

**MACHINE LEARNING BASED AUTOMATED CONSTRUCTION
PLANNING SYSTEM FOR SRI LANKA**

Group ID: RPJ_24-25J-201

Research Logbook

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The supervisor/s should certify the proposal report with the following declaration.
The above candidates are carrying out research for the undergraduate Dissertation under my supervision.

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Signature of the Supervisor
(Mr. N.H.P. Ravi Supunya Swarnakantha)

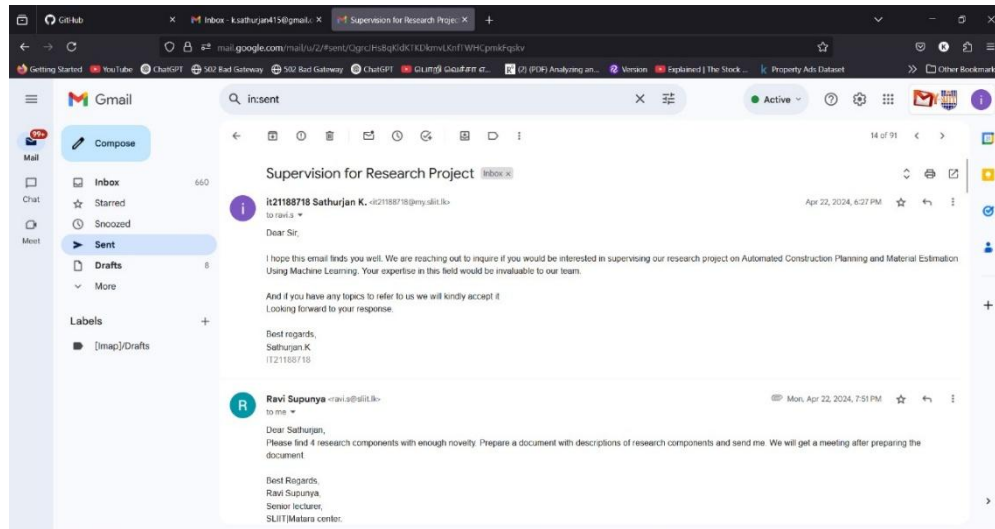
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Signature of the Co-Supervisor
(Dr. Dharshana Kasthurirathna)

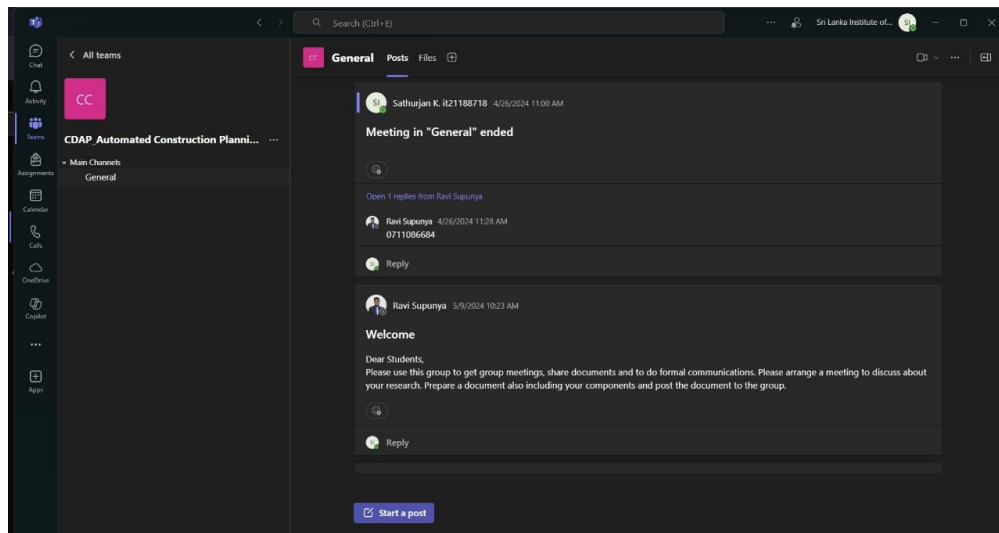
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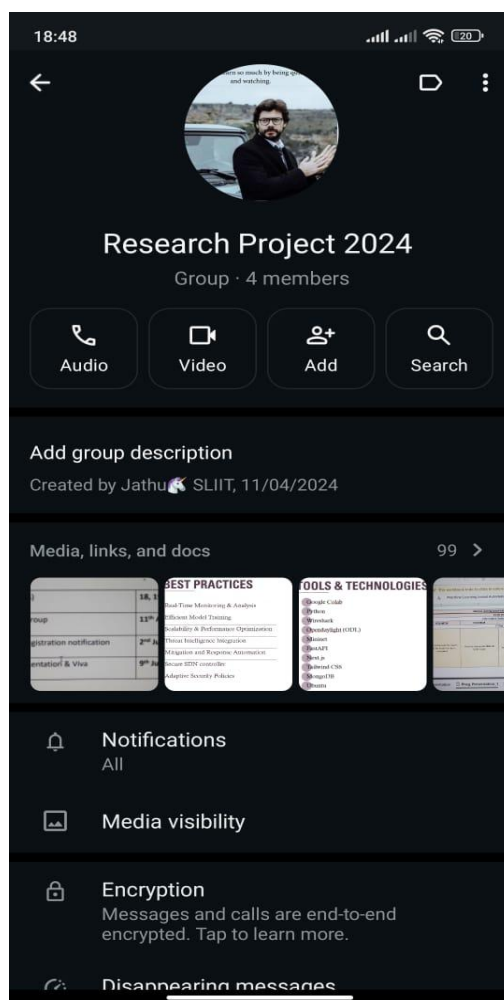
- ❖ Supervisor accept the Topic through the mail and check the send the details about topic.



- ❖ Meeting with the supervisor to discuss the project topic for the first time.
 - Meet the supervisor online.
 - Discuss the research project topic area.
 - Get the supervisor's ideas about the research topic.

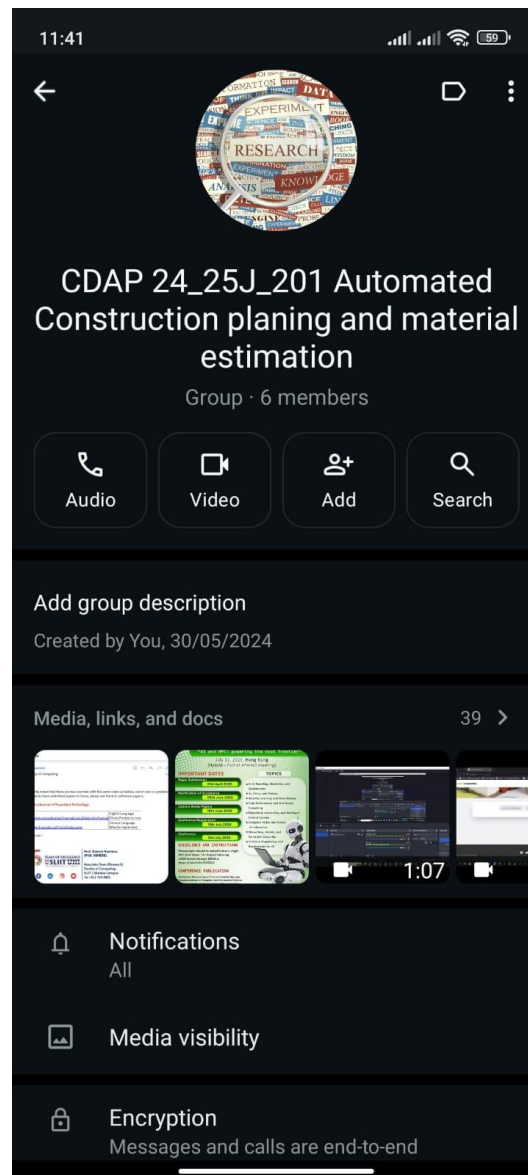


❖ Created separate WhatsApp Group for Conversation with team members.



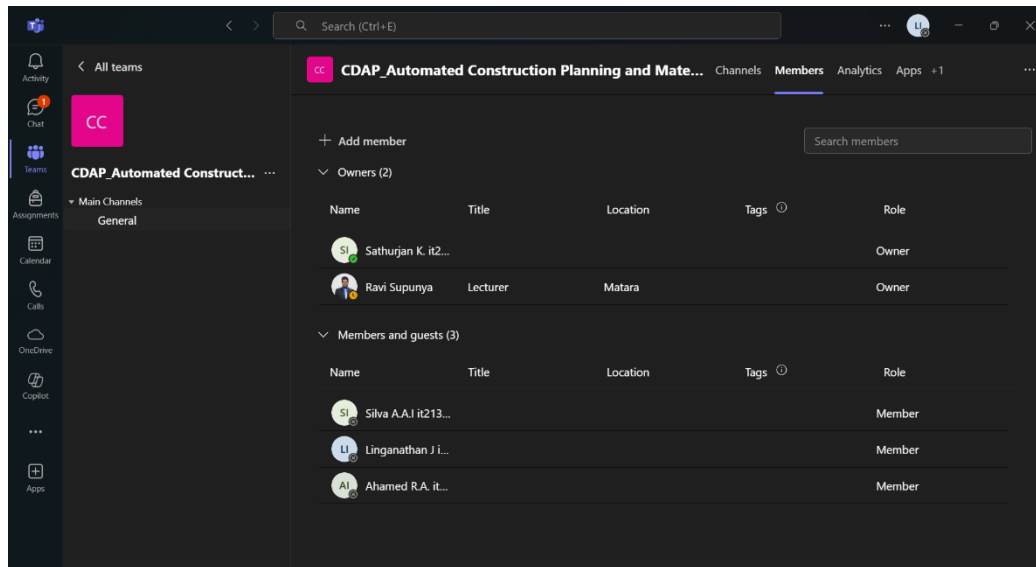
❖ Created the Research Team WhatsApp Group.

- Discuss the research topic with team members.
- Discuss the research problem.
- Get the solution ideas with brainstorming sessions.
- Identify the main solutions.
- Assign tasks and conversation highlights.



❖ Created a separate MS Teams channel with Supervisor conversation.

- Assign tasks and conversation highlights.
- Completed task and conversation highlights.



❖ Completed Task and Conversation Highlights

- Contacting Mr.Supunya Swarnakantha and Dr.Dharshana Kasthurirathna regarding the research topic.
- Writing a literature survey about the topic as requested by Mr.Supunya Swarnakantha.
- Narrowing of the scope as suggested by the Supervisor and Co-Supervisor.
- Submit proposal draft document.
- Changing the draft submission upon the advice of the supervisor.
- Accepting the proposal document.

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After the TAF Submission , We received our research project panel feedback with minor changes. According to the feedback given by the panel to TAF, we changed it, obtained supervisor and co-supervisor signature and submitted it before the due date.

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✓ **Project proposal individual report**
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Create an individual Project Charter Report for adding overall Project details with research gap in our components

❖ Completed Task and Conversation highlights.

- Creating the proposal document at supervisor request.
- Doing a literature review upon supervisor request.

1.4 Research Problem

The construction and real property sectors in Sri Lanka face significant inefficiencies due to guide approaches, previous methodologies, and terrible communication, main to delays, fee overruns, and faulty predictions. These challenges are specifically reported in 4 key regions, which these studies goals to deal with:

First off when picking out solar panels, folks don't have the right gear to figure out the best ones based on how big their land is where it's at, or the weather around them. This makes it hard to get the kind of energy setup that does the job well. The stuff out there now, from references isn't cutting it because it doesn't give advice that considers Sri Lanka's hot and wet weather, with all its rainy seasons and sticky air messing with how well solar panels do their thing.

Second, folks dealing with property in Colombo find it tough to guess prices right because they change so much. The old way of doing things just isn't cutting it, with all the different types of houses and places making it even harder to nail down the best moves for putting your money into property. The current ways—stuff from sources just isn't built for the ups and downs of Sri Lanka's money scene so the price guesses they make aren't too solid.

As for the third bit figuring out how much it's going to cost to build stuff is super tricky. The way people do it now just doesn't factor in all the changing prices for stuff you need, like materials and people to do the work. In Sri Lanka, the cash situation is all over the place so not getting this right means you could end up spending way more than you thought. The tools folks have right now, those things from just can't keep up with all the changes as they happen, and that's just making everything worse.

In the end, teaming up on interior design projects hits a snag when clients and designers don't speak the same language about tech stuff. Clients can't get their technical tastes across, which messes things up and slows everything down. The platforms out there, like numbers 16 to 20, haven't got the high-tech AI needed to fix this problem. So, the design workflow in Sri Lanka isn't as smooth or happy as it could

These challenges are combined by Sri Lanka's unique socio-economic and environmental context, which fails to address the existing systems widely. Economic instability, such as inflation rate in recent years, directly affects the price of material costs and real estate, though most ML models are not designed to control such instability. Similarly, with tropical climates, with its rain and moisture, affects the efficiency and timelines of the solar panel, but solar recommendation systems are rarely responsible for these factors in terms of Sri Lanka.

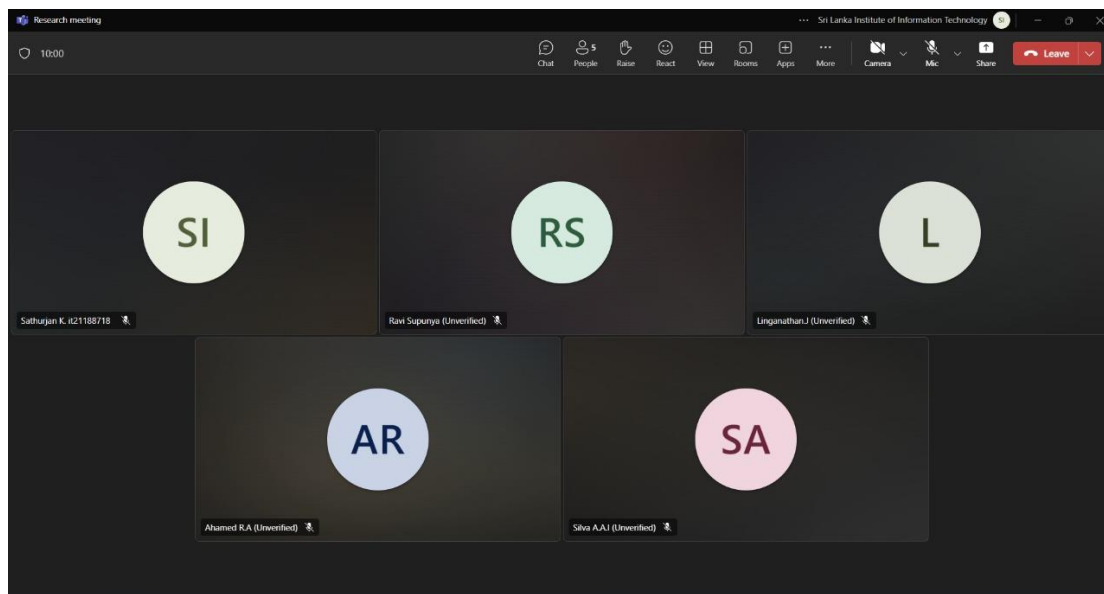
Moreover, lack of integration in these fields creates a fragmented approach to construction planning. For example, the decision to install solar panels affects construction costs, though

❖ Proposed Solar Panel Recommendation and Cost Estimation System.

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<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The main purpose of the Solar Panel Cost Estimation system is to help users calculate the total cost of installing a solar energy system based on their energy needs and available land area.• This system uses algorithms like linear regression and clustering to estimate the cost of solar panels, inverters, and other components.• It provides an affordable and efficient configuration by analyzing the user's input and current market prices.• Technology considers energy consumption, land size, and material costs to generate the most cost-effective solution.• Here are the steps for Cost Estimation,• User inputs land area and expected energy usage.• System calculates the number of panels and required components.• Market prices are used to estimate total installation cost.• A full cost report is generated and shared with the user.• Overall, this component ensures that users receive accurate and budget-friendly recommendations to adopt solar energy confidently.	

❖ Completed Task and Conversation Highlights.

- Determining the components for each member and discussing with the Supervisor.
- Fine tuning the scope for each component.
- Discussing the proposed components with Supervisor.



❖ Completed Task and Conversation Highlights.

- Find the Related research paper for individual Solar Panel Recommendation Cost Estimation Component.
- Get a full idea of each research paper.
- Mark down the not covering Solar Panel Recommendation Cost Estimation areas in these research papers.
- Identify the novelty parts of each individual component.
- Creating the Topic Assignment Form (TAF)
- Getting the approval from the Supervisor.



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Topic Assessment Form

Project ID:

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1. Topic (12 words max)

Machine Learning based Automated Construction Planning system for Sri Lanka

2. Research group the project belongs to

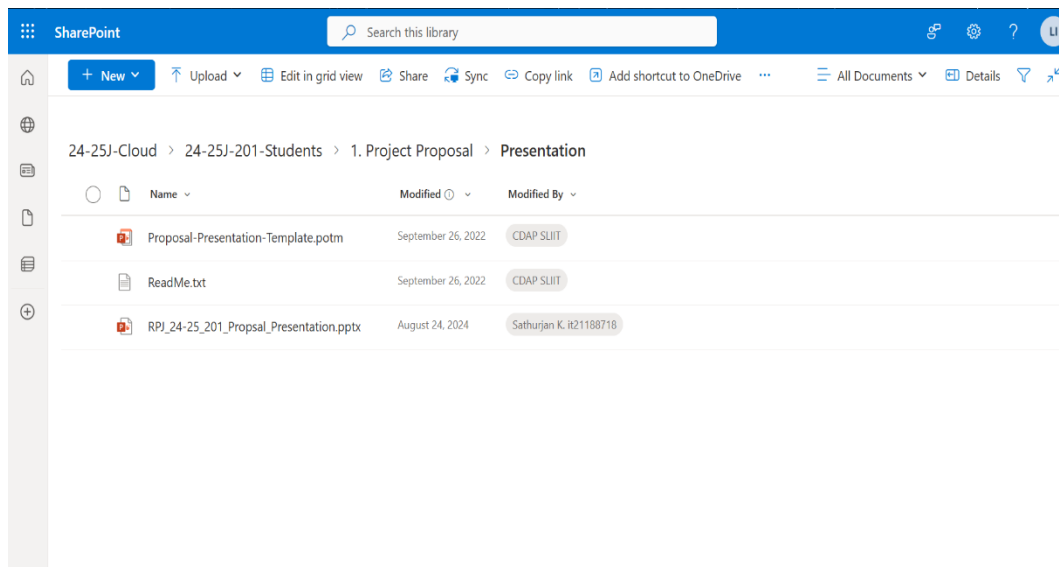
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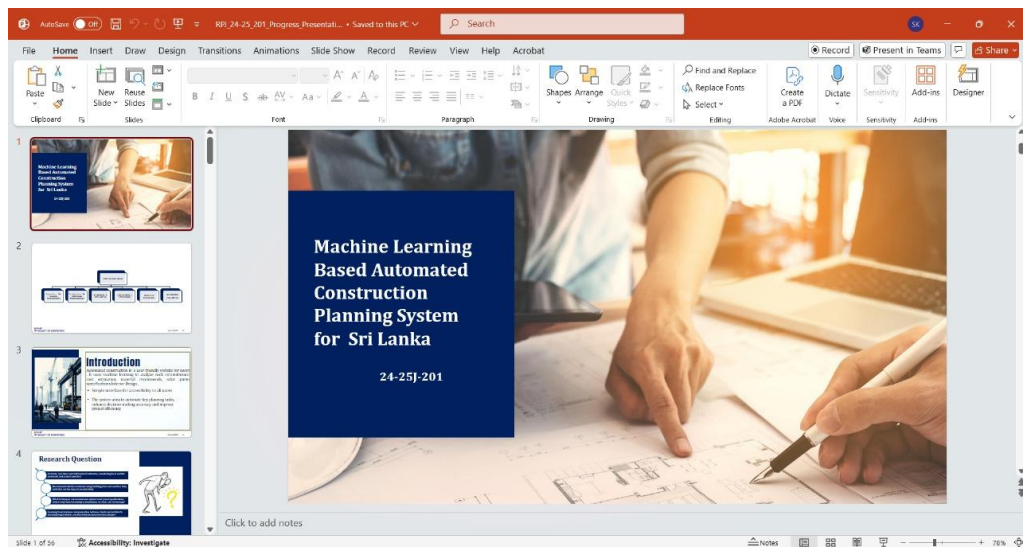
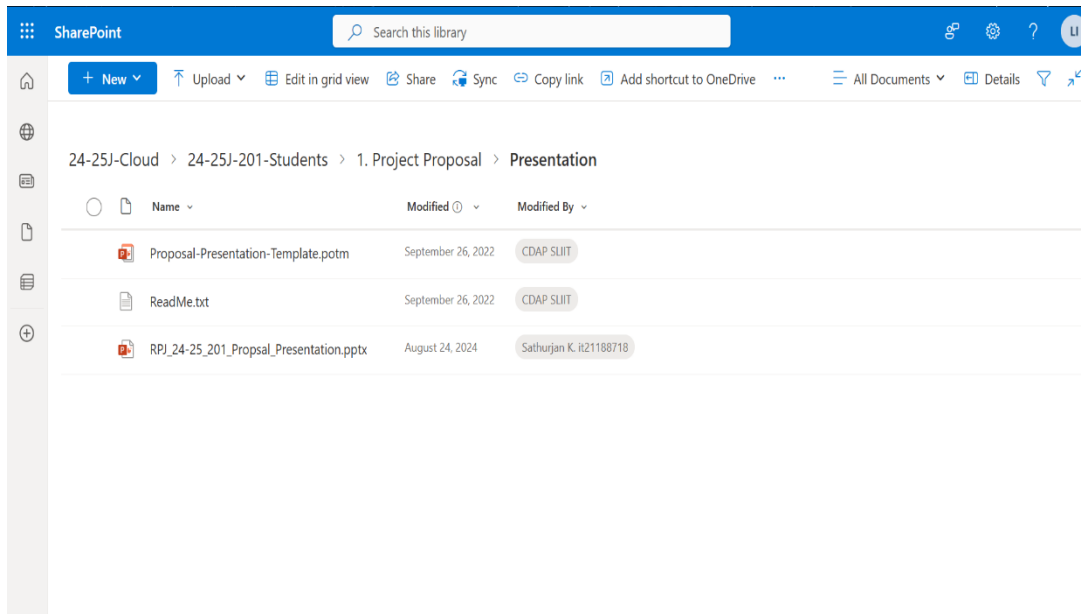
3. Research area the project belongs to

ICT for Development (ICTD)

❖ Complete Task and Conversation Highlights.

- Finalizing the components and getting ready for the progress presentation.
- Discussion the project with the supervisor before the proposal presentation.





❖ Complete Task and Conversation Highlights

- Reading research papers related to time series prediction.
- Reading documentation of Solar Panel Recommendation cost estimation and understanding which data set could be taken.
- Developing different models for time series prediction.

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Implement Solar panel Recommendation Cost estimation Part

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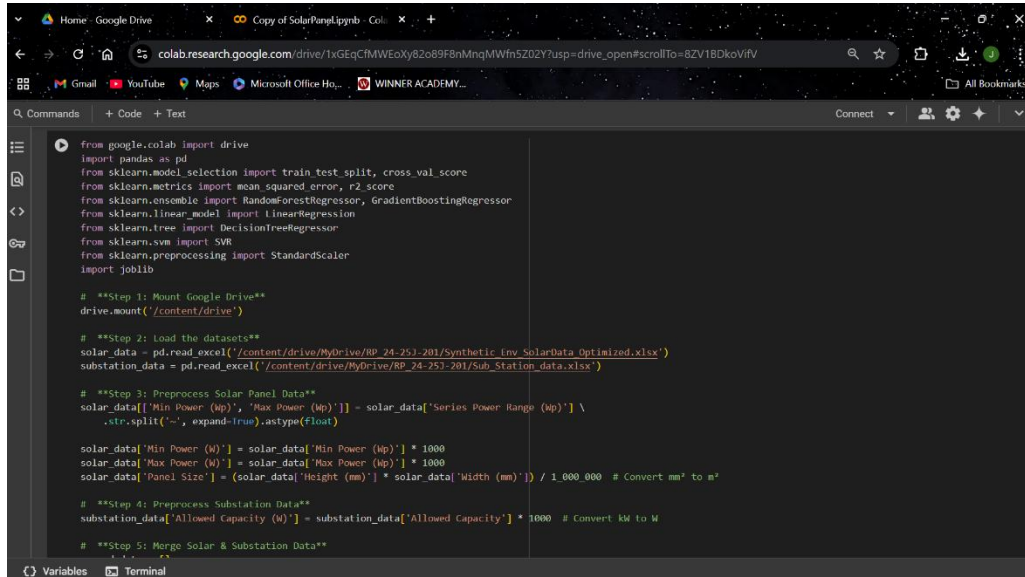
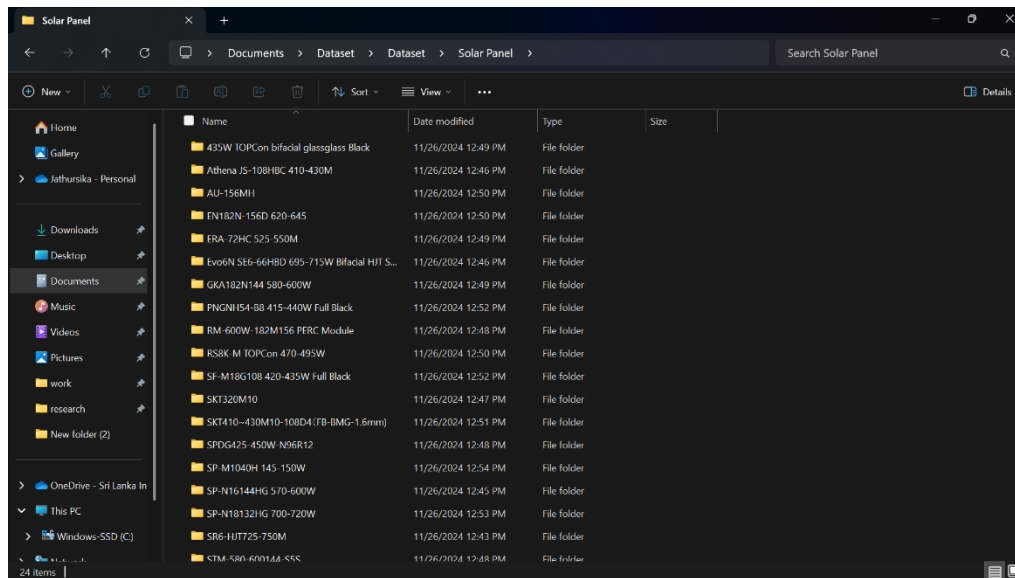
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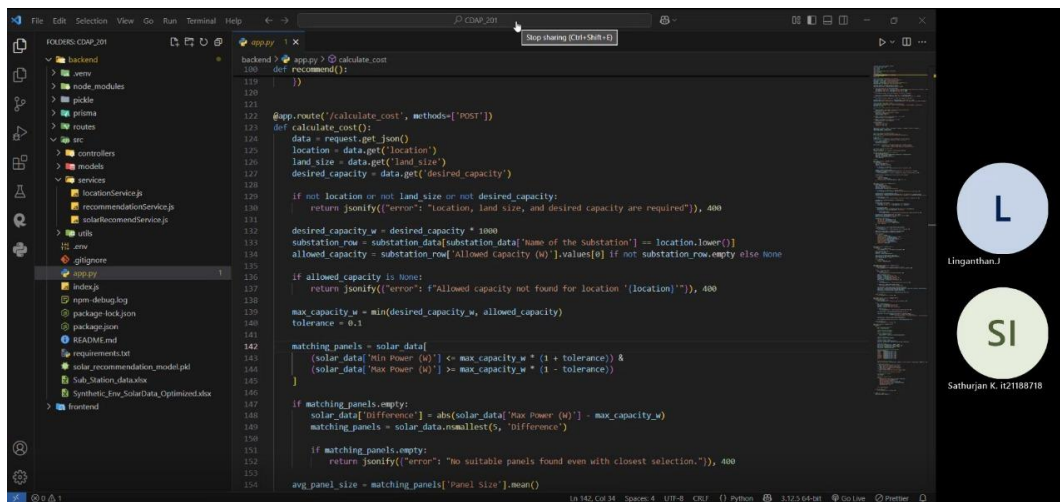
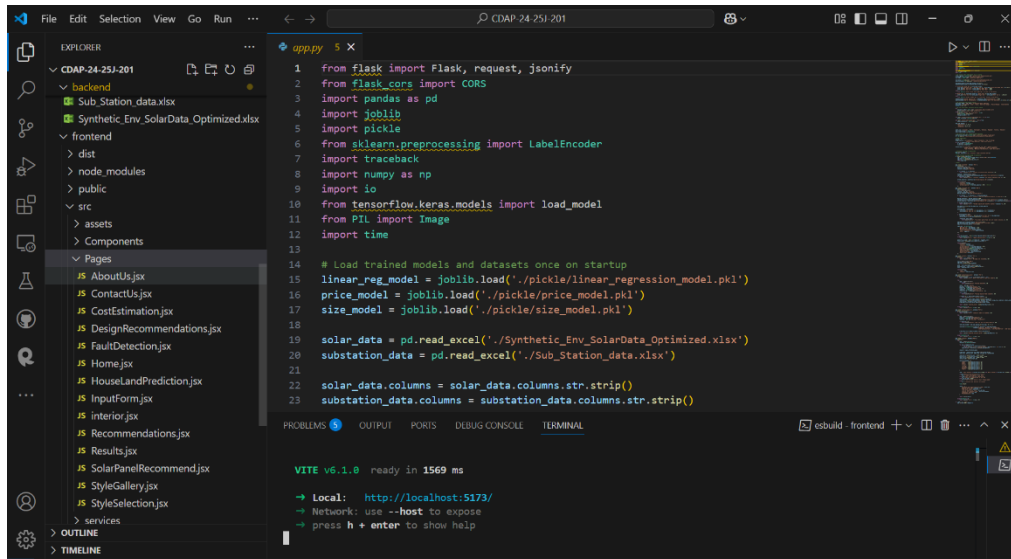
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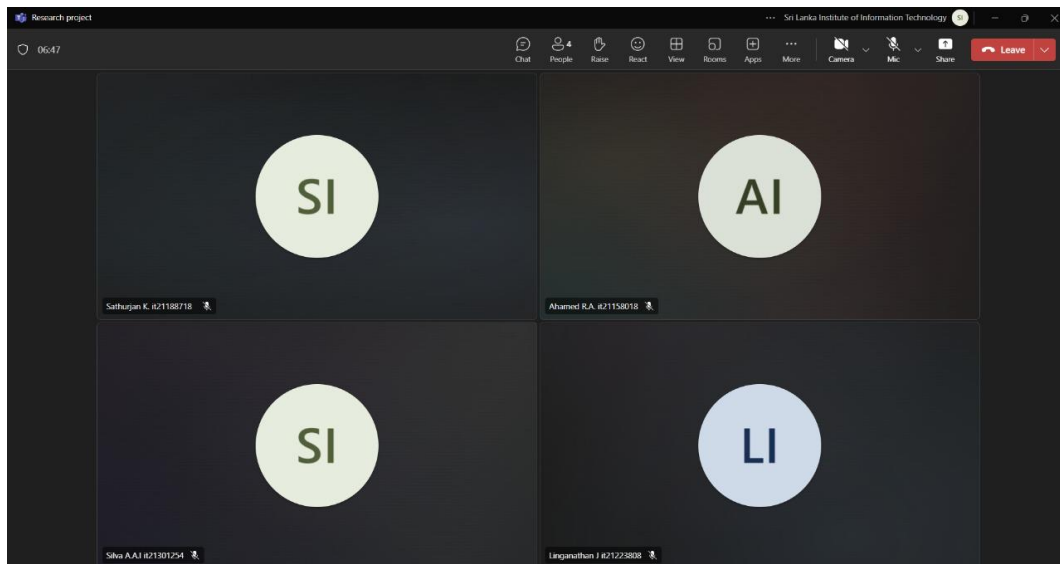
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- Finding the sample dataset until Solar system develop.
- Discussing with the supervisor the potential model and its accuracy and which model we should proceed with for the prediction.

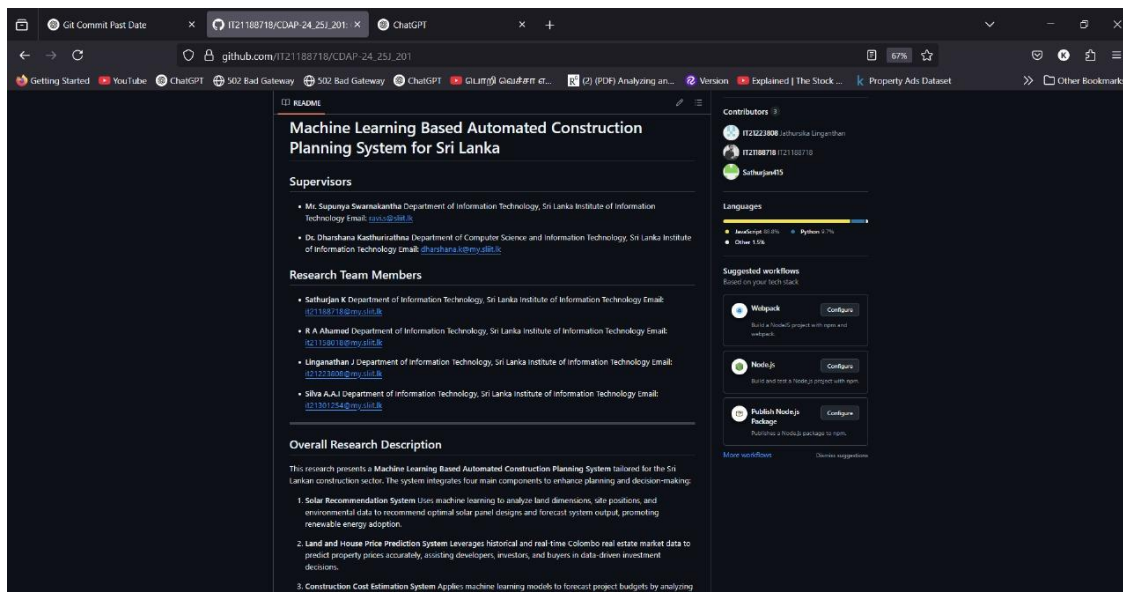
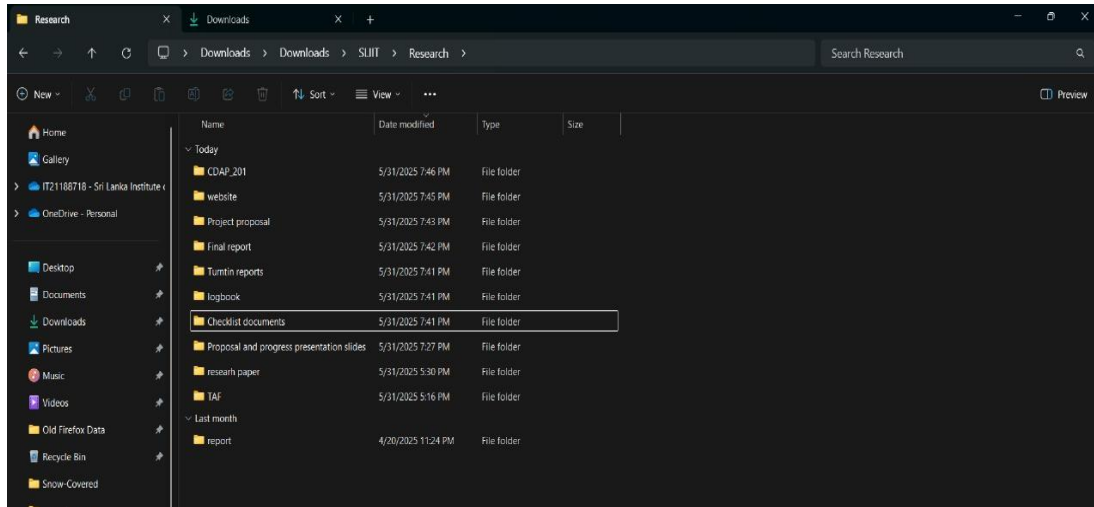






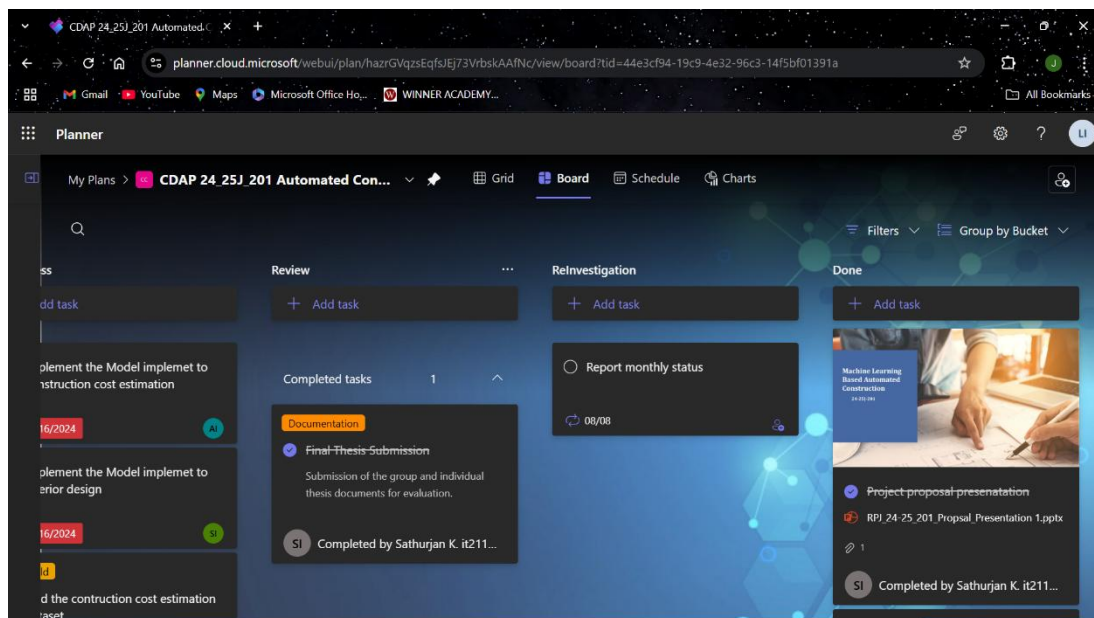
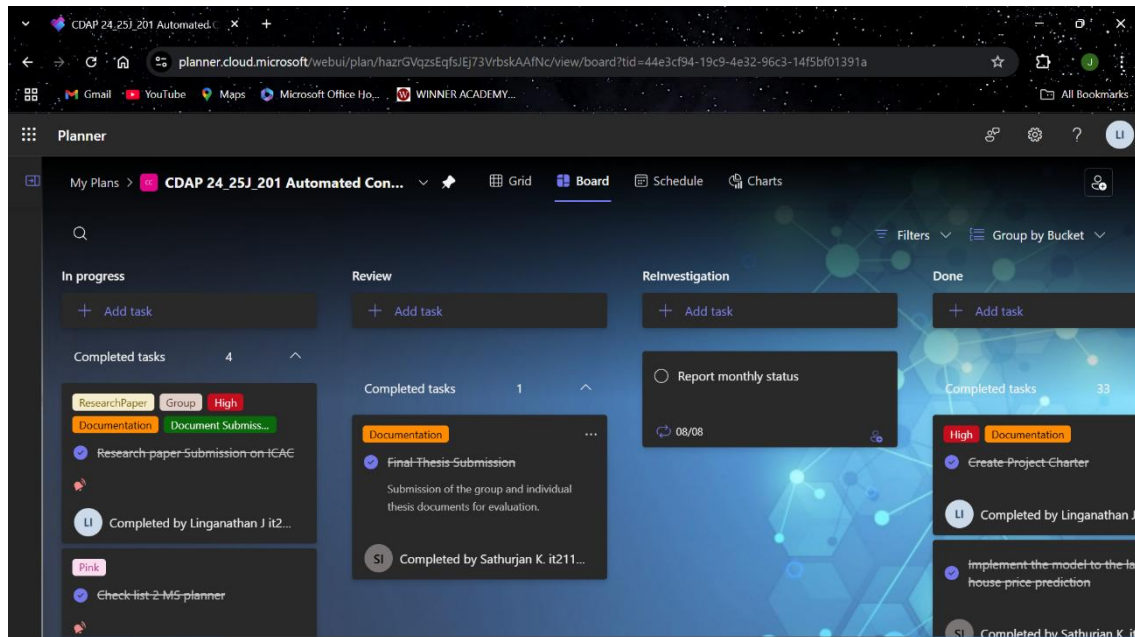
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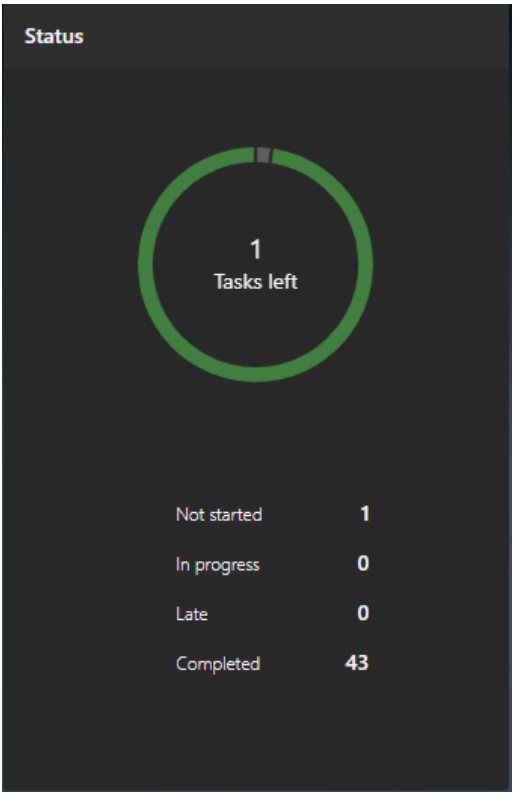
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- Adding the readme files, configuration files and setup instructions for the project.
- Initializing the startup scripts.

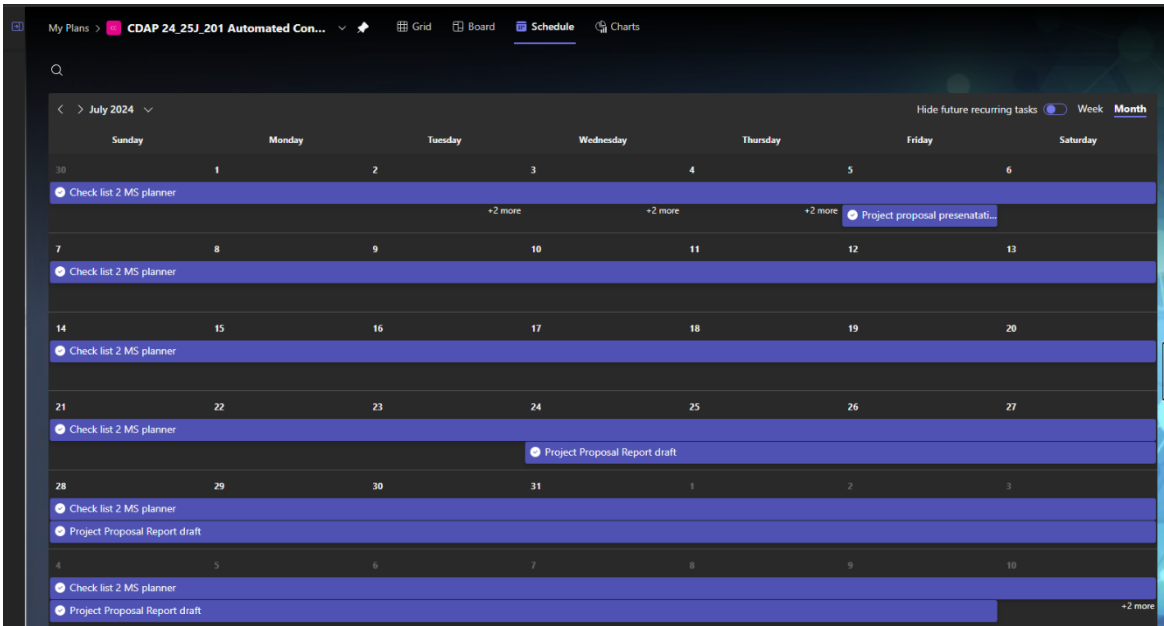
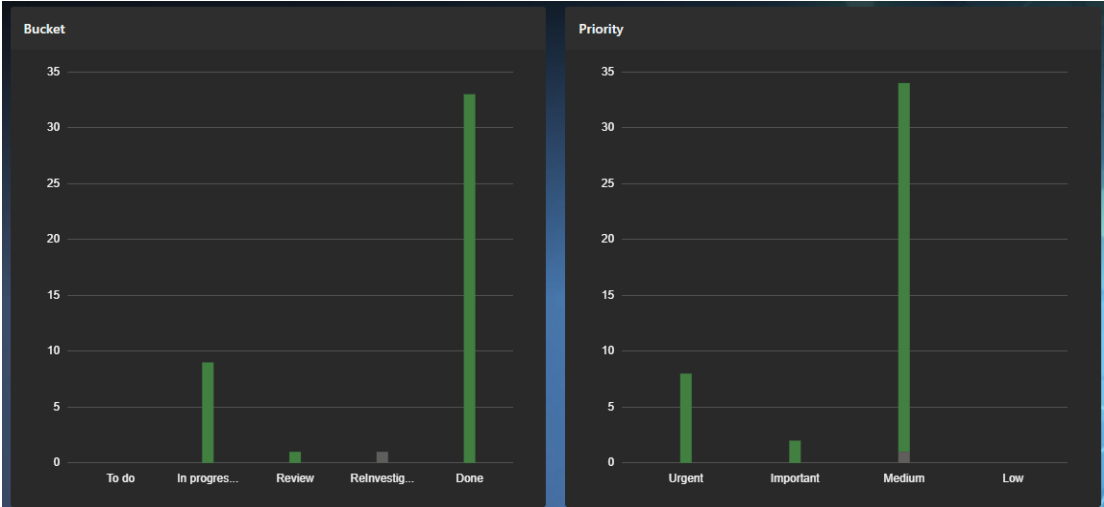


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- Meeting with the research team and deciding the implementation milestone on Microsoft planner.
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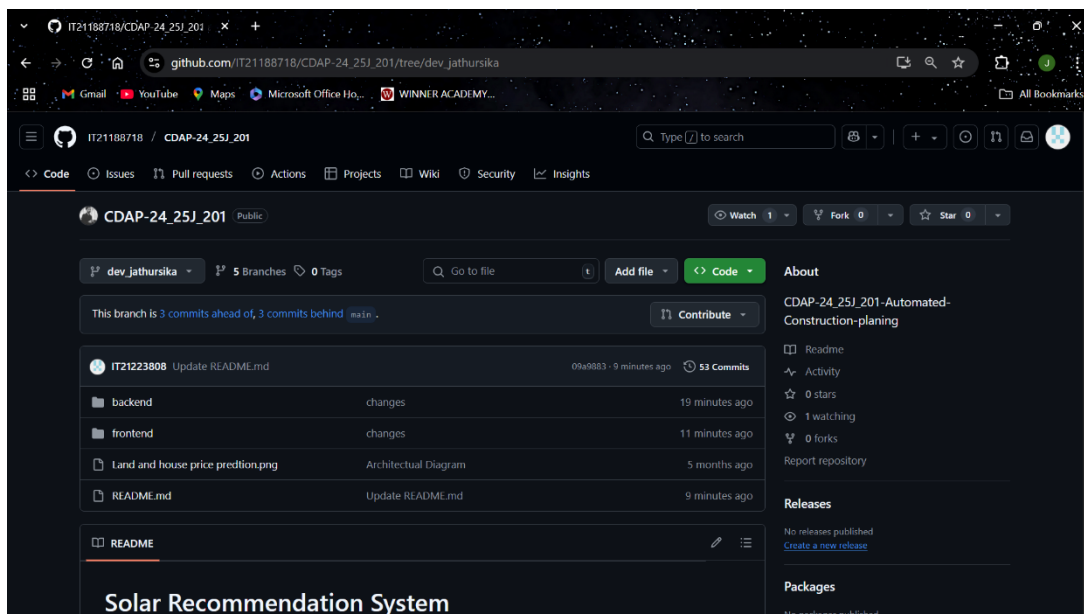






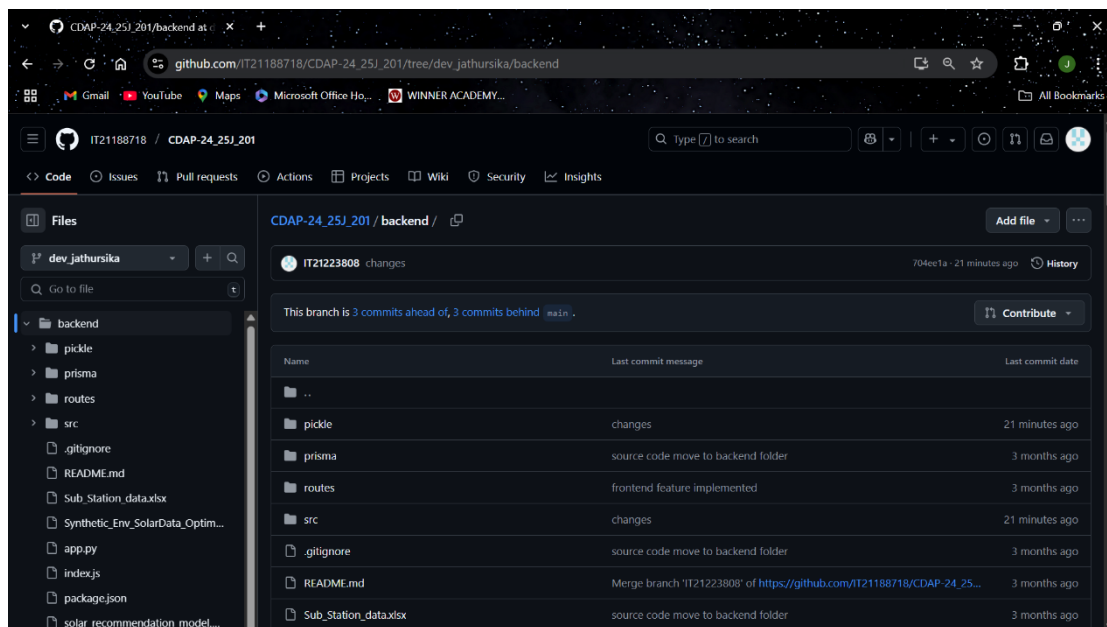
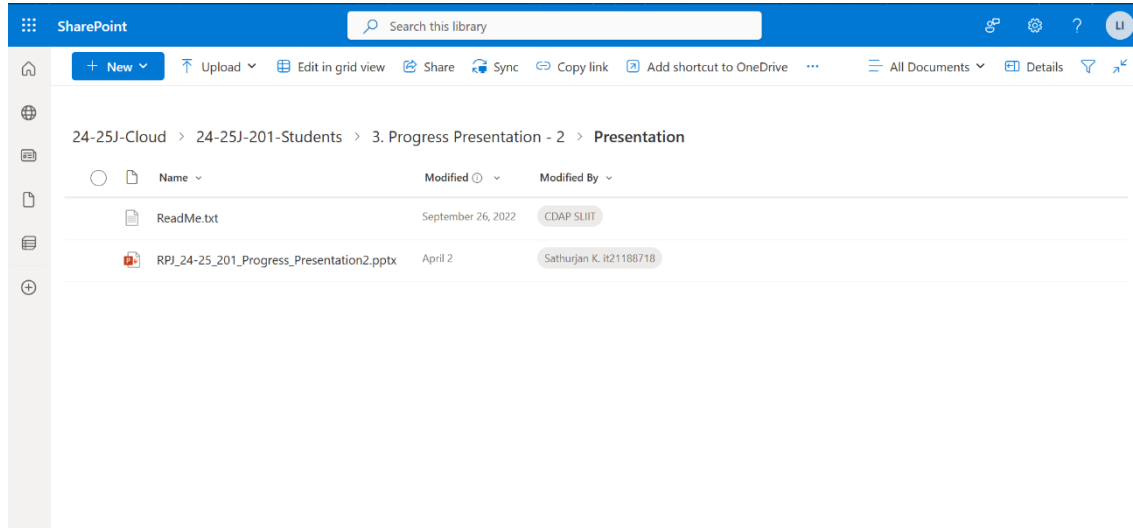
❖ Completed Tasks and Conversation Highlights

- Prepare for Progress Presentation 1 (PP1).
- Creating the presentation.
- Finalizing the GitLab Projects.
- Communication with the supervisor after finalizing the project.



❖ Completed Task and Conversation Highlights

- Prepare for Progress Presentation 2 (PP2).
- Creating the presentation.
- Finalizing the GitHub Projects.
- Communication with the supervisor after finalizing the project.



❖ Completed Task and Conversation Highlights

- Started writing the research paper.
- Exploring Mendeley tool.
- Exploring the IEEE standards and word tools.
- Communicating with supervisor and getting the supervisor feedback.
- Attending Prof. Dasuni Nawinna's Session on how to write a good research paper.
- Writing 3 separate research papers for

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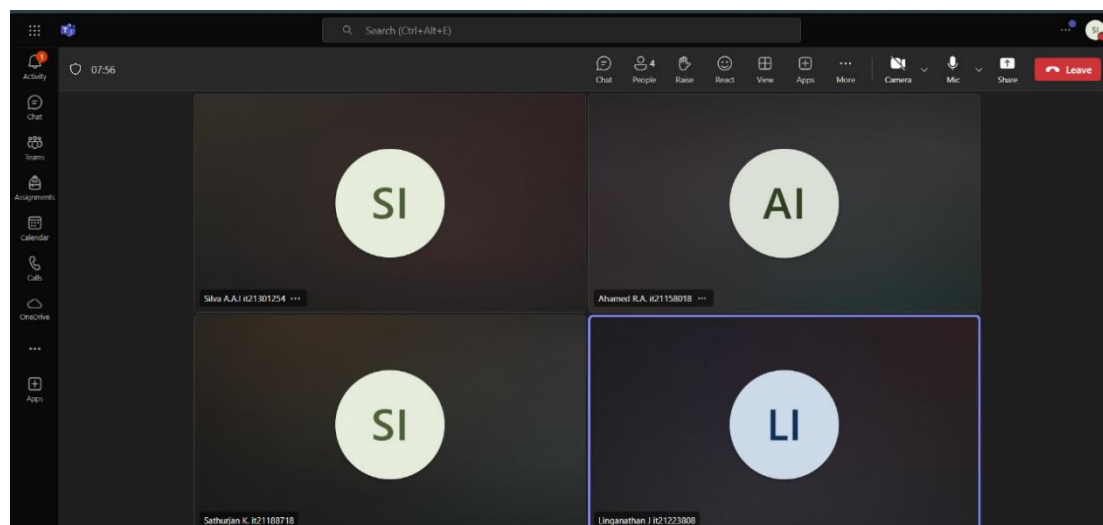
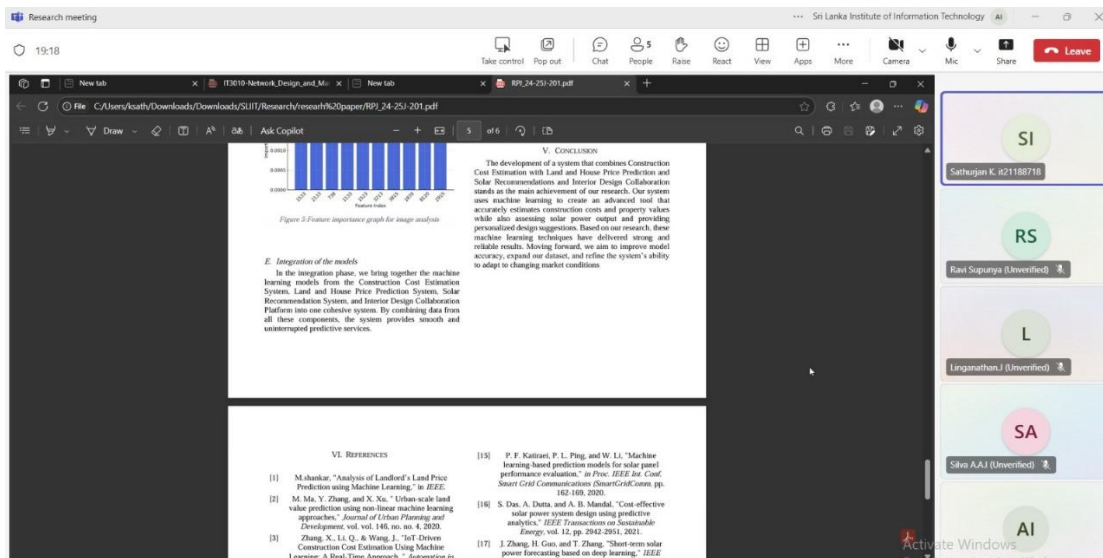
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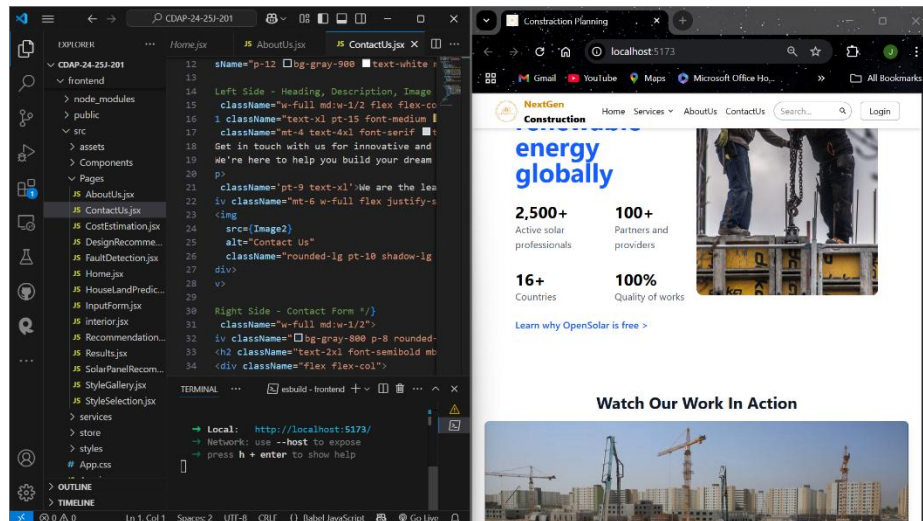
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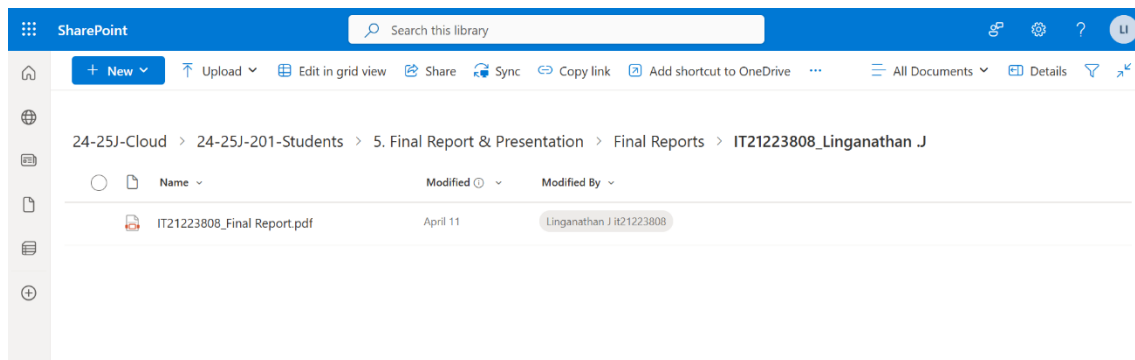
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- Creating the front-end of the application.
- Integration of all the components.
- Discussing the supervisor's suggestions.



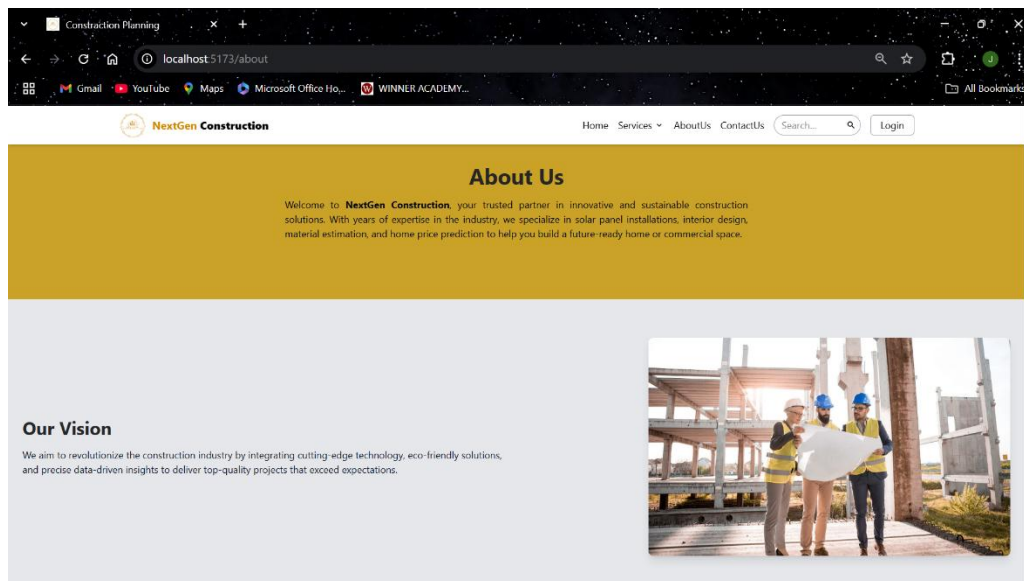
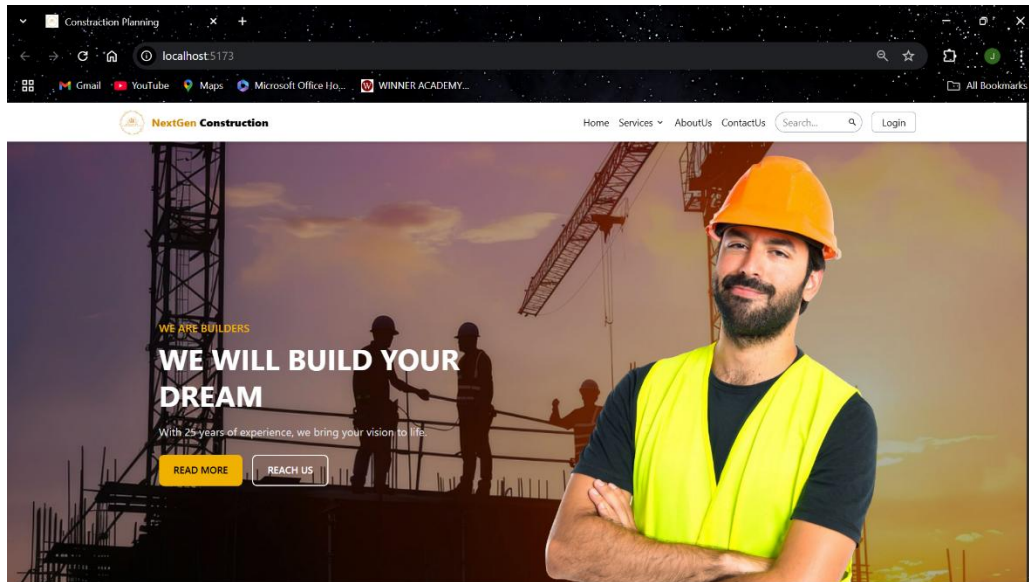
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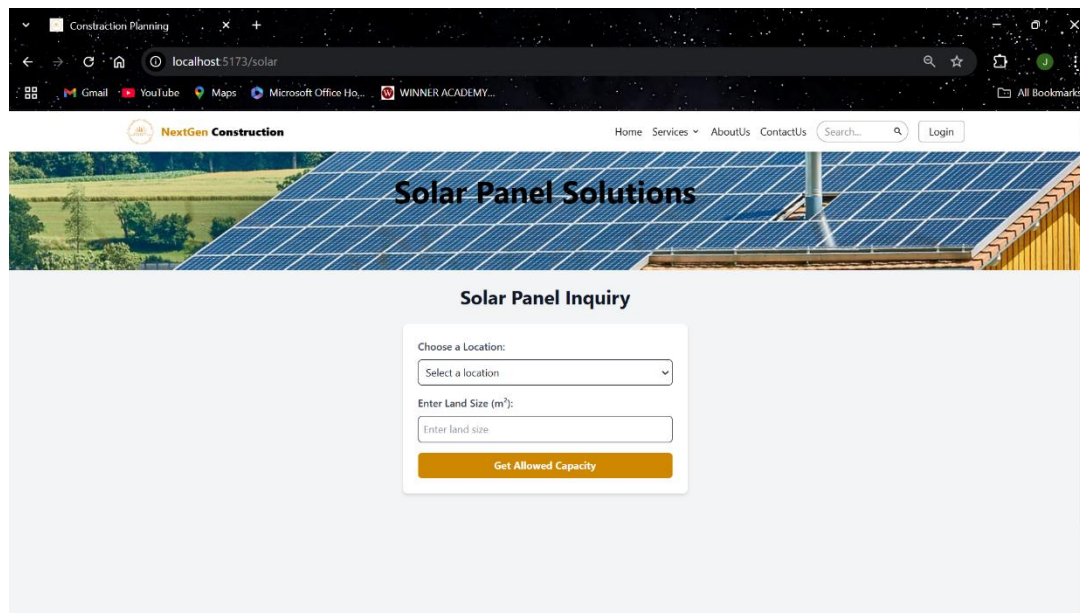
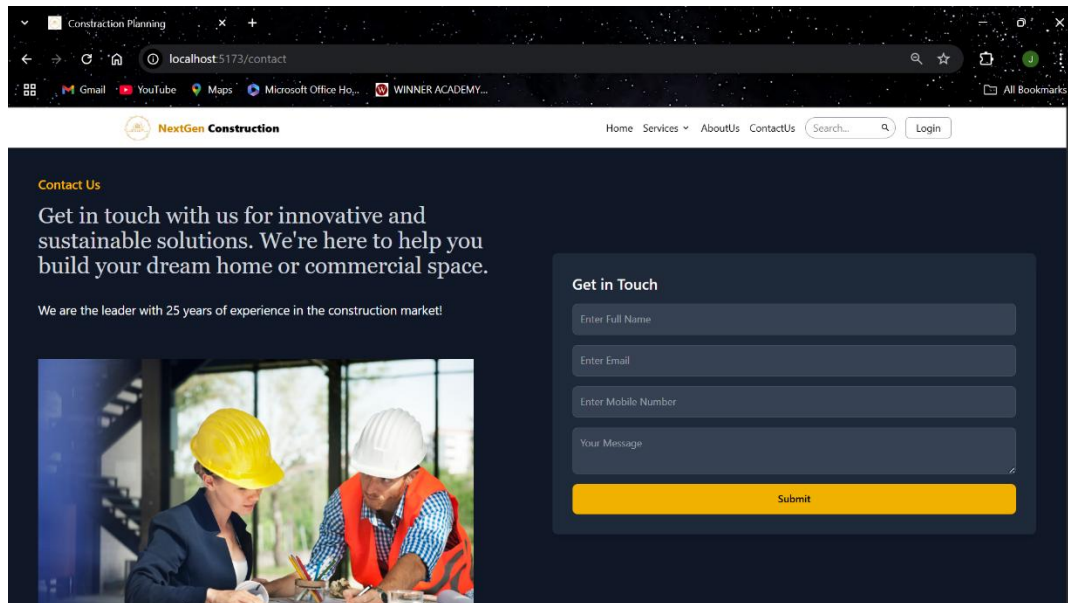
- Complete Individual Thesis Reports.
- Creation Group Thesis Reports.



❖ Completed Tasks and Conversation Highlights

- Create a website for the solution.



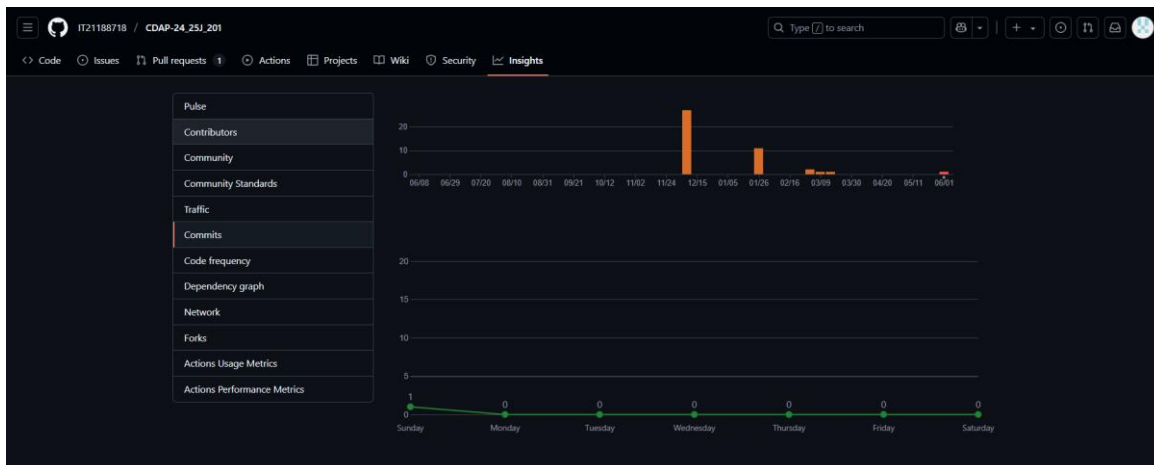


❖ Completed Tasks and Conversation Highlights

- Creation Branches for Each Commitments.
- Merge Request to Main Branch

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