POC Project Documentation

1. Project Title

Automated Legal Document Summarizer

2. Team Member Details

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3. Problem Statement

Legal professionals and researchers face challenges while processing lengthy legal documents. Manually reading and extracting key legal facts, judgment reasoning, and statutory references is time-consuming, inefficient, and error-prone.

4. Objective

To develop an AI-powered web application that takes legal court documents (PDFs) and automatically extracts key legal facts, reasoning, and statutory references, summarizing them in clear legal English.

5. Proposed Solution

- Extract PDF text using pdfplumber
- Clean and pre-process the legal text
- Split large text into sentence-based chunks using NLTK
- Use FLAN-T5 (google/flan-t5-large) for enhanced prompt-based summarization
- Design legal assistant-style prompts for meaningful outputs
- Build UI in Streamlit to upload, preview, summarize, and download
- Support multiple levels of summary detail (Concise, Detailed, Comprehensive)

6. Tech Stack

Language: Python

• Libraries: Streamlit, transformers, pdfplumber, nltk

Model: google/flan-t5-large

• Other Tools: Hugging Face, PyTorch, Sentence Tokenizer

Deployment: Streamlit Web App

7. Dataset Details

- No fixed dataset required; user-uploaded legal PDFs (court judgments, writs)
- Extractive input using pdfplumber
- Evaluation based on actual use cases

9. Model/Logic Explanation

- Prompts simulate legal assistant tasks (extract reasoning, facts, citations)
- Summarization done via beam search, top-p sampling, and length penalties
- Post-processing to clean up noisy output and ensure clarity

10. Input & Output Format

- **Input**: PDF legal documents
- Output: Clean legal summaries including:
 - Key Legal Facts
 - > Judgment Reasoning
 - > Statutory References
 - > Output can be viewed in the UI and downloaded as a .txt file