#### ★ IPC Nexus Chatbot Documentation

#### Overview

The IPC Nexus Chatbot is designed to assist users in understanding legal concepts, navigating the website, and providing relevant legal information based on user queries. It has three primary user categories:

- Police Officers: For guided FIR filing using applicable laws.
- Law Students: For learning and practicing case laws.
- General Public: For understanding legal rights and gaining knowledge of legal procedures.

The chatbot uses a simple and effective rule-based system to match user queries using fuzzy matching for approximate responses.

#### Files Overview

## 1. chatbot.py

This is the backend of the chatbot, built using Flask. It handles the API routes and processes user queries using data from the law data.json file.

# **Key Functions:**

- Flask Setup: Configures the Flask app and enables CORS to allow cross-origin requests.
- Data Loading: Reads data from law data.json using json.load.
- **Fuzzy Matching**: Uses fuzzywuzzy for matching user inputs to relevant questions.
- API Routes:
  - /chat: Accepts user messages and provides appropriate responses.
  - o /get suggestions: Returns 5 random legal questions from the dataset.
  - /get\_followups: Provides follow-up questions based on the user's query.

```
questions = list(data.keys())
def get_best_match(user_input):
   best_match, score = process.extractOne(user_input, questions)
       return data[best_match]
       return "I'm sorry, I couldn't find an answer for that. Please try rephrasing your question."
@app.route('/chat', methods=['POST'])
   user_message = request.json.get('message')
   if not user_message:
       return jsonify({'response': "Please enter a valid message."})
   response_text = get_best_match(user_message)
@app.route('/get_suggestions', methods=['GET'])
def get_suggestions():
   random_suggestions = random.sample(list(data.keys()), 5)
   return jsonify({"suggestions": random_suggestions})
@app.route('/get_followups', methods=['POST'])
def get_followups():
   user_input = request.json.get('userInput', '').lower()
   followups = [q for q in data.keys() if user_input in q.lower()]
       additional_followups = [q for q in data.keys() if q not in followups]
        followups.extend(random.sample(additional_followups, min(3 - len(followups), len(additional_followups))))
```

Fig 1: chatbot.py Image

## 2. index.html

This is the frontend of the chatbot, designed with **HTML**, **CSS**, and **JavaScript**. It provides the chatbot interface and handles user interactions.

## **Key Features:**

- Chat Interface: Clean design using light blue and soft UI elements.
- Chat Bubbles: Differentiates between user messages and bot responses.

Fetching & Follow-Up Suggestions: Displays related questions for further assistance.

```
// Fetch 5 random suggestions from law_data.json
function fetchSuggestions() {
    fetch("http://127.0.0.1:5000/get_suggestions")
    .then(response => response.json())
    .then(data => {
        if (data.suggestions && data.suggestions.length > 0) {
            suggestions = data.suggestions;
            displaySuggestions();
        } else {
            console.error("No suggestions received.");
        }
    })
    .catch(error => console.error("Error fetching suggestions:", error));
}
```

```
// Suggest similar questions as follow-ups
function addFollowUpSuggestions(userInput) {
   fetch("http://127.0.0.1:5000/get followups", {
       method: "POST",
       headers: { "Content-Type": "application/json" },
       body: JSON.stringify({ userInput })
   .then(response => response.json())
   .then(data => {
       let chatMessages = document.getElementById("chat-messages");
       let followUpHTML = "<div class='follow-up'>Follow-up questions:";
       data.followups.forEach(q => {
           followUpHTML += `${q}`;
       followUpHTML += "</div>";
       chatMessages.innerHTML += followUpHTML;
       scrollChat():
   .catch(error => console.error("Error fetching follow-ups:", error));
```

Fig 2 and 3: Fetch and Follow-Up Code

 Contact Us Tab: Provides contact options, including email, social media, and external links.

Fig 4: Contact Us Code Segment

• Notification System: Displays a greeting notification when the chatbot is loaded.

```
<!-- Chatbot Notification -->
<div id="chat-notification" onclick="openChatFromNotification()">    Hi! I'm IPC Nexus Bot. How may I assist you?</div>
```

Fig 5: Chatbot greeting Notification

• Session Management: Uses session Storage to maintain chat history during a session.

```
// Save chat history to sessionStorage
function saveChatHistory() {
    const chatMessages = document.getElementById("chat-messages").innerHTML;
    sessionStorage.setItem("chatHistory", chatMessages);
}

// Load chat history from sessionStorage
function loadChatHistory() {
    const savedChat = sessionStorage.getItem("chatHistory");
    if (savedChat) {
        document.getElementById("chat-messages").innerHTML = savedChat;
    }
}
```

Fig 6: Chat Session Storage

Chat Bot Button and Pop-up Section:

Fig 7: Chatbot Button and Pop-up command html code

## 3. law\_data.json

This file contains a collection of legal questions and their respective responses. It serves as the chatbot's knowledge base.

## **Key Features:**

- Navigation Support: Provides users with section-based suggestions to help them find resources.
- **Law Sections**: Categorized information for quick access to topics like theft, domestic violence, and missing person reports.

# **W** How to Run the Chatbot

## 1. Ensure Python and Dependencies Are Installed

- o Install Python and Pip.
- Install required packages using:

pip install flask flask-cors fuzzywuzzy

## 2. Run the Backend

- Navigate to the directory containing chatbot.py.
- Run: python chatbot.py
- The server will start at http://127.0.0.1:5000.

## 3. Launch the Frontend

o Open index.html in your browser.

## 4. Interact with the Chatbot

Click the chatbot icon to start the conversation and ask your queries.

# **X** Additional Notes

- Ensure law\_data.json is in the same directory as chatbot.py.
- Keep the chatbot server running for API responses to work.
- Use a browser that supports JavaScript for the chatbot interface.