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# CAPSTONE PROJECT

## AI Agent for Smart Farming Advice

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# OUTLINE

- **Problem Statement** (Should not include solution)
- **Proposed System/Solution**
- **System Development Approach** (Technology Used)
- **Algorithm & Deployment**
- **Result (Output Image)**
- **Conclusion**
- **Future Scope**
- **References**

# PROBLEM STATEMENT

## Problem: AI Agent for Smart Farming Advice

The Challenge – An AI Agent for Smart Farming Advice, powered by RAG (Retrieval-Augmented Generation), supports small-scale farmers by delivering real-time, localized agricultural guidance. It retrieves trusted data on weather forecasts, soil conditions, crop recommendations, pest control measures, and current market prices from agricultural departments, meteorological sources, and agri-tech platforms.

Farmers can interact in their local language and ask questions like “What crop is best for this season?” or “What is today’s mandi rate for tomatoes?”

The agent ensures timely, data-driven decisions that reduce risk, increase yield, and boost income. This AI-driven assistant bridges the knowledge gap and brings smart farming to the grassroots.

Technology – Use of IBM Cloud Lite services / IBM Granite is mandatory.

# PROPOSED SOLUTION

- To build an AI-powered Smart Farming Advisor that delivers real-time, localized agricultural guidance in farmers' local languages, covering crop recommendations, market prices, weather forecasts, pest control, and soil management, using IBM Granite with RAG for accurate, data-driven decisions.
- Data Collection: Commodity prices, Crop yield data, Pest control data, Soil guidelines, Weather data, Crop recommendations, NPSMF guidelines, Live weather API, Tools
- Data Preprocessing:
  - Clean & preprocess datasets.
  - Provide agent with clear instructions for consistent responses.
  - Use RAG for context-based retrieval.
  - Optimized prompting for better LLM accuracy.
- AI Models in IBM Cloud Watsonx:
  - Granite-3-8 Model for natural language understanding & generation.
  - Embedding model for document vectorization, Embedding model for document vectorization, frameworks, architecture in this LLM. .
  - Knowledge Tools with good datasets , Tools like google search, Wikipedia, weather, document search and many more.
- Deployment:
  - Develop a smart farming advisor agent with save button , create deployment space and deploy it.
  - Test via API reference, preview, and chatbot interface
- Evaluation:
  - Query testing in multiple languages
  - Validation for accuracy and relevance
  - Result: Output is favourable response from prompt which is easy to understand to farmer.

# SYSTEM APPROACH

The "System Approach" section outlines the overall strategy and methodology for developing and implementing the Smart Farming Advisor Agent for a system. Here's a suggested structure for this section:

- **System requirements:**

IBM Cloud account with access to IBM Cloud Lite services, IBM Granite model, Relevant agricultural datasets, weather data and api.

- **Libraries & Tools:**

- IBM Granite and cloud services.
- Instructions to build agent from user which is required to the required results.
- Tools like Wikipedia, rapid api, document search, weather and many more.
- Knowledge which are above datasets.

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You can help farmers with:

- Best crops to plant this season based on soil, weather, and state.
- Current mandi prices for crops in specific markets.
- Pest and disease identification and safe, cost-effective control methods.
- Soil preparation and fertilizer advice based on soil type.
- Weather-based planning for sowing, irrigation, and harvesting.

Guidelines:

- Keep answers short, relevant, and practical.

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Agent preview

Thank you for providing your location. Based on Mysore, Karnataka, your red sandy soil, and the Kharif season, here are the recommended crops:

- Cotton:** This crop is well-suited to your soil type and the Kharif season. Mysore's climate is generally favorable for cotton cultivation.
- Pigeon Pea (Arhar):** This legume thrives in sandy soils and the Kharif season. It's a staple in many parts of Karnataka.
- Cowpea:** As a legume, cowpea benefits from your sandy soil and the Kharif season. It can also help improve soil fertility.
- Maize:** Maize is adaptable to various soil types, including yours, and is a Kharif season crop. It's versatile for both human consumption and animal feed.

Before making a final decision, check the current market prices for these crops in Mysore to ensure profitability. You can use the available tools to get the latest mandi prices.

Remember to maintain good soil health and manage water resources effectively. Keep an eye out for common pests and diseases, and use appropriate, cost-effective control methods if needed.

For the best results, consider reaching out to local agricultural extension services or experienced farmers in your area for additional, localized advice.

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Wikipedia search

Retrieve information from Wikipedia articles.



Document search

Search documents with vector indexes.



Tavily search

Retrieve information from the internet with the Tavily search engine.



## Webcrawler

Retrieve information from a website.



## Python Interpreter !

Execute Python code generated by the agent.



## Weather

Retrieve the weather of a city.



# MODEL & DEPLOYMENT

- In the Model section, Large learning Model like IBM Granite (granite-3-3-8-b instruct) for AI Agent chosen for helping farmers.
- **Model:**
  - Selecting the best LLM model (granite-3-3-8-b instruct) which is helpful to give best responses from following user instructions which are goal oriented.
  - Chosen for its strong natural language understanding and generation capabilities.
  - Converts knowledge base content (datasets, PDFs, text files) into searchable vector form for Retrieval-Augmented Generation (RAG)
- **Data Input:**
  - Crop recommendations, Commodity (mandi) prices, Pest control data, Soil guidelines, Weather datasets, National agricultural guidelines (NPSMF).
- **Training Process:**
  - The AI Agent take tools in each section like knowledge, tools, specified model, Project favorable instructions to work properly.
  - Also give favorable input and output from farmers which helpful to easy to understand to them. Follow prompting techniques.
  - Ask questions from farmers, check responses whether working properly or not from this model , if problem faces retrain it.
- **Deploy Process:**
  - Save the AI Agent asked and click deploy asked to create new space and asks api key give it properly and deploy.
  - Shows the API references, Test, Preview sections, Project details fully related to the Smart Farming Advisor Agent.

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# RESULT

The deployed AI Agent was tested with multiple farmer queries in English and local languages (Hindi, Telugu, Tamil, Kannada). It successfully retrieved relevant agricultural information from the Knowledge Base and integrated live API results for weather and mandi prices.

## Example Outputs:

- **Query:** “What crop should I plant in Kharif in Karnataka with red sandy soil?”
- **Response:** “Millets and groundnut are recommended for Kharif in Karnataka with red sandy soil due to low water needs and good profitability.”
- **Query:** “आज गुंटूर में टमाटर का मंडी भाव क्या है?”
- **Response:** “आज गुंटूर में टमाटर का औसत मंडी भाव ₹1450 प्रति किंटल है।”

## Performance Highlights:

- Accurate and context-based answers using RAG.
- Real-time integration with weather and market price APIs.
- Smooth handling of multilingual queries.
- Simple, actionable advice for farmers.

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You: 07:28 PM

Best crops to plant this season based on soil, weather, and state.

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To provide the best crop recommendations for this season, I'll need to know your location (state) and soil type. Could you please provide that information?

In the meantime, here's a general guideline:

1. **Soil Type:** Different crops thrive in different soil types. For instance, rice prefers clayey soil, while sugarcane does well in loamy soil.

2. **Weather:** Seasonal weather patterns play a crucial role. For example, Kharif crops like rice, cotton, and soybean are suitable for the monsoon season.

3. **State Guidelines:** Each state in India has its own agricultural guidelines based on local conditions.

Once I have this information, I can give you more precise recommendations.

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- Always use respectful and supportive language to build farmer trust.

Examples of queries you can answer:

- "What crop should I grow in Kharif season in Karnataka with red sandy soil?"

- "आज गुंटूर में टमाटर का मंडी भाव क्या है?"

- "How to control fruit borer in tomatoes?"

- "What fertilizer is best for black cotton soil for cotton crop?"

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Smart\_Faming\_Advisor 07:34 PM

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You are an AI-powered Smart Farming Advisor dedicated to supporting small-scale farmers in India.

Your mission:

- Provide reliable, real-time, and location-specific agricultural advice that helps farmers make profitable and low-risk decisions.
- Communicate in the farmer's preferred language (Hindi, Telugu, Tamil, Kannada, or English).
- Always combine trusted knowledge base content (crop recommendations, pest control, soil guidelines, market prices) with live data from connected tools (weather, mandi rates) to give accurate answers.
- Your tone must be friendly, respectful, and easy for farmers to understand, avoiding technical jargon.

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Agent preview

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Hello! How can I assist you with your farming needs today?

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Which fertilizer is best for red sandy soil for groundnut?

watsonx Agent 11:32 PM

For red sandy soil, a balanced fertilizer with a good amount of nitrogen, phosphorus, and potassium (NPK) is recommended. A suitable option would be 15-15-15 NPK compound fertilizer. Additionally, incorporating organic matter like compost or farmyard manure can improve soil fertility and structure.

Please remember that the exact fertilizer requirements can vary based on soil test results and specific crop needs. It's always a good idea to conduct a soil test to determine the precise nutrient levels and pH before applying fertilizers.

Would you like information on how to conduct a soil test or any other farming advice?

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# CONCLUSION

- The **Smart Farming AI Agent** successfully bridges the gap between farmers and critical agricultural knowledge.
- By combining **IBM Watsonx Granite models, RAG, and real-time APIs**, it delivers **accurate, localized, and multilingual advice** on crops, prices, pests, weather, and soil management.
- Farmers receive **actionable recommendations** that improve yield, reduce risks, and increase profitability.
- The system's **multi-language support** ensures inclusivity for farmers from different regions.
- This AI-driven approach empowers farmers to make **data-driven decisions**, reducing dependency on middlemen and outdated information sources.



# FUTURE SCOPE

- **IoT Integration:** Connect with soil moisture, temperature, and humidity sensors for real-time farm monitoring.
- **Satellite Imagery Analysis:** Detect crop health issues, pest outbreaks, and irrigation needs using remote sensing.
- **Expansion of Language Support:** Add more Indian regional languages and dialects for wider farmer reach.
- **Offline Mobile App:** Provide AI-powered advice without internet dependency in rural areas.
- **Predictive Analytics:** Forecast pest infestations, crop yields, and market trends for better planning.
- **Integration with Government Portals:** Link with agricultural subsidy, crop insurance, and market support schemes.

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