# PROJECT REPORT ON SIGNS WITH SMART CONNECTIVITY FOR BETTER ROAD SAFETY

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## 1. INTRODUCTION

# 1.1 Project Overview

The goal of this project is to replace the static signboard with smart connected sign board to get the speed limitations from a web app using weather API and update it automatically based on the weather conditions, set diversions through API And warn drivers for school zones and hospital zone.

# 1.2 Purpose

To replace the statics signboard, smart connected sign boards are used.

- These smart connected sign boards get the speed limitations from web app using weather API and update automatically.
- Based on weather changes the speed may decrease or increase.
- Message indicating schools, hospitals, police stations zones are also display.

## 2. LITERATURE SURVEY

# 2.1 Existing Problem

- Analysis of crash data has suggested a link between roadside advertising signs and safety
- Research suggests that crash risk increase by approximately 25-29% in the presence of digital roadside advertising signs compared to control areas.
- On the other hand, static roadside advertising signs have not been linked with difference in the crash count.
- The Safe System (SS) approach to transport networks originated with the "Safe Road Transport System" model developed by the Swedish Transport Agency. In its essence, the approach migrates from the view that accidents are largely and automatically the driver's fault to a view that identifies and evaluates the true causes of accidents.
- Through the categorization of safety into the safety of three elements (vehicle, road, and road user), SS minimizes fatalities and injuries by controlling speeds and facilitating prompt emergency response. The model has been widely adopted since its introduction and is currently motivated by the WHO as a basis for road safety planning, policy-making, and enforcement

# 2.2 References

S.NO	TITLE OF THE PROJECT	ADVANTAGES	DISADVANTAGES	TECHNOLOGY USED
1	An IoT Architecture for Assessing Road Safety in Smart Cities	This system practices Safe system approach. This work offers a comprehensive, IoT-based architecture withthe objective of assessing the safety of the transportation road network.	In the context of raising driver awareness of the road safety conditions during their trips.	Trough the OBD-II, various real-time and diagnostic information can be accessed.  Telematics allows for such monitoring within the IoT/ITS context and is facilitated by several option and also by using dedicated sensors.
2	Road Safety Performance Associated with Improved TrafficSignal Design and Increased Signal Conspicuity	C-SVM shows very good performance, but v-SVM gives better resultsin some case.	There are several opportunities to expand the safety analysis, which will be completed and published at a later date.	Empirical Bayes analysis technique is used to account for the problematic confounding factors associated with road safety evaluation and ensure that the results are reliable.
3	Traffic and Road Sign Recognition	Four colour segmentation algorithms are developed and tested. They are a shadow and highlight invariant, a dynamic threshold, a modification of de la Escalera's algorithm anda Fuzzy colour segmentation algorithm. Approximately 97% successful segmentation rate was achieved.	The performance of the whole system in general and every individual step in particular together with failure analyses. The classifier performance and the parameters which could affect the classification rate.	Classification is undertaken using a Support Vector Machine(SVM) classifier.

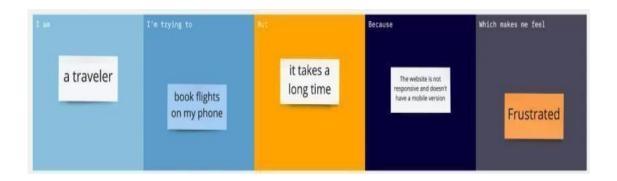
4	Reliable Smart Road Signs	The system provides a randomized detection strategy based on the distance between the decoder output and the received input, i.e., error rate.	It emphasize that sensor fusion where we collect information through several separate sources can lead to more resilient and robust systems. A network of smart vehicles can lead to more reliable traffic networks.	A future trend in intelligent transportation systems is "smart road signs" that incorporate smart codes on their surface to provide more detailed information to smart vehicles.
5	The Role of IoT for Smart Road Traffic Management System	It is a good strategy for overcoming the problem of centralized to a decentralized system. To observe human/driver activities in real-time inside the vehicle.	The DPoS algorithm proves only stake owners can be chosen as block producers, but the actual consensus occurs on the distributed PoA level.	Electronic message service provides up- to- date information about the road ahead to go through.
6	Communication system for Intelligent Road Signs network	The problems of security go way beyond simply determining whether a transponder is fitted to an emergency vehicle.	The disadvantage is that can anyone else who gains access to the network	The way of providing the end user with an accurate data regarding the current road conditions is one of the very important components in the area of Intelligent Transportation Systems (ITS).
7	Traffic Control Systems Used Worldwide	Cost efficient Analyse the problem in each part of the traffic system	Less Efficiency	Adaptive traffic signal controllers as the principles part of intelligent transportation systems have a primary role to effectively reduce traffic congestion by making a real time adaptation in response to the changing traffic network dynamics

8	Development of an	System helps to resolve	Energy consumption	The objective is to	
	IoT based real-time	the traffic in cities		provide real-time	
	traffic monitoring			traffic updates on	
	system for city			traffic congestion and	
	governance			unusual traffic	
				incidents through	
				roadside message	
				units.	
				The early-warning	
				messages will help	
				citizens to save their	
				time, especially	
				during peak hours.	
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## 2.3 Problem Statement Definition

- A problem statement is a concise description of an issue to be addressed or a condition to be improved upoS. NOn. It identifies the gap between the current(problem) state and desired (goal) state of a process or product. Focusing on the facts, the problem statement should be designed to address the Five Ws. The first condition of solving a problem is understanding the problem, which can be done by way of a problem statement
- In present Systems the road signs and the speed limits are Static. But the roadsigns can be changed in some cases. We can consider some cases when there are road diversions due to heavy traffic or due to accidents then we can change the road signs accordingly if they are digitalized. This project proposes a system that has digital signboards on which the signs can be changed dynamically. If there is rainfall then the roads will be slippery and

the speed limit would be decreased. There is a web app through which you can enter the data on road diversions, accident prone areas, and informationsign boards can be entered through the web app. This data is retrieved and displayed on the signboards according

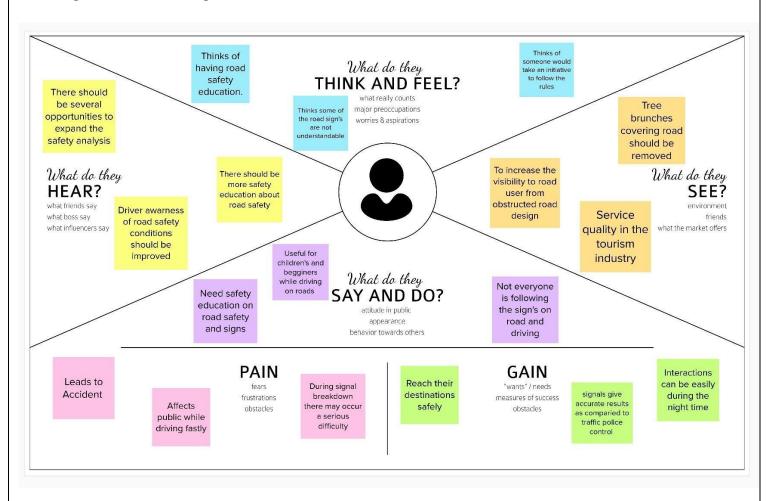


Problem	I am	I'm trying to	But	Because	Which
Statement	(Customer)				makes me
					feel
PS=1	Traffic	Direct the	Cannot able	Instruct them	To teach
	signals	people in	to instruct	manually, if	about road
		traffic	the people of	traffic signs	safety
			time	don't work	-
PS-2	Vehicles	Reach my	There occurs	People are	Not to travel
		destination	many	not following	outside
		safely	accident	traffic rules	

## 3.IDEATION AND PROPOSED SOLUTION

# 3.1 Empathy Map Canvas

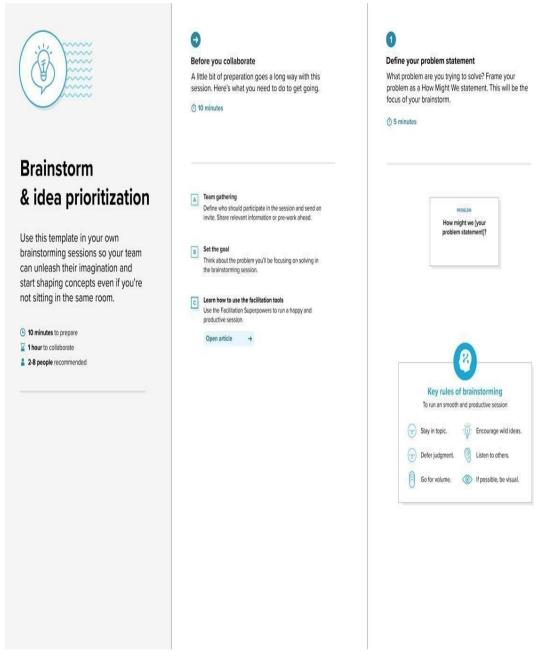
An empathy map is a simple, easy-to-digest visual that captures knowledge about a user's behavior and attitudes. It is a useful tool to helps teams better understand their users. Creating an effective solution requires understanding the true problem and the person who is experiencing it. The exercise of creating the map helps participants consider things from the user's perspective along with his or her goals and challenges.



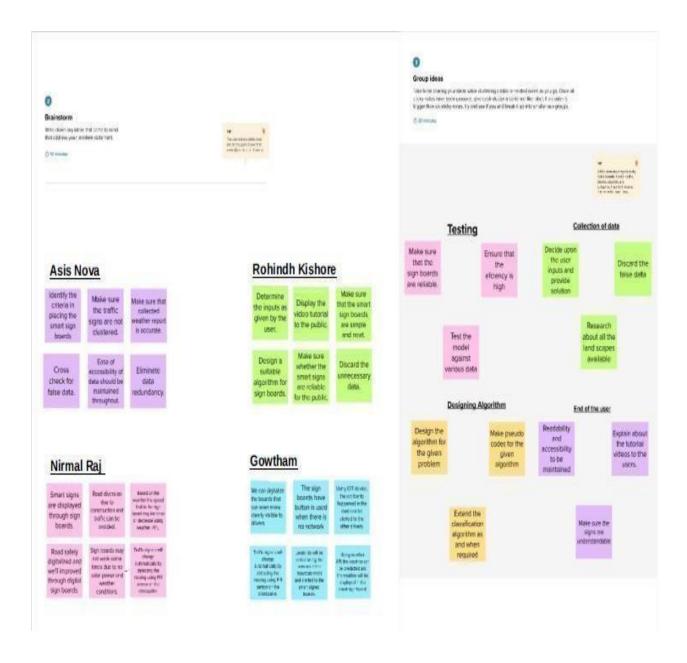
# 3.2 Ideation And Brainstorming

Brainstorming provides a free and open environment that encourages everyone within a team to participate in the creative thinking process that leads to problem solving. Prioritizing volume over value, out-of-the-box ideas are welcome and built upon, and all participants are encouraged to collaborate, helping each other develop a rich amount of creative solutions.

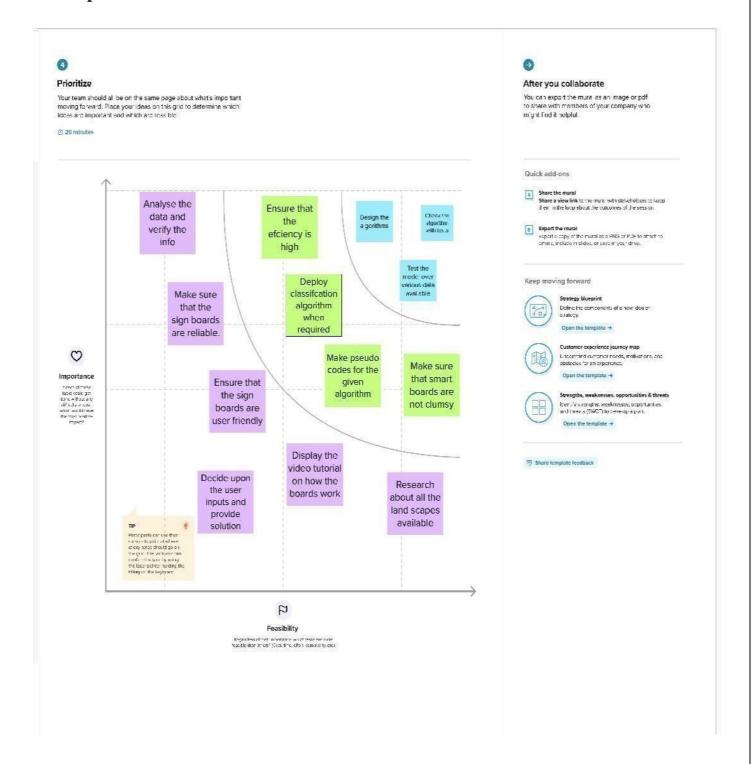
**Step-1: Team Gathering, Collaboration and Select the Problem Statement** 



# Step-2: Brainstorm, Idea Listing and Grouping



# **Step-3: Idea Prioritization**



# 3.3 Proposed Solution

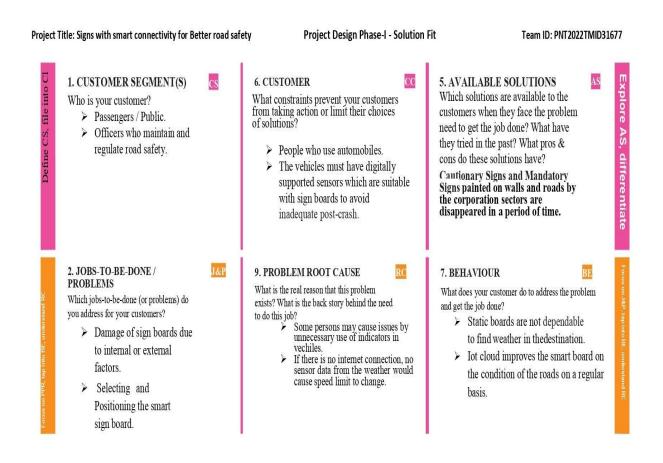
S. No	Parameter	Description
1.	Problem Statement (Problem to resolved)	Sign with Smart connectivity for better road safety provides knowledge about the drivers using IoT who do not have knowledge about traffic sign sand weather indications
2.	Idea / Solution description	Replacing the man-made painted sign into digital which is more visible compared to the current signs and also indicating weather in the same sign boards for drivers.
3.	Novelty / Uniqueness	Weather indication on sign boards should be unique which will help mostly the two wheelers from unfortunate heavy rains and winds. Digital traffic signs also educates the drivers to follow traffic rules
4.	Social Impact / Customer Satisfaction	It educates the people to know about traffic signs. They don't know about it, then it shows the digital signs and weather indication to avoid the Un necessary accidents.

5.	Business Model (Revenue Model)	This project can make revenue by selling as man equipment to the government sector and private sector
6.	Scalability of the Solution	To prevent and reduce the number of road related accidents and improve road safety.

## 3.4 Problem Solution fit

A complex process with numerous sub- processes, solution architecture connects business issues with technological solutions. the objectives are to

- Find the best technological solution to address current company issues.
- > Describe to the project & stakeholders the software's & structure, distinction, behavior, and other features.
- > Define the solution's requirements and concern, development stages, and features.
- > Specifications on how the solution is defined, maintained, and delivered should be provided.



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# 3. TRIGGERS

What triggers customers to act?

- People want to make their travel easier and safer .
- People are aware of the surroundings and traffic situations around them.

#### 4. EMOTIONS: BEFORE / AFTER

How do customers feel when they face a problem or a job and afterwards?

People will feel better after selecting a model with the use of smart connectivity and they will follow the instructions on the smart board

#### 10. YOUR SOLUTION

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If you are working on an existing business, write down your current solution first, fill in the canvas, and check how much it fits in reality.

If you are working on a new business proposition, then keep it blank until you fill in the canvas and come up with a solution that fits within customer limitations, solves a problem and matches customer behavior.

Connect the smart sign boards to access the applications provided by them such as confined speed limitations and weather predictions.

#### 8. CHANNELS of BEHAVIOUR

3.1 ONLINE

What kind of actions do customers take online?

- Video tutorial are used to educate the public about the smart sign board.
- ➤ The severance can get coordinate emails and messages from the customers

#### 8.2 OFFLINE

What kind of actions do customers take offline? Concern Authorities should give awareness programs to the public.

# 4. REQUIREMENT ANALYSIS

# 4.1 Functional requirement

Following are the functional requirements of the proposed solution:

FR	<b>Functional Requirement</b>	Sub Requirement (Story / Sub-Task)	
No.	(Epic)		
FR-1	User Registration	The registration can be done through a web application	
FR-2	User Need	It Must be fixed in where it is	
		needed and less in where it is not needed.	
FR-3	User Visibility	Sign boards should be attractive to the drivers so they can't distract to made accidents	
FR-4	User Understanding	It should display information with images and texts so that the user can understand the Easily.	
FR-5	User Convenience	The display should be clear and visible from far distance.	
FR-6	User Requirements	The signboards can be replaced with smart sign boards that has all needs.	

# **4.2 Non-Functional requirements**

Following are the non-functional requirements of the proposed solution:

FR	Non-Functional	Description
No.	Requirement	
NFR-1	Usability	It should be able to update whenever it
		required with respect to time
NFR-2	Security	It should be secure enough then only the
	-	intended messages will displayed properly
NFR-3	Reliability	It should be able to display the
	-	information correctly without making any
		errors.

NFR-4	Performance	The smart board should provide a better experience and deliver the accuracy output.
NFR-5	Availability	It should be available 24/7 so that it can be very useful to the users.
NFR-6	Scalability	Should be modular and hence able to scale on servers horizontally

# 5. PROJECT DESIGN

# **5.1 Data Flow Diagram**

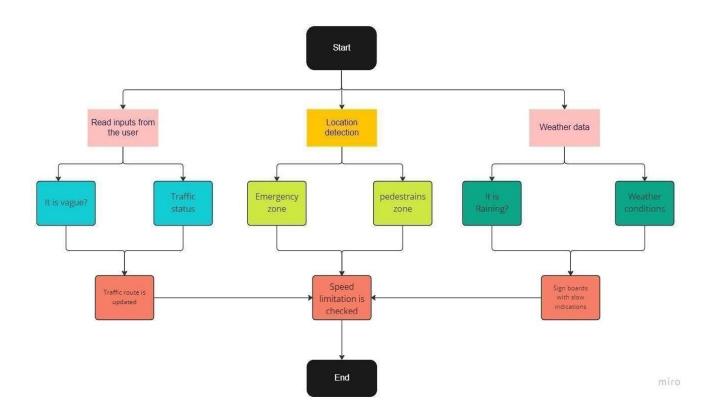


Fig: Data Flow Diagram

## 5.2 Solution & Technical Architecture

# a) Solution Architecture Diagram

Solution architecture is a complex process – with many sub-processes – that bridgesthe gap between business problems and technology solutions. Its goals are to:

- Find the best tech solution to solve existing business problems.
- Describe the structure, characteristics, behavior, and other aspects of thesoftware to project stakeholders.
- Define features, development phases, and solution requirements.
- Provide specifications according to which the solution is defined, managed, and delivered.

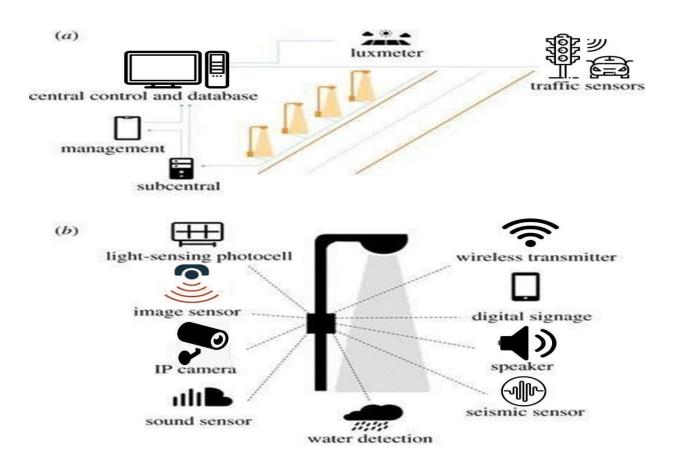


Fig: Architecture and dataflow for better road safety

# b) Technical Architecture

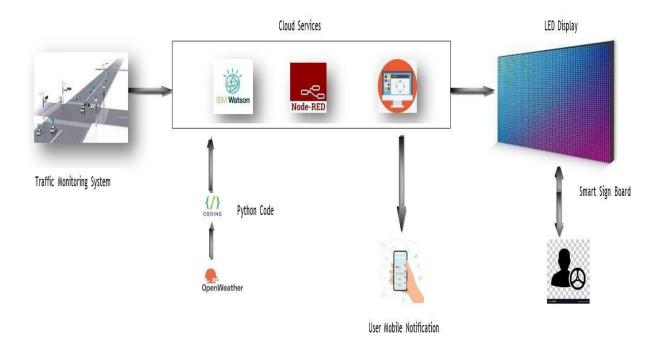


Fig: Technical Architecture

**Table 1: Application Characteristics** 

S.No	Characteristics	Description	Technology
1.	Security Implementations	Strong security system with Firewall, Implementations without login credentials Firebase, cyber and hackers are not allowed to enter the network.	Firewall, Firebase, cyber resiliency strategy
2.	Scalable Architecture	Easy to expand the operating range IoT, internet. Architecture by increasing thebandwidth of the network.	IoT, internet.
3.	Availability	Available anytime and everywhere IBM	IBM Cloud

		Cloud 24/7 as long as the user is signed into the network.	
4.	Performance	Supports a large number of users to IBM cloud access the technology simultaneously.	IBM Cloud

**Table 2: Components and Technologies** 

S.No	Component	Description	Technology
1.	User Interface	How user interacts with application e.g. Web UI, Mobile App, Chatbot etc.	HTML, CSS, JavaScript / AngularJs / React Js etc.
2.	Application Logic-1	Logic for a process in the application	Java / Python
3.	Application Logic-2	Logic for a process in the application	IBM Watson STT service
4.	Application Logic-3	Logic for a process in the application	IBM Watson Assistant
5.	Database	Data Type, Configurations etc.	MySQL, NoSQL, etc.
6.	Cloud Database	Database Service on Cloud	IBM DB2, IBM Cloudant etc.
7.	File Storage	File storage requirements	IBM Block Storage or Other Storage Service or Local Filesystem
8.	External API-1	Purpose of External API used in the application	IBM Weather API, etc.

# **5.3 User Stories**

User Type	Functional Requirement (Epic)	User Story Number	User Story / Task	Acceptance criteria	Priority	Release
Customer (Mobile user)	Registration	USN-1	I can get my speed limitation usingweather application.	I can receive speed limitations	High	Sprint-1
IoT devices	Automation	USN-2	As a user, I want to use IoT devices for automation purposes	Get the work done without manual effort	High	Sprint-2
Administrator	Problem solving	USN-3	As an official who is in charge for the proper functioning of the sign boards have to maintain it through periodic monitoring.	Officials can monitorthe sign boards for functioning	Medium	Sprint-2
Weather	Web app	USN-4	As a user, I can increase or decrease my speed according to the weather change	Get the weather of thatlocation	High	Sprint-1
User	Login	USN-5	As a user, I can log into the application by entering email & password	I can access the application	High	Sprint-1
Driver	Traffic status	USN-6	As a user, I can I get my traffic diversion signs depending on the traffic and the fatal situations.	I can access my trafficstatus ahead in my travel	Medium	Sprint-1
Customer (Web user)	Data generation	USN-7	As a user the interface should be simpleand easily accessible	I can access the data regarding the weather through the application	High	Sprint-1

Web UI	Interaction	USN-8	As a user, I want to interact with thedigital products	To interact with theusers	Medium	Sprint-2
Data validation	Checking accuracy	USN-9	As a user, I can check the ability and accuracy of the model in obtaining the required information	Check the capability of the model	High	Sprint-2

# 6. PROJECT PLANNING AND SCHEDULING

# **6.1 Sprint Planning And Estimation**

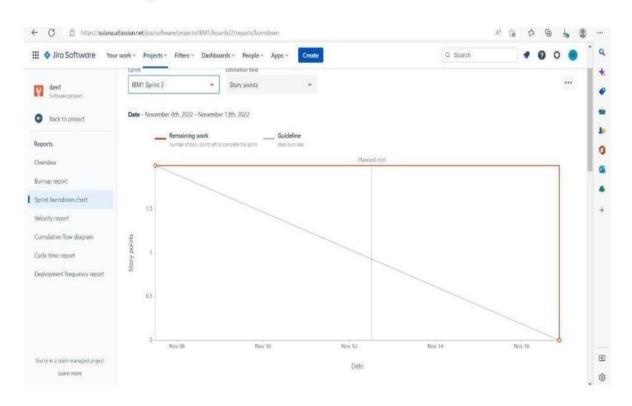
Sprint	Functional Requirement (Epic)	User Story Number	User Story / Task	Priorit y	Team Members
Sprint-1	Initialization and monitoring	USN-1	Initialize and create accounts in API and I log into theprofile and start monitoring the weather updates	Low	Rohindh Kishore Gowtham Nirmal Raj Asis Nova
Sprint-1	Software run	USN-2	Get the information about weather from API and runthe code that results for the inputs given about the weather and location	Mediu m	Rohindh Kishore Gowtham Nirmal Raj Asis Nova
Sprint-2	Sprint to cloud	USN-3	Update if any changes occurs in the status of signboard and move the code from Sprint1 to cloud	Mediu m	Rohindh Kishore Gowtham Nirmal Raj Asis Nova
Sprint-3	Initialization of hardware	USN-4	Initialize the hardware to access the functions like to slow down near schools and near hospitals to displayno horn	High	Rohindh Kishore Gowtham Nirmal Raj Asis Nova
Sprint-4	Debugging	USN-5	Debug the code and ensure the accuracy and efficiency to provide better results	Low	Rohindh Kishore Gowtham Nirmal Raj Asis Nova

# **6.2 Sprint Delivery Schedule**

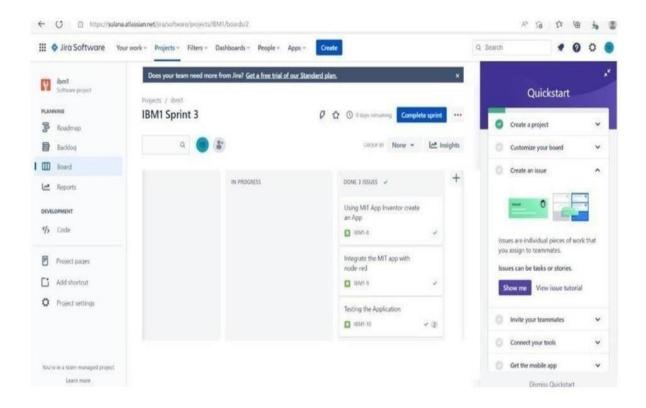
Sprint	Total Story Points	Duration	Sprint Start Date	Sprint End Date (Planned)	Sprint Release Date(Actual)
Sprint-1	20	6 Days	24 Oct 2022	29 Oct 2022	29 Oct 2022
Sprint-2	20	6 Days	31 Oct 2022	05 Nov 2022	31 Oct 2022
Sprint-3	20	6 Days	07 Nov 2022	12 Nov 2022	07 Oct 2022
Sprint-4	20	6 Days	14 Nov 2022	19 Nov 2022	14 Nov 2022

# 6.3 Reports from JIRA

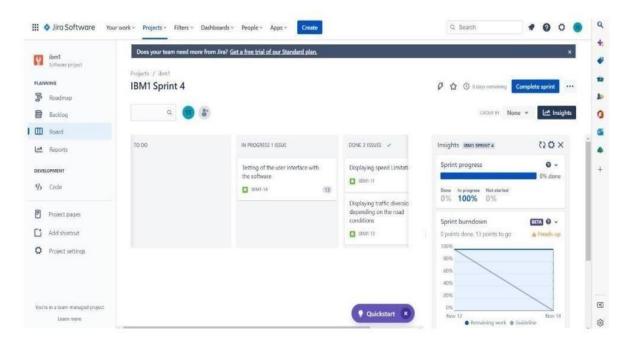
Burndown Chart for Sprint – 3:



# Sprint -3:



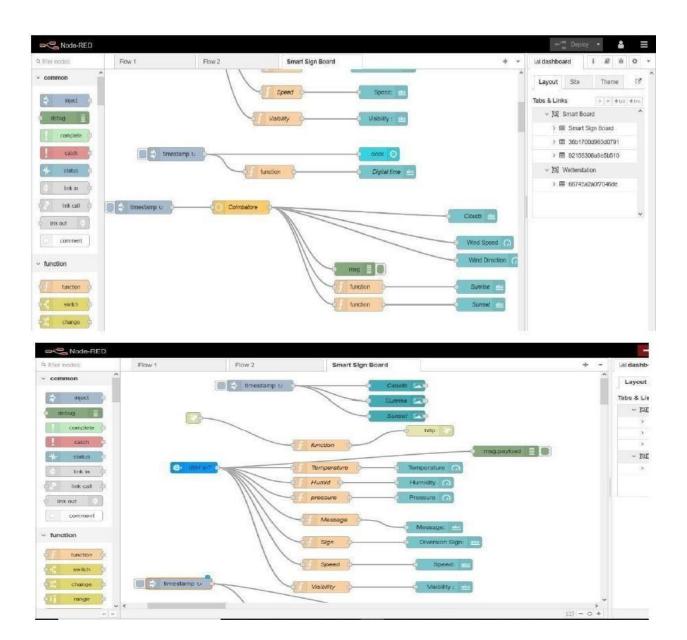
## Sprint - 4:



# 7. CODING AND SOLUTION

## 7.1 Feature 1

This part of Node RED flow accepts an http GET end point, from which the location, uid, info are passed. Message parser sets the required API KEY for OpenWeatherAPI for the next block. This data is then passed onto Decision Maker which makes all the decisions regarding the message to be output at the display and sends it as a http response. This data is displayed at the microcontroller. Thus a lot of battery is saved due to lesser processing time.



## **7.2 Feature 2**

# GET SPEED LIMITATIONS, MESSAGES, SIGNS

The Node RED flow obtains the data published to the cloud such as speed limitations, messages such as warnings about the zones (schools, hospitals, police stations), signs such as diversions, U- turns etc, and displays them in the dashboard

## 8. TESTING

#### 8.1 Test Cases

## • TEST CASE 1

Temperature': 303.03, 'Humidity': 51, 'Pressure': 1010, 'Message': 'SLOW DOWN, SCHOOL IS NEAR', 'Sign': ", 'Speed': ", 'Visibility': 'Clear Weather'

## • TEST CASE 2

Temperature': 303.03, 'Humidity': 51, 'Pressure': 1010, 'Message': ", 'Sign': 'Left Diversion

<-', 'Speed': 'SLOW DOWN , Speed Limit Exceeded', 'Visibility': 'Clear Weather'

## • TEST CASE 3

Temperature': 303.03, 'Humidity': 51, 'Pressure': 1010, 'Message': 'SLOW DOWN, HOSPITAL NEARBY', 'Sign': 'Left Diversion <-', 'Speed': ", 'Visibility': 'Clear Weather'

## • TEST CASE 4

Temperature': 303.03, 'Humidity': 51, 'Pressure': 1010, 'Message': 'NEED HELP, POLICE STATION NEARBY', 'Sign': 'U Turn', 'Speed': 'Moderate Speed', 'Visibility': 'Clear Weather'.

# 8.2 User Acceptance Testing

Dynamic speed & diversion variations based on the weather and traffic helps user to avoid traffic and have a safe journey home. The users would welcome this idea to be implemented everywhere.

## 9. RESULTS

## 9.1 Performance Metrics

The performance of the website varies based on the software chosen for implementation. Built upon NodeJS, a light and high performance engine, NodeRED is capable of handling upto 10,000 requests per second. Moreover, since the system is horizontally scalable, a even higher demand of customers can be served.

## 10. ADVANTAGES AND DISADVANTAGES

## ADVANTAGES

- Lower battery consumption since processing is done mostly by Node RED servers in the cloud.
- Cheaper and low requirement micro controllers can be used since processing requirements are reduced.
- Longer lasting systems.
- Dynamic Sign updation.
- School/Hospital Zone alerts

## DISADVANTAGES

- The size of the display determines the requirement of the micro controller
- Dependent on OpenWeatherAPI and hence the speed reduction is same for a large area in the scale of cities.

## 11. CONCLUSION

Our project aims to change the classic static traffic signals into dynamic, which can reduce the occurrence of accidents in many public places. The system is build so as to facilitate the risk of life threatening due to accidents and to discipline the traffic rules.

## 12. FUTURE SCOPE

- Introduction of intelligent road sign groups in real life scenarios could have great impact on increasing the driving safety by providing the end-user with the most accurate information regarding the current road and traffic conditions.
- Even displaying the information of a suggested driving speed and road surface condition (temperature, icy, wet or dry surface) could result in smoother traffic flows and, what is more important, in increasing a driver's awareness of the road situation.

## 13. APPENDIX

#### 13.1 Source Code

```
import wiotp.sdk.device
import time
import random
import requests, ison
myConfig = {
    "identity": {
    "orgId": "ojfcbe",
   "typeId": "sulan",
    "deviceId":"1234"
},
"auth": {
    "token": "RsCA-twpue)2)c8j&r"
}}
def myCommandCallback(cmd):
print("Message received from IBM IoT Platform: %s" % cmd.data['command'])
m=cmd.data['command']
client = wiotp.sdk.device.DeviceClient(config=myConfig, logHandlers=None)
client.connect()
BASE_URL = <a href="https://api.openweathermap.org/data/2.5/weather?">https://api.openweathermap.org/data/2.5/weather?</a>
CITY = "Coimbatore"
URL=BASE_URL+"q="+"Coimbatore"+"&appid="+"fbcb52a2a6c7bbea1396de2b6b17ea
```

```
while True:
     response = requests.get(URL)
     if response.status_code == 200:
            data = response.json()
           main = data['main']
            temperature = main['temp']
           humidity = main['humidity']
           pressure = main['pressure']
           report = data['visibility']
            repo=random.randint(0,5)
            if repo == 1:
                 prt="SLOW DOWN, SCHOOL IS NEAR"
            elif repo==3:
                 prt="SLOW DOWN, HOSPITAL NEARBY"
            elif repo==5:
                 prt="NEED HELP, POLICE STATION NEARBY"
            else:
                  prt=""
           speed=random.randint(0,150)
           if speed>=100:
                  prt3="SLOW DOWN, Speed Limit Exceeded"
           elif speed>=60 and speed<100:
                 prt3="Moderate Speed"
            else:
                 prt3="Usual speed limit"
            sign=random.randint(0,5)
            if sign==1:
                 prt2="Right Diversion ->"
            elif sign==3:
                 prt2="Left Diversion <-"</pre>
            elif sign==5:
                 prt2="U Turn"
            else:
                 prt2=""
           if temperature<=50:
```

```
prt4="Fog Ahead, Drive Slow"
          else:
                prt4="Clear Weather"
   else:
       print("Error in the HTTP request")
       myData={
          'Temperature':temperature,
         'Humidity':humidity,
         'Pressure':pressure,
         'Message':prt,
          'Sign':prt2,
          'Speed':prt3,
          'Visibility':prt4
     client.publishEvent(eventId="status",msgFormat="json",data=myData, qos=0,
onPublish=None)
print("Published data Successfully: %s",myData)
client.commandCallback = myCommandCallback time.sleep(5)
client.disconnect()
```

# 13.2 GitHub And Project Demo Link

a) GitHub

https://github.com/IBM-EPBL/IBM-Project-47119-1660796618

b) Project Demo Link

https://drive.google.com/file/d/11j7J40dAfTFKhinvhIvtY5mOndAPQmXP/view?usp=drivesdk