

Mobile App for Direct Market Access for Farmers

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Problem Statement Number: PS - 281

Organization: Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare

Category : Software

Problem Description: Farmers frequently encounter significant barriers in accessing local and broader markets, resulting in lower income and financial insecurity.

- Farmers face difficulties accessing markets which drives down their income.
- Reliance on middlemen reduces profit margins and market reach.
- Direct access between farmers and buyers is limited.

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Objectives

- Enable farmers to sell their produce directly to consumers and retailers.
- Increase farmers' income by reducing dependence on middlemen.
- Provide a transparent platform for price negotiation.
- Facilitate secure and reliable transaction management.
- Empower farmers with broader market access and greater bargaining power.



Analysis of Problem Statement

Technology Stack Components:

- **Mobile Application Framework:** Flutter or React Native (for cross-platform Android/iOS development)
- **Backend Server :** Node.js or Python (with Django/Flask) for API and business logic
- **Database:** Firebase or MongoDB for storing user data, product listings, and transaction records
- **Payment Gateway :** Integration with UPI, Paytm, or Razorpay for secure transactions
- **Cloud Hosting:** AWS or Azure for deploying backend and database services
- **Authentication/Security:** Firebase Authentication, JWT (JSON Web Tokens) for user login and security
- **Notifications :** Push notification services (e.g., Firebase Cloud Messaging)
- **Localization:** Multi-language support for farmer accessibility



Github Link

GithubLink: <https://github.com/Shalini0828/Mobile-App-for-Direct-Market-Access-for-Farmers>



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Analysis of Problem Statement (contd...)

Software and Hardware Requirements:

Software Requirements

- Mobile App (Android/iOS) for farmers, consumers, and retailers
- Cloud-based backend server (using AWS, Azure, or Google Cloud)
- Database solution (Firebase, MongoDB, or MySQL)
- Integrated payment gateway APIs (UPI, Paytm, etc.)
- Push notification service (e.g., Firebase Cloud Messaging)
- Admin dashboard for monitoring activity and managing listings

Hardware Requirements

- Smartphones (with minimum Android 6.0/iOS 11 or above)
- Internet connectivity (3G/4G/5G or WiFi)
- Basic computer or laptop for system administrators
- Servers (cloud-hosted, no need for physical servers at farmer/buyer side)

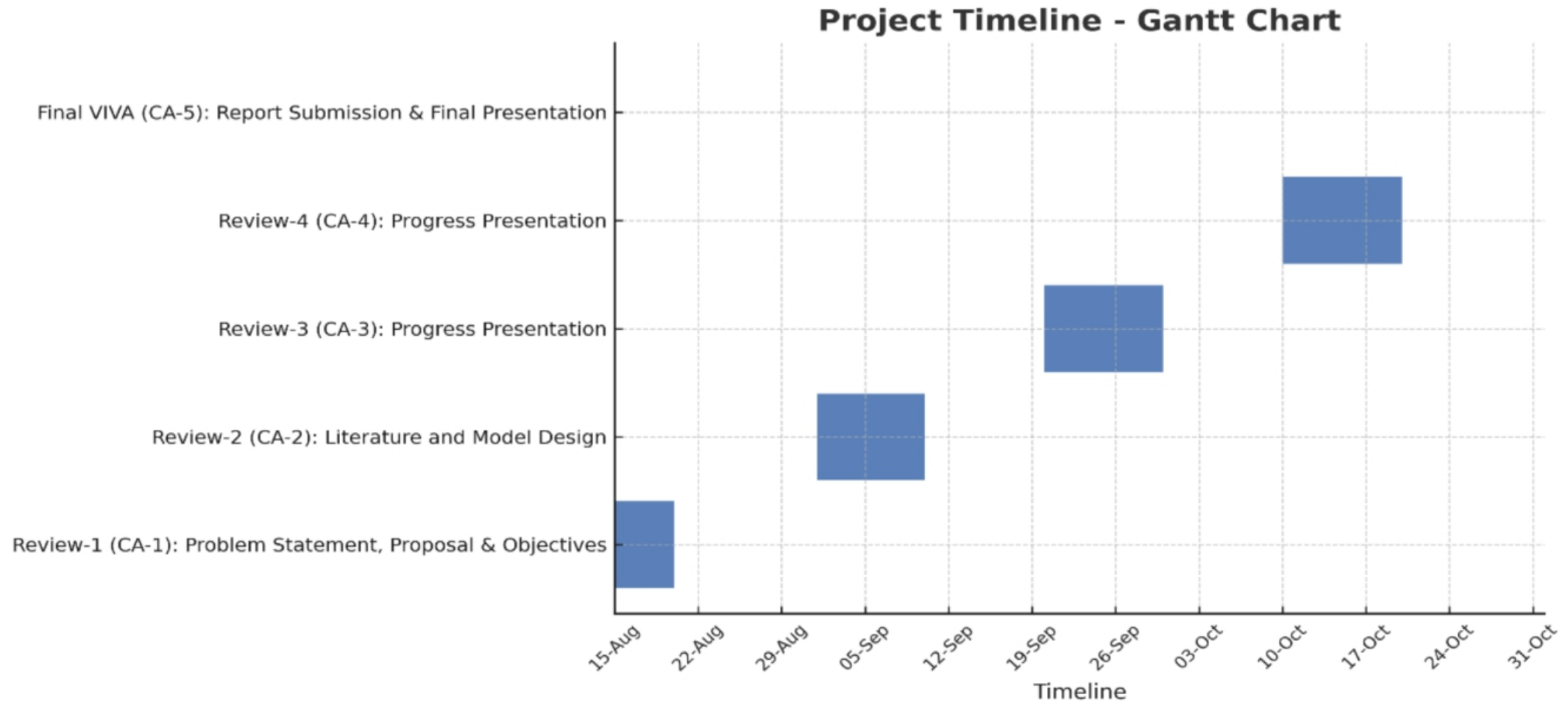


Analysis of Problem Statement (contd...)

- **Limited Market Access:** Farmers struggle to reach buyers directly, restricting their options and bargaining power.
- **Income Reduction:** Middlemen take a significant share of profits, lowering the actual earnings of farmers.
- **Lack of Transparency:** Pricing and transactions are often non-transparent, making it difficult for farmers to receive fair compensation.
- **Manual and Inefficient Processes:** Existing methods for selling produce are time-consuming and inefficient.
- **Digital Literacy Challenges:** Many farmers may have limited experience using mobile applications and technology.



Timeline of the Project (Gantt Chart)



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