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TECHEXPO 2K25 PROJECT EXHIBITION

PROJECT TITLE - Smart Stick for Visually and Hearing Impaired with IoT Integration

CATEGORY - Hardware

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Smart Assistive Stick – A Ray of Hope for the Blind, Deaf & Mute



- ❑ Thousands suffer from **multi-sensory disabilities**, especially in **rural areas**.
- ❑ Existing aids (like canes or hearing aids) serve only one challenge at a time.

The Need

- ❑ There's a need for an affordable, flexible assistive device that integrates real-time tracking, emergency response, and IoT connectivity, addressing multiple disabilities.

PROBLEM STATEMENT STATISTICS



Millions of visually and hearing-impaired individuals face difficulties navigating public spaces safely. Conventional white canes offer limited awareness and no emergency communication in case of danger or disorientation.



253M
people globally
are visually
impaired
WHO, 2023

430M
people globally
have **disabling**
hearing loss
WHO, 2021

70%
of blind individuals
rely on white canes
include low waist
level

SOLUTION RELEVANCE STATISTICS



Our IoT-based Smart Stick integrates ultrasonic sensing, GPS tracking, GSM alerts, vibration, and sound detection to provide real-time obstacle detection, emergency SOS alerts with location, and tactile feedback. It empowers differently-abled users with independence and safety in day-to-day travel!



₹2.48 TN
projected assistive
technology market
by 2026

78%
of visually impaired
individuals interested
in smart canes

65%
reduction in
collision risk from
IoT smart sticks

TECHNOLOGY STACK AND ARCHITECTURE

Actuators:

Buzzer,
LED,
Vibration
motor

Micro controllers:

Arduino Uno
+ NodeMCU
(ESP8266)

Sensors:

Ultrasonic
sensor, Sound
sensor, GPS
(NEO-6M),
Push button

Communication Modules:

SIM800L GSM
Module, Wi-Fi
(via ESP8266)

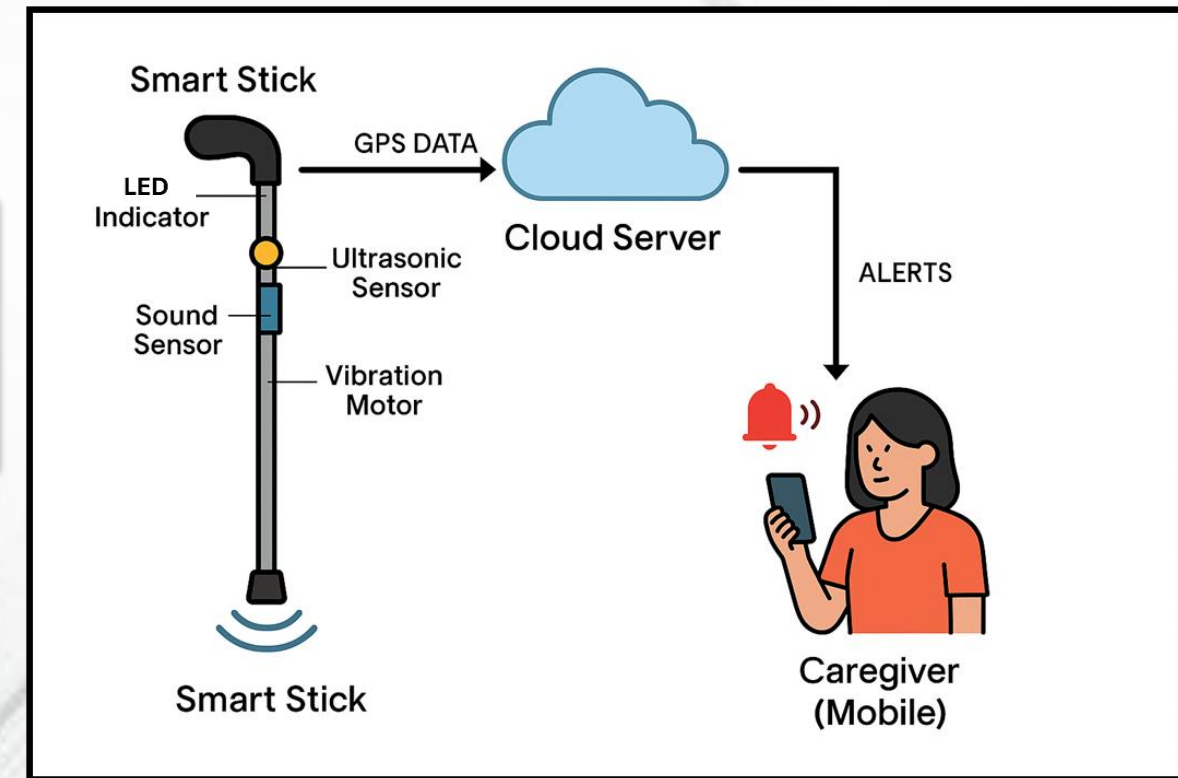
Software Platforms:

Arduino IDE,
Blynk/Firebase(
for IoT
dashboard),
TinkerCAD (for
simulation),
ThingSpeak

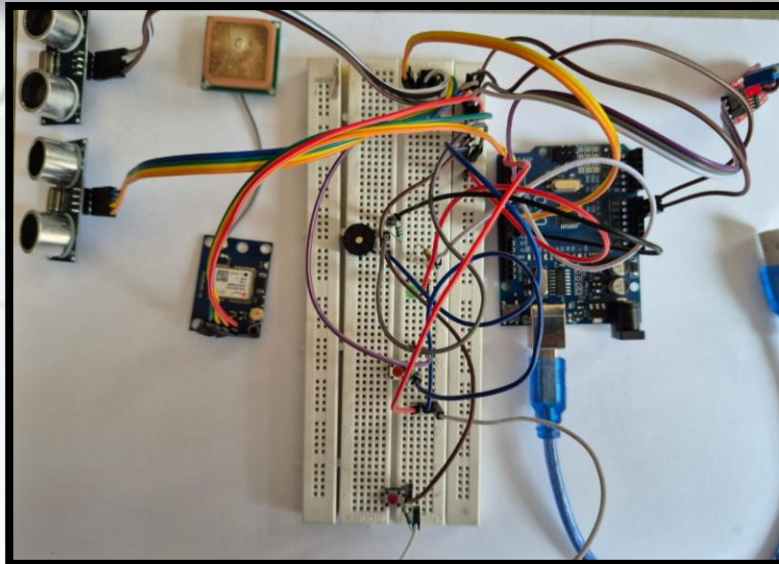
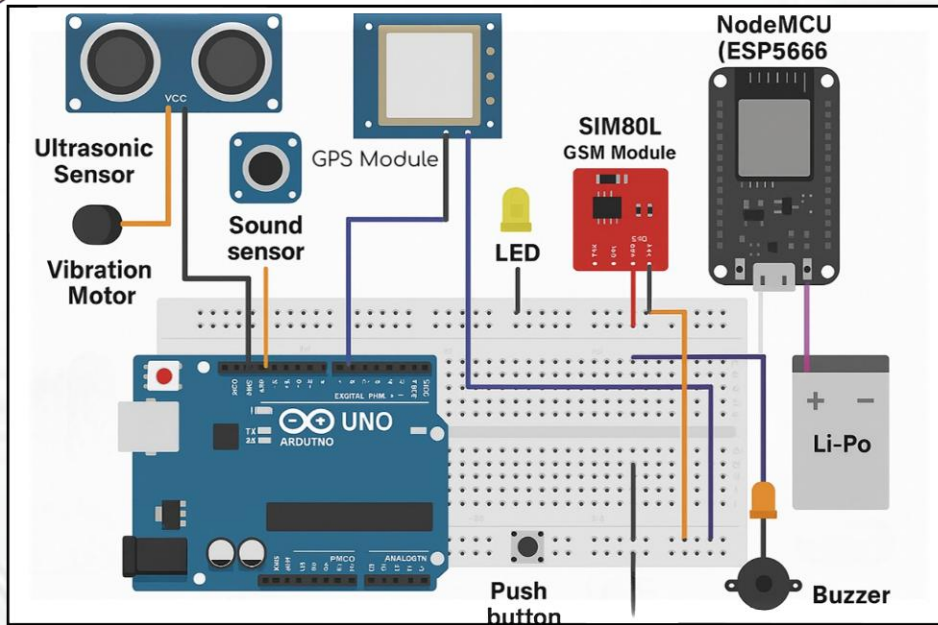
Power:

Li-ion battery
(7.4V) + Buck
converter

Technology Stack:



IMPLEMENTATION AND PROTOTYPE



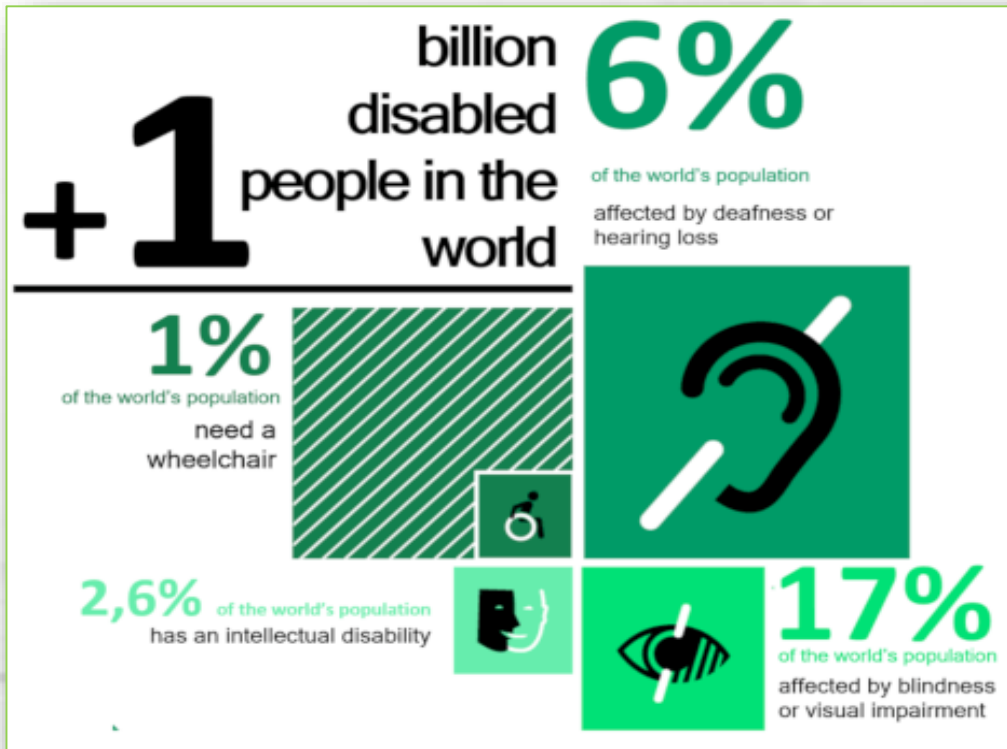
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IMPACT AND UNIQUENESS



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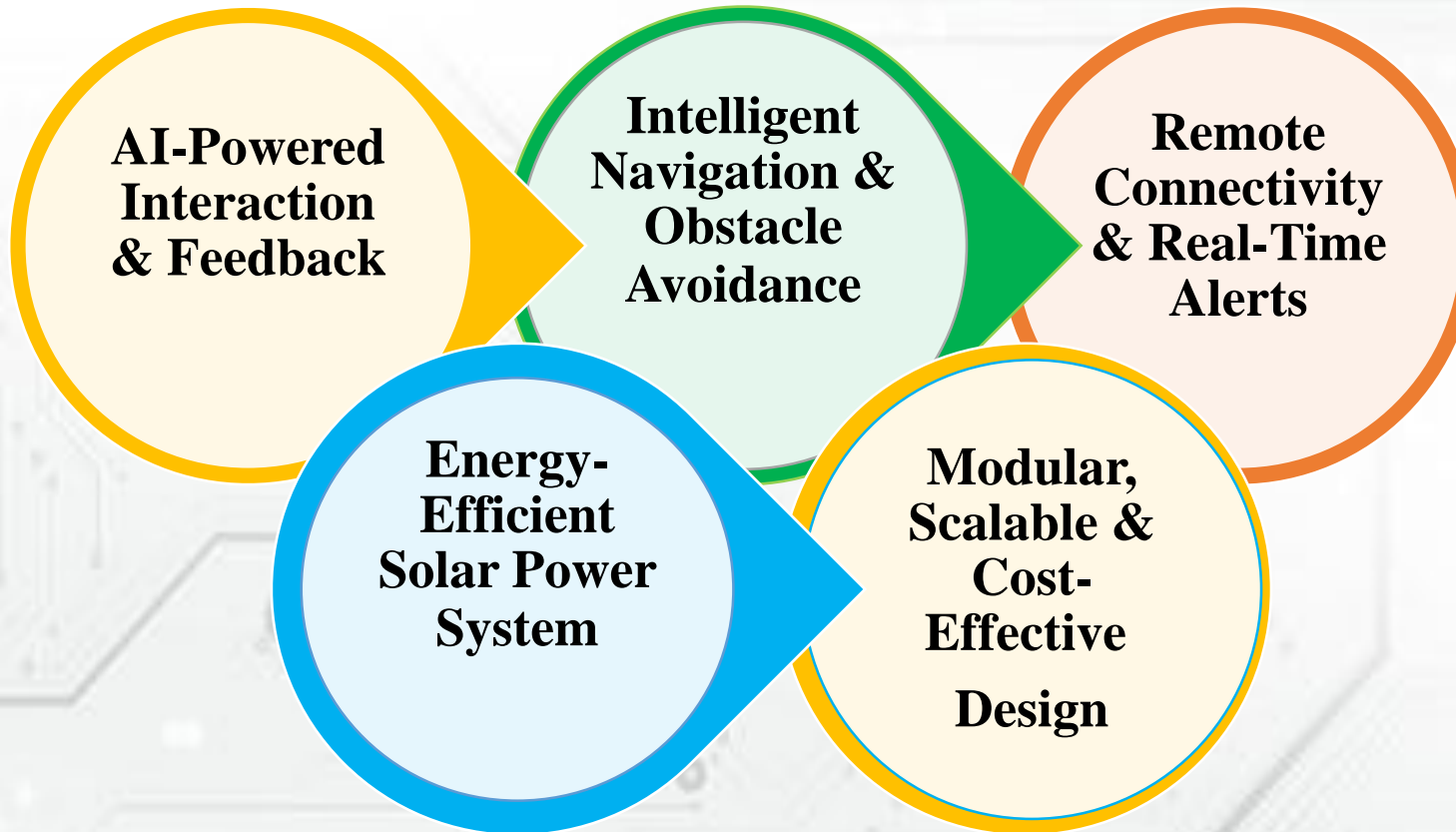
- ❑ Enables safe, independent mobility for blind, deaf, mute, and multi-disabled users.
- ❑ Sends instant SOS alerts with live location—no internet needed.
- ❑ Works seamlessly in both urban and rural areas, reducing caregiver dependence.

UNIQUENESS :

- ❑ Combines ultrasonic + vibration + LED + buzzer for **both visual and hearing-impaired users.**
- ❑ Integrated **GPS + GSM** for real-time location updates.
- ❑ Works even without internet via SMS fallback (GSM-based alert).
- ❑ Designed to be **affordable and accessible** for people with disabilities, even in **low-income communities.**
- ❑ Compact, **energy-efficient**, with **rechargeable Li-ion power** making it perfect for long-lasting, portable use.



FUTURE SCOPE AND REFERENCES



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