing learning materials that are suitable for the level of linguistic skill enables an effortless language-learning process.

Generating contextually similar words and sentences to the previously learned contents in a meaningful way improves the vocabulary and helps the child to grasp the syntaxes and semantics of the language effortlessly. Providing contextually similar words and sentences helps the child to understand and link different elements that the child interacts with every day and mimics the language learning process of a hearing peer. Presenting words and sentences in a way that matches the child's interest in order to motivate the child to keep interacting with the learning platform.

Ensuring the contents presented through the application is kid-friendly is a major consideration when creating a learning platform for children. Although the learning platform is built around the child's own world, the contents presented through the application are assured to be kid-friendly regardless of the child's background. In the process of content censoring, false negative scenarios are not accepted.

## 2. SCREENSHOTS OF CHATS



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




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

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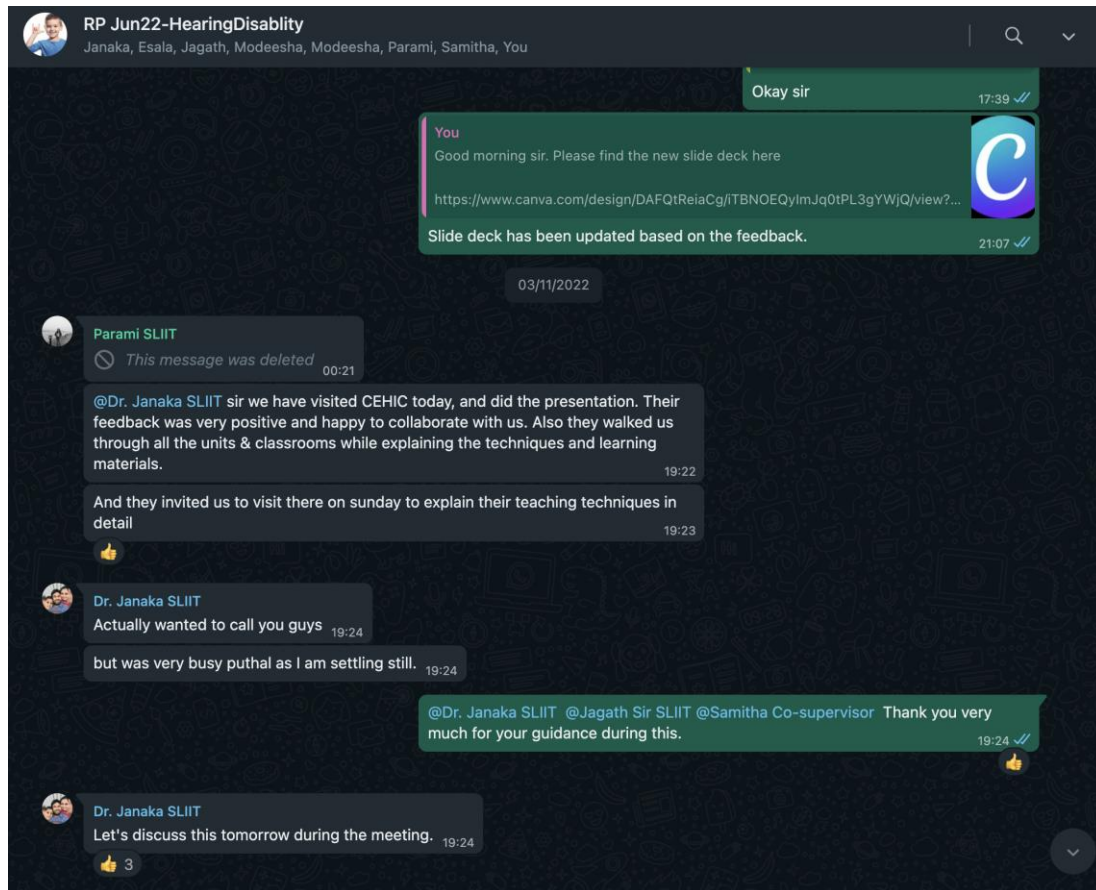
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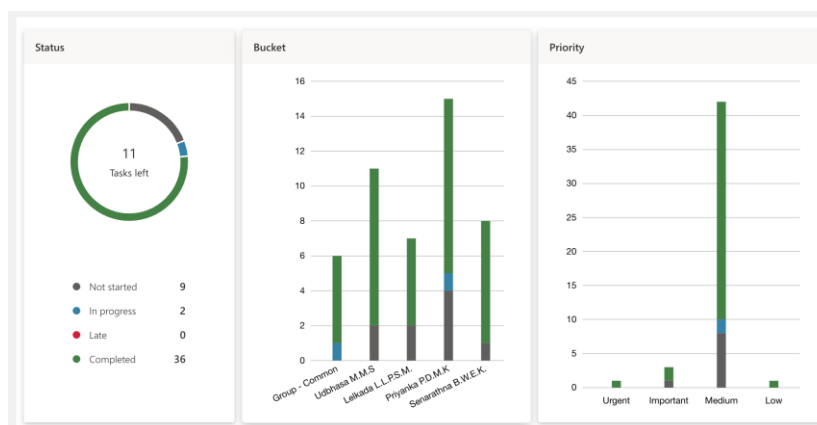
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### 3. WORK PLANNER RECORDS



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output = model(tokens)  
output.shape()

After these vector representations of text are combined within the output, "last hidden state" tensor

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model = AutoModel.from\_pretrained(modelPath)

# initialize dictionary, store tokenized sentences  
tokens = [{"input\_id": 1}, {"attention\_mask": 1}]  
for sentence in train\_data:

# encode each sentence, append to dictionary  
new\_token = tokenizer.encode\_plus(sentence, max\_length=128,  
truncation\_strategy="only\_first",  
return\_tensors="pt")

tokens.append(new\_token)

# convert list of tensors to single tensor  
tokens["input\_id"] = torch.stack(tokens["input\_id"])  
tokens["attention\_mask"] = torch.stack(tokens["attention\_mask"])

# process tokens through model  
output = model(tokens)  
output.shape()

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12/7/2022	Discussing with a educator about the educational background of hearing impaired children			
13/7/2022	Preparing topic assesment document			
14/7/2022	Review and revise topic assesment document with supervisor			
15/07/2022	Research about existing NLP for ASL			
16/07/2022	Research about importance of developing linguistic skills at an early age			
17/07/2023	Adding more content to the topic assesment document based on the findings			
18/07/2024	Review and revise topic assesment document with group members			
18/07/2022	TAF document submission			
19/07/2022	Research existing solutions to develop language skills at early stages			
28/07/2022	Prepare a questionnaire for field visit			
2/8/2022	Field visit to Ratmalana Deaf School			
2/8/2022	Field visit to Ratmalana Audiology Center			
11/8/2022	Meeting with co-supervisor to clarify some doubts regarding the project			
15/8/2022	Collecting kid's story books to create demo corpus			
16/8/2022	Research and understaning how word2vec algorithm works			
16/8/2022	Discussion on field visit with supervisors			
5/9/2022	Field visit to Wickckramaarachchi hearing care centre			
/2022	Proposal report & proposal presentation planing with team members			
/2022	Progress discussion with supervisor and co-supervisor			
/2022	Proposal report - individual diagram finetuning with team members			
/2022	Proposal report progress discussion with co-supervisor			
21/9/2022	Field visit to Ratmalana Deaf School			
23/9/2022	Finalised the individual component diagram			
24/10/2022	Requested permission for a field visit to CEHIC			

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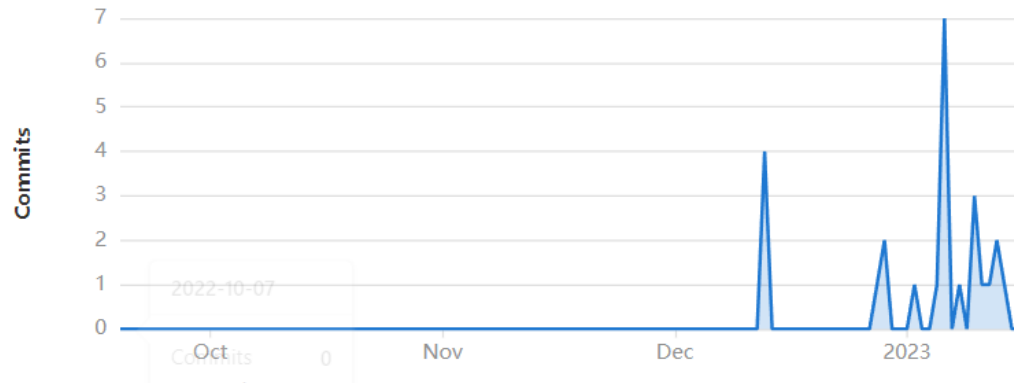
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IT19954974	member folders added	1 month ago
.DS_Store	Daily changes	1 week ago
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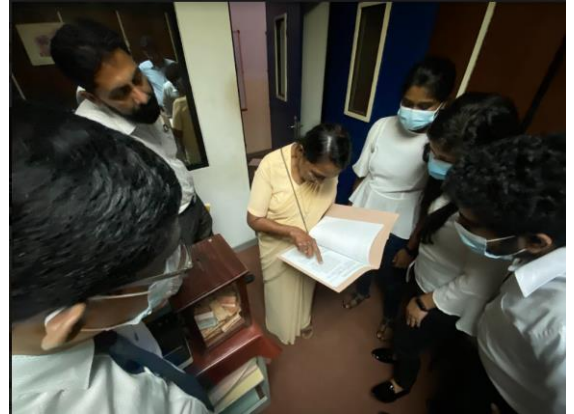
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### 5.1 Physical Meetings

Photographs taken on field visit to CEHIC



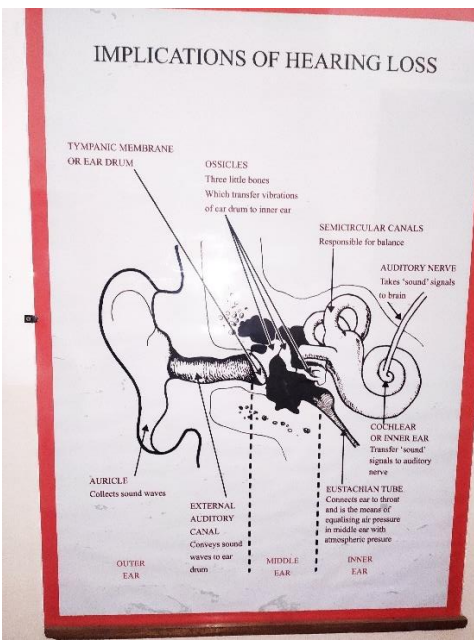
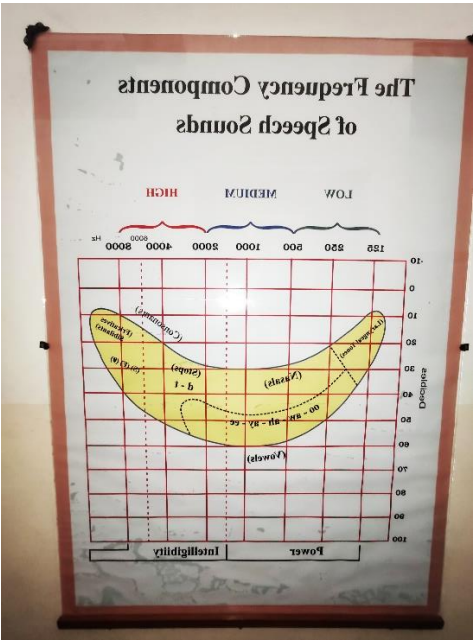








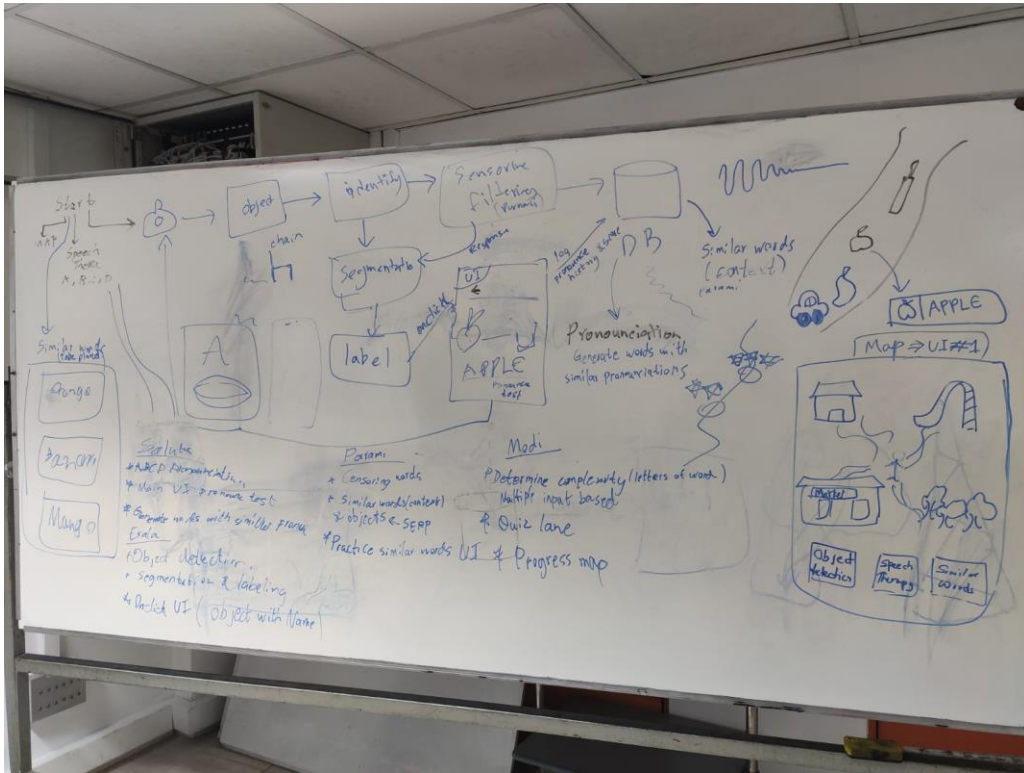
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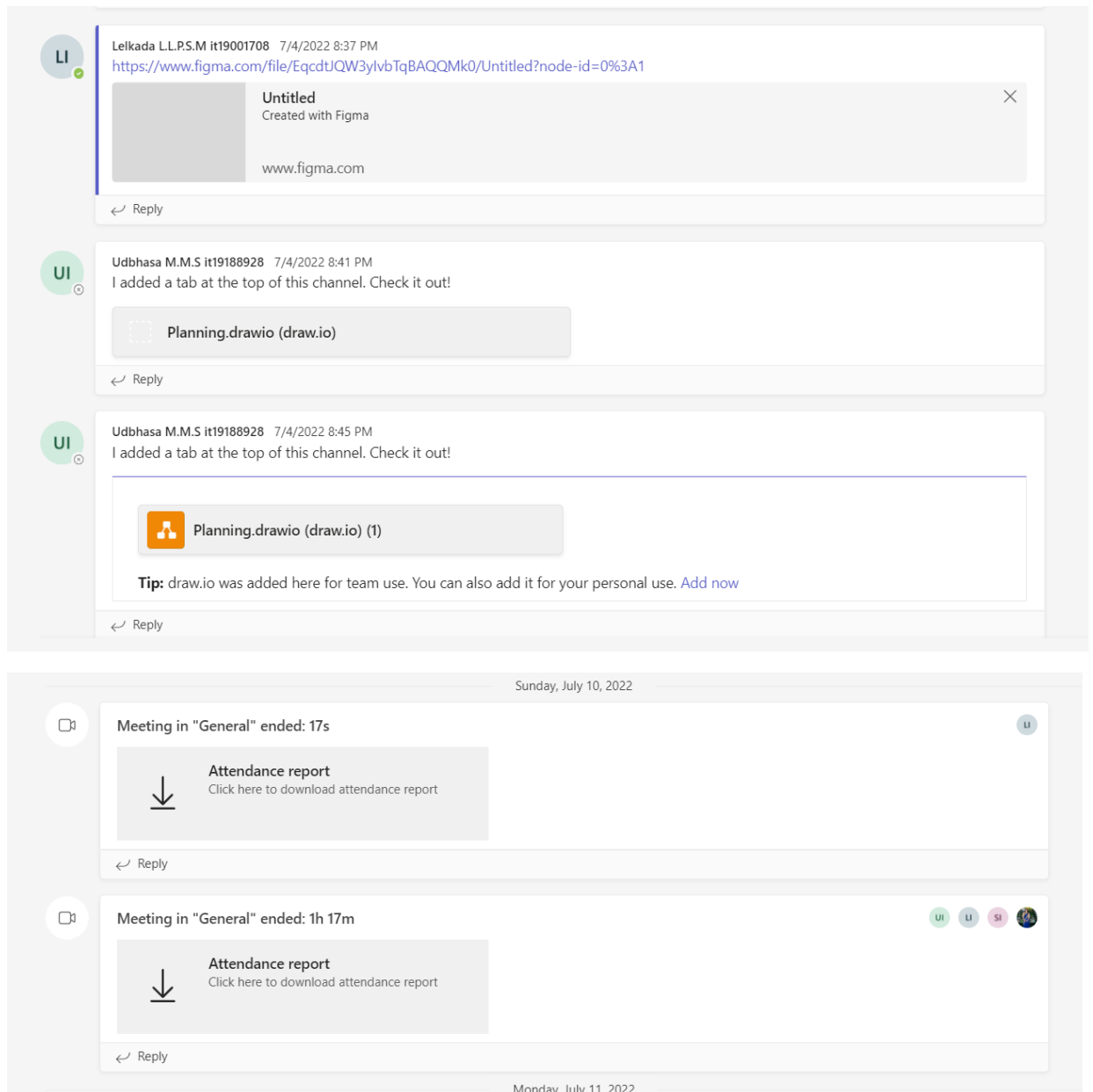
### 6.1 Physical Meetings

Photographs taken at physical group meetings and planning sessions



## 6.2 Online Meetings

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Tuesday, July 26, 2022

New meeting ended: 4m 19s

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Meeting in General started

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Wednesday, August 3, 2022

Sunday, January 22, 2023

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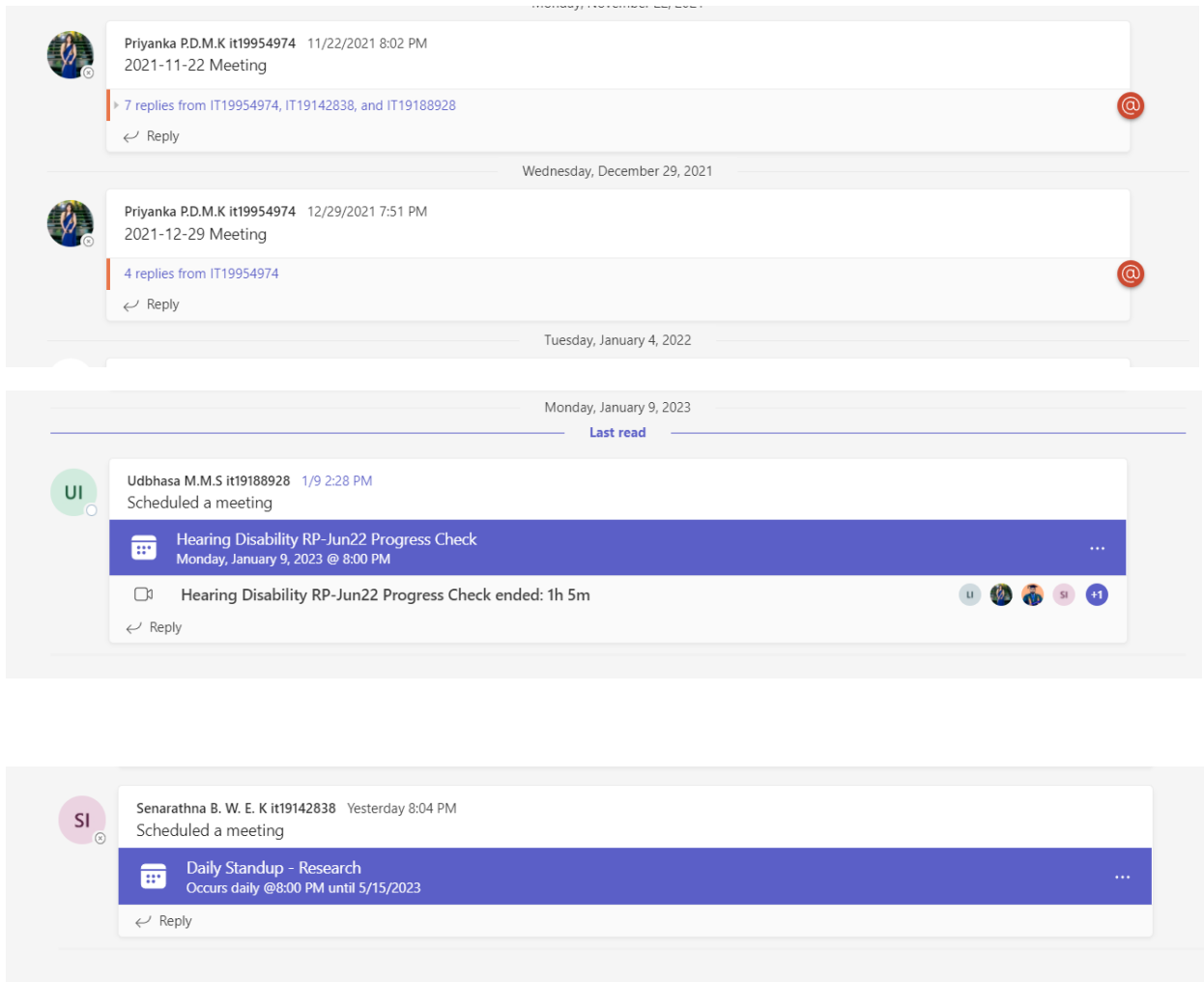
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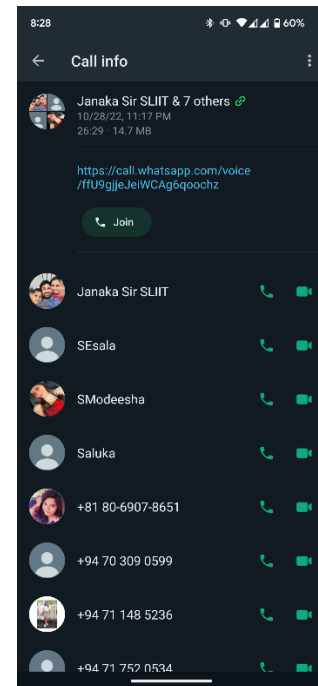
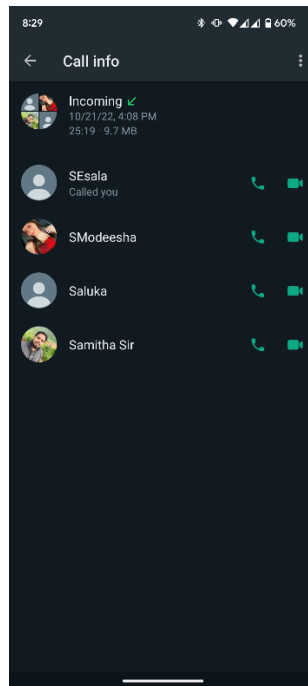
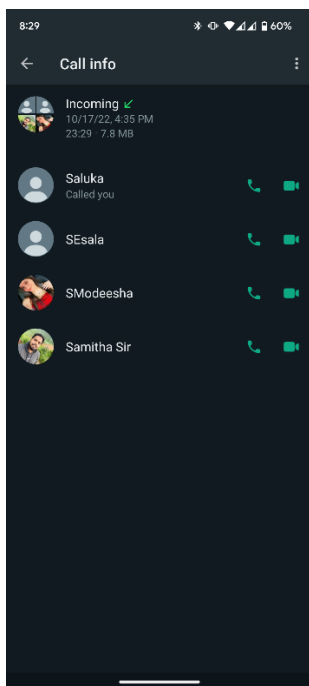
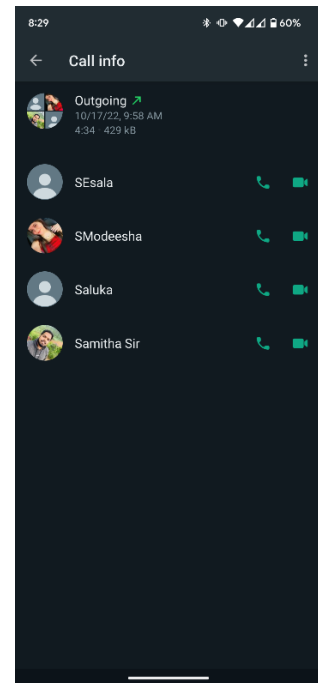
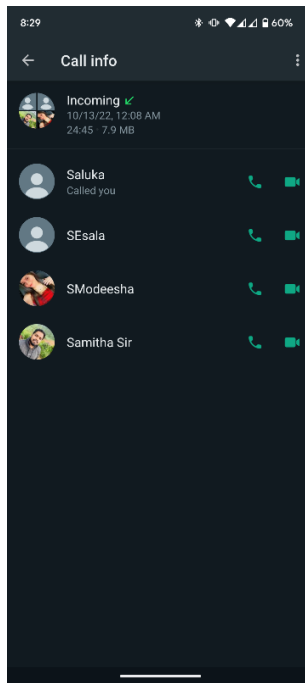
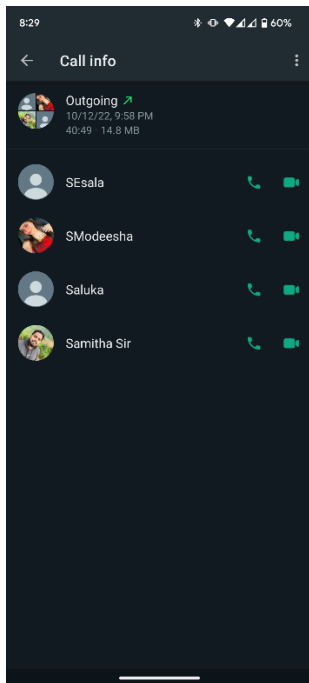
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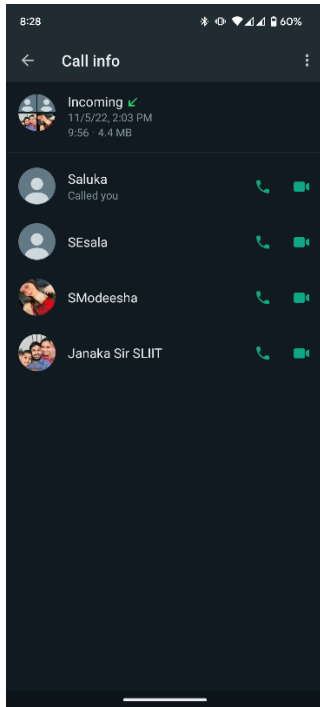
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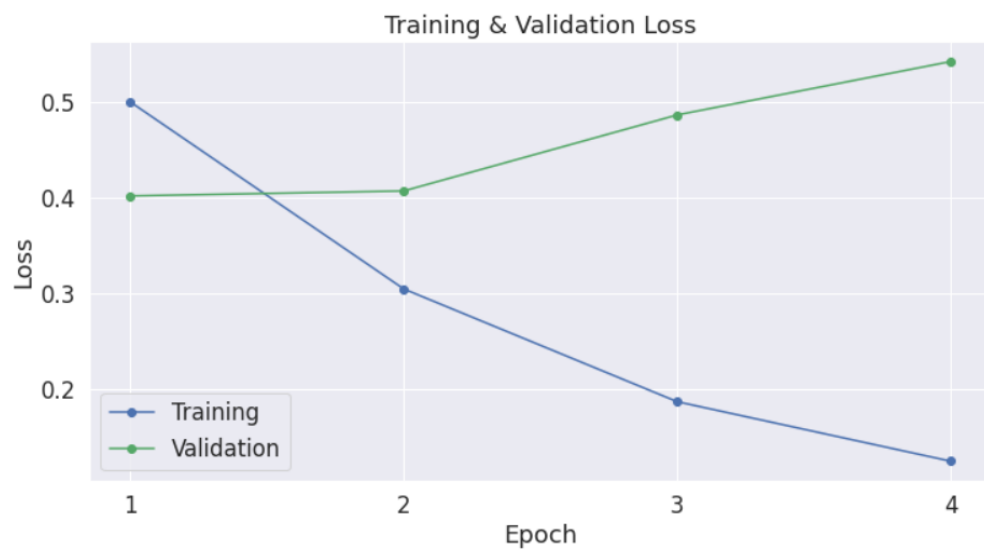
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embeddings

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from transformers import AutoTokenizer, AutoModel
import torch

# initialize our model and tokenizer:
tokenizer = AutoTokenizer.from_pretrained(modelPath)
model = AutoModel.from_pretrained(modelPath)

# initialize dictionary: stores tokenized sentences
token = {'input_ids': [], 'attention_mask': []}
for sentence in train_text:
    -----
    # encode each sentence, append to dictionary
    new_token = tokenizer.encode_plus(sentence, max_length=128,
                                      truncation=True, padding='max_length',
                                      return_tensors='pt')
    -----
    # print(new_token)
    token['input_ids'].append(new_token['input_ids'][0])
    token['attention_mask'].append(new_token['attention_mask'][0])

# reformat list of tensors to single tensor
token['input_ids'] = torch.stack(token['input_ids'])
token['attention_mask'] = torch.stack(token['attention_mask'])

# Process tokens through model:
output = model(**token)
output.keys()

# The dense vector representations of text are contained within the outputs 'last_hidden_state' tensor
embeddings = output.last_hidden_state
# embeddings

embeddings.shape

```

## 8. GANTT CHART

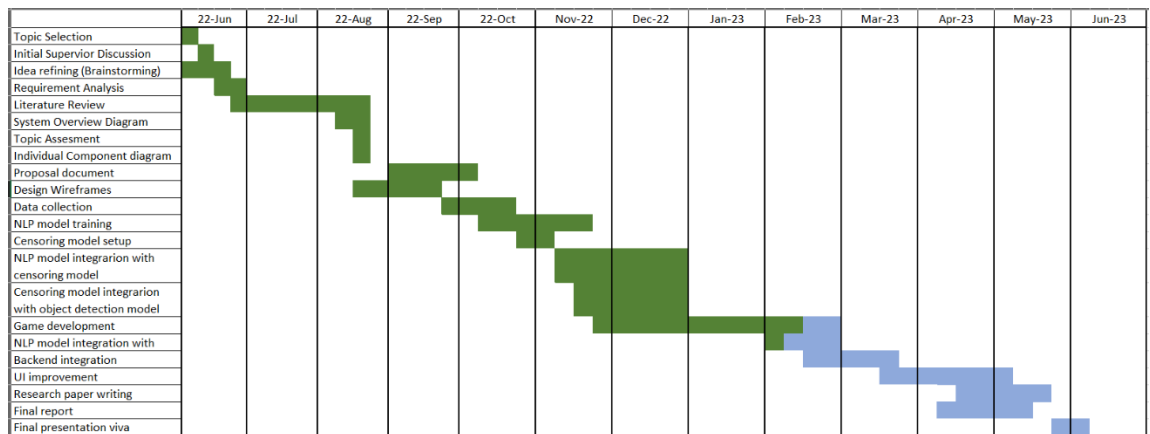


Figure 2: Gantt chart

# 9.WORK-BREAKDOWN STRUCTURE

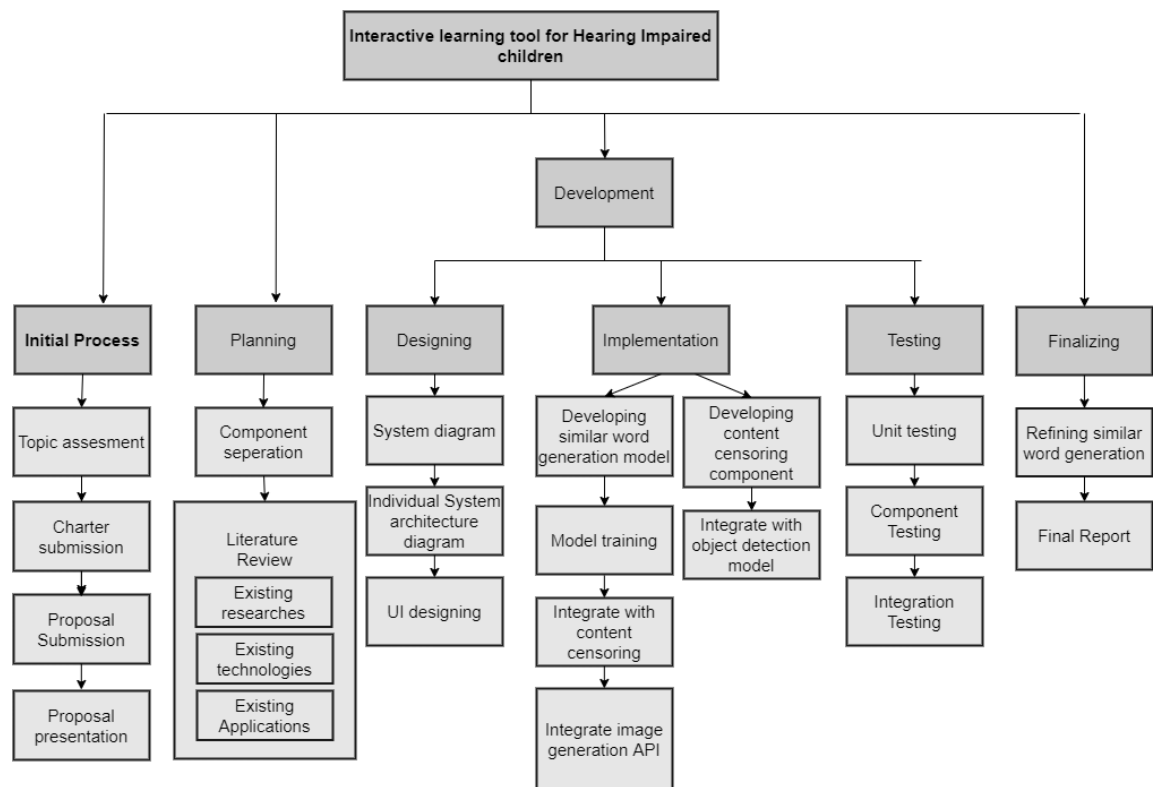


Figure 1: WBS