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**Final Project Report**

**IoT Based Bangla Calendar Clock**

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**Evaluation Form:**

STEP	DESCRIPTION	MAX	SCORE
1	Report (Format, Reference)	10	
2	Design Method and Complete Design (Hardware Implementation)	15	
3	Video Demonstration	10	
4	Novelty of Design	15	
5	Project Management and Cost Analysis	10	
6	Considerations to Public Health and Safety, Environment and Cultural and Societal Needs	10	
7	Assessment of Societal, Health, Safety, Legal and Cultural issues relevant to the solution	10	
8	Evaluation of the sustainability and impact of designed solution in societal and environmental contexts	10	
9	Individual Contribution (Viva)	20	
10	Team work and Diversity	10	
TOTAL		120	

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# 1 Abstract

To address the negligence towards the Bangla calendar and necessity to address the lack of Bangla friendly devices, a digital clock has been made that can show the time in Bangla letters and digits and keep track of both the Bangla and the English calendars. The clock was based on an Arduino microcontroller. An RTC module is used to keep track of the time and ESP8266-ESP01 module have been used to establish Wi-Fi connectivity to synchronize the time twice a day. The time and date are displayed on dual P10 LED matrices. The time is kept static, while the scrolling date, day, and month (both Bangla and English) were displayed in a scrolling marquee style.

## 2 Introduction

Despite many digital wall clocks being available in the market, there is a scarcity of the same that keeps track of the Bangla calendar as well as the English one. Keeping track of the Bangla calendar is important in more than one aspect- firstly it helps us to keep in touch with our culture and tradition and track the important days and festivities. Secondly, in rural areas, where people are mostly dependent on agriculture for their livelihood, they still need to keep track of Bangla months for crop cutting, harvesting, sowing etc. Therefore, to address these issues, we have designed a digital clock that shows the time and date in Bangla letters, and keeps track of both Bangla and English calendars. This makes the clock accessible to the mass people, since, the huge majority of the people of this country have Bangla literacy. Besides all this, in order to make the clock more self-sustaining, we have added Wi-Fi connectivity, so that the time can be synced twice a day to keep the correct time. We believe that this project will ignite a spark of interest in the engineering community to address and solve more problems in Bangla.

## 3 Design

### 3.1 Design Method

The following modules were implemented in our final project

**Microcontroller:**

Arduino Nano (ATMega328p)

**Peripheral Components:**

DS1307 Real Time Clock (RTC) Module

ESP8266 ESP-01 Wi-Fi Module

**Display:**

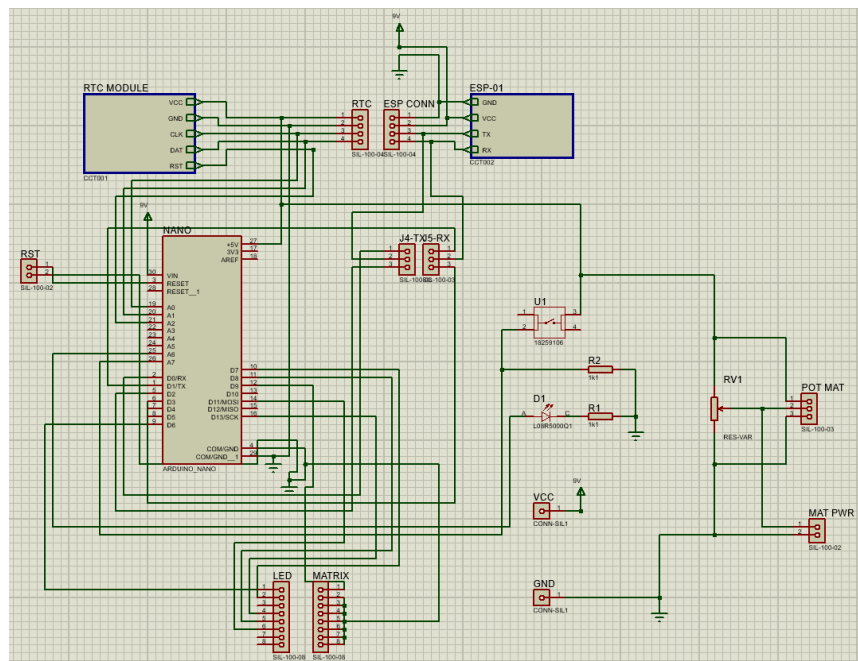
2 P10 32x16 LED Matrix Boards

**Key Algorithms:**

API Request, Serial and SPI Communications,  
Matrix Manipulation, String Parsing

Choosing LED P10 boards as the suitable choice for wall mountable clock, our first task was to ensure that we can display any value of date and month in our assembly of two matrices. Separately, date and time were taken from the web and later, the two parts were brought together, implementing compact and judicious coding. PCB design was implemented to make the whole design compact and ready for commercialization.

## 3.2 Circuit Diagram



The circuit was generated using Proteus, from where the PCB design was completed

### 3.3 Full Source Code of Firmware

<pre> 1  #include &lt;virtuabotixRTC.h&gt; 2  #include &lt;EEPROM.h&gt; 3  #include &lt;SPI.h&gt; 4  #include &lt;DMD2.h&gt;  5  SoftDMD dmd(2, 1); 6  virtuabotixRTC myRTC(A0, A1, A2); // 7  #define serialCommunicationSpeed 115200 8  #define time_out 1000 9  #define DEBUG 1  10 #define ban_date_0_addr 4 11 #define ban_date_1_addr 5 12 #define ban_mn_addr 6 13 #define ban_year_0_addr 7 14 #define ban_year_1_addr 8 15 #define ban_year_2_addr 9 16 #define ban_year_3_addr 10  17 uint8_t en_m_size[13] = {0, 43, 49, 19, 31, 13, 18   19, 30, 36, 47, 44, 38, 42}; 19 uint8_t bn_m_size[13] = {0, 33, 23, 34, 28, 23, 20   35, 38, 48, 25, 20, 33, 22}; 21 uint8_t wk_size[8] = {0, 23, 21, 27, 30, 18, 24, 22   27}; 23 uint8_t d_size = 19; //8+1+8+2 24 uint8_t y_size = 37; //2 + (4*8 + 3)  25 //uint8_t M1 = 12; //sizeof(displ) / 26   sizeof(displ[0]); 27 uint8_t N1 = 8; //sizeof(displ[0]) / 28   sizeof(displ[0][0]); 29 uint32_t lo_op=0; //selects which column from the 30   disp matrix will appear first 31 uint8_t second_loop = 0;  32 //time variables  33 uint8_t sync_time[6]; 34 uint8_t tim_e[6]; 35 uint8_t ampm=0; //0 if AM,1 if PM  36 uint8_t en_date[2]; 37 uint8_t en_year[4]; 38 uint8_t en_m; //month  39 uint8_t bn_date[2]; 40 uint8_t bn_year[4]; 41 uint8_t bn_m; //month  42 uint8_t week;  43 uint8_t count = 1; 44 uint8_t scroll = 1;  45 char sc = ''; 46 String rec_command; 47 String rec_data; 48 //String response = ""; 49 uint8_t prev;  50 uint8_t dmd_flag = 0; // 0 = DMD is OFF, 1 = DMD    is off  51 long int elapsed_time = 0; 52 uint8_t prev_min = 0; 53 uint8_t prev_sec = 0; 54 uint8_t trans_flag = 1; 55 uint8_t wifi_timeout = 0;  56 void(* resetFunc) (void) = 0; //declare reset    function @ address 0 </pre>	<pre> 51 void setup() 52 {  53   Serial.begin(serialCommunicationSpeed); 54   dmd.setBrightness(255);  55   load_rtc(); 56   delay(100);  57   initwifi(); 58   delay(100); 59 }  60 void loop() 61 { 62   //Serial.println("Loading and Showing RTC 63   Time..."); 64   if(count == 5) 65   { 66     if(dmd_flag == 0) 67     { 68       //load_rtc(); 69       Serial.end(); 70       load_rtc(); 71       prev_min = myRTC.minutes; 72       prev_sec = myRTC.seconds; 73       elapsed_time = millis(); 74       dmd.begin(); 75       dmd_flag = 1; 76       //populate_cells(); 77     } 78     long int current_time = millis(); 79     //if((abs(elapsed_time - current_time)) &gt;= 80     (60000 - (prev_sec*1000))    (trans_flag == 1) ) 81     //((abs(34 - prev_sec))*1000)) 82     if(((abs(elapsed_time - current_time)) &gt;= (60000 83     - (prev_sec*1000)))    (((abs(34 - 84     prev_sec))*1000)) 85     { 86       elapsed_time = current_time; 87       //elapsed_time = current_time - 3500; 88       trans_flag = 0; 89     }  90     prev_min = myRTC.minutes; 91     prev_sec = myRTC.seconds; 92     dmd.begin();  93   } 94   populate_cells();  95 } 96 else /// If count != 5 97 { 98   dmd.end(); 99   dmd_flag = 0; 100   Serial.begin(serialCommunicationSpeed); 101 }  102 //load_rtc();  103 if(count == 1) 104 { 105   get_time(); /// Fetch data from ESP as string 106   set_time(); /// Converts the string into 107   integer values to be used in populate_calls() 108   wifi_timeout += 1; /// Number of tries to fetch 109   data from online 110   if(wifi_timeout &gt;= 15) 111   count = 4; 112 } </pre>
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<pre> 108 if(count == 2) 109 { 110   get_eng_date(); 111   set_eng_date(); 112   wifi_timeout += 1; 113   if(wifi_timeout &gt;= 15) 114     count = 4; 115 } 116 if(count == 3) 117 { 118   get_ban_date(); 119   set_ban_date(); 120   wifi_timeout += 1; 121   if(wifi_timeout &gt;= 15) 122     count = 4; 123 } 124 if(count == 4) 125 { 126   myRTC.updateTime(); 127   prev = myRTC.hours; 128   count = count + 1; 129   //reads from EEPROM in case wifi is not     available 130   if(wifi_timeout &gt;= 15) 131   { 132     bn_date[0] = EEPROM.read(ban_date_0_addr); 133     bn_date[1] = EEPROM.read(ban_date_1_addr); 134     bn_m = EEPROM.read(ban_mn_addr);  135     bn_year[0] = EEPROM.read(ban_year_0_addr); 136     bn_year[1] = EEPROM.read(ban_year_1_addr); 137     bn_year[2] = EEPROM.read(ban_year_2_addr); 138     bn_year[3] = EEPROM.read(ban_year_3_addr); 139   }  140 } 141 if(count == 5) 142 { 143   wifi_timeout = 0; 144   //delay(250); 145 } 146 if((count == 5) &amp;&amp; (tim_e[0] == 0) &amp;&amp;     (tim_e[1] == 6) &amp;&amp; (tim_e[2] == 0) &amp;&amp;     (tim_e[3] == 0)) 147 { 148   resetFunc(); //call reset 149 }  150 } 151 /////// void loop ends /////// 152 /////// Sends initiation commands to ESP     module /////// 153 void sendData(String command, const int     timeout, boolean debug) 154 { 155   rec_data = ""; 156   Serial.print(command); 157   long int time = millis(); 158   while( (time+timeout) &gt; millis()) 159   { 160     while(Serial.available()) 161     { 162       char c = Serial.read(); 163       rec_data+=c; 164     } 165   } 166   if(debug) 167   { 168     //lcd.setCursor(0,0); 169     //lcd.print(rec_data); 170     delay(1000); 171   } 172 }  173 /////// Initialize Wifi /////// 174 void initwifi(void) 175 { 176   //Serial.println("Closing Previous     Connection"); 177   delay(1); 178   rec_command = "AT+CIPCLOSE"; 179   rec_command += "\r\n"; 180   sendData(rec_command, 2000, 1); 181   delay(100); 182 } </pre>	<pre> 183 //Serial.println("Initiating WiFi Module, Connecting     to Specified WiFi"); 184 delay(1);  185 rec_command = "AT+RST"; 186 rec_command += "\r\n"; 187 sendData(rec_command, 1000, 0);  188 rec_command = "AT+CWJAP="; 189 rec_command += sc; 190 rec_command += "alu wifi"; //SSID 191 rec_command += sc; 192 rec_command += ","; 193 rec_command += sc; 194 rec_command += "12345678"; //PASS 195 rec_command += sc; 196 rec_command += "\r\n"; 197 sendData(rec_command, 2000, 1); 198 delay (1000);  199 rec_command = "\r\n"; 200 sendData(rec_command, 1000, 1);  201 }  202 /// Get time as string from wifi ///// 203 void get_time(void) 204 { 205   //Serial.println("Getting Online Time..."); 206   // lcd.setCursor(0,0); 207   // lcd.print("Getting Time..."); 208   // delay(1);  209   rec_command = "AT+CIPSTART="; 210   rec_command += sc; 211   rec_command += "TCP"; 212   rec_command += sc; 213   rec_command += ","; 214   rec_command += sc; 215   rec_command += "api.thingspeak.com"; 216   rec_command += sc; 217   rec_command += ",80"; 218   rec_command += "\r\n"; 219   sendData(rec_command, 1, DEBUG);  220   delay(1);  221   rec_command = "AT+CIPSEND=90"; 222   rec_command += "\r\n"; 223   sendData(rec_command, 1, DEBUG); 224   delay(1);  225   rec_command = "GET     /apps/thinghttp/send_request?api_key=Q1ZBWRBEXX044K68     "; 226   rec_command += "\r\n"; 227   rec_command += "Host:api.thingspeak.com"; 228   rec_command += "\r\n\r\n\r\n\r\n"; 229   sendData(rec_command, 1000, DEBUG);  230   delay(1); 231 }  232 /// Converts string to relevant integers for display     function populate_cells ///// 233 void set_time(void) 234 { 235   if(rec_data.indexOf("+IPD,53") &gt; 0) 236   { 237     //Serial.println("Error 53"); 238   } 239   else if(rec_data.indexOf("+IPD,132") &gt; 0) 240   { 241     //Serial.println("Error 132"); 242   } 243   else if(rec_data.indexOf("+IPD,") &gt; 0) 244   { 245     //parsing the string 246     rec_data =         rec_data.substring(rec_data.indexOf("+IPD")+20,         rec_data.indexOf("+IPD")+32);  247   if(rec_data.substring(rec_data.indexOf("M")-1,         rec_data.indexOf("M")) == "p") </pre>
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249 {	299
250 sync_time[0] =	300 rec_command = "GET
((rec_data.substring(rec_data.indexOf("M")-	/apps/thinghttp/send_request?api_key=6EX7E9058A0AB9DG
10, rec_data.indexOf("M")-8).toInt())/10);	";
251 sync_time[1] =	301 rec_command += "\r\n";
((rec_data.substring(rec_data.indexOf("M")-	302 rec_command += "Host:api.thingspeak.com";
10, rec_data.indexOf("M")-8).toInt())%10);	303 rec_command += "\r\n\r\n\r\n\r\n\r\n";
252 if(sync_time[0] != 1 && sync_time[1] != 2) //	304 sendData(rec_command, 1000, DEBUG);
12 PM Special Case	305 }
253 {	306
253.1 sync_time[0] = sync_time[0]+1;	307 void set_eng_date(void)
253.2 sync_time[1] = sync_time[1]+2;	308 {
254 }	309 if(rec_data.indexOf("+IPD,53") > 0)
255 }	310 {
256 if(rec_data.substring(rec_data.indexOf("M")-	311 //Serial.println("Error 53");
1, rec_data.indexOf("M")) == "A")	312 }
257 {	313 else if(rec_data.indexOf("+IPD,132") > 0)
258 sync_time[0] =	314 {
((rec_data.substring(rec_data.indexOf("M")-	315 //Serial.println("Error 132");
10, rec_data.indexOf("M")-8).toInt())/10);	316 }
259 sync_time[1] =	317 else if(rec_data.indexOf("+IPD,") > 0)
((rec_data.substring(rec_data.indexOf("M")-	318 {
10, rec_data.indexOf("M")-8).toInt())%10);	319 //parsing the string
260 if(sync_time[0] == 1 && sync_time[1] == 2) //	320
12 AM Special Case - 0 hrs in 24 hr format	321 uint8_t dat_e =
261 {	(rec_data.substring(rec_data.lastIndexOf(",")-2,
261.1 sync_time[0] = 0;	rec_data.lastIndexOf(",")).toInt());
261.2 sync_time[1] = 0;	322 en_date[0] = dat_e/10;
262 }	323 en_date[1] = dat_e%10;
263 }	324
264 sync_time[2] =	//Serial.println(rec_data.substring(rec_data.indexOf(",
(rec_data.substring(rec_data.indexOf("M")-7,	",",rec_data.indexOf(",")+1)+2,
rec_data.indexOf("M")-5).toInt())/10;	rec_data.lastIndexOf(",")-2));
265 sync_time[3] =	325 if((rec_data.substring(rec_data.indexOf(",",rec_data.
(rec_data.substring(rec_data.indexOf("M")-7,	indexOf(",")+1)+2, rec_data.lastIndexOf(",")-2)) ==
rec_data.indexOf("M")-5).toInt())%10;	"January")
266 sync_time[4] =	326 en_m = 1;
(rec_data.substring(rec_data.indexOf("M")-4,	327
rec_data.indexOf("M")-2).toInt())/10;	if((rec_data.substring(rec_data.indexOf(",",rec_data.
267 sync_time[5] =	indexOf(",")+1)+2, rec_data.lastIndexOf(",")-2)) ==
(rec_data.substring(rec_data.indexOf("M")-4,	"February")
rec_data.indexOf("M")-2).toInt())%10;	328 en_m = 2;
268 myRTC.setDS1302Time((sync_time[4]*10) +	329
sync_time[5], (sync_time[2]*10) +	if((rec_data.substring(rec_data.indexOf(",",rec_data.
sync_time[3], (sync_time[0]*10) +	indexOf(",")+1)+2, rec_data.lastIndexOf(",")-2)) ==
sync_time[1], week,	"March")
(en_date[0]*10)+en_date[1], en_m,	330 en_m = 3;
(en_year[0]*1000)+(en_year[1]*100)+(en_year[2]	331
*10)+en_year[3]);	if((rec_data.substring(rec_data.indexOf(",",rec_data.
269 rec_data = "";	indexOf(",")+1)+2, rec_data.lastIndexOf(",")-2)) ==
270 count = count+1;	"April")
271 }	332 en_m = 4;
272 }	333
273	if((rec_data.substring(rec_data.indexOf(",",rec_data.
274 void get_eng_date(void)	indexOf(",")+1)+2, rec_data.lastIndexOf(",")-2)) ==
275 {	"May")
276 //Serial.println("Getting Online English	334 en_m = 5;
Date...");	335
277 // lcd.setCursor(0,0);	if((rec_data.substring(rec_data.indexOf(",",rec_data.
278 // lcd.print("Getting Eng Date...");	indexOf(",")+1)+2, rec_data.lastIndexOf(",")-2)) ==
279 delay(1);	"June")
280	336 en_m = 6;
281 rec_command = "AT+CIPSTART=";	337
282 rec_command += "scp";	if((rec_data.substring(rec_data.indexOf(",",rec_data.
283 rec_command += "TCP";	indexOf(",")+1)+2, rec_data.lastIndexOf(",")-2)) ==
284 rec_command += "sc";	"July ")
285 rec_command += ",";	338 en_m = 7;
286 rec_command += "sc";	339
287 rec_command += "api.thingspeak.com";	if(((rec_data.substring(rec_data.indexOf(",",rec_data.
288 rec_command += "sc";	indexOf(",")+1)+2, rec_data.lastIndexOf(",")-2)) ==
289 rec_command += ",80";	"August"
290 rec_command += "\r\n";	((rec_data.substring(rec_data.indexOf(",",rec_data.in
291 sendData(rec_command, 1, DEBUG);	dexOf(",")+1)+2, rec_data.lastIndexOf(",")-2)) ==
292	"August ")
293 delay(1);	340 en_m = 8;
294	341
295 rec_command = "AT+CIPSEND=90";	if((rec_data.substring(rec_data.indexOf(",",rec_data.
296 rec_command += "\r\n";	indexOf(",")+1)+2, rec_data.lastIndexOf(",")-2)) ==
297 sendData(rec_command, 1, DEBUG);	"September")
298	342 en_m = 9;
	343
	if((rec_data.substring(rec_data.indexOf(",",rec_data.
	indexOf(",")+1)+2, rec_data.lastIndexOf(",")-2)) ==
	"October")
	344 en_m = 10;

<pre> 345 if((rec_data.substring(rec_data.indexOf(", ", rec_data.indexOf(", ") + 2, rec_data.lastIndexOf(", ") - 2)) == "November") 346     en_m = 11; 347 348 if((rec_data.substring(rec_data.indexOf(", ", rec_data.indexOf(", ") + 2, rec_data.lastIndexOf(", ") - 2)) == "December") 349     en_m = 12; 350 351 uint16_t yea_r = (rec_data.substring(rec_data.lastIndexOf(", ") + 2, rec_data.lastIndexOf(", ") + 6)).toInt(); 352 en_year[0] = yea_r/1000; 353 en_year[1] = (yea_r%1000)/100; 354 en_year[2] = ((yea_r%1000)%100)/10; 355 en_year[3] = ((yea_r%1000)%100)%10; 356 357 //Serial.println(rec_data.substring(rec_data. indexOf(", ") + 9, rec_data.indexOf(", ", rec_data.indexOf(", ") + 1) )); 358 if((rec_data.substring(rec_data.indexOf(", ") + 9, rec_data.indexOf(", ", rec_data.indexOf(", ") + 1) )) == "Saturday") 359     week = 1; 360 361 if((rec_data.substring(rec_data.indexOf(", ") + 9, rec_data.indexOf(", ", rec_data.indexOf(", ") + 1) )) == "Sunday") 362     week = 2; 363 364 if((rec_data.substring(rec_data.indexOf(", ") + 9, rec_data.indexOf(", ", rec_data.indexOf(", ") + 1) )) == "Monday") 365     week = 3; 366 367 if((rec_data.substring(rec_data.indexOf(", ") + 9, rec_data.indexOf(", ", rec_data.indexOf(", ") + 1) )) == "Tuesday") 368     week = 4; 369 370 if((rec_data.substring(rec_data.indexOf(", ") + 9, rec_data.indexOf(", ", rec_data.indexOf(", ") + 1) )) == "Wednesday") 371     week = 5; 372 373 if((rec_data.substring(rec_data.indexOf(", ") + 9, rec_data.indexOf(", ", rec_data.indexOf(", ") + 1) )) == "Thursday") 374     week = 6; 375 376 if((rec_data.substring(rec_data.indexOf(", ") + 9, rec_data.indexOf(", ", rec_data.indexOf(", ") + 1) )) == "Friday") 377     week = 7; 378 379 myRTC.setDS1302Time((sync_time[4]*10) + sync_time[5], (sync_time[2]*10) + sync_time[3], (sync_time[0]*10) + sync_time[1], week, (en_date[0]*10)+en_date[1], en_m, (en_year[0]*1000)+(en_year[1]*100)+(en_year[2] *10)+en_year[3]); 380 381 rec_data = ""; 382 count = count+1; 383 } 384 } </pre>	<pre> 385 void get_ban_date(void) 386 { 387 //Serial.println("Getting Online Bangla Date..."); 388 // lcd.setCursor(0,0); 389 // lcd.print("Getting Ban Date..."); 390 // delay(1); 391 392 rec_command = "AT+CIPSTART="; 393 rec_command += sc; 394 rec_command += "TCP"; 395 rec_command += sc; 396 rec_command += " "; 397 rec_command += sc; 398 rec_command += "api.thingspeak.com"; 399 rec_command += sc; 400 rec_command += ",80"; 401 rec_command += "\r\n"; 402 sendData(rec_command, 1, DEBUG); 403 404 delay(1); 405 406 rec_command = "AT+CIPSEND=90"; 407 rec_command += "\r\n"; 408 sendData(rec_command, 1, DEBUG); 409 rec_command = "GET /apps/thinghttp/send_request?api_key=5MKIPC0USLFP3UT "; 410 rec_command += "\r\n"; 411 rec_command += "Host:api.thingspeak.com"; 412 rec_command += "\r\n\r\n\r\n\r\n\r\n"; 413 sendData(rec_command, 2000, DEBUG); 414 } 415 416 // Convert bangla date string to intetgers // 417 void set_ban_date(void) 418 { 419 if(rec_data.indexOf("+IPD,53") &gt; 0) 420 { 421 //Serial.println("Error 53"); 422 } 423 else if(rec_data.indexOf("+IPD,132") &gt; 0) 424 { 425 //Serial.println("Error 132"); 426 } 427 else if(rec_data.indexOf("+IPD," ) &gt; 0) 428 { 429 //Serial.println("Setting Bangla Date"); 430 // lcd.setCursor(0,0); 431 // lcd.print("Setting Bangla Date..."); 432 433 //Serial.println(rec_data.substring(rec_data.indexOf( "+IPD")); 434 //parsing the string 435 436 int dat_e = (rec_data.substring(rec_data.lastIndexOf("-")+1, rec_data.lastIndexOf("-")+4)).toInt(); 437 bn_date[0] = dat_e/10; 438 bn_date[1] = dat_e%10; 439 440 //Serial.println(rec_data.substring(rec_data.indexOf( " ", rec_data.indexOf("-")+2)+1, rec_data.lastIndexOf(", "))); 441 String mont_h = rec_data.substring(rec_data.indexOf(" ", rec_data.indexOf("-")+2)+1, rec_data.lastIndexOf(", ")); 442 if(mont_h == "Baisakh") 443     bn_m = 1; 444 if(mont_h == "Joishtho") 445     bn_m = 2; 446 if(mont_h == "Asadha") 447     bn_m = 3; 448 if(mont_h == "Srabon") 449     bn_m = 4; 450 if(mont_h == "Bhadra") 451     bn_m = 5; 452 if(mont_h == "Ashshin") 453     bn_m = 4; </pre>
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574     else if(i==14)    temp =
0b0000001111000000000000000000000000;
575     else if(i==15)    temp =
0b0000000000000000000000000000000000;
576
577 else{ //PM
578     if      (i==0)    temp =
0b0000000000000000000000000000000000;
579     else if (i==1)    temp =
0b0000000000000000000000000000000000;
580     else if (i==2)    temp =
0b0000000000000000000000000000000000;
581     else if (i==3)    temp =
0b11111111111100111100111111111101111111111100000;
582     else if (i==4)    temp =
0b000011100010010000101000000100100010000000000;
583     else if (i==5)    temp =
0b01001001001001110111100000111001000111000000000;
584     else if (i==6)    temp =
0b010011001010000110011000110010010010001110000000;
585     else if (i==7)    temp =
0b01000000101000010000100100001001000000100100000;
586     else if (i==8)    temp =
0b001000000101000000001000100010010011110011000000;
587     else if (i==9)    temp =
0b00010001101000000001000011010010000110000000000;
588     else if (i==10)   temp =
0b000011110110000000001001000110010000001100000000;
589     else if (i==11)   temp =
0b00000000001000000000100010001001000000001000000;
590     else if (i==12)   temp =
0b00000000000000000000000000000000000000000001011000;
591     else if (i==13)   temp =
0b0000000000000000000000000000000000000000000011000;
592     else if (i==14)   temp =
0b000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000001000;
593     else if (i==15)   temp =
0b0000000000000000000000000000000000000000000010000;
594 }
595     temp = temp << shft;
596     return temp;
597 }
598
599 //matrices for Bengali months
600 uint64_t bn_months( uint8_t bn_m, uint8_t i,
uint8_t shft ){
601     uint64_t temp = 0;
602
603     if (bn_m==1){ //Baishakh, size = 33
604         if      (i==0)    temp =
0b0000000000000000000000000000000000;
605         else if (i==1)    temp =
0b1111000000000000000000000000000000;
606         else if (i==2)    temp =
0b0001000000000000000000000000000000;
607         else if (i==3)    temp =
0b0011111111111111001101101010010011;
608         else if (i==4)    temp =
0b001000000010001101110010011111110;
609         else if (i==5)    temp =
0b010000001110011110110010000000110;
610         else if (i==6)    temp =
0b010000110010011110010010000011010;
611         else if (i==7)    temp =
0b010000100010011110010010000100010;
612         else if (i==8)    temp =
0b010000011010000000010010000011010;
613         else if (i==9)    temp =
0b01000000011000000001001000001110;
614         else if (i==10)   temp =
0b01111000001000000001001000000010;
615         else if (i==11)   temp =
0b00111000001000000001001000000010;
616         else if (i==12)   temp =
0b00000000000000000000000000000000;
617         else if (i==13)   temp =
0b00000000000000000000000000000000;
618         else if (i==14)   temp =
0b00000000000000000000000000000000;
619         else if (i==15)   temp =
0b00000000000000000000000000000000;
620     }
}

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688	/// Folded due to being repetitive ///	753	///ENGLISH DATE
689	else if (wk_day==7){ //FRIDAY	754	eng_dy_mat =
690	// ----- //		digits_fn( en_date[0], i, (64 - (N1 + 0)) );
691		755	eng_dy_mat = eng_dy_mat
692	temp = temp << shft;		digits_fn( en_date[1], i, (64 - (N1 + N1 +
693	return temp;		1)) );
694	}	756	
695		757	///ENGLISH YEAR
696	/// /Let there be Light!!! /////	758	eng_dy_mat = eng_dy_mat
697	void populate_cells()		digits_fn( en_year[0], i, (64 - (N1 + 2*N1 +
698	{		5)) );
699	//ampm size: 34 if ampm=0 (AM), 48 if ampm=1 (PM)	759	eng_dy_mat = eng_dy_mat
700	uint8_t ampm_size = 34 + 14*ampm;		digits_fn( en_year[1], i, (64 - (N1 + 3*N1 +
701			6)) );
702	//Arrays for display	760	eng_dy_mat = eng_dy_mat
703	uint64_t time_mat = 0;		digits_fn( en_year[2], i, (64 - (N1 + 4*N1 +
704	uint64_t ampm_mat = 0;		7)) );
705	uint64_t ban_dy_mat = 0; //size 64	761	eng_dy_mat = eng_dy_mat
706	uint64_t ban_m_mat = 0; //size 64		digits_fn( en_year[3], i, (64 - (N1 + 5*N1 +
707	uint64_t eng_dy_mat = 0; //size 64		8)) );
708	uint64_t eng_m_mat = 0; //size 64	762	}
709	uint32_t week_mat = 0; //size 32	763	
710		764	///COMMA AFTER BENGALI YEAR
711	uint8_t week_size = wk_size[week] + 3; //3 spaces	765	if(i>10) ban_dy_mat = ban_dy_mat
712	after week		digits_fn( 10, i, (64 - (N1 + 5*N1 + 8 + 3)) );
713	/// Disp size is the length of the scrolling text	766	
714	with ampm, week day and dates	767	
715	uint32_t disp_size = ampm_size + week_size +	768	///The seperating Line
716	d_size + bn_m_size[bn_m] + y_size + 3 + 3 + d_size	769	uint8_t offset = 39;
717	+ en_m_size[en_m] + y_size + 6;	770	dmd.setPixel(offset-1,i,GRAPHICS_ON);
718		771	
719	for(int i=0;i<16;i++){	772	for(int j=0;j<38;j++){
720		773	{
721	///AMPM	774	///TIME
722	ampm_mat = ampm_fn( ampm, i, (64 -	775	if ( (time_mat >> (63 - j)) & 0b1 )
723	ampm_size) );	776	dmd.setPixel(j,i,GRAPHICS_ON);
724		777	else
725	///MONTHS	778	dmd.setPixel(j,i,GRAPHICS_OFF);
726	eng_m_mat = en_months( en_m, i, (64 -	779	
727	en_m_size[en_m] - 0));	780	//// SCROLLING DATE AND TIME ////
728	ban_m_mat = bn_months( bn_m, i, (64 -	781	if (j<25){
729	bn_m_size[bn_m] - 0));	782	uint32_t col_ind = (j+lo_op)%disp_size;
730	week_mat = week_fn( week, i, (32 -	783	uint8_t flag = 0;
731	wk_size[week]) );	784	
732		785	///disp_size = ampm_size + week_size +
733	eng_dy_mat=0;		d_size + bn_m_size[bn_m] + y_size + 3 + 3 +
734	ban_dy_mat=0;		d_size + en_m_size[en_m] + y_size + 6;
735	time_mat=0;	786	
736	///TIME DOTS	787	
737	if((i==4    i==5    i==10    i==11) &&	788	if (col_ind < ampm_size)
738	second_loop<6 ){	789	flag = (ampm_mat >> (63-col_ind) ) &
739	time_mat = 1;		0b1;
740	time_mat = time_mat << (64 - 2*N1 - 3);	790	
741	}	791	///WEEK DAY DISPLAY
742		792	else if (col_ind < ampm_size + week_size)
743	if (i>1 && i<14){	793	flag = (week_mat >> (32 - col_ind +
744			ampm_size)) & 0b1;
745	///TIME	794	
746	time_mat = time_mat   digits_fn( tim_e[0],	795	///BANGLA DATE AND TIME
747	i, (64 - N1) );	796	else if (col_ind < (ampm_size + week_size
748	time_mat = time_mat   digits_fn( tim_e[1],		+ d_size))
749	i, (64 - 2*N1 - 1) );	797	flag = (ban_dy_mat >> (63-col_ind
750	time_mat = time_mat   digits_fn( tim_e[2],		+ampm_size + week_size) ) & 0b1;
751	i, (64 - 3*N1 - 4) );	798	
752	time_mat = time_mat   digits_fn( tim_e[3],	799	else if (col_ind < (ampm_size + week_size
	i, (64 - 4*N1 - 5) );		+ d_size + bn_m_size[bn_m]))
		800	flag = (ban_m_mat >> (63-col_ind
			+ampm_size + week_size +d_size) ) & 0b1;
		801	
		802	else if (col_ind < (ampm_size + week_size
			+ d_size + bn_m_size[bn_m]+y_size+3))
		803	flag = (ban_dy_mat >> (63-col_ind
			+ampm_size + week_size +bn_m_size[bn_m]) ) &
			0b1;
		804	
		805	///ENGLISH DATE AND TIME
		806	else if (col_ind < (ampm_size + week_size
			+ d_size + bn_m_size[bn_m]+y_size+6+d_size))
		807	flag = (eng_dy_mat >> (63-col_ind
			+ampm_size + week_size + d_size +
			bn_m_size[bn_m]+y_size+6) ) & 0b1;
		808	
		809	else if (col_ind < (ampm_size + week_size
			+ d_size + bn_m_size[bn_m]+y_size+6+d_size +
			en_m_size[en_m]))

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810     flag = (eng_m_mat >> (63-col_ind +ampm_size + week_size + d_size +
bn_m_size[bn_m]+y_size+6+d_size) ) & 0b1;
811
812     else if (col_ind < (ampm_size + week_size + d_size + bn_m_size[bn_m]+y_size+6+d_size +
en_m_size[en_m] + y_size + 6))
813     flag = (eng_dy_mat >> (63-col_ind +ampm_size + week_size + d_size +
bn_m_size[bn_m]+y_size+6+en_m_size[en_m]) ) & 0b1;
814
815     if (flag)
816         dmd.setPixel(j+offset,i,GRAPHICS_ON);
817     else
818         dmd.setPixel(j+offset,i,GRAPHICS_OFF);
819     }
820 }
821
822
823 }
824
825 //Now wait and scroll
826 delay(100); // Increase for slower scrolling
827 second_loop = (second_loop + 1)%10;
828 lo_op = (lo_op+1)%disp_size;
829 }

```

(Some parts of the code, such as the binary patterns of different months, are repetitive; and have been omitted for convenience. Please visit the [GitHub repository](#) for the complete code)

## 4 Implementation

### 4.1 Description

The Arduino Nano acts as the main control unit and the other three devices are connected to it via appropriate pins. The ESP module connects to the specified Wi-Fi signal mentioned in the code, then sends an API request to fetch the appropriate time and dates from the internet. Afterwards, the fetched value is stored in RTC module's clock (English time and date) and EEPROM (Bangla date).

#### API requests:

Time:

[https://api.thingspeak.com/apps/thinghttp/send\\_request?api\\_key=Q1ZBWRBEXXO44K68](https://api.thingspeak.com/apps/thinghttp/send_request?api_key=Q1ZBWRBEXXO44K68)

English Date

[https://api.thingspeak.com/apps/thinghttp/send\\_request?api\\_key=6EX7E9O58AOAB9DG](https://api.thingspeak.com/apps/thinghttp/send_request?api_key=6EX7E9O58AOAB9DG)

Bangla Date

[https://api.thingspeak.com/apps/thinghttp/send\\_request?api\\_key=5MKIPC0USLFNP3UT](https://api.thingspeak.com/apps/thinghttp/send_request?api_key=5MKIPC0USLFNP3UT)

In case there is no Wi-Fi signal, the system tries to connect to the Wi-Fi for about 1:30 minutes (adjustable), before loading the latest data from the previous sync and showing them in the LED matrix. The system will sync with the internet twice each day at 6 am and 6 pm. The logic behind 6 am is that, Bangla date changes during dawn (not midnight). An update at 12 am (midnight) is not needed, as RTC module can change the English date by itself.

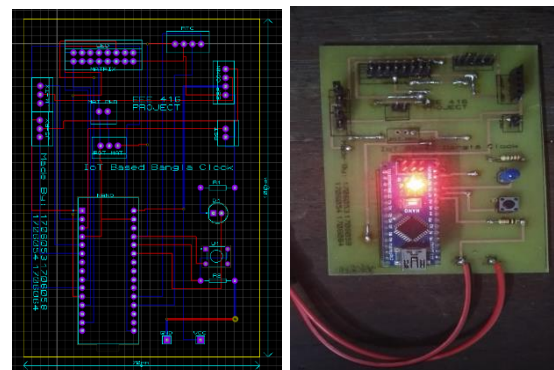


Figure 2: (Left) PCB Layout and (Right) Implementation of Design

Some challenges we had to overcome are-

- 1) Initially, the binary patterns for displaying months and weeks were stored in integer matrices. However, it consumed too much of the allocated 2 kB memory for global variables, so we had to use the 32 kB program memory instead by converting the matrices into functions implementing if-else statements
- 2) The RTC module was conflicting with DMD library driving the LED panels. We had to turn

OFF DMD while taking reading from RTC, which resulted in a lot of flickering. As it is necessary for the LED panel to run continuously while we only need to take time Reading each minute, we had to work around this problem by using Arduino's internal millisecond count to only take readings from RTC at the beginning of each minute.

## 4.2 Results

When first powered up, our LED display first connects to the internet, fetching the time and the appropriate dates and stores then in appropriate variables and updates the RTC module. Then, the data is shown using the LED matrix panel, while syncing the time using RTC's onboard clock every minute.

Here, we can see two display styles of the matrix, one showing "AM" and the other "PM"



## 4.3 GitHub Link

<https://github.com/Sadat3366/EEE-416---Bangla-clock---Group-A2.2>

## 4.4 YouTube Link

<https://youtu.be/6aywOkfDy6A>

# 5 Design Analysis and Evaluation

## 5.1 Novelty

Very few attempts have been made in order to design a digital clock that keeps track of both

the Bangla and English calendars simultaneously. Although there are some small-scale projects that are available on the internet, they only display the English calendar in Bangla letterings. Ours is probably the first Bangla digital clock that follow the Bangla calendar and the English calendar as well. It can also sync the time with the internet in case a power outage happens, this removes the hassle of manually adjusting the time.

## 5.2 Project Management and Cost Analysis

### 5.1.1 Bill of Materials

Name of Product	Unit Cost (Tk)	Amount	Total Cost (Tk)
P10 LED Matrix (32x16)	700	2	1400
Arduino Nano	720	1	720
RTC Module (DS1302)	190	1	190
ESP-8266 ESP-01 WiFi Module	200	1	200
ESP-01 Shield	110	1	110
9V Adapter and DC Jack	$(120+30) = 150$	1	150
Custom PCB Board	300	1	300
Soldering, Wires, Connectors and Headers	50	1	50
Metal Frame and Cover	$(0+30) = 30$	1	30
<b>Total Cost</b>	-	-	<b>3150</b>

### 5.1.2 Calculation of Per Unit Cost of Prototype

Apart from the Cost of Bulk Materials, the prototyping cost also includes the price of online delivery charges, and the price of a few other modules and components used during initial prototyping and breadboard implementation. So, per unit cost of prototype = 3600 BDT (approx.)

### 5.1.3 Calculation of Per Unit Cost of Mass-Produced Unit

Per unit cost of each mass produced unit = 3150 BDT (approx.)

### 5.1.4 Timeline of Project Implementation

We started working on our project around the beginning of June, and the final version of our completed clock was available on 20 August. So, approximately it took us two and a half months to finish the whole project. We had worked on it mainly on our weekends due to academic pressure during the other days of the week.

## **5.2 Practical Considerations of the Design to Address Public Health and Safety, Environment, Cultural, and Societal Needs**

### **5.2.1 Considerations to public health and safety**

The clock is enclosed safely in a metal casing that is welded in order to ensure maximum protection and a secure mounting mechanism is in place, so that the clock hangs from the wall securely without the risk of falling. Hence, making the device a very safe one.

### **5.2.2 Considerations to environment**

No pollutant was reported

### **5.2.3 Considerations to cultural and societal needs**

Bangla Calendar Clock represents and revives our mother language “Bangla”. It will hopefully help us to keep track of Bangla month and dates that we almost forget to use. We hardly can say which month or date today is according to the Bangla calendar. Now, we can just look at the wall and stay updated with this neglected aspect of our tradition.

## **5.3 Assessment of the Impact of the Project on Societal, Health, Safety, Legal and Cultural Issues**

### **5.3.1 Assessment of Societal Issues**

No social issues faced

### **5.3.2 Assessment of Health and Safety Issues**

No health issues were reported at any stage of the product development, and no health issues were identified while using the device.

### **5.3.3 Assessment of Legal Issues**

Our project has no patent infringements or copyright violations. Hence, we are safe in this regard.

### **5.3.4 Assessment of Cultural Issues**

Our project promotes awareness about the Bengali culture and heritage, and has no issues regarding misrepresentation or appropriation of culture.

## **5.4 Evaluation of the Sustainability the and Impact of the Designed Solution in the Societal and Environmental Contexts**

### **5.4.1 Evaluation of Sustainability**

We’ve developed the model with sustainability in mind. We wanted the clock to be reliable and strong. The metal casing is very sturdy and provides robust housing for the electrical parts inside. The module runs from the socket, therefore, there is no need for constantly changing batteries.

### **5.4.2 Evaluation of Impact of Design in Societal Context**

The design is kept simple and compact using dark color and not too flashy. Similar clocks are very common in our local mosques and offices. So, it can be used in our societal setting with

ease.

### 5.4.3 Evaluation of Impact of Design in Environmental Context

Since we do not have to use large external batteries and have opted for long lasting materials, detrimental effects to the environment are kept minimal.

## 6 Reflection on Individual and Team work:

### 6.1 Individual Contribution of Each Member

- **Saleh Ahmed Khan - 1706053**
  - Establishing the WiFi link between Arduino and the Internet using ESP module, generating and maintaining the API requests for date and time in ThingSpeak website.
  - Initial Wiring and testing connections using an LCD display
  - Leading PCB designer using Proteus
- **Tiasa Mondal - 1706054**
  - Establishing communication between RTC module and the LED matrix, ensuring conflict free communication between the two modules.
  - Generating binary Patterns for English months
  - Initial hardware assembly
- **Abdullah Jubair Bin Iqbal - 1706058**
  - String Parsing to convert RTC and ESP module output to date and time integers for using in the display portion of the code
  - Generating binary Patterns for Bangla months
  - EEPROM implementation for storing Bengali date
- **Sadat Tahmeed Azad - 1706064**
  - Generating binary patterns for Digits, Week days and others during the test phase
  - Using the patterns to display custom Bangla Fonts in the LED panel. Displaying static and scrolling texts in runtime and incorporating display code with the rest
  - Frame design idea and management

### 6.2 Mode of Teamwork

Though all of us divided our work primarily, we helped one another in other parts time to time to quicken the work and to keep the overall idea about our project. Saleh has always been the most focused member of the team, always pushing everyone to finish their tasks, after doing the heavy lifting himself. Tiasa has been immensely helpful in terms of debugging, searching for the appropriate parts, making sure that the hardware components are proper. Jubair has always been about efficiency and making the best use of everyone's time, always finding quicker and faster ways to solve any problem. Sadat has been the most approachable person



of the group. Whenever there was an issue, we could all just reach out to him, and he would help us find a solution. Overall, it has been an amazing experience working together as a productive team.

### 6.3 Diversity Statement of the Team

We have team members from different cultural and religious backgrounds. Our female team member Tiasa Mondal is based in Dhaka, while Sadat Tahmeed had his early education in suburban areas. The other members Abdullah Jubair and Saleh Ahmed Khan also spent their whole childhood in Dhaka. In our group, Tiasa is the extrovert, while Sadat, Saleh and Jubair were introverts. It has been quite a work experience for all of us. We have had our disagreements during the project work. Through collaboration and friendly interaction, we came to understand and settle our differences and find a common ground for successful teamwork.

### 6.4 Log Book of Project Implementation

Date	Milestone achieved	Individual Role	Team Role	Comments
9/6/22	Bengali & English months matrix formation	Sadat Tahmeed Azad generated custom Bangla Fonts in the LED display and displaying technique static and scrolling texts in runtime.	Months and times were divided among 4 members	Successfully done!
11/6/22	ESP-01 wifi module connection with Arduino and storage and date and time track using RTC and EEPROM in case of power cut	Saleh Ahmed Khan established the Wi-Fi link between Arduino and the Internet using ESP module.  Jubair Adib converted the date and time strings obtained from online into proper integer variables to be used in the display code module designed by Sadat	Modified the code together	Successfully done
18/6/22	Working around module conflict	Tiasa Mondal figured out a way to establish communication between RTC module and the LED matrix, ensuring conflict free incorporation of the two modules.	We had to put our heads together to resolve the issues	Running well enough
10/7/22	More issues resolved	Saleh resolved some issues related to flickering	Saleh and Sadat worked on the flickering issue	Satisfactory performance

		Jubair incorporated EEPROM to use as backup storage for Bengali date in case Wi-Fi is unavailable	while Tiasa accompanied Jubair on EEPROM implementation	
15/7/22	Successful trial text display on LED display	Tiasa Mondal, Saleh Ahmed Khan, Sadat Tahmeed Azad, Jubair Adib combined their parts to run the main code	All members solved error issues together	Successfully done
5/8/22	PCB design done	PCB design was divided among all members, Saleh doing most of the work	All members checked different parts of the design and solved errors	Faced many issues but end of the day it worked out
20/8/22	Final clock framing	Everybody gathered some sort of information about wall clock framing.	Checked whether it will look proper or not	Feels good to see it all together!

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